

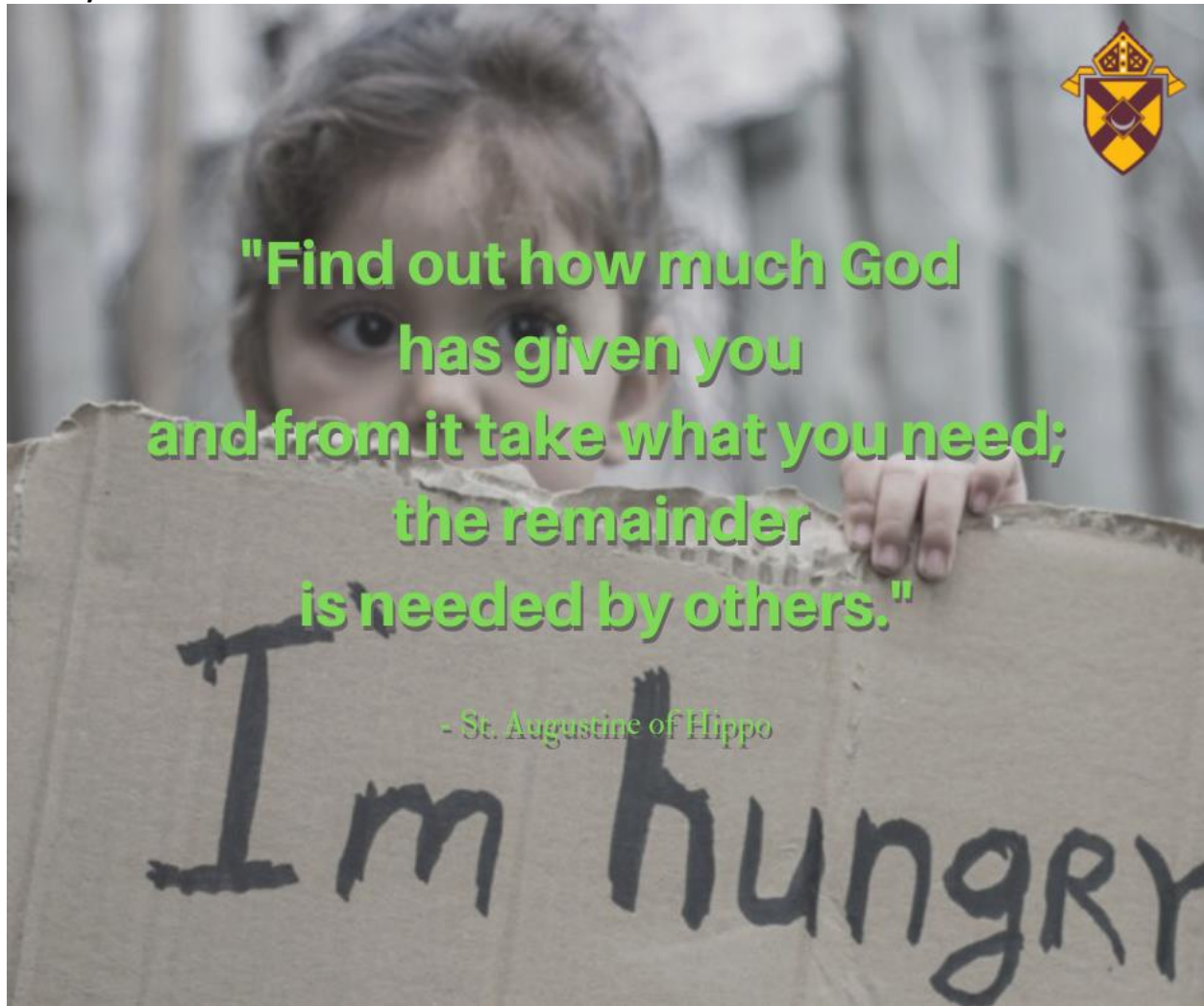
**Public Policy Weekend
February 13-14
Social Media Resources**

Leading up to Public Policy Weekend, please use the following posts to help promote and raise awareness of the issues surrounding food insecurity and our support of **Nourish New York**.

