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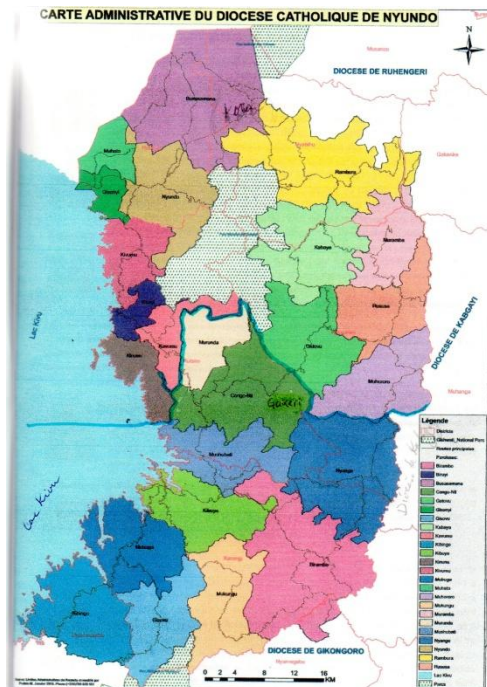
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Please pray for us and if possible you can send a small donation for:

1. Pastoral care for youth
2. Assistance to the vulnerable people:
 - Genocide survivors (widows and orphans),
 - Homeless people
 - People living with HAIV/AIDS
 - Children/Youth with disabilities
 - Single mothers
3. Assistance to the trainings of:
 - Priests and Religious
 - Catechists
 - Lay people engaged in pastoral activities
 - Seminarians
4. Assistance to the Diocesan Caritas:
 - Social Assistance
 - Health Care
 - Rural Development
5. Assistance to the Diocesan Justice and Peace initiatives:
 - Peace building
 - Human rights
 - Conflicts management
 - Unity and Reconciliation

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF NYUNDO

The Catholic Diocese of Nyundo was erected on February 14, 1952 as the Apostolic Vicariat of Nyundo by Pope Pius XII. It is located in the Western of Rwanda, is under the patronage of the Blessed Virgin of the Poor, in reference to Our Lady of Banneux. Its territory covers now approximately 4000km² and comprises the six districts. Today it has 140 Diocesan priests; they are working in 26 parishes and one minor seminary. The total population in Rwanda is over 12 million. The Diocese of Nyundo has **1,701,057** people and **670,936** Catholics which represent 39.4% of the-total population.



VISION

“Be merciful just as your Father is also merciful” (Lc 6, 36). The Diocesan Vision is to bring the Good News of Christ and salvation, to all people through the Church and integral Human development.

MISSION

Our Mission is to carry out and continue the work of Jesus Christ on Earth, to preach the Good News to all. In Nyundo Diocese, the principle place where Christian life is experienced and shared is the “Basic Christian communities”, i.e, small communities within parishes, where a few number of people meet and concretely share their everyday Christian experience.

The first mission is to let the Word of God shine, that is, to witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ by the proclamation and witnessing Christ’s Love. After the 1994 Genocide against Tutsi, Nyundo Diocese decided to focus on Unity and Reconciliation, to facilitate a unified participatory and holistic approach in empowering the community in order to face challenges caused by the Genocide such as: Traumatism, poverty, HAIV/AIDS, huge number of widows and orphans. The Diocese of Nyundo combines six districts, in Western Province.

WIDOWS



One among the consequences of genocide against Tutsi in Rwanda is many widows and orphans. In Nyundo Diocese, we tried to put them together in different groups according to their parishes.

Each parish in Nyundo has a group of widows organized in association to **avoid isolation**. They have different trainings along the year aiming at giving them skills in small agriculture and livestock projects.

The Diocese spends 26.000 US\$ per year to support them in various activities. Your contribution is welcome.

YOUTH PASTORAL ACTIVITIES



After Genocide perpetrated against Tutsi in Rwanda, the Youth now constitutes the majority of Rwandan citizens many of them are jobless, the Diocese opted to build Technical and Vocational Schools that give them skills and generate incomes. We need 60.000 US\$ to purchase equipments in four Technical Schools. Social changes of their future life once comes from any sponsorship is highly appreciated.

The Diocese wants also to build a training center for

the Youth at Congo Nil Parish which will take around **184.000 US\$**. Your contribution is needed.

DIOCESAN CARITAS

Caritas Nyundo has a special mission to help the poor through various charitable actions within three Departments: Social and charitable actions, Health and Development.

Through the health program, Caritas has a mission of Preventing and fighting diseases, epidemics, like Ebola and Covid-19 pandemic. Nyundo Diocese registered 16 Health Centers and one Hospital. These centers provide medication and pastoral care of the sick. The diocese aims at renewing some old infrastructures and health facilities. The total amount needed is **100.000 USD**. Your support is encouraged and appreciated.

EDUCATION

The Diocese of Nyundo has more than 250 Schools. We offer different trainings to the teachers and catechists every year. Nowadays this training becomes a basic need for the growth of the faith for our children and youth. Normally one training costs **8.000 USD** per a year.

The Diocese has 64 seminarians in this year both in theology and philosophy. It has also 360 students in minor seminary. We pay **9.000 USD** for one Major seminarian every year along of his formation of 9 years to become a priest. We are also asked to pay **26.000 USD** for the formation of the student in minor seminary. Your donation will support the Diocese to pay their tuition fees.

NYUNDO MINOR SEMINARY



NYUNDO MINOR SEMINARY started in 1953. Many of its infrastructures are old and need to be rehabilitated. In order to provide a good quality of Education, we need to rebuild the dining hall, staff rooms, dormitories, playgrounds and to purchase laboratory equipments and other materials. The diocese is pleading for support from all friends to assist in the renewing of these important structures. With your generous support, we will be able to prepare the future of the Diocese.

Assistance to Priests in their pastoral activities.



Nyundo Diocese has 140 Priests and many of them are still young. Only the Diocese tries to take care of them in their daily life. In their pastoral activities, they need transport facilities, health insurances.

Some of them need refreshment in theology, pastoral care, spirituality and philosophy. Your support will be and appreciated.