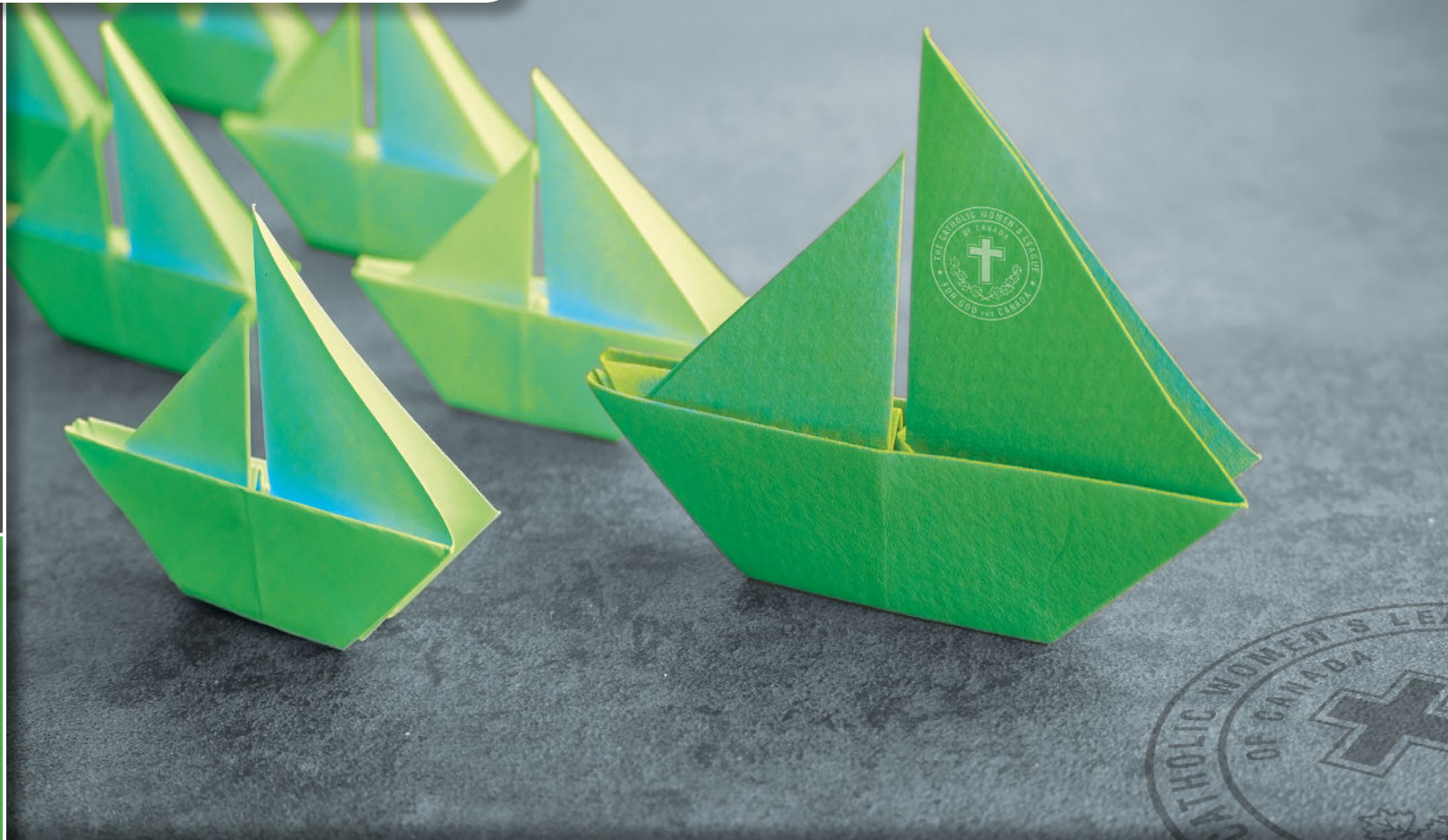


Catholic Social Teaching Resources

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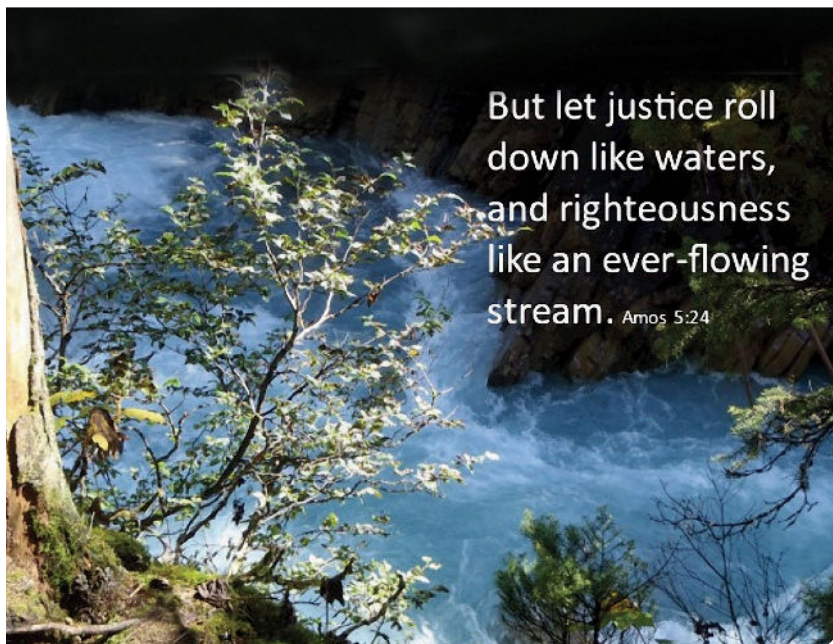
STRATEGY: Empower members by providing educational opportunities to learn more about Catholic social teaching.



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Introduction



Robson River, British Columbia. Photograph by Sr. Susan Scott

Sisters in the League,

Please accept this resource as an invitation to explore, grow in the knowledge of, and take steps to “birth” Catholic social teaching (CST) and social justice into parish council meetings and members’ lives. It has often been remarked that these CST’s are one of the “best-kept secrets” of the Catholic faith. Well, no longer! The more members read, watch, listen to and immerse themselves in this foundational aspect of faith, the closer they will find themselves to the heart of Jesus.

