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To: Pastors, Parish Administrators, Deacons, Parish Secretaries and Bulletin

Editors

From: Vanessa Russell, CEO, Catholic Charities Atlanta

Re: Support L.A. Wildfire Relief—Catholic Charities of Atlanta has partnered to

support Catholic Charities USA and Catholic Charities of Los Angeles

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In our Catholic family, we emphasize what it means to be ONE FAMILY. As the body of Christ, when one of us suffers, we are all affected.

The recent wildfires in Los Angeles County have devastated the lives of more than 150,000 people, forcing evacuations and destroying countless homes (Source: LA Times).

Our hearts go out to all those enduring loss, fear, and tragedy during this crisis. We also offer prayers of protection for the brave First Responders who are selflessly putting themselves in harm's way.

We invite you to join us in supporting God's family—OUR family—through prayer and love in action. Catholic Charities of Atlanta has partnered to support Catholic Charities USA and Catholic Charities of Los Angeles who are actively providing disaster relief to those in immediate and greatest need.

You can support the victims of the California fires directly through their websites linked here.