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**Francis Scott Key Bridge Tragedy**  
**Becoming Bridges of Mercy and Love**

[Melbourne,04/04/2024] -The recent collapse of the Francis Scott Key Bridge in Baltimore, Maryland, has left the city reeling with shock and grief. The tragedy has had a profound impact on the community, both emotionally and economically. As the city grapples with the aftermath, one local parish has emerged as a beacon of hope and support for those affected.

Father Ako Trevor Walker, a Redemptorist missionary and pastor at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, along with his parishioners, has been at the forefront of providing assistance and comfort to the families of the victims.

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The interview delves into the broader impact of pastoral care on the wider community. Father Walker emphasises the importance of creating safe spaces for individuals to express their emotions and seek support. "Healing comes with authenticity" he states. "We must allow people to be real in their pain and grief, offering them compassion and understanding as they navigate their journey towards healing."

John Hodgson, CSsR, Provincial of the Redemptorists of Oceania, remarked on the parish's response to the tragedy, stating, "*In the midst of this tragedy, an unassuming parish community has fostered a deep sense of community solidarity and resilience by coming together to support the families of these migrant workers. Through practical assistance, prayer and a gentle presence, this faith community lives out its Eucharistic identity as the Body of Christ by providing personal and ongoing support that offers time and space for healing and rebuilding. Their call to action is an important lesson for us all in providing solidarity for those in need.*"



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