According to Diarmuid O’Murchu, “Jesus’ vision of the kingdom is about right relationships—in the name of justice and love—at every level of creation.”¹ “For Jesus, the New Reign of God was an inclusive, multifaceted strategy for the nonviolent liberation of the poor and the oppressed.”²

Be assured this focus on social justice and CST is not new and is rooted not only in Jesus’ mission on earth—to build God’s kingdom “on earth as it is in heaven”—but is at the very heart of both the Old and New Testament.

¹ Diarmuid O’Murchu, *Consecrated Religious Life the Changing Paradigms*, pg. 120

² Diarmuid O’Murchu, *Consecrated Religious Life the Changing Paradigms*, pg. 121

Two Feet of Social Justice

- Responds to an immediate need
- Private individual acts
- Requires repeated actions
- Directed at the effects of injustice



Charity



Advocacy

- Responds to a long-term need
- Public, collective actions
- Resolves structural injustice
- Directed at the cause of injustice

In the words of Pope Francis

“Care for creation was at the heart of the institution of the Sabbath, which, in addition to ordering divine worship, aimed at the restoration of the social order and concern for the poor (cf. Gen 1:1-3; Lev 25:4). The celebration of the Jubilee every seventh sabbatical year provided a respite for the land, for slaves and for those in debt. In that year of grace, those in greatest need were cared for and given a new chance in life, so that there would be no poor among the people” (cf. Deut 15:4)³

In the prophetic tradition, the biblical understanding of justice found its highest expression in the way a community treats its weakest members. Amos (cf. 2:6-8; 8) and Isaiah (cf. 58), in particular, insistently demand justice for the poor, who, in their vulnerability and powerlessness, cry out and are heard by God, who watches over them (cf. Ps 34:7; 113:7-8).³

As members spend time with these resources, they will undoubtedly notice a clarification and distinction between charity and social justice. Historically, members have focused more on charity than social justice. The primary vehicle for social justice has been through resolutions, whether at the national or provincial level. With these resources in their hands, they can focus more on the characteristics of social justice and actions on behalf of those most in need of protection and care.

The Catholic social teaching working group is confident members will find these resources useful in their councils as they learn how best to bring to life the new social justice standing committee as a core value. Let the content inspire councils, deepen members’ passion for being disciples of Jesus and reignite their love for all God’s Creation. May members find themselves immersed in an indwelling of relationships with God, their neighbour and creation.

³ Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the Celebration of the 54th World Day of Peace, paragraph 3

Catholic Social Teaching Resources

PowerPoint Presentations

Title	Link
"Catholic Social Teaching: A Challenge to Live the Gospel"	slideplayer.com/slide/5816115/
"CST Principles Primary," Caritas Australia, 2019.	caritas.org.au/resources/library/key-principles-of-cst/
"Pacem in Terris: Summary Review," Dario, R.	slideshare.net/renalyndario/pacem-in-terris-summary
"See Judge Act: Discerning Our Response," Development & Peace—Caritas Canada, 2016.	devp.org/en/csp/see-judge-act
"Seven Catholic social teaching principles," Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD)	cafod.org.uk/Pray/Catholic-social-teaching cafod.org.uk/Education/Secondary-and-youth-resources/Catholic-Social-Teaching
"Seven Themes of CST," Saint Mary's Press, 2012.	smp.org/resourcecenter/category/PowerPoints/42/?age-level=1&page=8
"The Social Doctrine of the Church: Papal Social Teachings," Saint Mary's Press, 2012.	smp.org/resourcecenter/resource/6203/
<i>Centesimus Annus</i>	slideshare.net/ronaldsuplidojr/centesimus-annus-64942655 prezi.com/7wznyiotosahk/centesimus-annus/
<i>CST Scripture Guide</i> , United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2010.	usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/how-we-teach/catholic-education/campus-ministry/tools-for-action/upload/cst-scripture-guide-donna-update-matt2.pdf
<i>Evangelii Gaudium</i>	slideshare.net/fred2106/pope-francis-evangelii-gaudium-52458792 slideplayer.com/slide/12079997/
<i>Gaudium et Spes</i>	slideserve.com/corina/gaudium-et-spes
<i>Laborem Exercens</i>	slideshare.net/sw8nytmare/laborem-exercens slideserve.com/gella/laborem-exercens

Title	Link
<i>Mater et Magistra</i>	prezi.com/llvwuwzosqqx/mater-et-magistra/slideshare.net/jshena/mater-et-magistra-8707541?next_slideshow=1
<i>Octogesima Adveniens</i>	prezi.com/uhqvco2v6qjf/octogesima-adveniens/
<i>Populorum Progressio</i> , Kasprzyk, K., 2017.	prezi.com/ldrpfono7lsb/populorum-progressio/
<i>Quadragesimo Anno</i>	slideshare.net/elmercance/quadragesimo-anno-59361041
<i>Rerum Novarum</i>	slideserve.com/celina/rerum-novarum
<i>Sollicitudo Rei Socialis</i>	prezi.com/nvgfqjehiavy/sollicitudo-rei-socialis/

