

RE-SOURCE #2—THE WANTS OF THIS AGE

in the words of Pope Francis, R.I.P. April 21, 2025

We thank you, Brother Francis, for helping us hear the call to meet the wants of this age.

“What a great thirst for death, for killing, we witness each day in the many conflicts raging in different parts of our world I would like us to renew our **hope** that peace is possible! in Palestine, Israel, Yemen, Lebanon, Syria, Ukraine, Armenia, Azerbaijan, western Balkans, DCR, Sudan, South Sudan, Sahel, Horn of Africa”
Urbi et Orbi, Easter 2025

world at war

“Today we are not living a change of epoch so much as an epochal change Our time requires us to live problems as challenges and not as obstacles the Lord is active & at work in our world.”

Basilica of St. Mary Major, January 2025

change of epoch



The Holy Father has chosen as the theme of World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation on September 1, 2025:

“Seeds of Peace and **Hope**”

Vatican Dicastery for Promoting Human Development

care of creation

“The universe unfolds in God, who fills it completely. Hence, there is a mystical meaning to be found in a leaf, in a mountain trail, in a dewdrop, in a poor person’s face. Standing awestruck before a mountain, we cannot separate this experience from God”

Laudato Si’ (233), 2015

who is God?

May the principle of humanity never fail to be the hallmark of our daily actions. In the face of the cruelty of conflicts that involve defenceless civilians & attack schools, hospitals & humanitarian workers, we cannot allow ourselves to forget that it is not targets that are struck, but persons, each possessed of a soul & human dignity.

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mission & spirit

“Christ is risen! These words capture the whole meaning of our existence, for we were not made for death but for life God created us for life & wants the human family to rise again. In God’s eyes every life is precious.”

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who are we?

“Hands off Africa! Stop choking Africa: it is not a mine to be stripped or a terrain to be plundered. May Africa be the protagonist of its own destiny! May Africa, the smile and **hope** of the world, count for more.

Apostolic journey: DCR & South Sudan 2023

Africa rising

On this day I would like all of us to **hope** anew & to revive our trust in others, including those who are different from ourselves, or who come from distant lands, bringing unfamiliar customs, ways of life & ideas! For all of us are children of God!

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global migration

The resurrection of Jesus is indeed the basis of our **hope** **hope** is no longer an illusion not an evasion, but a challenge does not delude but empowers us All those who put their **hope** in God ... set out on a journey ... become pilgrims of **hope**, witnesses of the victory of love & of the disarmed power of Life.

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signs of hope