

#### Hello!

Welcome to the new **Social Concerns Newsletter** - the newest resource from Catholic Charities!

You know the old saying, "If you have seen one parish, Then you have seen one parish." I know each parish has its own dynamic that makes it special and unique. But one of the core foundations I have found in each of the parishes within the Archdiocese is that all of them have a heart for loving their neighbor. But what that looks like for each parish, well, that can be tricky to answer.

With that in mind, the creation of the newest Archdiocesan ministry called Catholic Charities - Social Concerns has two main purposes;

- 1) To communicate the many USCCB, Catholic Charities USA and Archdiocesan resources that are available.
- 2) To be a support for parishes and schools as we all strive to live out the Gospel we proclaim, and to grow in love with God and neighbor.

Below is a brief synopsis of what you will find in each monthly Catholic Charities - Social Concerns Newsletter, but first let us start with a little background on the "why" behind the newsletter.

#### What is Catholic Charities - Social Concerns?

Social Concerns, the newest Catholic Charities Ministry, encourages the Community to grow in a deeper understanding of Catholic Social Teaching by providing resources and strategies for effective action in parishes, schools and surrounding communities. Most importantly, it calls us to a deeper understanding in living out the Two Greatest Commandments, - to Love God and to Love our Neighbors, - both locally and globally.

The following USCCB and Catholic Charities ministries fall under Social Concerns;

Parish Social Ministry, Catholic Relief Services, Catholic Campaign for Human

Development, and Justice for Immigrants.

Learn More about Catholic Charities - Social Concern HERE

# How is the Social Concerns Newsletter different from all the other newsletters I receive?

Since the Social Concerns ministry is new to the Archdiocese, then much of the news and resources that fall under Social Concerns may be new to you too. This newsletter is a way to connect the dots of social ministry.

#### How often does the newsletter come out?

Monthly, unless there is an urgent Action Item

#### What am I expected to see in each newsletter?

Each month, one of the ministries that fall under Social Concerns will be highlighted, as well as a Resource of the Month, and any upcoming events. Most importantly, my hope is that the newsletter will act as a way for all of us to stay connected around the important work of seeing the face of Christ in all those we serve while they in turn are the face of Christ to us!

Sincerely in Christ, Theresa Chamblee Catholic Charities - Social Concerns

#### Keep Scrolling down to See More!!!

Visit our Website - Catholic Charities - Social Concerns

## SAVE THE DATE!!



Why the Parish Social Ministry (PSM) Gathering might just be what you have been waiting for!

- If you have ever had the urge to do more within your parish but you don't know where to start?
- Do you feel like it is always the same 10 people doing all the work?
- Are you interested in learning practical skills to make ministry within your parish thrive?

These are <u>just some of the items</u> we will be discussing together at the PSM Gathering.

SAVE THE DATE AUGUST 25, 2018

More Info will be Coming Soon!

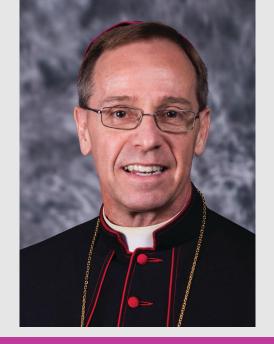
Parish Social Ministry

Gathering

Saturday, August 25th

Holy Name Catholic
Church

Keynote Speaker
Archbishop Charles C.
Thompson



## **Ministries of Social Concerns**











## **Highlighted Ministry**



Parish Social Ministry (PSM) is the action that the faith community takes to live out the Gospel we proclaim and to grow in love with God and neighbor.

By working along side parishes, PSM aims to foster greater outreach and advocacy efforts, to educate parishioners to serve those who are poor and vulnerable, and to provide opportunities for spiritual growth.

Resources you will find on the Archindy - PSM Webpage

- Parish Social Ministry Toolkit
- Catholic Social Teaching Resources
- Opportunities to volunteer with Catholic Charities

Visit our website - www.Archindy.org/psm

## FEATURED RESOURCE



Life & Dignity of the Human Person

# Catholic Social Teaching (CST) 101: 7 Part Video and Discussion Guides

CST 101 is a collaborative 7-part video and discussion guide series presented by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and Catholic Relief Services on Catholic social teaching. The videos bring the themes of Catholic social teaching to life and inspire us to put our faith into action. Some suggested uses of the videos and discussion guides include adult faith formation settings, high school theology classes, in lay ministry formation and to prepare groups for service trips. The series also includes downloadable posters and handouts for adults and kids, in English and Spanish. The images featured in the videos and accompanying videos are courtesy of Br. Mickey McGrath, OSFS.

## FROM OUR FRIENDS

YOU can adopt a duck to provide hunger relief, safe housing and hope for those in need through the services of Catholic Charities.

Single Duck - \$5

Quack Pack - 6 for \$25

Flock of Ducks - 12 for \$50

Waddles Winning Pack - 24 for \$100



Join the Wabash Valley Rubber Duck Regatta on July 4th at Fairbanks Park starting at 5 pm. 15,000 rubber ducks will be released into the Wabash River and one lucky duck will win \$10,000! 100% of the Wabash Valley Rubber Duck Regatta proceeds will

benefit Catholic Charities to provide hope for a future without hunger, homelessness or insecurity in the Wabash Valley.

Visit **WabashValleyRubberDuckRegatta.com** or follow us on Facebook **@WVRubberDuckRegatta** to learn more.

**If you live outside the Terre Haute area**, please call (812)232-1447 to request an adoption paper.

You have probably heard by now that Archbishop Thompson wrote a great document called - "We are One in Christ: A Pastoral Letter on Fundamentals of Christian Anthropology"

BUT....



Did you know that the *Archindy Office of Catechesis* wrote a wonderful "Reading and Study Guide" that individuals, families, teens, and small groups can use when reading and reflecting on the Pastoral Letter? Find the Reflection Guide in English and Spanish version Here.

# Archdiocesan Office of Intercultural Ministry Diocesan Day with Our Blessed Mother

Hispanic Ministries is hosting a day of prayer, celebration, food and confessions.

Where: St. Andrew Parish

When: June 23rd When: 1pm to 7pm.

**Learn More - Here.** 

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