



**Above all, clothe yourself with love  
and let the peace of Christ reign in your hearts.**

**- Colossians 3:9-17**

As a community of faith, we grieve with all those who have experienced, because of racism, senseless acts of injustice that rob them of their human dignity.

We stand in solidarity and prayer with all those working to confront the sin of systemic racism that has caused so many tragic acts of violence towards our Black brothers and sisters and people of color.

We support Pope Francis who said, “We cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life.”

We echo the words of Archbishop Vigneron, who names “we are living in the wounds of many years of injustice in our local communities.” As such, the Catholic Foundation of Michigan confirms our call to work for peace, solidarity and justice in our community. The Gospel calls us to clothe ourselves with this radical love.

As your Catholic Foundation of Michigan, we are actively discerning concrete ways we can confront the sin of systemic racism in our community. We look to you to help us in this vital work.

You are always in our prayers.