Papal Documents

Title and Link	Author, Year Published	Description
<p><i>Centesimus Annus</i> vatican.va/content/john-paul-ii/en/encyclicals/documents/hf_jp-ii_enc_01051991_centesimus-annus.html</p>	<p>Pope John Paul II, 1991. Free digital download</p>	<p>In this encyclical, John Paul II addresses social and economic justice issues while addressing the defence of private property rights and the right to form private associations, including labour unions. He appeals to the state to be the agent of justice for the poor and to protect the human rights of all.</p>
<p><i>Evangelii Gaudium</i> vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_exhortations/documents/papa-francesco_esortazione-ap_20131124_evangelii-gaudium.html</p>	<p>Pope Francis, 2013. Free digital download</p>	<p>In <i>Evangelii Gaudium</i>, Pope Francis addresses the church's mission in today's world, encouraging Christians to overcome the complacency of the clergy at every level. The pope points out Christians' obligations to the poor and the duty to establish and maintain just economic, political and legal orders. He urges pastoral creativity and empathy—sleep with the sheep!</p>
<p><i>Gaudium et Spes</i> vatican.va/archive/hist_councils/ii_vatican_council/documents/vat-ii_const_19651207_gaudium-et-spes_en.html</p>	<p>Vatican II</p>	<p>This remarkable document from the Vatican II highlights the critical role of the laity in the church and the world.</p>
<p><i>Laborem Exercens</i> vatican.va/content/john-paul-ii/en/encyclicals/documents/hf_jp-ii_enc_14091981_laborem-exercens.html</p>	<p>Pope John Paul II, 1981. Free digital download</p>	<p>John Paul II offers this encyclical as a reflection on the meaning of human work. His priority lies in focusing on social teaching as seen through the lens of the concept of work.</p>
<p><i>Laudato Si'</i> vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco_20150524_enciclica-laudato-si.html</p>	<p>Pope Francis, 2015.</p>	<p>In <i>Laudato Si'</i>, Pope Francis takes exception with rampant consumerism and irresponsible development, environmental degradation and global climate change. He calls on every person of the world to join together to be the change needed to heal the earth and bring about the reign of God.</p>
<p><i>Mater et Magistra</i> vatican.va/content/john-xxiii/en/encyclicals/documents/hf_j-xxiii_enc_15051961_mater.html</p>	<p>Pope John XXIII, 1961. Free digital download</p>	<p>John XXIII uses Catholic social teachings on the common good on every level stating that Catholics need to know and apply these teachings, indicating that this is especially true of the church's teaching on social matters.</p> <p>John XXIII also encourages disciples of Christ to use the see, judge, act method. He sees it as a practical suggestion, suitable particularly for young people.</p>

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<p><i>Octogesima Adveniens</i> vatican.va/content/paul-vi/en/apost_letters/documents/hf_p-vi_apl_19710514_octogesima-adveniens.html</p>	<p>Pope Paul VI, 1971. Free digital download</p>	<p>Paul VI addresses specific social concerns and highlights the role of both individual Christians and local churches, calling on them to be engaged in responding to injustices.</p>
<p><i>Pacem in Terris</i> vatican.va/content/john-xxiii/en/encyclicals/documents/hf_j-xxiii_enc_11041963_pacem.html</p>	<p>Pope John XXIII, 1963.</p>	<p>In this encyclical by John XXIII, he builds on <i>Rerum Novarum</i> and emphasizes human dignity and equality among all people. Issues such as the rights of women, nuclear non-proliferation and the United Nations are also highlighted.</p>
<p><i>Populorum Progressio</i> vatican.va/content/paul-vi/en/encyclicals/documents/hf_p-vi_enc_26031967_populorum.html</p>	<p>Pope Paul VI, 1967.</p>	<p>Paul VI touches on the right to a just wage, the rights to security of employment, fair and reasonable working conditions and the universal destination of resources and goods commonly referenced as the common good in scriptural traditions.</p>
<p><i>Quadragesimo Anno</i> vatican.va/content/pius-xi/en/encyclicals/documents/hf_p-xi_enc_19310515_quadragesimo-anno.html</p>	<p>Pope Pius XI, 1931. Free digital download</p>	<p>Pius XI points out the moral implications of how society operates, be it the economy or social norms. Dangers to freedom and dignity are pointed out to rebuild societies around solidarity and subsidiarity – key principles of the Church’s teaching.</p>
<p><i>Rerum Novarum</i> vatican.va/content/leo-xiii/en/encyclicals/documents/hf_l-xiii_enc_15051891_rerum-novarum.html</p>	<p>Pope Leo XIII, 1891.</p>	<p>Pope Leo XIII highlights the themes of Cooperation Between the Classes (labour and capital working together), <i>Dignity of Work, Just Wage & Workers’ Associations, Role of the State, Private Ownership of Property and Defense of the Poor</i> in what is considered the first papal encyclical on social justice.</p>
<p><i>Sollicitudo Rei</i> vatican.va/content/john-paul-ii/en/encyclicals/documents/hf_jp-ii_enc_30121987_sollicitudo-rei-socialis.html</p>	<p>Pope John Paul II, 1987. Free digital download</p>	<p>John Paul II distinguishes between progress and development in which the fullness of becoming humans created in God’s image takes on the moral nature of real development.</p>

Films

Title	Contact Information	Description
Listing of various social justice films and film guides	Catholic Association of Religious and Family Life Educators of Ontario carfleo.com/2020/01/23/social-justice-films/	This resource connects Christians with Catholic social teaching themes for 116 social justice films. Registration is required to gain access.

Books

Author, Title, Year	Publisher	Description
Aubert, R., Boileau, D.A., eds. <i>Catholic Social Teaching: An Historical Perspective</i> (Marquette Studies in Theology). 2003.	Marquette University Press	This book contains ten articles on Catholic social teaching (CST) and gives detailed descriptions of the struggles, defeats and successes that mark the birth of CST. Throughout the last 100 years, these resources have been called “the best kept secret of the Catholic church.” Upon reading them, one cannot help but be in awe of the content and prophetic teachings contained therein.
Beigel, G. <i>Faith and Social Justice in the Teaching of Pope John Paul II</i> . 1997.	Peter Lang Publishing Inc.	This book presents St. John Paul II’s understanding of the principle connecting Christian faith and social justice—that action for social justice is an essential part of the gospel. It demonstrates that his teaching on faith and social justice is rooted in his philosophical and theological anthropology. This study highlights his vision of the person to Catholic social teaching and to the relationship between faith and social justice.
Chappell, K., Davis, F., eds. <i>Catholic Social Conscience: Reflection and Action on Catholic Social Teaching</i> . 2011.	Gracewing Publishing	These essays explore the need for renewal of Catholic social conscience following the demise of European communism, the international economic collapse and the blow to Catholic credibility in the public sphere represented by the widespread and senior cover-up of clergy child sex abuse. The essays reground theological thinking in a new way. Hopeful in tone, the collection is mission-centred, comprising contributions leading figures in their fields. Catholic social conscience will be of particular interest to all Christians who have believed that the Catholic social teaching tradition up to now continues to offer the Christian resources to navigate the call to civic and social action in their country, community, church and home.
Charles, R. <i>Christian Social Witness and Teaching: The Catholic Tradition from Genesis to Centesimus Annus</i> , Volume 1 and 2. 1998.	Gracewing Publishing	This text presents Catholic tradition from the beginning of scriptures to the most recent papal encyclicals addressing contemporary social teachings of the church. It is an extensive presentation of the history of Catholic social teaching publications when both volumes are combined.
Coleman, J.A. <i>One Hundred Years of Catholic Social Thought: Celebration and Challenge</i> . 1991.	Maryknoll N.Y., Orbis Books	A collection of essays to honour the 100 th year since the Pope Leo’s encyclical <i>Rerum Novarum</i> .

