



Justice & Peace Weekly Bulletin : 07 July 2021

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GOOD NEWS

- **NHS**
 - This week we celebrate the 53rd anniversary of the INAUGURATION OF THE NHS.
 - The Queen on Monday awarded the George Medal to the NHS in recognition of the goodwill, commitment, work and heroism of NHS staff.
- **FOOD TECHNOLOGY**
 - Israel has just opened the world's first lab produced meat factory. This is a big leap in technology to help feed growing populations without the need to kill animals and clear forests.
- **ECO LABELS**
 - Eco labels grading meat, milk and vegetables' carbon emissions are to be introduced, showing carbon emissions, biodiversity impact and water usage from farm to table.
- **SPORT**
 - England's fine performance in the Euros has given much enjoyment of sport to many people in these Covid days. 20 million watched the match against Ukraine.
 - A smiling young woman has made headlines this week who at the age of 13 will be our youngest ever competitor at the Tokyo Olympics, in the skateboarding team.
 - And an 18-year-old, still awaiting A level results, has thrilled onlookers at Wimbledon this week with her brilliant play.

FOR REFLECTION AND PRAYER

- **ENVIRONMENTAL CATASTROPHES**
 - The sea on fire in **Mexico** with oil spill.
 - Excessively high temperatures in **Canada** wiping out one small village in British Columbia and causing many serious forest fires, also on western coastlines of **USA**
 - **Japan's** floods causing a sudden mudslide destroying lives and buildings in one urban area
- **SEA SUNDAY and PIRACY ON THE HIGH SEAS**
 - This month we have Sea Sunday when we remember the many seafarers and fishers throughout the world, who, hidden from sight, are the key workers in providing us with 90% of the goods we need.
 - Working long hours, separated from family and country for many months at a time in restricted living conditions and often exploited, they are becoming subjected to the danger of piracy.
 - In 2020, 135 were kidnapped in the Gulf of Mexico; their raiders, with AK47 rifles and speedboats, boarded vessels to steal cargo or hold crew to ransom.
 - In May this year, the global shipping community instituted the Gulf of Mexico Declaration on the Suppression of Piracy

ACTION of THE WEEK of your own choice

- To continue to campaign for climate justice and the availability of Vaccines for all the world's peoples is an ongoing priority

Next Justice & Peace Action Group meeting

Tues 13 July 2pm-3.30pm on Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85055288184?pwd=eDRMRXNHN09lbXhzZUhUczZ5cENndz09>

Meeting ID: 850 5528 8184 Passcode: 704305

Speaker: Sarah Rapetti

*Topic: Accompanying Refugees on their Journey
followed by Aid to the Church in Need Annual Report
and prayer for those persecuted for their Faith*

All Welcome

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