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Calendar 2010: Caritas in Veritate, Pope Benedict XVI

Dear Partner in Mission,



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Love is probably the best synthesis or summary of the most recent encyclical of Pope Benedict, *Caritas in Veritate* (Love in Truth), which is the focus of this year's calendar. Pope Benedict tells us clearly in the very first paragraph of his encyclical that love "is the principal driving force behind the authentic development of every person and all humanity." He goes on to say that "Love—*caritas*—is an extraordinary force which leads people to opt for courageous and generous engagement in the field of justice and peace."

His teaching is profound and is summed up in the following text from his encyclical letter: "To desire the common good and strive toward it is a requirement of justice and charity...the more we strive to secure a common good corresponding to the real needs of our neighbours, the more effectively we love them."

God is love and we know and believe in the justice and compassion that comes from God. In turn, we are called to live in justice and compassion with each other and with all peoples. Out of love, Jesus was sent to teach us about love and how to love. Jesus taught us about relationships—above all, right relationships, both with God and with each other. We have all experienced the love of others and are grateful for its many manifestations.

Scarboro missionaries have a profound sense of gratitude to all of our benefactors and supporters who have been so faithful and generous to us over the years. We are the recipients of an outpouring of love which allows us to in turn reach out to others. We are eternally grateful for your trust. It is both our commitment and joy to remember all of you and your intentions in our prayer and at Mass each and every day.

Pope Benedict reminds us that development requires attention to the spiritual life: "Development needs Christians with their arms raised toward God in prayer, Christians moved by the knowledge that truth-filled love, *caritas in veritate*, from which authentic development proceeds is not produced by us, but given to us."

We would be grateful for your prayer that we always be open to the movement of the Spirit of God in our lives, that we be both faithful stewards and loving servants of God's Word and God's will. May God bless all of you this Christmas and throughout the coming year.

Scarboro Missions General Council



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Please remember us with your prayers and financial support so that we may witness to the Gospel overseas and in Canada. We will continue to be good stewards of all your gifts as we put ourselves at the service of others. Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity.



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To defend the truth, to articulate it with humility and conviction, and to bear witness to it in life are...exacting and indispensable forms of charity. (5)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3 • Epiphany	4 • St. Elizabeth Ann Seton	5	6 • Blessed André Bessette (Canada)	7	8	9
10 • Baptism of Our Lord	11	12 • St. Marguerite Bourgeoys, Foundress, Notre Dame Congregation	13	14	15	16
17	18 • Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (to January 25): "You are witnesses of these things" Luke 24:48	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 • Conversion of St. Paul	26	27	28 • St. Thomas Aquinas	29	30
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As the objects of God's love, men and women become subjects of charity, they are called to make themselves instruments of grace, so as to pour forth God's charity and to weave networks of charity. (5)

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28	March 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31					

• Presentation of Our Lord

• St. Paul Miki & Companions (Japanese Martyrs)

• Our Lady of Lourdes
 • World Day of the Sick

• Valentine's Day
 • Chinese New Year (Year of the Tiger)

• Ash Wednesday

• 1st Sunday of Lent


• St. Peter the Apostle

• 2nd Sunday of Lent





If we love others with charity, then first of all we are just towards them...justice is inseparable from charity... (6)

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					• World Day of Prayer, Cameroon: "Let everything that has breath praise God"	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
• 3rd Sunday of Lent	• International Women's Day					
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
• 4th Sunday of Lent			• St. Patrick's Day		• St. Joseph (Patron of Canada)	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
• 5th Sunday of Lent • Third World Solidarity Day (Canadian Catholic Organization for DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE)			• Archbishop Oscar Romero martyred El Salvador, 1980 • Our Lady's Missionaries founded 1949			• Earth Hour, 7:30-8:30 pm www.earthhour.org
28	29	30	31	April 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30		
• Palm Sunday		• Passover (celebrates deliverance of Jews from slavery in Egypt; 8 days)				



...charity received and given is what gives rise to the Church's social teaching, which is...the proclamation of the truth of Christ's love in society. (5)

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				* Holy Thursday	* Good Friday	* Holy Saturday
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
* Easter Sunday						
11	12	13	14		15	16
* 2nd Sunday of Easter * Yom Hashoah (remembers the six million Jews who died during the Holocaust)						* Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
* 3rd Sunday of Easter			* Ridvan (Bahá'u'lláh, founder of the Baha'i faith, announces his mission; 12 days)	* 40th Anniversary of Earth Day		
25	26	27	28		29	30
* 4th Sunday of Easter * St. Mark the Evangelist * World Day of Prayer for Vocations				* St. Catherine of Siena		



Charity demands justice: recognition and respect for the legitimate rights of individuals and peoples. (6)

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* 5th Sunday of Easter	• Sts. Philip and James, Apostles		• World Mission Day			• St. Joseph the Worker
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
* 6th Sunday of Easter • Mother's Day						
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
* Ascension Sunday						
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
* Pentecost Sunday	* Victoria Day (Canada)					
30	31					
* Holy Trinity • St. Joan of Arc	* Visitation of Mary			• Wesak (celebrates Buddha's birth, enlightenment and final demise)		



