



## Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference

In Holy Week.

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### Holy Week 2012

Holy week 2012 comes at a time when many families and individuals are struggling to make a decent living. We have been hit by Petrol price increases, e-tolling in Gauteng, Electricity increases and are bracing ourselves for the knock-on impact these will have in the coming months. This can be our experience of Good Friday – a difficult and hopeless situation. Our temptation can be just to run away, as the disciples did, or to stay at the foot of the Cross. We think that this difficult time calls for a greater solidarity among Catholics and all believers.

By working together for the Good, we can participate in the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ who conquers Death and all death dealing entities.

I wish you all a blessed Easter Season.

Archbishop Buti Tlhagale OMI

President of the Southern African Catholic Bishops' Conference

### Promoting the Lenten Appeal

In the final instalment on the Bishops' Lenten Appeal Process, we look at the Costs of the collection. This includes all the envelopes (928 000), poster, news sheets, the running of the Lenten Appeal Office in Khanya House, transport of material and the meetings of the Diocesan Lenten Appeals Co-ordinators. This cost the collection office R 1.1 million or approx. 13% of the total raised. Parishes and communities are encouraged to be thrifty – don't order new material if you have material stuck away from previous years!

### Feedback

Please send your comments and feedback on this 6 week series on the Lenten Appeal to [communication@sacbc.org.za](mailto:communication@sacbc.org.za).

The Office for Communication and Media wishes you a peace-filled Easter Triduum and a blessed Easter.