Author, Title, Year	Publisher	Description
Cuff, S. <i>Love in Action: Catholic Social Teaching for Every Church</i> . 2019.	SCM Press	The book offers a deeply scriptural and easily understood introduction to social justice as its importance to the church's ministry in the world.
DeBerri, E.P. et al. <i>Catholic Social Teaching: Our Best Kept Secret (4th Revised and Expanded Edition)</i> . 2003.	Orbis Books	In this revised and expanded edition, the history of the church's Catholic social teaching is explained for not only students and teachers but likewise for the laity and clergy. A very insightful and easy to understand resource.
Dorr, D. <i>Option for the Poor & for the Earth: Catholic Social Teaching</i> . 2012.	Orbis Books	Widely considered the classic on Catholic social teaching (CST) emphasizing the option for the poor and economic equality, this must-read text now includes care for the environment. Highlights and weaknesses are presented for these different areas of CST.
Dorr, D. <i>Option for the Poor: A Hundred Years of Vatican Social Teaching (3rd Revised Edition)</i> . 2016.	Orbis Books	Donal Dorr provides another excellent resource on the lengthy history of the church's ongoing commitment to teaching principles of social justice for all followers of Christ.
Dwyer, J. <i>The New Dictionary of Catholic Social Thought</i> . 1994.	Michael Glazier	The writers of this text address present-day social issues as well as historical issues and movements. There are articles, papal social encyclicals, Vatican II documents and various other episcopal documents related to social concerns. Human rights topics addressed include poverty, homelessness, exploitation, feminism, industry, labour, political systems and environmental concerns impacting and influencing modern Catholic social thought. Theological concerns, liturgical movements and scriptural foundations are also addressed in this extensive list of resources.
Evans, B. <i>Glorify the Lord by Your Life: Catholic Social Teaching and the Liturgy</i> . 2020.	Liturgy Training Publications	"A unique approach for understanding the important connection between the liturgy and the seven primary themes of Catholic social teaching. It will inspire you to deepen your relationship with God and with others, to become more aware of the needs of the world, and recommit yourself to live as Christ's disciples in the world." (Liturgy Training Publications)

Author, Title, Year	Publisher	Description
Gunn, J. <i>Journeys to Justice: Reflections on Canadian Christian Activism</i> . 2018.	Novalis Publishing	Interviews are conducted with ten key people across Canada active in social justice struggles. Their stories address experiences such as how did Christians from varied ecumenical backgrounds worked together to help end apartheid, admit refugees from Chile and Indochina, defend Indigenous peoples' rights and promote economic justice. These wonderful stories provide the reader with relevant lessons for today. As well, their words and experiences inspire an ongoing direction and model for faith-based action for justice.
Gunn, J., Lambton, M. <i>Calling Out the Prophetic Tradition: A Jubilee of Social Teaching from the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops</i> . 1999.	CCCB Publications	This text is an excellent summary of 50 years' worth of pontifical social statements and how Canada has incorporated these into specific issues or pastoral statements.
Haughey, J.C., ed. <i>The Faith That Does Justice; Examining the Christian Sources for Social Change</i> . 1977.	Paulist Press	<p>These essays address questions such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be true to its mission, what function is the church meant to perform? • What is the theological significance of action undertaken by Christians for political or social transformation? • Is justice to be looked on as one of the moral virtues that it is incumbent on Christians to practice, or has it a more intrinsic link to the gift of faith which Christians have received? • Does the following of Christ call Christians away from social systems into "the new creation," or is the call extended to them to concern themselves with the social systems which shape human beings?

Author, Title, Year	Publisher	Description
Himes, K.R. <i>Responses to 101 Questions on Catholic Social Teaching</i> . 2001.	Paulist Press	<p>Kenneth Himes introduces this vital part of Catholic tradition to students and inquiring believers, addressing some of the most frequently asked questions on Catholic social teaching. The book is divided into the following seven sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General Background • Ecclesiological Issues • Foundational Themes • Political Life • Economic Life • International Life • Social Life
Himes, K.R., ed. <i>Modern Catholic Social Teaching: Commentaries and Interpretations</i> (2 nd Edition). 2017.	Georgetown University Press	<p>Contributions from 22 leading moral theologians are included in this volume, making it an outstanding assessment of modern Roman Catholic social teaching (CST). The text provides insights into biblical and philosophical elements of CST and comments on some issues associated therein. Pope Benedict XVI's encyclical <i>Caritas in Veritate</i> and Pope Francis' <i>Laudato Si</i> are also included in the commentaries. A very up to date and worthwhile book for reading.</p>
Kammer, F. S.J. <i>Doing Faithjustice: An Introduction to Catholic Social Thought</i> (Revised Edition). 2004.	Paulist Press	<p>This revised edition includes new materials on social teaching documents and updated economic and social data and analysis. Likewise included are questions for reflection and renewal at the chapters' end.</p>
Krier Mich, M.L. <i>Catholic Social Teaching and Movements</i> . 1998.	Twenty-Third Publications	<p>This resource presents Catholic social teaching (CST) from papal encyclicals, bishops' letters and lay grassroots movements and how some of these organizations formed. The rich tradition of CST is presented to entice others to learn about and treasure the wealth of teaching and depth of fidelity to Christ's teachings available.</p>

