



## Sample communications

**See the following examples which may be used for your parish/workplace bulletin:**

**We are switching to slavery-free certified tea, coffee and drinking chocolate.**

Pope Francis reminded us that *‘every person ought to have the awareness that “purchasing is always a moral – and not simply an economic – act”’* (Message for the World Day of Peace 2015, n. 5).

\_\_\_\_\_ is moving towards being slavery-free. This means that the tea, coffee and drinking chocolate we buy have been produced without the use of any forced or slave labour.

It is estimated that over 40 million people are trapped in slavery globally – one in four of these is a child. These people will probably never receive an education and will almost certainly never sip a latte or enjoy a cuppa in their staffroom. The buying decisions we make can change the world.

Our parish/organisation will now only buy tea, coffee and drinking chocolate that features one of these labels, meaning it is independently certified slavery-free.



**Good news:** You will be joining a growing number of schools/parishes/organisations to make this transition as well as Catholic Education Sandhurst, Catholic Education Melbourne and the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne.

**Action:** We encourage everyone to follow our lead. If you want more information on our decision, or some tips on going slavery-free, please contact [caritasjustice@sandhurst.catholic.org.au](mailto:caritasjustice@sandhurst.catholic.org.au).