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We pray that your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may continue to bring good news to the poor,

proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed and restore sight to the blind. We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy. You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit forever and ever.

Amen.

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It is an interesting thought that whatever success the Traidcraft stall enjoys comes from the regular purchases of about a dozen parishioners. Now, Mass attendance is what, two to three hundred? Is it really beyond our capacity as a parish to increase the interest in Traidcraft to the extent that the stall has a couple of dozen customers with, perhaps, another dozen who come and buy occasionally? Let's be honest with ourselves: there is not the slightest reason why every household in the parish shouldn't commit itself to the regular purchase of some item by way of the Traidcraft enterprise and support small producers around the world.

No one is asking you to do your weekly shop at the Traidcraft stall but there are a surprising number of quality store cupboard staples available. An interesting and attractive range of clothing and gift items might be a solution to your "Whatever do I buy them?" problem. Yes, prices can be a bit higher, though not always. Prices are fair to you and the producer. If you occasionally buy yourself a bar of chocolate or a packet of biscuits, make a point of buying it through Traidcraft and counter the self-indulgence by helping others by way of your purchase. Just for starters, come and visit the stall, talk with us, borrow a catalogue. Get to know Traidcraft and see what it can offer you.

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