

"The International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking 2021 brings into the spotlight one of the main causes of human trafficking: the dominant economic model of our time, whose limits and contradictions are exacerbated by the Covid-19 pandemic. Human trafficking is an integral part of "this economy": victims of trafficking are as "commodities" falling into the mechanisms of a globalization ruled by financial speculation and competition spurred by below-cost pricing. Hence the need for a "structural and global" perspective of human trafficking so as to dismantle those wicked mechanisms that fuel the supply and demand of "people to exploit", because the very heart of the economy is sick." (Red Franciscana Para Migrantes)

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Feb 08 Feast Day of St. Josephine Bakhita, FDCC

O God, you always hear the cry of your people and have compassion for the oppressed and the enslaved.

May they experience the liberation of the cross and the resurrection of Jesus.

We pray to you for those suffering the torment of human trafficking.

Transform us by the power of your Spirit, to be sensitive to the pain of these, our sisters and brothers.

Committed to overcoming this evil,
give us the courage
to stand up and work for the rights
of our sisters and brothers
who live in slavery and exploitation.
We ask this with the intercession
of St. Josephine Bakhita, in Christ our Lord. AMEN!

(Translated by Ron McDonnell, SFM)



On Feb 08, Let's turn on a light against the trafficking of persons

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Join us in a day of prayer and fasting for victims of trafficking and for those who work to combat it.