Pope Francis to 'every person on Earth': Be kind to animals

"One day, we will see our animals again in the eternity of Christ. Paradise is open to all of God's creatures."

"Every act of cruelty towards any creature is contrary to human dignity."

"We must forcefully reject the notion that our being created in God's image and given dominion over the earth justifies absolute dominion over other creatures."



Giving up Meat for Lent

The most observed tradition during Lent is not eating meat.

All meals during this 40-day period are prepared without animal products.

Christians observe a meat-free diet for ethical, environmental, nutritional and spiritual reasons.

Karuveppilai Thuvayal 1 Bowl

Ingredients:

- 1 cup tightly packed curry leaves without twigs
- 2 tablespoons white sesame/til
- 1 teaspoon red chilli seeds (optional)
- 2 tablespoons jaggery/gur
- 2 tablespoons tamarind/imli
- 4 tablespoons fresh coconut, grated Salt to taste

Preparation:

Wash curry leaves and keep aside.

Dry roast the sesame and chilli seeds.

Mix with washed curry leaves, jaggery, tamarind and coconut

Using little water, grind in mixer to a smooth paste

Serve as a spread with *papad* or with any thing else.

Vaal Dal Shakarakand Serves 4

Ingredients:

- 1 cup field beans/vaal dal
- 1 tablespoon oil
- 1 teaspoon mustard seeds/rai
- 1 spring curry leaves/patta
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 teaspoon garam masala
- 1 teaspoon ginger-garlic paste
- 2 big sweet potatoes, peeled & cut in large pieces
- 1 lemon, juiced
- 2 tablespoons coriander leaves/kuthmir, chopped

Preparation:

Boil vaal dal with water till mushy. Mash smooth and keep aside.

Heat oil and fry mustard seeds, curry leaves and onion followed by garam masala and ginger-garlic paste.

Add sweet potatoes. Cook till they soften.

Add boiled vaal dal. salt with some water. Cover and simmer.

Add lemon juice just before serving and garnish with coriander leaves.

Serve with rice or rotis.

Moong Dal Ki Chaat Serves 4

Ingredients:

½ cup yellow moong dal

3 cups water Salt to taste

½ cup grated carrot

½ cup pomegranate/anar

½ cup chopped green tops of spring onions

½ cup chopped raw mangoes

2 tbsps finely chopped mint leaves/phudina

2 tbsps finely chopped coriander leaves/kuthmir

2 tsps finely chopped green chillies

1 tsp chat masala

4 tsps lemon juice

Preparation:

Soak the moong dal for ½ an hour. Drain.

Add 3 cups of water and salt to the moong dal and cook on medium heat till half-done. The dal grains should be visible.

Strain dal and cool for 10 minutes.

Mix well with all the other ingredients in a large bowl.

Serve immediately



Ingredients:

1 onion

500 grams raw beetroot, peeled

1 small red pepper/capsicum

100 grams mushrooms

1 green apple, chopped 2 tablespoons olive oil

2 litres water

½ teaspoon thyme salt and pepper to taste

Preparation:

Chop into small pieces onion, beetroot, pepper, mushrooms and apple and place in pan with oil, and little water.

Cover and cook on a low flame for 15 minutes. Shake the pan now and then.

Add thyme, pepper and salt along with the balance of the water and bring to a quick boil on a high flame.

Cover pan and simmer on a low flame for 30 minutes.

Strain and keep aside.

Blend the solids in a mixer till smooth. Add this puree to the liquid kept aside and reheat.

Add salt and pepper again if required.

Serve with soup sticks or croutons.



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French Beans Foogath Serves 4

Green Brinjal Curry Serves 2

Coconut Chhaas Serves 2

Bhindi Rice Serves 2

Ingredients:

34 cup yellow split chana dal 1 tablespoon oil 1 teaspoon *urad dal* 10-12 curry leaves/patta Pinch of asafoetida/hing ½ teaspoon turmeric/huldi powder ½ teaspoon red chilli powder 2 cups chopped French beans Salt to taste ½ cup fresh grated coconut

Preparation:

Soak chana dal in water for 3 hours. Drain and keep aside.

Coriander leaves/kuthmir for garnish

Heat oil. Sauté urad dal followed by curry leaves, hing, haldi and chilli powders.

Add French beans and then chana dal. Also add about ¼ cup water and salt. Cover pan and let simmer till done.

Stir in coconut on a high flame.

Garnish with chopped coriander.

Serve with phulka.



Ingredients:

½ bunch fresh coriander leaves/kuthmir 4 green chilies

½ bulb garlic

1 tablespoon oil 1 onion, chopped

6 medium-sized brinjals

1 coconut Salt



Preparation:

Grind coriander, chilies and garlic.

Heat oil and fry onion till golden brown. Add ground items.

Add brinjals that have been sliced round and shallow-fried.

Add coconut milk.

(Shred coconut, steep in hot water, strain to extract 1½ to 2 cups coconut milk.)

Add salt and let simmer for a while.

Serve with boiled rice and papad.

Ingredients:

2 cups white sesame seeds 1½ cup chopped dates 1 cup dry grated coconut 1/4 cup coconut powder

Preparation:

Finely chop deseeded dates.

Dry roast sesame on medium flame till light golden. Cool.

Dates and Sesame Laddoos

10 Pieces

Add coconut. Mix and grind coarsely.

Kneed with dates and form into balls.

Roll in coconut powder.



Ingredients:

2 coconuts 1 teaspoon oil 2 green chopped chillies 1 sprig *curry* leaves 1 tablespoon finely chopped coriander leaves/kuthmir 1 lime or less Salt

½ teaspoon cumin seeds/jeera

Preparation:

Ingredients:

4 cups water

2 tbsps oil

1 cup basmati rice

½ tsp cumin seeds/jeera

1 small bay leaf/teipatta

½ tsp mustard seeds

4 tbsps ginger, garlic,

1 spring curry leaves

1 tomato, chopped

1 green chilli, chopped

1/4 tsp red chilli powder

2 onions, finely chopped

fennel seeds/saunf, cardamom

cloves & cinnamon, ground

1/4 tsp turmeric/haldi powder

250 grams okra/bhindi, cut round

½ tsp coriander leaves/kuthmir, chopped

Soak rice for 30 minutes. On a full flame, heat water. Add cumin seeds, bay leaf and salt. Boil.

Add rice and lightly stir. Cook rice completely. strain and keep aside.

Heat oil, add mustard seeds and chopped onions. Sauté till translucent. Add ground items, curry leaves, green chilli and fry for 2 minutes. Add chopped tomatoes and sauté for 3 to 4 minutes on a low flame. Then add turmeric and red chilli powder. Add bhindi and salt, and sauté till the bhindi is cooked well.

Add cooked rice, switch off the flame and mix well. Serve with dal.



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Preparation:

Shred coconuts, steep in 2 cups hot water, strain to extract 2 cups coconut milk.

Add 2 cups water to make it thin.

Fry jeera in 1 teaspoon oil. Upon spluttering, add chopped green chillies, and curry leaves.

Add coconut water. Mix well.

Add coriander leaves, lime juice and salt as per taste.

Serve cold.