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As people of faith, God calls us to live in solidarity with others, especially with those who live in poverty or are marginalized. At the border, Pope Francis reminds us that we have "an opportunity to meet Jesus Christ, who identified himself with the foreigner who has been accepted or rejected in every age." Columban Missions

World Refugee Day

June 20, 2022 has been designated by the United Nations Refugee Agency (UNHCR) as World Refugee Day. With 100 million persons displaced worldwide this is a day to hear their stories, understand their difficulties and celebrate their resilience. Our Catholic Relief Services provides an opportunity for us to learn, pray, advocate and donate to refugees in need of help throughout the world.

https://www.crs.org/get-involved/learn/world-refugee-day?gclid=CjwKCAjwkYGVbArEiwA4sZLuCAITOmEXUthKnBu7VrrcG5eOF779sZ4f64wlKdchFnHRklvTjTlxoCxrYQAvD_BwE

Listen to the story of Mustafa, a refugee who has settled in Lancaster, PA and has begun a new way of life in the U.S. <https://www.unrefugees.org/news/meet-mustafa-this-former-refugee-is-using-food-and-conversation-to-build-community-in-lancaster-pa/>

Poor People's Campaign

On June 18, 2022, the Poor People's Campaign is calling all people of good will who care for the poorest members of our society to join together and march on Washington, D.C. in what will be a nation-wide rally to lift the voices of poor people and low wage workers in our country. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. called for the first Poor People's Campaign in 1967 and he was assassinated just a month before that first march on Washington occurred. Dr. King sought to unite poor and low-wage workers of all social and racial backgrounds in a common effort to address the unjust social, political, and economic systems that lead to poverty and injustice across the United States and the world. Today, Rev. Drs. William Barber and Liz Theoharis have revived Dr. King's call and they are organizing this Moral March on Washington as a sign and symbol of the power that the poor and marginalized and their allies have to create change. The march begins at 10:00 a.m. and continues until 2:00 p.m. The Moral March will be broadcast via the [Poor People's Campaign website](#) and social media as well as on the FAN [Facebook page](#).

Prayer:

In solidarity with the world's poor, we ask you to take a moment and join in joyful hope with Pope Francis in prayer:

*O God of the poor,
help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth,
so precious in your eyes.
Bring healing to our lives,
that we may protect the world and not prey on it,
that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction.
Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain
at the expense of the poor and the earth.
Teach us to discover the worth of each thing,
to be filled with awe and contemplation,
to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature
as we journey towards your infinite light. LS 246*

Actions: Act against gun violence! **The CeaseFirePA Newsletter** -

https://ceasefirepa.salsalabs.org/newsletter_220611?wvpld=2ac48ab3-3912-4369-a93c-5b9588b66101