

# Our Lady of Mount Carmel

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### CAFOD Group

We are a small, friendly group of four parishioners who undertake a range of activities locally to support the mission and aims of CAFOD within the Parish. We have a commitment to fairness, and justice and peace for all and see the work of CAFOD as an important way to live out our faith and Catholic Social Teaching. We particularly feel that raising awareness and campaigning are important as both can lead to positive change.

We started in 2005 inspired by the Make Poverty History campaign when three coach loads of parishioners went to the rally in Edinburgh. Since then we have organised a Rich World Poor World supper; creation walk; a Livesimply picnic and ecumenical liturgies. There is only so much you can do with four people but we try to prioritise the following:

- Supporting CAFOD's campaigns including political lobbying
- Promoting Laudato Si
- Ecumenical activity;
- Promoting Fair Trade (although unfortunately we are not a Fair Trade Parish)
- Supporting CAFOD Fast Days.
- Inputting to children's liturgies

We are currently promoting CAFOD's Our Common Home campaign. Last month we held a creation celebration mass, followed by a bring and share supper and discussions on the issue of climate change (see photo below). We have also organised a parish-wide signing of CAFOD's petition to the Prime Minister calling for net zero emissions by 2045.



We meet on an occasional basis and new faces are always welcome. If you would like to join us please get in touch.

For more information, please contact one of us...

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