



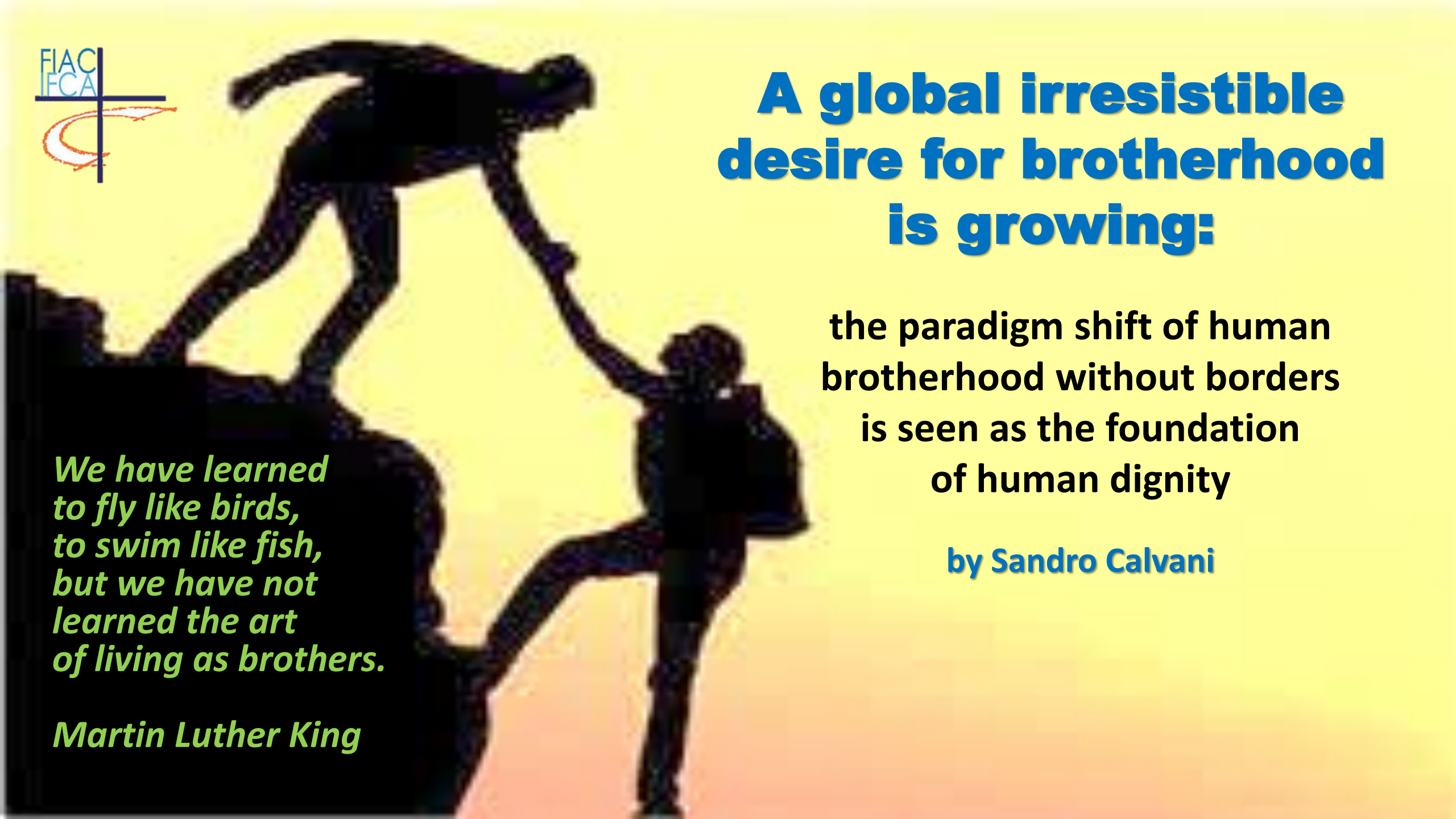
A global irresistible desire for brotherhood is growing:

**the paradigm shift of human
brotherhood without borders
is seen as the foundation
of human dignity**

by Sandro Calvani

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to fly like birds,
to swim like fish,
but we have not
learned the art
of living as brothers.*

Martin Luther King





ENCYCLICAL LETTER

FRATELLI TUTTI

Of the Holy Father Francis

On fraternity and social friendship



Fratelli tutti

„God has created all human beings equal in rights, duties and dignity, and has called them to live together as brothers and sisters

The founding sentence is almost identical to Article 1 of the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights, including the obligation of the spirit of brotherhood.

The new illuminating icons of fraternity as the foundation of human dignity

**They are particularly useful and necessary new visions,
which I also perceive as the most misunderstood
in many parts of the world:**

**the definition of brotherhood without borders
and its inescapability
in this era of profound and unexpected changes.**

Saint Francis of Assisi declares blessed all those who love their brother

**“as much when he is far away from him
as when he is with him”. In his simple
and direct way, Saint Francis expressed
the essence of a fraternal openness
that allows us to acknowledge,
appreciate and love each person,
regardless of physical proximity,
regardless of where he or she was born
or lives (FT, 1).**



Without Borders



is the first subtitle of the encyclical that calls for a complete paradigm shift in the Christian way of living and loving others.

And not only that: borders are also recognized as an impediment built by men and to be overcome

Six “without borders” subtitles

thus the most recurring theme in the Fratelli Tutti.



- ✓ An absence of human dignity on the borders (FT 37);
- ✓ Neighbours without borders (FT 79);
- ✓ A love capable of transcending borders (FT 99);
- ✓ Rights without borders (FT 121);
- ✓ The Limits of borders (FT 129).

We can no longer escape from interdependence

We are all interlinked, we can no longer evade it.

In reality, there is a way to free oneself, at least superficially, from this situation perceived as an annoyance;

It is not a secret, and many people know in a way or another. It is enough to never talk about this relationship, to keep quiet, to pretend nothing is happening, to keep our mouths shut, our ears and eyes closed; a method that is also the way to keep our conscience asleep and quiet.

Each day we have to decide whether to be Good Samaritans or indifferent bystanders

If we extend our gaze to the history of our lives and of the entire world, all of us are, or have been, like each of the characters in the parable.

All of us have in ourselves something of the wounded man, something of the robber, something of the passers-by, and something of the Good Samaritan. (FT 69)



The Pope asks his readers, especially Catholics, fifty questions

They are all about this same discernment.

**Everyone can know if his/her baptism has changed him/her or not;
so it will be evident if the paradigm shift of human brotherhood
will come true and if the Christian humanism without borders, -
expressly desired by Jesus Christ as a priority of life
and conversion of his followers- will be realized or will have failed.**



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