

Doing Justice Being Peace

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Weekly Newsletter



16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence is Nov 25 -Dec 10. Violence against women is the most common and pervasive breach of human rights worldwide. Globally, 1 in 3 women have experienced physical and/or sexual violence. Despite countries passing laws, weak enforcement and discriminatory social norms pose challenges.

On Nov 25, wear purple to recognize the *United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women*.

On Dec 6, wear a white ribbon to honor and remember the victims of the Polytechnique Montréal tragedy.





Loss and Damage: the Moral Case for Action



In June 2023, a coalition of senior Vatican officials, church leaders, and Catholic NGOs (non-governmental organizations) met online to discuss the moral and ethical aspects of Loss and Damage.

Loss and Damage is a term that describes the severe impacts climate change (flooding, sea-level rise, drought) is having on vulnerable populations in the Global South, causing unjust hardships, displacement, and forced migration.

The *Loss and Damage Fund* will be agreed upon at the upcoming Climate Conference (COP28) in Dubai (Nov 30 – Dec 12). The “Loss and Damage: Moral Case for Action” statement will be delivered to world leaders there. **SCIC has endorsed the statement.**

It calls for protecting those living in poverty, demanding accountability from major polluters, addressing non-economic losses, and correcting the inequity where poorer nations bear the cost of wealthier nations’ actions. **To learn more:** sciaf.org.uk



The urgency of the hour demands that we act... to heal our wounded world and preserve the splendor of our common home.

- Interfaith Declaration on Climate Action Towards COP28

Think of a time you helped someone in their healing journey – what approaches & actions aided in their recovery process?

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