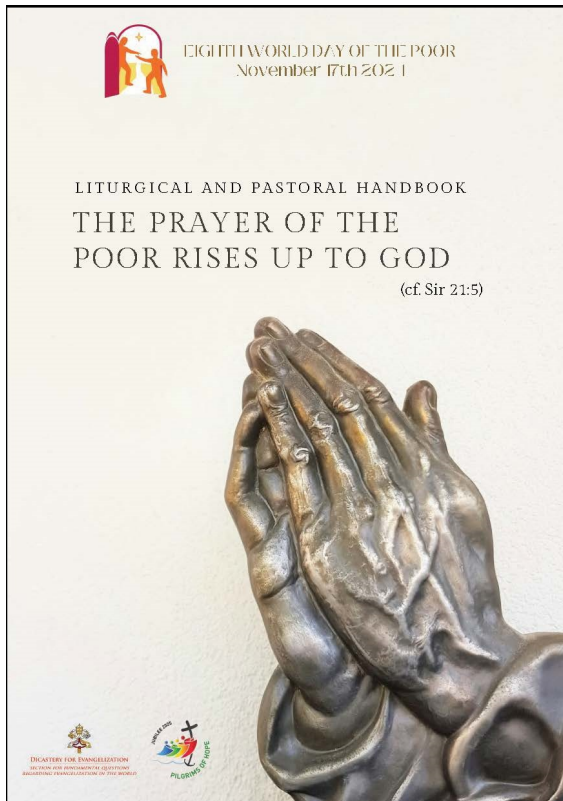




Pastoral Resource



VIII World Day of the Poor

Pope Francis has chosen a particularly meaningful theme for the Eighth World Day of the Poor in this year dedicated to prayer, now approaching the beginning of the Ordinary Jubilee of 2025: “The prayer of the poor rises up to God” (cf. Sir 21:5).

The World Day of the Poor becomes more and more rooted in the hearts of Christians around the world each year with numerous initiatives, fruit of the creative charity that animates and inspires the commitment of faith. This Pastoral Handbook is meant to be a simple tool offered to dioceses, parishes and all the various ecclesial realities, to prepare for and to celebrate the Eighth World Day of the Poor, so that it may once again be a powerful time in which to turn our gaze more and more towards the poor, to listen to their voice and to be near them. On this journey toward the Ordinary Jubilee of 2025, may our attention to those most in need make us all Pilgrims of Hope in a world that needs to be illuminated by the presence of the Light of the Risen One and the torch of charity that He has lit in our hearts.

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