

Justice & Peace Weekly Bulletin : 17 February 2021

GOOD NEWS

CHRISTIANS PRAYING IN CORNWALL

A new online space for Christians and churches across Cornwall to share prayer needs and encouragement has been set up on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/cornwallprayer>

FOR REFLECTION AND PRAYER

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.

Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.

Fast from anger and be filled with patience.

Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.

Fast from worries and have trust in God.

Fast from complaints; contemplate simplicity.

Fast from pressures and be prayerful.

Fast from bitterness; fill your hearts with joy.

Fast from selfishness and be compassionate.

Fast from grudges and be reconciled.

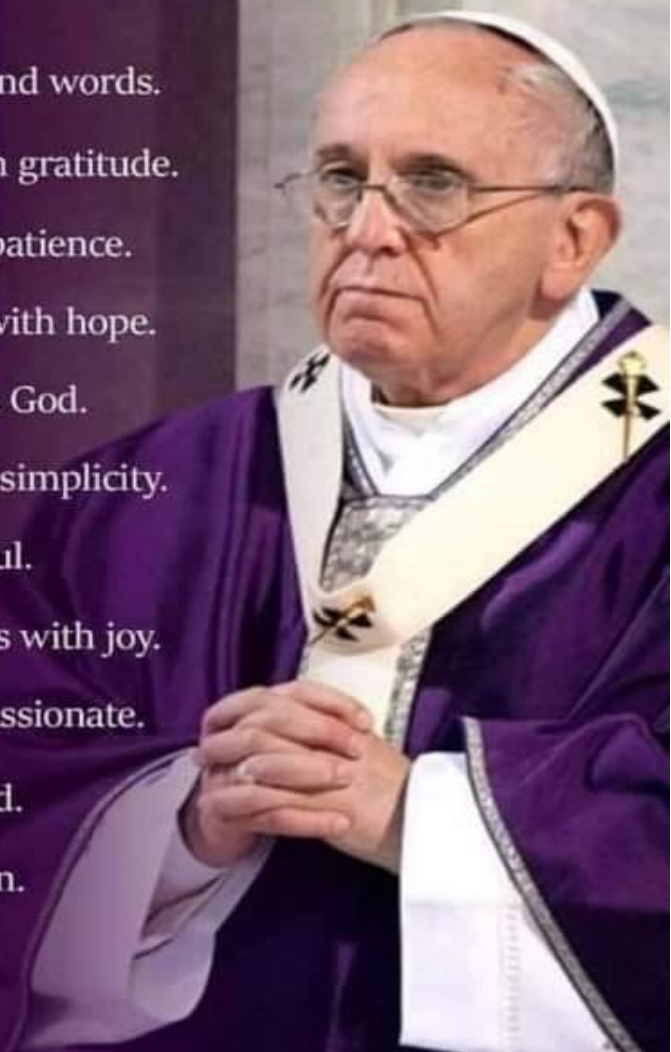
Fast from words; be silent and listen.



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ACTION OF THE WEEK

Reset The Debt Update from the Joint Public Issues Team

This week, the government announced another extension to the [**evictions ban**](#), stopping evictions notices being served for another six weeks. Yet over 445,00 adults have fallen behind on rent since the pandemic began. [**1 in 3 Universal Credit claimants have seen their debts rise during lockdown.**](#)

As Churches, we want everyone to be able to flourish as we seek to recover from the pandemic. But debt is weighing so many low-income families down. We need a better solution. The government have the opportunity to put secure support in place now to take responsibility for the household debt built up because of lockdown. That's why we're asking them to [**Reset The Debt.**](#)

[**Write to your MP**](#)

This week, our friends at CAP UK have been talking about the Government's consultation on changes to one of the ways people can get help with their debts, a process called Debt Relief Orders. This consultation is an opportunity to reshape current debt support structures to benefit those weighed down by debt because of Covid. [**Read what CAP UK have to say here.**](#)

Our friends at Jubilee Debt Campaign are inviting anyone with lived experience of debt to be part of their submission to the Government. [**You can find our more and take their short survey here.**](#)

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