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## Catholic Action Passion for a renewed humanity in Christ

#walking together

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### Prayer

Lord Jesus,  
we entrust to your heart  
this new International Forum of Catholic Action encounter  
may it be a fruitful ecclesial encounter  
so that in a synodal spirit and in communion  
we may grow into a lively and missionary Church.

So that from a deep and renewed experience  
of our identity at the service of the Kingdom  
as a Church at the service of humanity,  
we may strive for "social friendship"  
and create strong fraternity bonds  
aware of the fact that we all belong to the one People of God.

We want this to be an opportunity  
to grow in holiness  
in the midst of the fragilities  
caused by this pandemic.  
Journeying in the merciful presence of the Father  
may we see ourselves as a Samaritan Church  
marked by an attitude of mercy  
in the face of all human misery.

May the Holy Spirit renew our apostolic fervour  
and inspire us with the right deed and word  
in front of our lonely and helpless brother,  
and help us to show our availability  
to those who feel distressed and who have lost hope.

May we be able to discern the signs of the times  
and discover: "how to be the Church  
which the world needs today".

May our parishes, our groups  
and missionary efforts  
be places and occasions of truth and love,  
of freedom, justice and peace,  
so that all may find in them  
a reason to continue to hope. Amen.