Author, Title, Year	Publisher	Description
Laskey, M.J. <i>The Ministry of Peace and Justice</i> . 2016.	Liturgical Press	Pope Francis has said, “How I would like a Church that is poor and for the poor!” How might each Catholic respond to this call more boldly? This text is a practical guide meant to help faith communities deepen their commitment to bringing God’s compassion to a wounded world. Directed to the baptized with a heart for poor and vulnerable people, there are creative suggestions for starting or expanding social efforts and six ready-to-use educational, interactive sessions for new or growing peace and justice committees.
Massaro, T. <i>Living Justice: Catholic Social Teaching in Action</i> (3rd Edition). 2015.	Rowman & Littlefield Publishers	The text introduces readers to both the foundations of Catholic social teaching and social justice, leading readers through the building blocks of Catholic social thought, including its central themes, sources and methods. The text includes heroes of social change and prophets of peace and justice. Many contemporary issues are incorporated into this edition of the original text, providing critical insights into today’s challenges and concerns for disciples of Christ.
McCarthy, D.M. <i>The Heart of Catholic Social Teaching: Its Origins and Contemporary Significance</i> . 2009.	Brazos Press	This book covers the complete history and contemporary contexts of the church’s involvement in Catholic social tradition, focusing on the bible, liturgy, the thought of Augustine and Aquinas and recent theological developments. It is designed to set social questions within the Catholic tradition and contemporary life. The reader will find end-of-chapter application sections that address practical concerns, such as racism in the church, charity, consumerism and talking with others about moral issues. Discussion questions, case studies, excerpts of church documents and suggestions for further reading enhance the book’s usefulness.
McKenna, K.E. <i>A Concise Guide to Catholic Social Teaching</i> (3 rd Edition). 2019.	Ave Maria Press	This text communicates Pope Francis’ essential teachings in <i>Evangelii Gaudium</i> and <i>Laudato Si’</i> . It offers a beginner-level reference tool and study guide for church leaders and interested Catholics to assist them in navigating the vast body of teaching that has been inherited. Key themes include human dignity, community, rights and responsibilities, option for the poor, dignity of work, solidarity and care of creation. At the end of each chapter are questions for reflection and dialogue and appendices that list tools for parishes and study groups.

Author, Title, Year	Publisher	Description
<p>Pennock, M. <i>Catholic Social Teaching: Learning & Living Justice</i>. 2007.</p>	<p>Ave Maria Press</p>	<p>This excellent book introduces the church's collection of social teachings of the essential writings of the popes. This draws on the <i>Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church</i>, providing the latest applications of the church's social teaching, focusing on the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' document <i>Sharing Catholic Social Teaching</i>. Two important principles—the life and dignity of the human person and respect for life are presented as foundational to supporting concepts like the common good, preferential option for the poor, solidarity among all the people and stewardship of resources. Each chapter includes several special features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • activities that help students foster total learning their in hands (service), hearts (prayer) and mind (academic challenges) • review questions for the main sections • journal assignments for deeper thought and reflection • key vocabulary terms • a “learn by doing” project for each chapter that provides a longer-term assignment • a “Called to Prayer” feature offering text from a prayer relevant to the chapter theme
<p>Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace. <i>Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church</i>. 2005.</p>	<p>Veritas Publications</p>	<p>An excellent collection of the church as the mission of Christ, including its social doctrine, the human person and human rights, the family in society, work and its relation to the economy, the interplay between political and international communities, environment, the promotion of peace, pastoral actions and activities of the laity in response to their baptismal calling.</p>
<p>Rodger, C. <i>Introduction to Catholic Social Teaching</i>. 2000.</p>	<p>Ignatius Press</p>	<p>This book summarizes Catholic teachings on social justice in brief notes, then gives excerpts from the original Catholic documents. The text is faithful to the magisterium of the church.</p>
<p>Schlag, M., ed. <i>Handbook of Catholic Social Teaching: A Guide for Christians in the World Today</i>. 2017.</p>	<p>Catholic University of America Press</p>	<p>Handbook of CST chapter summaries. Available from jstor.org/stable/j.ctt1n7qkrc.</p>

Author, Title, Year	Publisher	Description
Schwindt, D. <i>Catholic Social Teaching: A New Synthesis (Rerum Novarum to Laudato Si')</i> . 2015.	Agnus Dei Publishing	This text provides a comprehensive, concise analysis of Catholic social doctrine. In the words of Pope Francis, “We need to develop a new synthesis capable of overcoming the false arguments of recent centuries. Christianity, in fidelity to its own identity and the rich deposit of truth which it has received from Jesus Christ, continues to reflect on these issues in fruitful dialogue with changing historical situations. In doing so, it reveals its eternal newness.”
Shea, M.P. <i>The Church’s Best-Kept Secret: A Primer on Catholic Social Teaching</i> . 2020.	New City Press	The basic principles of Catholic social teaching are presented using everyday language and examples that speak to all persons of good faith. The meaning of the dignity of the human person, the common good, subsidiarity and solidarity are each addressed in a separate chapter. Easy reading and a very good resource.
Sheridan, E.F., ed. <i>Do Justice!: The Social Teaching of the Canadian Catholic Bishops</i> . 1987	Éditions Paulines and Jesuit Centre for Social Faith and Justice.	An outstanding resource of the work the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has accomplished over the years. This book provides a great history of priorities and actions taken by the Canadian bishops.

Religious Congregations

Name of Religious Congregation	Website
Canadian Religious Conference	crc-canada.org/en/what-do-we-do/jpic/
Congrégation de Notre-Dame	cnd-m.org/en/justice/index.php
Congregation of Notre Dame–Visitation Province	jpic-visitation.org/
Federation of Sisters of St. Joseph of Canada	csjfederation.ca/federation-office-for-systemic-justice/
School Sisters of Notre Dame	ssnd.org/shalom/
Sisters of Charity of the Immaculate Conception	sistersofcharityic.com/being-doing-justice
Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions	rdmcanada.org/index.html
Sisters of Providence of St. Vincent de Paul	providence.ca/our-work/justice-peace-and-integrity-of-creation/
Sisters of St. Joseph of Toronto	csj-to.ca/jpic
Sisters of St. Martha of Prince Edward Island	peimarthas.com/justice

