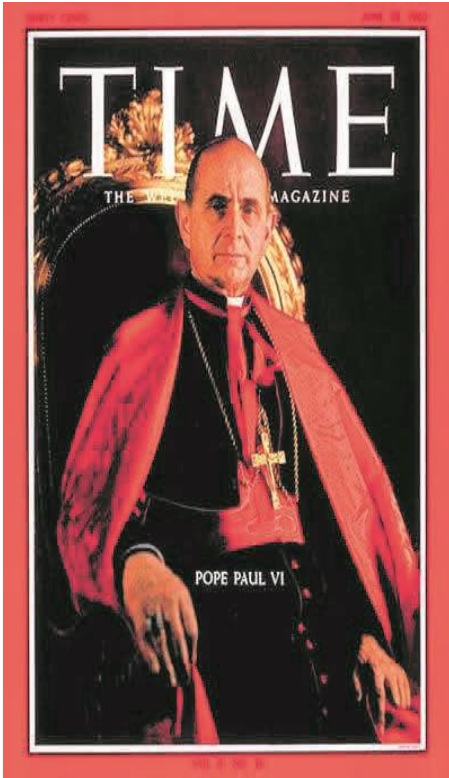


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Pope Paul VI, *Octogesima Adveniens*, 1971, n. 4



In the face of such widely varying situations it is difficult for us to utter a unified message and to put forward a solution which has universal validity. Such is not our ambition, nor is it our mission. It is up to the Christian communities to analyze with objectivity the situation which is proper to their own country, to shed on it the light of the Gospel's unalterable words and to draw principles of reflection, norms of judgment and directives for action from the social teaching of the Church.

Concluding remarks



- Francis is good with words
- Francis' personal example mirrors the compassionate mercy of Christ.
- Can Francis create more inclusive Church structures and mechanisms, to empower lay people?