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Bishop Guli's video message for the 2026 Lent Appeal

Communities across the Mt Kenya East region are facing the harsh realities of the climate crisis. Years of recurring drought have devastated harvests, depleted natural resources and pushed many families into increasing hardship. This year the Bishop of Chelmsford's Lent Appeal is raising funds for the Anglican Development Services of Mt Kenya East, as they lead inspiring, community-driven work to restore the environment and strengthen livelihoods across our five linked dioceses in Kenya.

Your generosity will enable them to expand vital climate and conservation projects that will help communities in the region build resilience to climate change, as well as improve biodiversity, enhance food security and create economic opportunities rooted in environmental stewardship. They are also equipping future generations to care for God's creation with hope and confidence.

I'm delighted that, through this year's Lent Appeal, we can play a part in this transformative work - from community-led tree-planting schemes to programmes that educate and empower communities to adopt sustainable agricultural practices.

If you would like to support the appeal, please visit the [Chelmsford Diocese website](#) where you can make a donation, access resources to promote the appeal in your own church and local community and find out more about the projects your donations will be supporting.

Thank you.