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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Every year, Development and Peace – Caritas Canada, launches its Fall Education Campaign to promote an awareness of current social justice issues through the lens of our Catholic faith.

This year's campaign theme, For Our Common Home, is inspired by Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si* – On Care for our Common Home. The campaign has been dedicated to the Amazon in recognition of the essential role that this biome plays for humanity. It also supports the concerns that led Pope Francis to convene a Special Assembly of the Synod of Bishops for the Pan-Amazon Region at the Vatican during the month of October.

I would like to encourage you to engage in the actions suggested, such as making an intergenerational pledge and writing letters to the defenders of the Amazon in support of these awareness initiatives. To learn more about this campaign and to find out how you can participate in local activities happening in the Diocese of Calgary, please contact the local Development and Peace office at [cmichaud@devp.org](mailto:cmichaud@devp.org) or visit their website to see the campaign resources available at [www.devp.org](http://www.devp.org).

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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