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Memorial of Saint Monica

TO FR. RICHARD REID, FR. KENNETH MACHARAGA,
AND THE CONFRERES OF THE REGION OF ZIMBABWE,
TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF BR. BENJAMIN POSVO,
AND TO ALL THOSE WHO SHARED IN HIS LIFE AND MISSION

Dear Confreres, Family Members, and Friends of Br. Benjamin,

Fraternal greetings in Christ the Redeemer!

It was with deep sorrow that I received the news of the death of our dear Br. Benjamin Posvo, C.Ss.R. On behalf of the General Government and the entire Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, I wish to express my closeness, solidarity, and prayers to the Region of Zimbabwe, to his family, and to all those who had the grace of knowing him and sharing in his mission.

As we remember his life, we are invited, above all, to give thanks to God for his vocation and for all that he accomplished as a Redemptorist Missionary. Br. Benjamin placed his gifts at the service of the Congregation, the Church, and, in a very special way, the poorest and most vulnerable people in Zimbabwean society.

Throughout his Redemptorist journey, he carried out important ministries as a formator and community superior, contributing to the formation and accompaniment of other confreres. His mission, however, extended beyond the boundaries of our communities and touched the lives of many people in need in very concrete ways. He served as director of a center dedicated to the rehabilitation and care of children living on the streets and to the training and empowerment of young people, devoting his energy to those who needed opportunities, education, welcome, and hope.

His involvement in various charitable associations and initiatives demonstrated his deep social sensitivity and his ability to work with other people and institutions on behalf of the most vulnerable, the poor and abandoned of our time. In a particular way, we remember his significant contribution and commitment to the Mavambo Training Center, whose school he promoted with great dedication, recognizing education and the formation of young people as a concrete path toward the transformation of society and the building of a more dignified future.

Br. Benjamin therefore leaves an important social legacy to the Congregation, the Church in Zimbabwe, and Zimbabwean society as a whole. His life bears witness to the fact that the Redemptorist mission is also carried out through closeness to the most vulnerable, human promotion, education, and concrete commitment to those who find themselves on the margins of society.

Above all, we remember him as a Redemptorist Brother who sought to live his consecration and missionary vocation deeply. Through his various ministries, he made the Plentiful Redemption of Christ present in the lives of so many children, young people, families, confreres, and others who found in him welcome, care, and hope.

At this moment of farewell, we entrust our dear Br. Benjamin to the mercy of the Most Holy Redeemer. May the Lord, to whom he consecrated his life and whom he served in his brothers and sisters most in need, welcome him into the fullness of His Redemption.

May Our Mother of Perpetual Help, St. Alphonsus, and all the saints, martyrs, and blessed of our Congregation accompany him to his definitive encounter with the Father.

To the confreres of the Region of Zimbabwe, to his family, and to all those who mourn his passing, I assure you of my prayers and of the fraternal closeness of the entire Congregation.

May our dear Br. Benjamin rest in peace and may the witness of his life and mission continue to bear abundant fruit in the Congregation, the Church, and the people of Zimbabwe.

Fraternally in Christ the Redeemer,



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