

How to organise your Good Cup of Tea event

Decide on a Date: The original date for the event is 11th November but you can choose a date that suits you in the season from Mercy Day (24 September) to Foundation Day (12 December).

Plan for a get together such as a community evening, a gathering with friends, a parish or workplace event.

Why not use the occasion to have some special Mercy input such as a talk on Catherine, information about Mercy in the world today or a Mercy inspired prayer.

Remember there are many suitable resources available on www.mercyworld.org.

If you wish, enhance the get together with entertainment – music, singing, fancydress, etc.

Publicise the event, issue invitations, ask for donations.

How to make a donation

You can make a bank payment to:

Mercy International Association
Bank of Ireland
Lower Baggot St
Dublin 2

Sort code: 90-14-90

Account Name: Mercy International Association

Account No.: 63299644

IBAN: IE18 BOFI 9014 9063 2996 44

BIC: BOFI IE 2D

Please reference Good Cup of Tea.

You can send donations directly by cheque or bank draft to:

Mercy International Centre, 64a Lwr Baggot St., Dublin 2, Ireland.
DO2 EH21

Remember to always name your donation as 'International Good Cup of Tea' event.

For further information or enquiries contact goodcupoftea@mercyinternational.ie



International GOOD CUP OF TEA





What is the Mercy Good Cup of Tea about?

In her last moments, Catherine McAuley directed that the Sisters would have a good cup of tea together in the community room, after she had gone. During this Season of Mercy (24 September – 12 December), we are planning an international 'Good Cup of Tea'. It is a fundraising event to help us keep the spirit of Catherine alive in our world today.

We invite people across the Mercy world – in communities, schools, hospitals and places of ministry or any other chosen place – to organize and hold a 'Good Cup of Tea' event, where donations on the day are made to Mercy International Association.



What is it for?

Whether you raise €10, €100 or €1,000, you will be part of a worldwide event that really does make a difference.

This is what you will enable us to do:

- Provide a homespace in Catherine's original house where all associated with Mercy can be welcomed home and refreshed at the wellspring of Mercy.
- Communicate the Mercy story on a global scale.
- Bring the case studies of marginalised people supported by Mercy Ministries to decision making bodies such as the UN or the EU and change policies with regard to their rights.

Your support means we can continue to:

- Host pilgrims and visitors to the first house of Mercy
- Provide renewal programmes in the charism of Mercy
- Train and form lay Mercy leaders in Mercy ethos
- Organise international gatherings for youth
- Develop and maintain a website that tells the founding and on-going stories of Mercy
- Provide online Mercy resources to nurture the spirit of Mercy
- Strengthen identity and belonging and facilitate interconnection of the Mercy family around the world
- Raise awareness of global poverty and facilitate opportunities for action
- Promote engagement
- Link local Mercy Justice ministry with global advocacy
- Provide educational materials on global poverty issues
- Maintain a presence at the UN
- Advise on response to global crisis

Your donations will be used for Mercy International Association's general charitable purposes, which include:

- Upkeep of Catherine's founding house
- Upgrade of heritage presentation and display
- Preservation of archival and art holdings
- Generation of website material
- Ongoing development and maintenance of website and social media
- Publishing e-newsletters
- Up-skilling technical and communication skills
- Provision of media and camera equipment
- Compilation of local justice ministry stories that form the basis of global advocacy
- Research and report writing to support advocacy
- Development of educational materials on global poverty