

'What a paradox life is! They (our migrant brothers and sisters) left, fleeing hunger and misery, and now a virus, miniscule in size, has the capacity to paralyze the entire world; questioning all of the comforts of a minority of the world's population that has believed it had the power to possess life.'

-Carmen Rosa Callomamani rsm



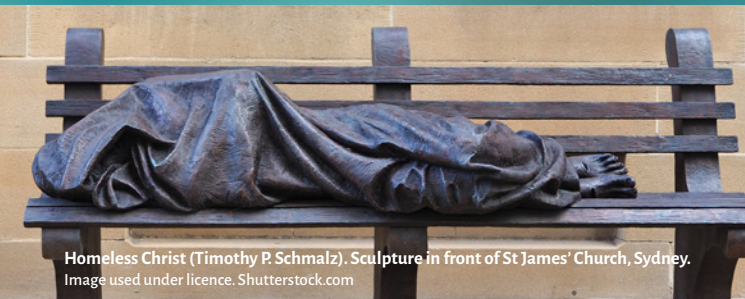
The Future is in Our Hand (Joel Bergner)
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Reclaiming Place: Continuing the Story (Margaret Smith rsm)

'Maku e ki atu, he aha te mea nui o te ao? He Tangata, he Tangata, he Tangata. You ask, what is the most important thing in the world? It is People, it is People, it is people.' (Maori Proverb)

-Malia Fetuli rsm



Homeless Christ (Timothy P. Schmalz). Sculpture in front of St James' Church, Sydney. Image used under licence. Shutterstock.com

'Among the many displaced persons within and outside our countries are refugees, asylum seekers, internally displaced persons, homeless or precariously housed persons, those with cognitive impairments, those who are trafficked, persons subjected to domestic violence, and elders in long term care facilities.'

-Elizabeth Davis rsm

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

(Jer 6:16)



Kids at a refugee camp in Azaz, Syria in May 2019. Image used under licence. Shutterstock.com

'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.'

-Sheila Curran rsm



This is "Good Friday 2020" (Vyacheslav Okun sj)

**chapter 6:
i have hopes of a new story being born
with prevention, protection and prosecution at its core
and with jubilation i will shout
I'M NOT FOR SALE ANY MORE!
the body holds the story**

(Marge Taylor rsm)



Our Lady of Mercy in Pandemic Times, Artist unknown

'This story [of the Canaanite woman – Matt 15:21-28] sets forth who Jesus is as the Christ, the anointed one who reveals in painful human interactions what God is like. And that awareness and transformation in the very human Jesus came as a result of the actions of one of the poorest of the poor, the outcast, the 'other'. Through this profound encounter, both Jesus and she were liberated.'

-Margaret Hinchey rsm



MERCY AND DISPLACEMENT OF PERSONS