Prayers and Prayer Services

Resource	Link	Information
A CST Prayer for a More Just World, Education for Justice	educationforjustice.org/ A membership is required to access these resources.	With a membership to Education for Justice, readers can use this resource to guide them through the work to build a more just world as Christians build God's kingdom here on earth.
Advent Activities for All	loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/advent/activities/advent-activities-for-all/	
Catholic Social Teaching in Liturgy	http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/wp-content/uploads/2011/01/csttoolkit_liturgy1.pdf	A fantastic resource for incorporating the foundational principle of social justice into liturgical celebrations.
Indigenous Peoples' Day and Catholic Social Teaching	educationforjustice.org/	An annual subscription to Education for Justice (EFJ) is required to access these resources. EFJ was created in 2001 to help teachers, social action directors, parish members, campus ministers and others in leadership roles meet the challenge of sharing Catholic social tradition and bring greater awareness to social justice issues. Through EFJ resources and materials, readers seek not only to introduce Catholic social tradition to a broader audience and develop solidarity with those who are suffering and oppressed in the global community. Originally a project of Center of Concern, EFJ transitioned under the umbrella of the Ignatian Solidarity Network in 2019.
Prayer Service for Women's Rights	educationforjustice.org/ A membership is required to access these resources.	This resource includes a lovely litany for women's rights around the world.
Scripture and Catholic Social Teaching: The Prophets on Poverty	educationforjustice.org/	
Skrepichuk, S., Côté, M. <i>We Dare to Say: Praying for Justice and Peace</i> . Novalis Publishing, (2007). 128 Pages		This resource was written following a national council for the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace and is an excellent resource for prayers and suggestions for incorporating social justice into prayer services.

Resource	Link	Information
Social Justice Films	educationforjustice.org/ A membership is required to access these resources.	This resource categorizes films by social justice topic and includes guidelines for using the movies. A reflection sheet is likewise available to assist in a follow-up discussion around Catholic social teaching principles.
<i>The Liturgy and Catholic Social Teaching: Participation in Worship and the World</i>	ltp.org/products/details/LCST/liturgy-and-catholic-social-teaching-by-with	“Organized by the seven themes of Catholic social teaching as developed by the United States bishops, this resource explores the intimate connection between liturgy and Catholic social teaching. It provides insights for parish teams on how Catholics might better live what it is [they] celebrate each time [they] gather to worship God and express more fully, consciously, and actively what it means to be in right relationship with God and the world. With questions for discussion and reflection following each thematic chapter, worship teams, parish councils, and peace and justice committees will be able to evaluate and improve parish liturgical practices and ministerial outreach as rooted in Catholic social teaching. With penitential services organized by each of the seven themes, this resource also provides parishioners with the means to examine their own consciences, make acts of reparation, and resolve to be more committed to following the teachings of the Church... The prayer services found in this book may also be downloaded as a PDF. Additional questions for discussion are also provided online for young adults.” (Liturgy Training Publications)
Various prayers available, Social Justice Resource Center	socialjusticeresourcecenter.org/prayers/justice/	
We Are Salt and Light: Linking Liturgy and Justice	wearesaltandlight.org/pray-together/linking-liturgy-and-justice	“The power of word and sacrament should not be underestimated; it is the power of God. In the memorable words of the Second Vatican Council, ‘The liturgy is the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed; at the same time it is the fountain from which all her power flows.’” (wearesaltandlight.org)

Websites

Education for Justice (EFJ) is a global digital subscription membership service that provides resources for those who wish to study, teach and practice Catholic social tradition. It offers its members access to a growing library of thousands of text-based and multimedia resources, a monthly e-newsletter and other benefits to help them approach the world’s headlines from the perspective of Catholic social tradition. EFJ is a project of the Ignatian Solidarity Network (ignatiansolidarity.net/) and can be contacted at (216) 397-2081 or via e-mail to efi@ignatiansolidarity.net. Sample resources are available at educationforjustice.org/sample-resources/. Please also visit the free resource page (educationforjustice.org/covid-19-catholic-social-teaching/) in response to COVID-19 for tools to share Catholic social teaching in light of the global pandemic.

Materials: EFJ members are granted access to its large library of resources for study, learning, and reflection. Browse resources by the material type here. New materials are added regularly and included automatically.

Resources	Link	Resources	Link
Activity	educationforjustice.org/materials/activity/	Litany	educationforjustice.org/materials/litany/
Book Discussion Guide	educationforjustice.org/materials/book-discussion-guide	Prayer	educationforjustice.org/materials/prayer/
Bulletin Insert	educationforjustice.org/materials/bulletin-insert	Prayer Service	educationforjustice.org/materials/prayer-service/
Calendar	educationforjustice.org/materials/calendar/	Quiz	educationforjustice.org/materials/quiz/
Creative Voice	educationforjustice.org/materials/creative-voice/	Reflection	educationforjustice.org/materials/reflection/
Fact Sheet & Handout	educationforjustice.org/materials/fact-sheet-handout/	Retreat	educationforjustice.org/materials/retreat/
Film Discussion Guide	educationforjustice.org/materials/film-discussion-guide/	Toolbox	educationforjustice.org/materials/toolbox/
Lectionary Reflection	educationforjustice.org/materials/lectionary-reflection/	Unit	educationforjustice.org/materials/unit/
Lesson Plan	educationforjustice.org/materials/lesson-plan/	Video	educationforjustice.org/materials/video/

Suggested Websites	Link
A Church Seeking Justice: <i>The Challenge of Pope Francis to the Church in Canada</i> . Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops	cccb.ca/document/a-church-seeking-justice-the-challenge-of-pope-francis-to-the-church-in-canada/
Catholic Social Teaching 101: Videos and Materials, Catholic Relief Services	crs.org/resource-center/CST-101
Catholic Social Teaching, NETWORK: Advocates for Justice, Inspired by Catholic Sisters	networkadvocates.org/advocacytoolbox/educate/catholicsocialjustice/
Catholic Social Teaching, Scarboro Missions	scarboromissions.ca/justice-peace-and-integrity-of-creation/catholic-social-teaching
Education for Justice	educationforjustice.org/
Foundational Documents of CST, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops	usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catholic-social-teaching/foundational-documents
Global Catholic Climate Movement Canada, Faith & the Common Good	faithcommongood.org/global_catholic_climate_movement_canada
<i>In the Footsteps of Jesus: Resource Manual on Catholic Social Teaching, A Companion to the USCCB Video In the Footsteps of Jesus: Catholic Social Teaching at Work Today</i> , United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.	usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catholic-social-teaching/upload/in-the-footsteps-of-jesus.pdf
Just Faith Ministries	justfaith.org/
Justice and Peace, Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops	cccb.ca/justice-and-peace/
Returning to Spirit (reconciliation workshops)	returningtospirit.org/
Social Justice Resource Center	socialjusticeresourcecenter.org/
The Principles of Catholic Social Teaching, Development and Peace—Caritas Canada	devp.org/en/cst

