



Scripture

"The righteous care about justice for the poor, but the wicked have no such concern." Proverbs 29:7

"The labourer deserves to be paid" 1 Timothy 5:18

from the Poverty and Justice Bible, Catholic Edition.

Catechism

"Christians are committed to just societal structures. Part of this is universal access to the material, intellectual and spiritual goods of this world. Christians also make sure that the dignity of human work is respected, which includes a just wage..."
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Comment

Precarious at the best of times, the livelihoods and economic resilience of many communities in the developing world have been sorely tested by the ravages of Coronavirus Covid-19; not only has the pandemic had a tragic effect on the loss of human lives but also have affected the chain of demand and supply in the marketplace, leading to present financial fragility and possible future poverty.

Organisation of the month

Traidcraft Exchange's mission is "to challenge the way global trade works-to use the power of trade to create lasting solutions to poverty. To do this, we bring people together – through campaigning for lasting change to trade systems, advocating for policy reform here in the UK and running development projects in Africa and East Asia" (from Traidcraft's flier).

Think, Pray, Act

Pray: that God the Father, in the name of His Only Begotten Son Our Lord Jesus Christ may, by the power of the Holy Spirit, give you the strength to stand up, stand out and make a difference to the lives of many.

Think: Do you know anyone who has set up their own business? Who supports them? How would they survive with no support at all from government, customers, communities, families?

ACT: Visit www.traidcraftexchange.org/regenerators to find out how your donation can be DOUBLED until June 7th 2021 by the UK government.

*"Do as much as you can. God will do what we ourselves cannot do."
St John Bosco, Letter to Cagliero, 13 November 1875*