

Members of The Catholic Commission for Social Justice (CCSJ) would like to congratulate Fr Joe Harris C.S.Sp (top) and Msgr Jason Gordon on their appointments as Coadjutor Archbishop of the Catholic Archdiocese of Port of Spain and Bishop of the dioceses of Bridgetown, Barbados and of Kingstown (SVG) respectively.

They both fit the description outlined by Pope John Paul II when he said:

'We need heralds of the Gospel who are experts in humanity, who know the depths of the human heart, who can share the joys, the hopes, the agonies, the distress of people today, but who are, at the same time, contemplatives who have fallen in love with God.' We will keep you in our prayers as you both continue your work in the Lord's vineyard. May the Holy Spirit fill you with even more wisdom and grace and may God walk with you on your pilgrimage. We know that you both possess the 3 essential episcopal characteristics as outlined by

Pope Benedict XVI: faithfulness, prudence, and goodness. Warmest wishes from Leela Ramdeen and CCSJ members.