Note, all images are attached as separate .png image files for ease of use. Feel free to copy and paste the following text for the post.

Posts are provided for each week leading up to Public Policy Weekend. They will be posted on the Diocesan Facebook Page, Diocesan Instagram Page, Catholic Charities Facebook Page if you would like to share them from our pages.

January 10




The COVID-19 pandemic has hit everyone hard! In particular, it has focused a spotlight on two vulnerable groups in New York State: Farmers and our neighbors who are food insecure – many newly hungry due to job losses caused by the pandemic. We are called to help!

Learn more, and sign the petition in support of NOURISH NEW YORK at <https://www.dor.org/petition/>

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January 17



**MAKE US WORTHY,
LORD, TO SERVE THOSE
THROUGHOUT THE
WORLD WHO LIVE AND
DIE IN POVERTY OR
HUNGER. GIVE THEM,
THROUGH OUR HANDS,
THIS DAY THEIR DAILY
BREAD; AND BY OUR
UNDERSTANDING LOVE,
GIVE PEACE AND JOY.
AMEN.**

- ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA



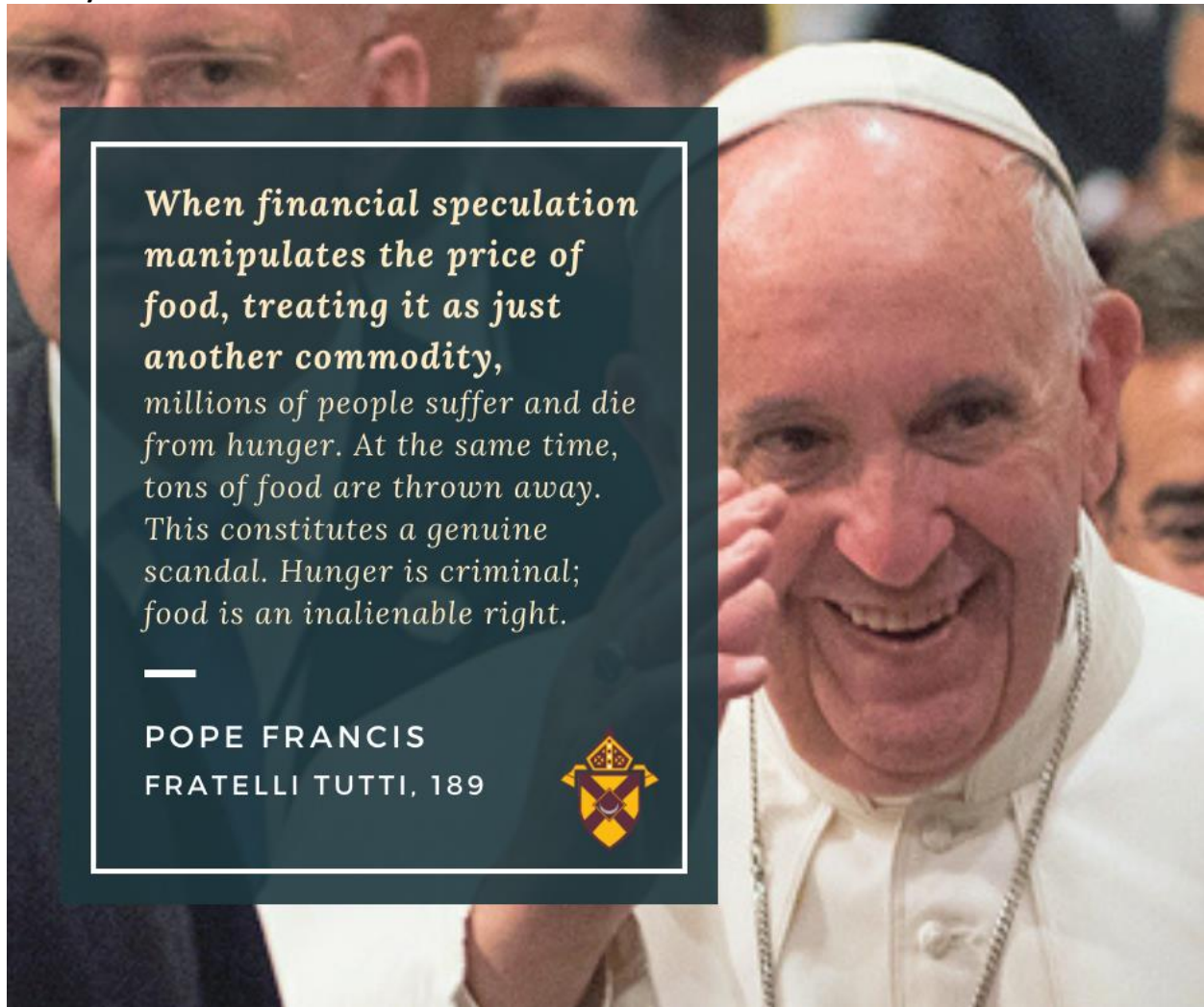
NOURISH NEW YORK is a NYS initiative that provides a lifeline for food insecure families and for farmers who have been struggling with the changes brought on by COVID-19. It provides funding to Food Banks to purchase New York State-produced farm products. This offers support to farmers, fishing community, and food processors AND provides food to individuals and families.

