

CAFOD

CAFOD, or to give its full name, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, is the official aid agency for the Catholic Church in England and Wales.

They have a global reach to provide long-term aid to equip people with skills, tools and opportunities to combat poverty, the adverse consequences of conflict and climate change, focussing on building a sustainable self-sufficient future. In times of crisis they can act fast to provide food, water and shelter for people who have lost everything.

They work with parishes and schools to raise awareness and fundraise. Apart from regular donations by individuals much of their income come from the twice-yearly Fast Day appeals in Lent and at Harvest time.

In Winchester the Parish Justice & Peace Group (being re-branded as the Laudato Si group) provide the link to the Diocesan and National organisation. Our parish was one of the first in the Diocese to be given the “Live Simply” award by CAFOD for the actions we had taken to become more environmentally sustainable.

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