



Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough

SHARE LENT 2026 On Track for Justice

February 13, 2026

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

Founded in 1967 by the Bishops of Canada, following Gospel values and the “Preferential Option for the Poor”, the **Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace – Caritas Canada** is dedicated to the promotion of Justice, Peace and Dignity for peoples of the Global South.

Through the generosity of Canadians this past year, **Development and Peace** assisted in 59 projects serving 7 million people in 34 countries in the Global South.

Pope Leo has recently observed that, “... *in a world where the poor are increasingly numerous, we paradoxically see the growth of a wealthy elite, living in a bubble of comfort and luxury, almost in another world compared to ordinary people.*” (Dilexi Te 11)

We must strive to break this **‘bubble’** and promote assistance for the poor and disadvantaged. A way to help achieve this is through your participation in this year’s **Share Lent Campaign – On Track for Justice.**

Pope Francis once wrote these words to young people, which are applicable to all of us, of any age: “... *please, do not be bystanders in life. Get involved! [...] Don’t stand aloof, but immerse yourselves in the reality of life, as Jesus did. Above all, in one way or another, fight for the common good, serve the poor, be protagonists of the revolution of charity and service....*”(Christus Vivit, 174)

I encourage the faithful to study the material for this year's **Share Lent** Campaign – ***On Track for Justice***, available through your parish or at www.devp.org/en . Your continued generosity through your parish **Share Lent** collection will enable **Development and Peace - Caritas Canada** to further serve our sisters and brothers in the Global South.

Fraternally in our Lord,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "+ Daniel Miehm". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small cross at the beginning.

Most Reverend Daniel Miehm
Bishop of Peterborough