Help us keep this initiative alive! Learn more, and sign the petition in support of NOURISH NEW YORK at <https://www.dor.org/petition/>

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January 24



NOURISH NEW YORK has provided \$35 million in funding from May 1 to December 31, 2020. To date, over 4,100 New York farms have provided over 17 Million pounds of high-quality New York-produced food to New Yorkers in need.

We cannot let this initiative die! Learn more, and sign the petition in support of NOURISH NEW YORK at <https://www.dor.org/petition/>

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January 31



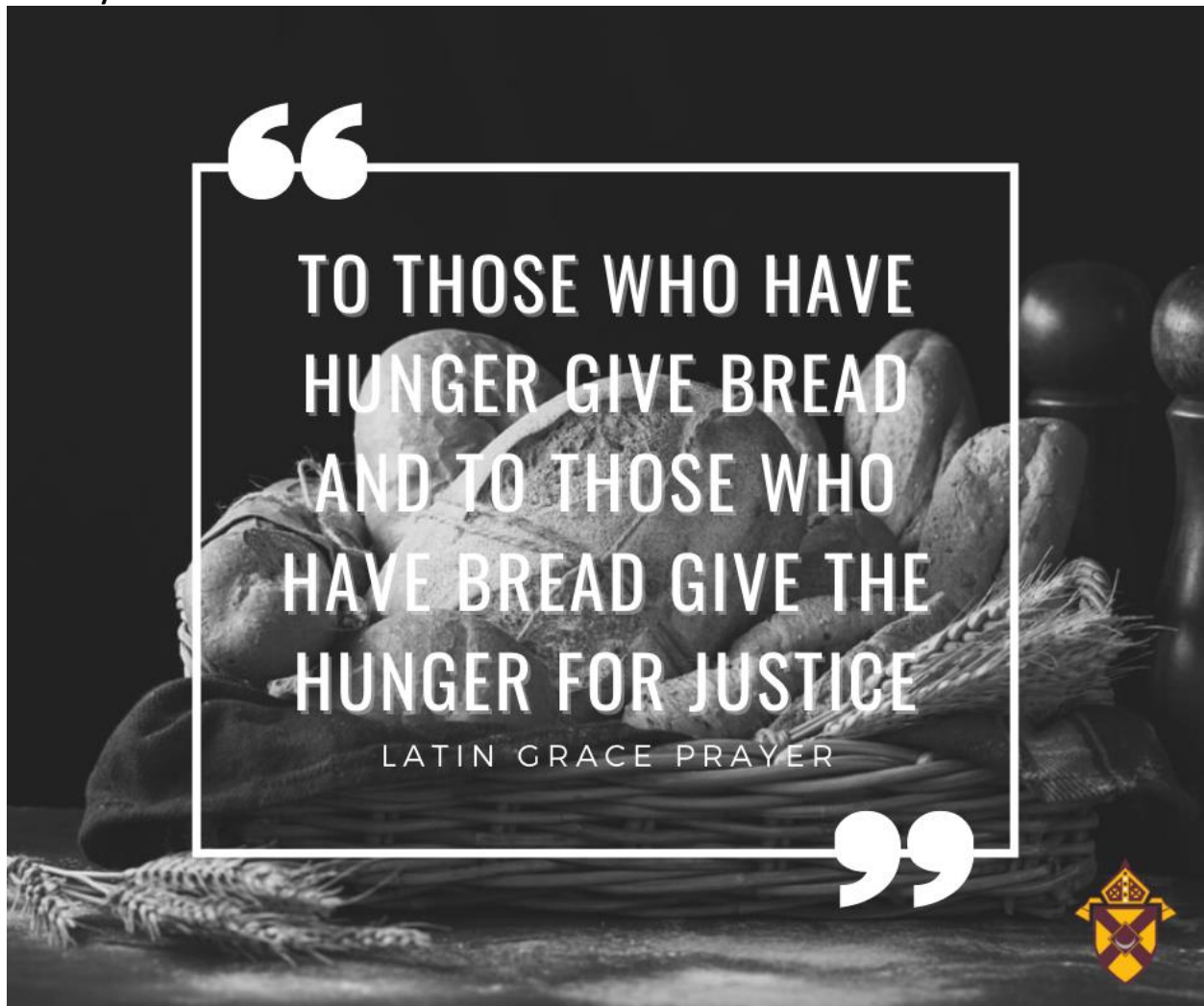
NOURISH NEW YORK is coming to an end – but it shouldn't! It is imperative that this effective program continue. Therefore, because of the economic crisis caused by the pandemic, we call on New York State leaders to provide \$50 million for state fiscal year 2021-2022 to make NOURISH NEW YORK an ongoing program to respond to the need for hunger relief and farm survival across New York State!