Videos

Title, Year, Length	Summary	Link
<i>A Brief History of Catholic Social Teaching & Social Justice</i> , 2018 3 minutes	None available	youtube.com/watch?v=fyb9M5Z7oas
<i>An Introduction to Catholic Social Teachings</i> , 2015 2 minutes	A video series on the seven principles of Catholic social teaching.	youtube.com/watch?v=jlPsz16FkNo
<i>Catholic Social Justice: Part 1</i> , 2016 1.5 hours	Dr. Peter Baltutis of St. Mary's University (Calgary, Alberta) presents the first of two lectures on Catholic social justice.	youtube.com/watch?v=HqINuoTo-aA Dr. Peter Baltutis: Assistant Professor of History & Catholic Studies. St. Mary's University, Calgary AB
<i>Catholic Social Justice: Part 2</i> , 2016 87 minutes	In the second of two parts, Dr. Baltutis continues his presentation on Catholic social justice.	youtube.com/watch?v=m91QbXUjwCU Dr. Peter Baltutis: Catholic Social Justice pt. 2
<i>Catholic Social Teaching</i> , 2016 4 minutes	A wonderful resource about Catholic social teachings to share and learn from, through which God is revealed. It calls all followers to a covenant of love and justice with all of creation.	youtube.com/watch?v=cjb7aJOgyhk Catholic Social Teaching
<i>Catholic Social Teaching for secondary school</i> , 2016 6 minutes	None available.	youtube.com/watch?v=PeQmgowQ8Lo
<i>Catholic Social Teaching in 3 Minutes</i> , 2014 3 minutes	A very brief video highlighting key gospel principals used to bring social justice issues alive in parishes, classrooms and community groups.	youtube.com/watch?v=ELyLdMIFdZA
<i>Catholic Social Teaching Movie</i> , 2013 10 minutes	Descriptions of the seven themes of Catholic social teaching.	youtube.com/watch?v=YEFVDUXMfK
<i>Catholic Social Teaching: Love and Mercy in Action</i> (part 1 of 3), 2016 9 minutes	In the first video of a three-part series, key terms used frequently in Catholic social teaching are defined and briefly explained.	youtube.com/watch?v=2mhqLPii4CM

Title, Year, Length	Summary	Link
<p><i>Catholic Social Teaching: Love and Mercy in Action</i> (part 2 of 3), 2016 11 minutes</p>	<p>In the second of three videos, four themes of Catholic social teaching are examined:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Dignity of the Human Person</i> • <i>Family and Participation in Society</i> • <i>Rights and Responsibilities</i> • <i>Rights and Responsibilities</i> 	<p>youtube.com/watch?v=WJ5Jj5Ukhgk</p>
<p><i>Catholic Social Teaching: Love and Mercy in Action</i> (part 3 of 3), 2016 7 minutes</p>	<p>In the final video of a three-part series, the themes addressed include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers</i> • <i>Solidarity</i> • <i>Care for God's Creation</i> 	<p>youtube.com/watch?v=-N4l8Tom2bE&t=51s</p>
<p><i>Catholic Social Teaching: The Catholic Tradition of Social Justice</i>, 2017 37 minutes</p>	<p>In this video taken from Fr. Ron Rolheiser's lecture series <i>Simply Being Good-Hearted is Not Enough: A Spirituality of Charity, Justice, and Prophecy</i>, he addresses the long-standing tradition of Catholic social teaching in communities. The viewer is challenged to grow into a deeper appreciation of traditions and their rootedness in sacred scriptures.</p>	<p>youtube.com/watch?v=BQE1ouploy4</p>
<p><i>Catholic Social Teaching: What it IS, and What it is NOT</i>, 2012 17 minutes</p>	<p>Fr. Robert Sirico; President, the Acton Institute Distinguished Speakers Series, Franciscan University of Steubenville</p>	<p>youtube.com/watch?v=ObEHpPhFa-M</p>
<p><i>CST 101: Life and Dignity of the Human Person</i>, 2017 4 minutes</p>	<p>A seven-part video and discussion guide series presented by United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and Catholic Relief Services on Catholic social teaching. The videos bring these themes to life, inspiring Christians to put their faith into action. The videos and discussion guides may be used for adult faith formation, high school classes and lay ministry formation. The series also includes downloadable posters and handouts.</p>	<p>crs.org/resource-center/CST-101</p>

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<p><i>Gift and Responsibility: An Introduction to Catholic Social Teaching— Part 1 - Catholic Social Teaching: An Overview</i>, 2020 28 minutes</p>	<p>In part one of two, Fr. Daniel Griffith provides an introduction to Catholic social teaching.</p>	<p>youtube.com/watch?v=blnOXWyqAyY&t=2s</p>
<p><i>Gift and Responsibility: An Introduction to Catholic Social Teaching—Part 2 - Biblical Foundations of CST</i>, 2020 28 minutes</p>	<p>In this second video of a two-part series, Fr. Daniel Griffith explores the biblical roots of Catholic social teaching.</p>	<p>youtube.com/watch?v=WmSFvSqDo5A&t=14s</p>
<p><i>The Biblical Roots of Catholic Social Teaching</i>, 2015 8 minutes</p>	<p>This short video introduces the viewer to the reality that social justice is deeply rooted in scriptures.</p>	<p>youtube.com/watch?v=aMYBCy1FyUc</p>
<p><i>The Seven Principles of Catholic Social Teaching</i>, 2017 5 minutes</p>	<p>There is a great breadth to the church's social justice teachings. Seven traditional principles help introduce the major themes and organize ideas. Each principle is briefly presented to introduce viewers to the foundational ideas at the heart of Catholic social teaching. These principles summarize major concepts and are merely a starting point and outline the church's response to God's call for action. They are meant to inspire Christians to take responsibility to protect the rights and dignity of all people.</p>	<p>youtube.com/watch?v=HU8boE-Sptw</p>
<p><i>The Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching</i>, 2017 5 minutes</p>	<p>None available</p>	<p>youtube.com/watch?v=GqSkkeUeVol</p>

