WORLD DAY OF THE POOR



2020

With the uncertainty of Covid-19 restrictions in 2020, the focus in the Archdiocese of Wellington for the World Day of the Poor 2020 was encouragement to parishioners of the parishes of the Archdiocese to find ways to share food where and when they could. We were also able to have an Archdiocesan celebration of the World Day of the Poor at St Joseph's parish in Levin.

ARCHDIOCESAN MASS FOR THE WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

Communities of the parish of St Joseph's, Levin came together for the Archdiocesan Mass for the World Day of the Poor on Sunday 15 November. The Mass was celebrated by Cardinal John



Dew with Fr Dennis Narcorda and Fr Raymond Soriano. The Mass included a Filipino enthronement of the word, a Tongan version of the Our Father in song and dance, Prayer of the faithful in many languages of the community, and music contributed by members of the Catholic Worker Movement.





SHARING FOOD

Families, households, parishes, individuals, schools and communities of the Archdiocese of Wellington were encouraged to find appropriate ways to share food with others for the World Day of the Poor 2020. Cardinal John wrote to parishes and communities encouraging people to find ways to reach out to each other, following a year in which our lives had often become disconnected during and following the Covid-19 lockdowns and restrictions

It was recognised that large scale activities organised in previous years in the Archdiocese for the World Day of the Poor were less appropriate in the current Covid-19 environment. However, Cardinal John encouraged every family and household of the Archdiocese to find something appropriate to do to safely share food with others.

Poster for World Day of the Poor 2020:

Be a neighbour

Share food for the World Day of the Poor, Sunday 15 November 2020



Share food with a neighbour, invite a friend for a meal, take a cake to a family, pass on some garden veggies, donate to the foodbank, sponsor a meal at the Compassion Soup Kitchen, buy a "pay-it-forward coffee" in a cafe....



I should no longer say that I have neighbours to help, but that I must myself be a neighbour to others.

Pope Francis: Fratelli Tutti #81