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February 7



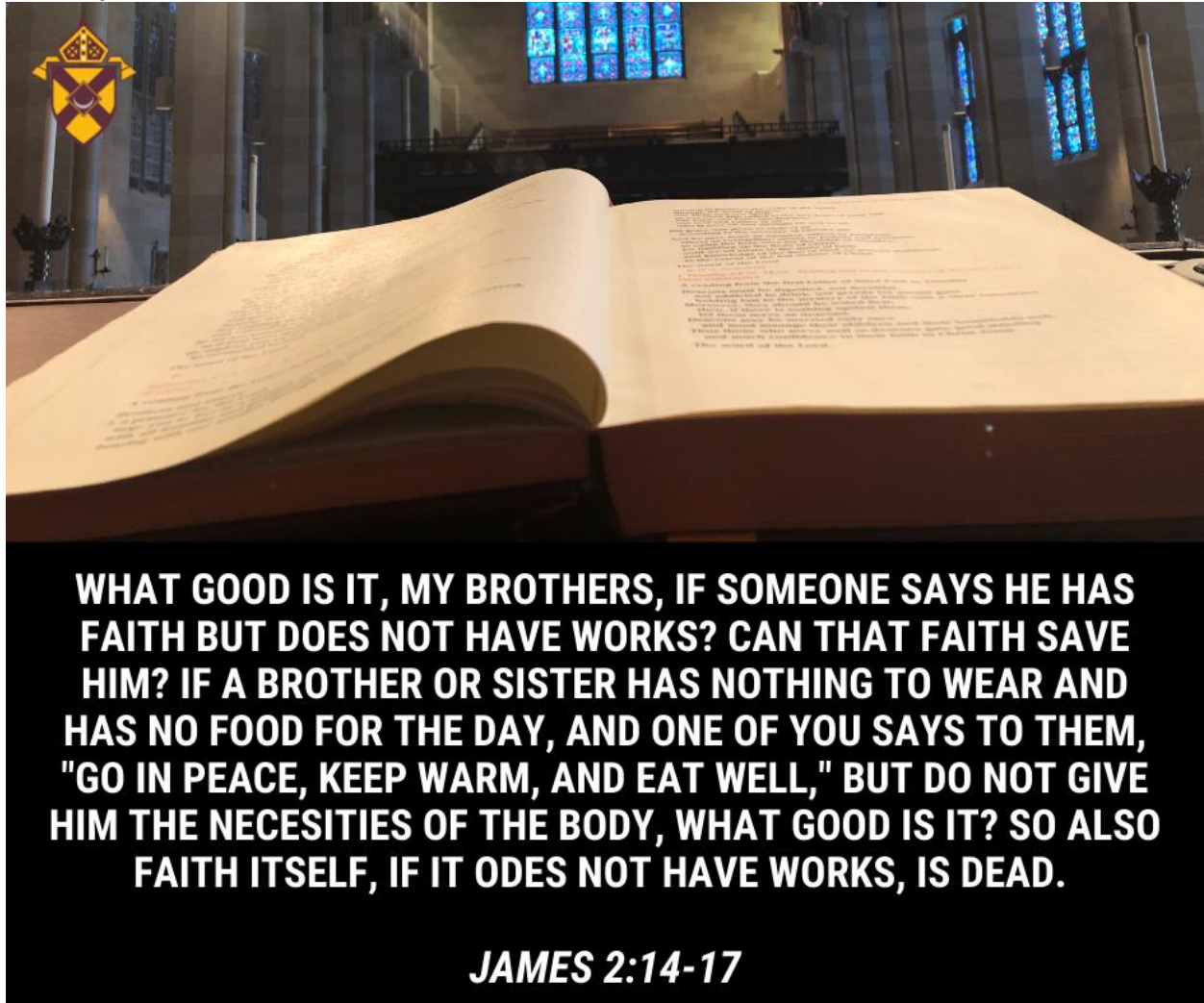
This coming weekend (February 13 & 14) is the Diocesan Public Policy Weekend. Over the last month we have shared posts about the importance of NOURISH NEW YORK – a state program that provides support to both local food produces AND food banks who support those who are food insecure. We cannot let this initiative end!

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February 14



WHAT GOOD IS IT, MY BROTHERS, IF SOMEONE SAYS HE HAS FAITH BUT DOES NOT HAVE WORKS? CAN THAT FAITH SAVE HIM? IF A BROTHER OR SISTER HAS NOTHING TO WEAR AND HAS NO FOOD FOR THE DAY, AND ONE OF YOU SAYS TO THEM, "GO IN PEACE, KEEP WARM, AND EAT WELL," BUT DO NOT GIVE HIM THE NECESSITIES OF THE BODY, WHAT GOOD IS IT? SO ALSO FAITH ITSELF, IF IT DOES NOT HAVE WORKS, IS DEAD.

JAMES 2:14-17

We are social beings. We realize our dignity and human potential in our families and communities. The family is the basic cell of society, and it must be supported. Government has the mission of protecting human life, promoting the common good of all persons, and defending the right and duty of all to participate in social life.

New York's government showed that it can live up to this with the NOURISH NEW YORK program! But funding must continue. We call on our New York State leaders to provide \$50 million for the 2021-22 budget to make NOURISH NEW YORK an ongoing program!

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