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# Headlines

General Curia of the Society of Jesus



## Social Justice and Ecology Secretariat

16th August, 2021

Dear <<First Name>> <<Last Name>>,

Warm greetings from the Secretariat!

The solemn feast of the Assumption is celebrated by Catholics throughout the world. St Ignatius of Loyola had a deep devotion to the Mother of Jesus. Early in his conversion journey, in March 1522, he stopped at the Abbey of Montserrat, in Catalonia, and knelt before the statue of Mary. He told her of his desire for a new life and entrusted himself to her maternal love. Father Arturo Sosa, in this Ignatian Year, also prayed before the same image of Mary in Montserrat.

We too join Fr. General in prayer to pray for a world where there will be love, equality and justice. We commit to take care of our common home, accompany the poor and the marginalised, seek better education and employment for the youth, promote reconciliation at all levels with all people.

In a special way, we accompany the people of Haiti who have been hit once again by an earthquake on 14th August. We also remember Afghanistan where the political crisis is getting worse day by day.

With best wishes from the SJES team.

Xavier Jeyaraj, SJ  
SJES Secretary

**TESTIMONY**



## **My Experience as a Co-labourer in the Jesuit Social Apostolate**

***Christopher G. Kerr***  
***Executive Director of ISN***

“What if you found me and the other Jesuits at the school dead on the front lawn of the Jesuit residence?” This was the question my freshman year theology teacher, Fr. Jim King, S.J., posed during Hebrew Scriptures class at Walsh Jesuit High School in January of 1993. He was referencing the deaths [Read more...](#)

## NEWS



**CEAMA: conversão e caminhada sinodal com a Igreja ministerial amazônica**

### **Brasil – CEAMA: Conversion and Synodal Journey with the Amazonian Ministerial Church**

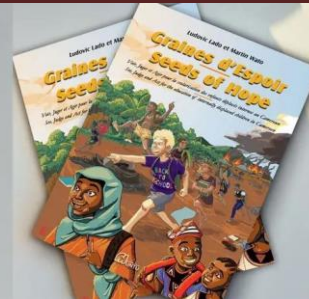
To see, listen and commit to the Pan-Amazonian reality with courage and prophetism, walking together. To welcome the wisdom and gifts of its peoples, daring to build a synodal Church, so desired by Pope Francis. In summary, this was the general

message left by the executive secretary of [Read more...](#)



### **Bolivia – Agroecological fair held in the city of El Alto**

The Centro de Investigación y Promoción del Campesinado (CIPCA) Regional Altiplano, to commemorate 50 years of institutional life, organised the "Expo Feria de la Agricultura Familiar Campesina, artesanía familiar y medicina tradicional: [Read more...](#)



### **Cameroon: Jesuit Priest Fundraises for Education of Hundreds of Displaced Children**

In a Friday, August 6 interview with ACI Africa, Fr. Ludovic Lado said he hopes to raise the funds through the sale of his book, "Seeds of Hope", which entails stories from the Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) in the Central African country. "Before schools reopen, we hope to raise enough money [Read more...](#)



### **Nicaragua – Analysis of the Reality of Nicaragua**

Political systems in Latin America are currently experiencing great moments of tension, in an economic context of crisis aggravated by the

impact of the COVID 19 pandemic. In the political arena, it is no longer a question of extending electoral rights that is mobilising [Read more...](#)



### **USA – New Truth-telling Initiative Confronts Red Cloud Indian School's Past**

May 19, 2021 — From an early age, Maka Black Elk's mother encouraged him to leave their home on the Pine Ridge Reservation and experience the world. Decades earlier, she herself had left the reservation to study law. She returned to defend the Lakota's sacred Black Hills from land grabs and [Read more...](#)

## Australia – “Extraordinary revolution” as Jesuit Mission turns 70 in the Ignatian Year

It's no coincidence that Jesuit Mission's 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary falls in the Ignatian Year, which celebrates 500 years since St Ignatius' cannonball wound and his subsequent transformation into a life of total service to God and [Read more...](#)



## India – Life changing training helps Laxmi to get back on her feet

Living as an Adivasi, the collective name for indigenous people in India, is not an easy life. Although Adivasi make up 104 million or 8.6% of the national population, they face various socio-economic problems because of an embedded culture of social exclusion. [Read more...](#)

## Nigeria: Improving Education in Difficult Circumstances

The population of Nigeria is 184 million, which accounts for 47% of West Africa's population. This large and youthful country is having its potential obstructed by the prominence of the Islamic terrorist group, Boko Haram. The disruption that this has caused on the education of the youth in Northern Nigeria [Read more...](#)





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