



"We must regain the conviction that we need one another, that we have a shared responsibility for others and the world, and that being good and decent are worth it." (*Laudato Si* 229).

As the Bishops of the Holy Land Coordination, we echo Pope Francis' plea in his recent [Encyclical Letter](#)

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Praise Be to You

), to remember our interdependence in an integrated world. Here in this land holy to Jews, Christians and Muslims, we have been reminded during our visit of the Church's enduring presence among the weak and vulnerable and those who are too often forgotten. We take away our experiences and the stories that we have heard, and we are determined to give a voice to the voiceless.

The ongoing violence makes it all the more urgent that we remember and assist all, especially those on the margins, who seek to live in justice and peace.



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