

Hope and Action at the Heart of Pope Francis' Call for World Mission Sunday 2025

The theme, inspired by Pope Francis' recently published message for World Mission Sunday 2025, "*Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples*," highlights hope and unity, emphasising how we can collectively turn our faith into action. The Holy Father calls on everyone to strengthen global solidarity in response to growing humanitarian challenges.

Catholic Mission, guided by Pope Francis' words, is committed to contribute and amplify this message of hope in Australia and beyond. As missionary people, we walk alongside communities, sharing in their joys, struggles, and aspirations. Pope Francis emphasises the vital role of missionaries in fostering trust and unity, reminding us that our mission is about inspiring meaningful change and empowering people.

This message aligns with the 2025 Jubilee theme, "*Pilgrims of Hope*," reinforcing the link between faith and concrete action. Pope Francis calls for deeper collaboration across cultures and societies, emphasising that the Church's universal mission is to unite people, bridging divides through shared compassion and service. More than ever, lay and religious missionaries are called to stand with the marginalised, ensuring that no one is left behind in the collective journey toward hope and renewal.

By standing in solidarity and creating opportunities for transformative change, we become partners in shaping a brighter future. Trust is one of the foundations upon which hope is built, paving the way for lasting transformation. Pope Francis reminds us that true mission is not about reaching out from a distance but about journeying side by side with the people most in need, embodying the love and compassion of Christ.

As the world faces increasing challenges, this call to action urges everyone to embrace their role as missionaries of hope. Hope is not merely something we share; it is something we create together through mission.

This year, Catholic Mission invites you to become missionary of hope. Read Pope Francis' message for World Mission Sunday 2025 here www.catholicmission.org.au/message-of-the-holy-father-for-world-mission-day-2025

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