



DATE: December 11, 2019
FROM: Bishop William T. McGrattan
TO: All Parishes
RE: Typhoon Kammuri Relief
Philippines

Typhoon Kammuri, known locally as Tisoy, the equivalent of a Category 4 Atlantic Hurricane, has impacted the southeastern part of Luzon, the Philippines' largest and most populous island. As a result, thousands of people have been evacuated from their homes. Communities in the area have suffered crippling losses to food and water supplies, homes, schools and churches.

I would ask that a second collection be taken up in all of our parishes on the weekend of December 14-15, 2019.

If parishioners wish to issue cheques, please have these payable to your parish, Earmarked "D & P – Typhoon Kammuri" or payable to the RC Diocese of Calgary, earmarked "D & P – Typhoon Kammuri."

Development and Peace is the official international development organization of the Catholic Church in Canada and the Canadian member of Caritas Internationalis.

Please forward all funds collected to the Catholic Pastoral Centre by January 6, 2020.

Thank you for your expression of solidarity and generosity toward the rebuilding of the communities affected by this natural calamity.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

† Most Reverend William T. McGrattan