



**Share the
Journey** 
#sharejourney



GLOBAL SOLIDARITY WALK - FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. WHAT IS THE CARITAS GLOBAL SOLIDARITY WALK?

Caritas Internationalis lays down the challenge to communities across the world to organise local solidarity walks with migrants and refugees. We want to walk 1 million kilometres across the globe together by the end of 2019 as part of the Caritas confederation's Share the Journey campaign.

2. WHEN DOES THIS TAKE PLACE?

The challenge runs from late October 2018 to late 2019.

3. WHY ARE WE WALKING?

By walking together, we can exchange thoughts and experiences, learn more about each other and share a memorable moment of unity. The Share the Journey campaign builds on Pope Francis' call to promote the "culture of encounter". This means coming together with migrants and refugees and sharing hopes, fears and experiences and strengthening the bonds in communities that migrants leave, they pass through and where they seek welcome.

4. WHO CAN WALK?

Anyone can organise a walk within their community. The important thing is that migrants and/or refugees take part. These may be newcomers to your community or they may have arrived years before. They may be people who are thinking of leaving your community too.

5. WHERE DO WE WALK AND HOW FAR?

Each community decides their own route and length of walk. This may be a traditional pilgrimage route, or it may be in a park, around a school field. A minimum of 1 kilometre is suggested.

6. HOW DO WE MAKE OUR WALK COUNT?

Once you've walked, multiply the number of kilometres by the number of people who walk and insert into our online totaliser eg 10 people walked 5 kilometres means 50 km would be added to the totaliser on journey.caritas.org/walk

7. HOW DOES MY WALKING WITH MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Walking together is a simple and easy way to make migrants and refugees feel part of the community. It also gives a strong grassroots message of unity and support of migrants' and refugees' dignity and human rights that we hope the global community and political leaders will listen to.

8. HOW CAN I TELL OTHERS ABOUT MY WALK EXPERIENCE?

Please post any photos, videos and thought-provoking quotes on social media using the hashtag #sharejourney

CAMPAIGN HIGHLIGHTS

- 27th SEPTEMBER 2017: Pope Francis launches the campaign in St Peter's Square along with Caritas organisations and urges us to "reach out to migrants and refugees".
- 17-24th JUNE 2018: Global Week of Action sees communities around the world sharing a meal with migrants
- OCTOBER 2018 – LATE 2019: Communities walk 1 million kilometres with migrants and refugees for Global Solidarity Walk
- JUNE 2019: Global Week of Action to share actions, thoughts and experiences.



**“HOPE IS THE FORCE THAT DRIVES US
TO SHARE THE JOURNEY,
BECAUSE THE JOURNEY IS MADE JOINTLY”**

Pope Francis

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