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On 20 March 2020, Pope Francis asked the *Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development* (DPIHD) to create a *Commission*, in collaboration with other Dicasteries of the Roman Curia and other organizations, to express the Church's solicitude and care for the whole human family facing the COVID-19 pandemic, including analysis, reflection on the new socio-economic-cultural future, and the proposal of relevant approaches.

Accordingly, DPIHD has established a Vatican COVID-19 Commission to take up the Pope's concern through the activities of five Working Groups, which are: acting now for the future; looking to the future with creativity; communicating hope; seeking common dialogue and reflections; supporting to care.

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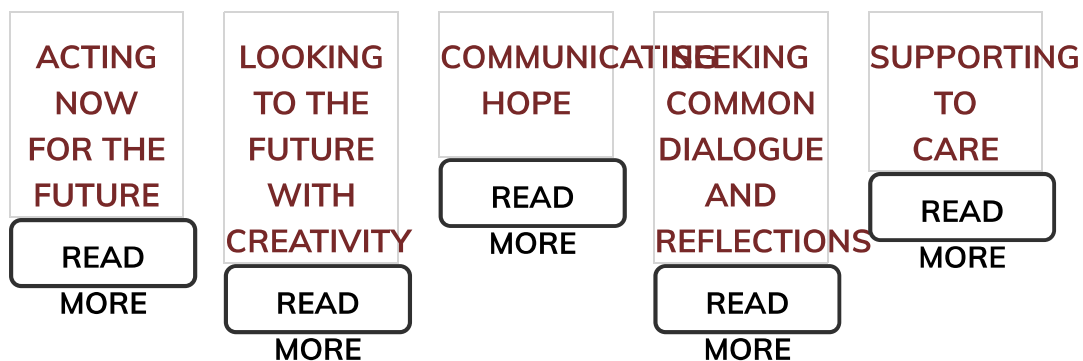
The activities of these five working groups, which were presented to

the Holy Father on 27 March 2020, will be coordinated by a *Directorate* reporting directly to the Holy Father. It will include the DPIHD's Prefect, Cardinal Peter Turkson; Secretary, Mons. Bruno-Marie Duffé; and Adjunct Secretary, Fr. Augusto Zampini.



“Embracing the Lord in order to embrace hope: that is the strength of faith, which frees us from fear and gives us hope”

Francis, Extraordinary Moment of prayer, 27 March 2020



A commitment for a new model of development

The Pope expressed his concern for the present time, for the world

crisis generated by COVID-19 and for the dramatic scenarios on the horizon. He told us not to waste time, to get down to work immediately, because we are the Dicastery that is his point of reference. We must act now. And we must immediately think about what will happen next.

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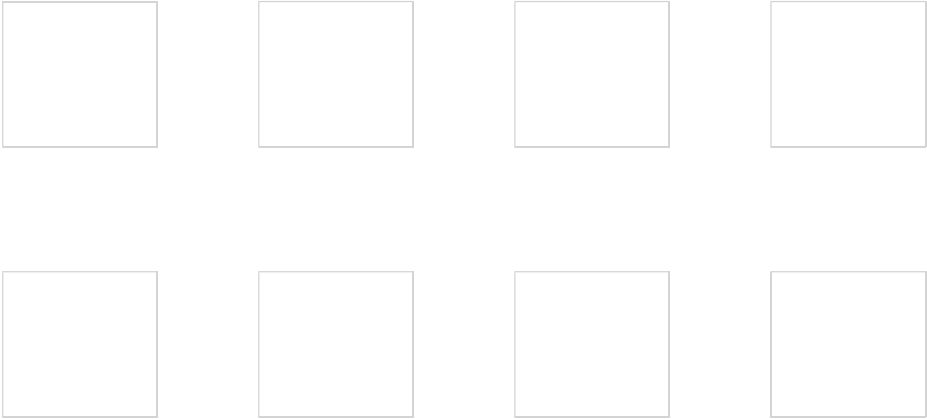
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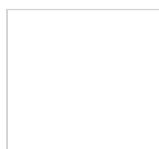


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Cardinal Peter Turkson,
15 April 2020

A common action of the Church





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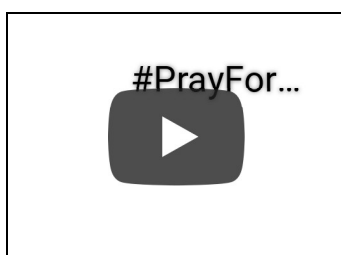
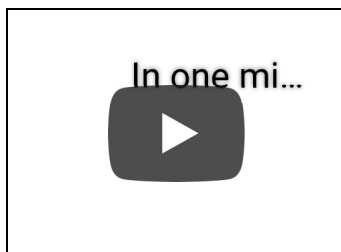
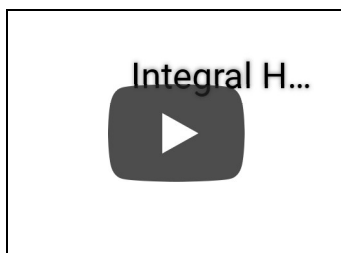
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