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CARITAS CANADA

February 22 Ash Wednesday

This Lent, let's pray for the courage to *Create Hope* for a better world.

February 23 ?

How can we create hope? By caring for our sisters and brothers and taking action to show our solidarity.

February 24 ?

Pope Francis calls members of popular movements "social poets" because they have the courage to create hope.

February 25

To create hope that a world of justice will take root, sow a seed and watch it sprout.



March 5 Second Sunday of Lent

Pray that every person in our human family can live with dignity in a healthy environment.

March 4 1 25 1

Development and Peace stands with its partners as equals. Let's share with them. Support them by giving \$2.

March 3 ?

Are there communities in your region that are defending their territories against threats from industries? How can you stand in solidarity with them?

March 2 ?

The territories of several communities like the Mura of Brazil are threatened by mining companies, agribusiness or cattle ranching. **Watch their testimonies.**

March 1st ?

Stand in solidarity with the people defending their territories against industries that would destroy it to steal its resources.

February 28 ?

What is a territory? It is land where people live with forests, resources and waterways. This space also defines their culture, their way of life and their history.

February 27 1 25 1

Protecting the land is caring for it. Today, wear gloves and pick up the garbage you see on your way. Give \$1 for your good deed.

February 26 First Sunday of Lent

Pray that the Holy Spirit guides us in standing for the land and its peoples.

March 6 ?

Colombia is home to nearly 10% of the Earth's biodiversity. It is also unfortunately a very dangerous country for people protecting their territories from mining and hydroelectric projects.

March 7 ?

Raquel Soto, a Colombian peasant woman, is delighted to help preserve traditional ways of life in her territory by making documentaries. **Discover her story.**

March 8 1 25 1 International Women's Day

In Colombia, peasant women are mobilizing to defend their lands after being driven out by armed conflict. Donate \$1 in support of courageous women around the world.

March 9 ?

In Colombia, our partner ACA works with young people to build a culture of peace and respect for biodiversity through art, by creating videos and murals. Create a piece of art to honour peace and biodiversity.

March 10 ?

How do you show your solidarity? Do something to help a neighbour today.

March 11 ? It's baking time!

Make and sell some muffins to raise funds for Development and Peace! Every donation helps our partners fight injustice. Thank you!

March 18 ?

Donate 50¢ for every electronic device in your home. Be sure to recycle them safely because they contain toxic pollutants.

March 17 ?

In Honduras, our partner ERIC airs public-interest programs that help rural communities learn about and claim their rights. Take your turn to speak out against injustice.

March 16 ?

If your community was threatened by the arrival of a polluting company, how would you defend your rights?

March 15 1 25 1

Give \$2 to support Development and Peace's partners like ERIC in Honduras, who help communities defend their rights.

March 14 ?

Working with our Honduran partner ERIC, Elvin Hernández accompanies communities and investigates violations of their rights. Check out his story.

March 13 ?

In Honduras, many people are threatened or prosecuted for resisting the exploitation of their territories by corporations.

March 12 ? Third Sunday of Lent

Pray for the people who protect their territory and live in harmony with nature.

March 19 ? Fourth Sunday of Lent

Pray that we are granted the wisdom to sow beauty rather than pollution and destruction.

March 20 ?

What is solidarity? One could think of it as helping one's neighbour in a spirit of unity and acting together for the good of all. Reflect on your own definition.

March 21 ?

Primary school kids have spoken up for the planet! **Check out what they said.**

March 22 1 25 1 World Water Day

Give 25¢ for every tap you turn on today (whether at home, in school or at work).

March 23 ?

There are great and growing inequalities between the world's richest and poorest people. How could we live in a more just and equal world?

March 24 1 25 1

Last year, Development and Peace supported 86 projects in 40 countries. Donate 10¢ for every country supported.

March 25 ?

Choose locally produced food and goods to reduce your impact on the Earth.

March 26 ? Solidarity Sunday

Bring your donation jar to church for today's Solidarity Sunday collection or donate online at devp.org/give. THANK YOU!

April 2 ? Palm Sunday

Let us pray for the courage to create hope and stand in solidarity with those who are enduring unjust situations.

April 1st 1 25 1

For your next birthday, instead of gifts, ask for donations to Development and Peace, in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the Global South.

March 31 ?

Paint rocks with messages of justice, peace and love to create hope and raise awareness in your neighbourhood.

March 30 ?

Pray that each and every one of us can live in dignity, peace and security.

March 29 ?

What can you do in Canada to help change the structures that generate poverty and injustices in the Global South?

March 28 ?

In Cambodia, our partner YRDP educates and empowers young people to become engaged and responsible citizens who act for justice, peace and democracy.

March 27 ?

Watch the animated *For our Common Home* video. Do something to take care of the Earth.

April 3 ?

We are all connected with one another. Act with respect for people, the land and future generations.

April 4 ?

Has the seed you planted grown? With time, love and care, we can all grow, too!

April 5 ?

Hope starts with a smile and a word of encouragement. It grows when we stand in solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the Global South.

April 6 ? Holy Thursday

Are you a Development and Peace **member** yet? **Join us** to help us spread solidarity.

April 7 ? Good Friday

Creating hope for a better world starts at home! Write or draw messages of hope in chalk in your driveway, on sidewalks or in parks near your home.

April 8 ? Holy Saturday

Would your family want to **Share Year-Round? Monthly giving** supports our partners effectively and sustainably.

April 9 ? Happy Easter!

He is risen! May his rising inspire us to live as Jesus did, in love and solidarity, sharing with our sisters and brothers.

Thank you for your participation and generosity!

