



National Indigenous Peoples Day - A Call to Reflection and Renewal

National Indigenous Peoples Day, 21 June, is a day to celebrate and honour First Nations, Inuit, and Metis Peoples of Canada. Catholics across the country are invited to remember and reflect on Pope Francis' legacy and give thanks for the progress made toward reconciliation over the years, particularly since his "penitential pilgrimage" in July 2022.

Indigenous Peoples are a blessing to the Church and Canadian society. This day invites us to open our hearts and minds, listen carefully and with humility, and deepen our understanding of Indigenous Peoples. As members of the Church, we are called to build relationships rooted in truth, justice, and compassion. May this day be a time of reflection, gratitude, and renewed commitment to walking together in a spirit of hope and solidarity toward reconciliation.

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