To desire the common good and strive towards it is a requirement of justice and charity... The more we strive to secure a common good corresponding to the real needs of our neighbours, the more effectively we love them. Every Christian is called to practice this charity... (7)

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• Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ					• Feast of the Sacred Heart	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26 
• Father's Day	• National Aboriginal Day (Canada) • 2010 World Religions Summit (Winnipeg, to June 23)	• Scarboro Father Art MacKinnon martyred Dominican Republic (1965)		• Ste. Jean Baptiste (Quebec)	• Canada to host world leaders at the G8 Summit (to June 27), and the G20 Summit (also in June).	
27	28	29	30	July 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	The international community has an urgent duty to find institutional means of regulating the exploitation of non-renewable resources, involving poor countries in the process, in order to plan together for the future. <i>(Caritas in Veritate, 49)</i>	
• St. Vincent de Paul		• Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles				



I would like to remind everyone, especially governments engaged in boosting the world's economic and social assets, that the primary capital to be safeguarded and valued is...the human person in his or her integrity. (25)






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		June 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	August 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	1	2	3
Every economic decision has a moral consequence. <i>(Caritas in Veritate, 37)</i>				• Canada Day		• St. Thomas the Apostle
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
• St. Benedict				• St. Bonaventure		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
				• St. Mary Magdalene		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
• St. James the Apostle	• Sts. Joachim and Anne, parents of Mary					• St. Ignatius of Loyola



In many cases, poverty results from a violation of the dignity of human work, either because work opportunities are limited...or "because a low value is put on work and the rights that flow from it, especially the right to a just wage and to the personal security of the worker and his or her family." (63)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 • St. Alphonsus Liguori	2	3	4 • St. John Vianney (patron of priests)	5	6 • Transfiguration • Hiroshima Day (1945)	7
8	9	10 	11 • Ramadhan (Islamic month of fasting begins)	12	13	14 • St. Maximilian Kolbe
15 • Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 • St. Rose of Lima (patroness of South America)	24 • St. Bartholomew, the Apostle	25 	26	27	28 • St. Augustine
29 • Beheading of St. John the Baptist	30	31	July 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	September 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30		





The peoples themselves have the prime responsibility to work for their own development. But they will not bring this about in isolation. (47)

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5	6 • Labour Day	7	8 • Birth of Mary	9 • Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year; 2 days)	10 • Eid al-Fitr (Islamic festival of the Breaking of the Fast; the end of Ramadhan)	11
12	13	14 • Triumph of the Cross	15 • Our Lady of Sorrows	16	17	18 • Yom Kippur (Jewish Day of Atonement)
19	20 • Sts. Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Hasang, and companions (Korean martyrs)	21 • St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist	22	23	24	25
26 • Canadian martyrs St. John de Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues and companions, Jesuits	27 • St. Vincent de Paul	28	29	30		



...the protection of the environment, of resources and of the climate obliges all international leaders to act jointly and to show a readiness to work in good faith, respecting the law and promoting solidarity with the weakest regions of the planet. (50)

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3 • St. Francis of Assisi	4	5	6	7 	8	9
10	11 • Thanksgiving	12	13	14	15	16 • Bl. Marguerite d'Youville, foundress, Grey Nuns of Montreal • World Food Day (UN)
17 • International Day for the Eradication of Poverty	18 • St. Luke the Evangelist	19	20	21	22	23 
24 • World Mission Sunday	25	26	27	28 • Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles	29	30
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In nature, the believer recognizes the wonderful result of God's creative activity, which we may use responsibly to satisfy our legitimate needs, material or otherwise, while respecting the intrinsic balance of creation. (48)

NOVEMBER 2010

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October 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	1 • Solemnity of All Saints	2 • All Souls	3 • St. Martin de Porres (Peru)	4	5 • Diwali (Hindu Festival of Lights)	6 
7	8	 • Scarborough Missions founded by Monsignor John Mary Fraser (1918)	10	11 • Remembrance Day	12 • Birth of Bahá'u'lláh, founder of the Baha'i faith	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 • Christ the King	22 	23	24	25	26	27
28 • 1st Sunday of Advent	29	30 • St. Andrew the Apostle	December 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	<p>What is needed is an effective shift in mentality which can lead to the adoption of new lifestyles “in which the quest for truth, beauty, goodness and communion with others for the sake of common growth are the factors which determine consumer choices, savings and investments.” <i>(Caritas in Veritate, 51)</i></p>		



...everything has its origin in God's love, everything is shaped by it, everything is directed towards it. Love is God's greatest gift to humanity... (2)

DECEMBER 2010

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• Srs. M. Clark, I. Ford, D. Kazel, and lay missionary J. Donovan, martyred, El Salvador

• St. Francis Xavier, patron of Scarboro Missions

• Immaculate Conception

• Our Lady of Guadalupe (Mexico)

• Hanukkah (Jewish Festival of Lights; 8 days)

• Padre Montesinos' advent sermon, 1511

• Christmas

• St. Stephen, First Martyr
 • Feast of the Holy Family
 • Boxing Day

• St. John, Apostle and Evangelist

• Holy Innocents, Martyrs



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