

“Why are you weeping?”
Jn 20:15

After his resurrection, Jesus finds Mary Magdalene weeping outside the tomb where he was buried. He doesn't tell Mary she has no cause to weep – because she does. She is experiencing the pain of loss. Jesus first tries to find out what is troubling Mary, and only later does her pain turn into joy.

At CJI, we believe it is important to follow Jesus's example. In our projects in Africa, Asia and Latin America we accompany many people who are suffering. Like Jesus, we ask questions and try to find out what is going on in their lives and what are their proposed solutions.

When pain turns into joy it's like the miracle of crucifixion turning into resurrection!

**This Easter, help us to realize
this work of transformation.
Please give generously.**

Thank you!



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The **VISION** of Canadian Jesuits International is a world of peace, justice and integrity of creation, transformed through active commitment and finding God in all things.

The **MISSION** of CJI is to love and to serve by working with people struggling for social justice and dignity in the world. Together with Jesuit and other partners, CJI responds in solidarity, through awareness raising and advocacy in Canada and supporting partnerships in the Global South.

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EASTER APPEAL 2015

*Your pain will
turn into joy!*

“Very truly, I tell you, you will weep and mourn ... but your pain will turn into joy” (Jn 16:20).

This is the promise of Jesus at Easter! Canadian Jesuits International (CJI) invites you to help bring Easter joy to those who weep and mourn.



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SYRIA
Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS)

“Remember that the days of darkness will be many ... let your heart cheer you in the days of your youth.”

Ecclesiastes 11:8-9

CJ supports the work of JRS with thousands of people who have been forcibly displaced by the conflict in Syria. JRS programs provide many children, who have witnessed terrible upheaval and violence, with education, psychosocial services, and necessities like food and blankets. These young people are the future of Syria!

Syrian children in JRS Damascus program



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HOLY THURSDAY
2 April 2015

ZAMBIA
Kasisi Agricultural Training Centre

“Those who go out weeping bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.”

Psalms 126:6

Farmers in Zambia know the truth of Jesus’s saying that when a seed falls into the earth and dies, it bears much fruit (John 12: 24). At Kasisi Agricultural Training Centre (KATC), they are now learning how to grow even better crops through organic techniques that will help ensure abundant harvests for years to come.

Farmer Roydah Salimu at KATC



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GOOD FRIDAY
3 April 2015

INDIA
Xavier Sangeetanjali

“You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.”

Psalms 30:11

Xavier Sangeetanjali is a Jesuit centre in Darjeeling, India, for culture and the performing arts (“Sangeetanjali” means offering oneself to the divine through music). Here young people, especially those from poor families, learn traditional dance and music – as well as healthy discipline, creative expression and self-esteem.

Dancers at Xavier Sangeetanjali summer camp



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EASTER SUNDAY
5 April 2015