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MERCY AND DISPLACEMENT OF PERSONS

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‘Stand at the crossroads, and look, and ask for the ancient paths, where the good way lies; and walk in it.’

(Jer 6:16)

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‘In the midst of this dramatic situation of COVID-19, which has “displaced” so much in our lives and in our world, we may have difficulty seeing, feeling and hearing the effects of this resurrection. This context reminds us of something we already know and which we too often forget: that it is the crucified one who is the risen one. The word of God comes to aid our fragile memory.’

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