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Franciscan roots of *Fratelli tutti*



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This book studies the Franciscan roots of the universal fraternity proposed by the encyclical *Fratelli tutti*. The Pope states that “it was the evangelical witness of St. Francis, with his school of thought, that gave this term [fraternity] the meaning it then preserved over the centuries.”

The pandemic of Covid-19 has uncovered “once more that (blessed) common belonging, of which we cannot be deprived: our belonging as brothers and sisters.” “Everything is connected.” The ties that unite us to all creatures are so strong that we can only survive if we promote fraternal relations at all levels to meet global challenges. This study offers some clues to that end.

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