Poverty & Social Disadvantage

'He who shuts his ear to the cry of the poor will himself also call and not be heard.' (**Proverbs 21**:**13**)

"To live charitably means not looking out for your own interests,

but carrying the burdens of the weakest and poorest amongst us." **Pope Francis**

2013-14 SJ Statement - Lazarus at Our Gate

w2.vatican.va/content/francesco **Pope Francis Video on World Day of the Poor**

The above links provide access to the 2017 Message from Pope Francis at the '***World Day of the Poor, Holy Mass'*** as well as a short video.

"*It is not from your own possessions that you are bestowing alms on the poor, you are but restoring to them what is theirs by right. For what was given to everyone for the use of all, you have taken for your exclusive use. The earth belongs not to the rich, but to everyone. Thus, far from giving lavishly, you are but paying part of your debt*." (**St Ambrose**)

Catholic Social Teaching / Encyclical Statements on Poverty

Responding to the Challenge: A Poverty Action Report - This document presents reports, collated by **Sr Carmel Leavey** OP. The reports indicate a serious commitment by many institutions and people in the Catholic Church to tackling this complex problem which remains both a welfare and a structural issue in Australian society... *36. Responding to the Challenge*

ACSJC-series-papers#12/CommonWealthfortheCommonGood/pdf

CARITAS is the official Catholic Agency for matters relating to **Aid and Development**. Caritas is also responsible for the **Project Compassion** Campaign. More information and resources can be obtained from their website… https://caritas.org.au/

More information and resources can be obtained from the United Nations (**UN**) website by clicking on the following link…

org/en/events/eradicationofpoverty

✞ The Hope of the Poor Shall Not Perish Forever

"Being unwanted, unloved, uncared for, forgotten by everybody, I think that is a much greater hunger, a much greater poverty than the person who has nothing to eat." (**Mother Teresa**)

Vatican **World Day of the Poor Messages** for the years **2017 - 2019** can be downloaded from **The Holy See** website using the below links…

3rd World Day of the Poor 2019
2nd World Day of the Poor 2018
1st World Day of the Poor 2017

"On this World Day of the Poor, we are called to make a serious examination of conscience, to see if we are truly capable of hearing the cry of the poor." ***Pope Francis***

'One who is gracious to a poor man lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his good deed.' ***(Proverbs 19:17)***

Poverty, Homelessness & Migrants in WA (UNDA - Fremantle **Report)**

Prayers for the End to Poverty
First World Day of the Poor (video)

Key Contact Links:

www.caritas.org.au/

www.vinnies.org.au/

www.vinnies.org.au/Poverty-in-Australia/

www.w2.vatican.va/content/vatican/news/

www.mediablog.catholic.org.au/response-to-global-poverty/

www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au/publications/series-papers/

www.un.org/sustainabledevelopmentgoal#1

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Key Dates:

5th August	Beginning of Homelessness Week
19th August	World Humanitarian Day
5th September	Intl Day of Charity
13th October	Beginning of Anti-Poverty Week
17th October	Intl Day for the Eradication of Poverty
17th November	World Day of the Poor