Mass on Christmas Day 2015

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Holy Trinity Peace Village, Kuron, invited present staff with their families, and the local people form surrounding villages for Mass at midday on Christmas Day, 25th December 2015. The Mass was held in the open, in the shadows of the huge trees at the premises of HTPVK Youth Center.



Bishop Emeritus Paride Taban focused on the wonderful situation that God sent His Son as a gift to all humans at all times. Because of his love for us.

The Bishop also explained the importance for all of us to respect and love each other, and to forgive and forget the sins and bad things we do against each other.



When conflict arises, dialog based on respect and a will to forgive should be the elements used, he said.



Near the end of the Mass the women Group from nearby villages arrived, singing and carrying bundles of sorghum stems. They brought this as an offering and handed it over to the Bishop. Later these were shared and eaten by the attendants. The gift was a great contribution, as shortage of food in the area is at present challenge; however some sorghum is now ready for harvest.



After the Mass information was shared:

Bishop Emeritus Paride Taban informed on plans for water drilling and road improvement work in the near future.

Chief Romollo Lotedde shared information on some conflict issues to be solved in the area. Ms Kuron, the leader of the Women Group Kuron focused on the challenges of food shortage and needs for improved access to water. Ms Kuron was also expressing her gratitude to Peace Village for conducting the Mass this Christmas Day.