



World Mission Sunday

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1. **What is World Mission Sunday**

World Mission Sunday is one Sunday in the year when the entire global Church comes together to support mission. Donation taken during these worldwide Masses goes to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor.

2. **World Mission Sunday is About Solidarity**

World Mission Sunday - often celebrated during all the Sundays of October - is essentially a powerful reminder that all of us have a role in the missionary activity of the Church. On this special day, every Catholic community in every country around the world stands in solidarity as “a sign of the unity of faith, love and justice, that unites all the faithful and all the particular Churches in the world, in communion with the universal Church” (PMS Statute, Art. 67).

3. **World Mission Sunday Contributes to the Pontifical Mission Societies Solidarity Fund**

The Pontifical Societies for the **Propagation of the Faith, Holy Childhood and St Peter the Apostle** set up a solidarity fund that supports the church’s mission of evangelisation, around the world, particularly in young churches or in poorer dioceses that find themselves in need.

4. **World Mission Sunday - is more than Collections - It is about Prayer, Formation and Charity**

The Pontifical Mission Societies are not funding agencies, or Non Profit Organisations. We are a worldwide network, present in every local church, in fact, part of the very fabric of every local Church. We are a network of prayer, formation and charity.

5. **World Mission Sunday - “We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard” (Acts 4:20)**

In his message to the church for World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis writes: “Once we experience the power of God’s love, and recognise his fatherly presence in our personal and community life, we cannot help but proclaim and share what we have seen and heard. Jesus’ relationship with his disciples and his humanity, as revealed to us in the mystery of his Incarnation, Gospel and Paschal Mystery, shows us the extent to which God loves our humanity and makes his own our joys and sufferings, our hopes and our concerns (cf. *Gaudium et Spes*, 22). Everything about Christ reminds us that he knows well our world and its need for redemption, and calls us to become actively engaged in this mission: “Go therefore to the highways and byways, and invite everyone you find” (Mt 22:9). No one is excluded, no one need feel distant or removed from this compassionate love.

6. **Animation Materials available on our website**

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