



SJTI - Cedara

# St. Joseph's Theological Institute - Cedara

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Dear distinguish guests

Many greetings from us OIKOS – Cedara; a Justice, Peace and integration of Creation advocate group.

According to UNESCO, South Africa is a place of transit for the majority of the human-trafficking. *Gaudium et Spes 1* states; “*The joy and hope, the grief and anguish of the men and women of our time, especially of those who are poor or afflicted in any way, are the joy and hope, the grief and anguish of the followers of Christ as well. Nothing that is genuinely human fails to find an echo in their hearts...*”

According to CCC 2414 the seventh commandment forbids acts or enterprises that for any reason – selfish or ideological, commercial or totalitarian- lead to the *enslavement of human beings*, to their being bought, sold and exchanged like merchandise, in disregard for their personal dignity. It is a sin against the dignity of persons and their fundamental rights to reduce them by violence to their productive value or to a source of profit.

Keeping the teachings of the Church and the challenges of the modern world which we live in, we as group organize a public lecture as part of our action plan 2013.

**Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> of August 2013**

**Topic: “Modern day SLAVERY: Human-trafficking – our Church  
Response to this Social Evil”**

**Speaker: Fr. Michel Meunier, M.Afr**

We invite you all to take part in this lecture and promote human dignity and be part of the just world which our Lord and master Jesus Christ desired for.

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