

The banner features the FIAC logo on the left, which includes the text 'FIAC IFOA' and 'FORO INTERNAZIONALE AZIONE CATTOLICA INTERNATIONAL FORUM CATHOLIC ACTION Youth Coordination' with the website 'www.catholicactionforum.org'. The main title is 'You are the "now" of God' in a large, bold font, with 'Christus Vivit 178' underneath. Below the title is the subtitle 'Catholic Action's young people in the light of Christus Vivit with all young people' and the words 'PRAYER | MEETING | MUSIC'. On the right, there is a small image of a person with arms raised in front of a sunset, with the text 'YOUTH IN THE LIGHT OF CHRISTUS VIVIT' above it. To the right of the image, it says 'Thursday, 6 August 2020 ONLINE'.

"Document on Christus Vivit" ...made by young people for young people

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“Christ is alive and he wants you to be alive!” (CV1)

This is the message that Pope Francis gives to all young people in his post-Synodal Exhortation Christus Vivit. In this letter he encourages everyone to make the most of their youth and to seek their personal vocation.

“You are the now of God, and he wants you to bear fruit.” (CV178)

We have already heard different testimonies, some of which directly related to the Synod of Bishops held in October of 2018. This whole process engaged many young people from all over the world and Pope Francis is continuously reminding us that young people should be the protagonists of evangelisation and change. This is a characteristic of youth ministry within Catholic Action and was also reflected in the process of working on this material where work was done from young people for young people.

“In the Synod, many concrete proposals emerged for renewing youth ministry” (CV 208)

Christus Vivit is also a tool to renew our pastoral work with young people. This material helps us to be more aware of the richness that is found within this gift that Pope Francis has given us. May we find ourselves returning to the words of Pope Francis in order to accompany young people in their formation and their vocation.