Conferences of Catholic Bishops

Title, Author, Year	Publisher	Contact Information	Description
<i>A Catholic Response to Call to Action 48 of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (On Adopting and Implementing the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples).</i> CCCB, 2016.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/catholic-response-call-to-action-48-2.pdf	Indigenous peoples
<i>A Church Seeking Justice: The Challenge of Pope Francis to the Church in Canada.</i> CCCB, 2015.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/184-902.pdf	citizenship and the common good, economy, peace and security
<i>A Place of Redemption: A Christian approach to Punishment and Prison.</i> The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, 2004.	Burns & Oates	familyofsites.bishopsconference.org.uk/plain/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2019/07/place-redemption-2004-crop.pdf	restorative justice
<i>Bishops of Canada Endorse and Support Joint Fundraising Campaign for Syrian Refugees by Development & Peace, CNEWA Canada and ACN Canada.</i> CCCB, 2015.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/CCCB_statement_on_joint_campaign_for_Syrian_refugees_-_EN.pdf	refugees and immigration
<i>Bishops of Canada Urge National Political Leaders and Catholics throughout Canada to Take Action on Refugee Sponsorship.</i> CCCB, 2015.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Letter_to_national_party_leaders_re_CCCB_refugee_resolution_-_English_text.pdf	refugees and immigration
<i>Briefing Note for the Bishops of Canada Concerning Sanctuary for Refugees in Catholic Churches.</i> CCCB, 2005.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/BRIEFING-NOTE-FOR-THE-BISHOPS-OF-CANADA.pdf	refugees and immigration

Title, Author, Year	Publisher	Contact Information	Description
<i>Building a New Culture: Central Themes in Recent Church Teaching on the Environment</i> , Episcopal Commission of Justice and Peace, CCCB, 2013.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Church_Teaching_on_the_Environment.pdf	environment
<i>CCCB welcomes decision by Government of Canada on Canadian Ombudsperson for Responsible Enterprise</i> . CCCB, 2018.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Statement_-_Position_of_Canadian_Ombudsperson_for_Responsible_Enterprise_-_EN.pdf	environment
<i>Discerning Electoral Options: A Pastoral Reflection from the Episcopal Commission for Social Affairs</i> , Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB), 2000	CCCB	cccb.ca/document/discerning-electoral-options-a-pastoral-reflection-from-the-episcopal-commission-for-social-affairs/	citizenship and the common good
<i>Election Guide 2004: Responsibility and Discernment: An Invitation to Canadian Catholics by the Episcopal Commission for Social Affairs of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops</i> , CCCB, 2004	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/election2004-en.pdf	citizenship and the common good
<i>Eliminate Racial and Religious Discrimination: See Every Person as My Sister or Brother</i> . CCCCB, 2004.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/The-Elimination-of-Racial-Discrimination_-_Prerequisite-for-the-Culture-of-Peace.pdf	peace and security
<i>First International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking. Message by the President of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops</i> , CCCB, 2015.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Message_2015_-_International_Day_against_Human_Trafficking_-_EN.pdf	human trafficking

Title, Author, Year	Publisher	Contact Information	Description
<i>God Created Humankind in His Image and Likeness—Respect for the other is a must.</i> CCCB, 2020.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/Statement-by-CCCB-8-June-2020-Racism-EN-1.pdf	citizenship and the common good, religious freedom and other human rights
<i>“I Was a Stranger and You Welcomed Me” Pastoral Letter on Welcoming Refugees,</i> CCCB, 2015	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Pastoral_Letter_Refugees.pdf	refugees and immigration
<i>In His Name: Statement on the Persecution of Christians.</i> CCCB, 2019.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/In_His_Name_EN_FINAL.pdf	religious freedom and other human rights
<i>Indigenous Peoples—Encounters with Popes. 1984-2009.</i> Various papal addresses.	Vatican	cccb.ca/indigenous-peoples/meetings-holy-father/	Indigenous peoples
Justice and Peace—Economy. CCCB, 2003-2017.	CCCB	cccb.ca/justice-and-peace/economy/	economy
Justice and Peace—Peace and Security. CCCB, 2004.	CCCB	cccb.ca/justice-and-peace/peace-and-security/	peace and security

Title, Author, Year	Publisher	Contact Information	Description
Justice and Peace—Refugees and Immigration. CCCB.	CCCB	cccb.ca/justice-and-peace/refugees-and-immigration/	refugees and immigration
Justice and Peace—Religious Freedom and Other Human Rights. CCCB, 2002-present.	CCCB	cccb.ca/justice-and-peace/religious-freedom-and-other-human-rights/	religious freedom and other human rights
<i>Let Justice Flow Like a Mighty River: Brief by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops to the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples.</i> CCCB, 1995.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/let_justice_flow_like_a_mighty_river.pdf	Indigenous peoples
<i>Letter to the Ambassador of Guatemala: Open-Pit Mining is a Source of Worry.</i> CCCB, 2004.	CCCB	cccb.ca/document/cccb-letter-to-the-ambassador-of-guatemala-open-pit-mining-project-is-a-source-of-worry/	environment
<i>Letter to the Honourable Jason Kenney, Minister of Citizenship, Immigration and Multiculturalism, Regarding Bill C-49.</i> CCCB 2010.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/letter-to-minister-kenney.pdf	human trafficking
<i>List of Catholic Documents on Racism and Discrimination Available Online.</i> CCCB, 2020.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/Racism-and-Discrimination-Catholic-documents-online.pdf	racism and discrimination

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<i>Living Out Laudato Si': A Commentary and Practical Resource for Canadian Catholics.</i> Episcopal Commission for Justice and Peace, CCCB, 2017.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Living_Out_Laudato_Si_En.pdf	environment
<i>Message to Young Catholics on Social Justice.</i> CCCB, 2011.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Message_Social_Justice_ENG.pdf	citizenship and the common good
<i>Our Relationship with the Environment: The Need for Conversion.</i> Commission for Social Affairs, CCCB, 2008	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/enviro_eng.pdf	environment
<i>Pastoral Letter on Freedom of Conscience and Religion.</i> CCCB, 2012	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Freedom_of_Conscience_and_Religion.pdf	religious freedom and other human rights
<i>Pastoral Letter on Human Trafficking.</i> CCCB, 2010.	CCCB	cccb.ca/document/pastoral-letter-on-human-trafficking/	human trafficking
<i>Poverty in Canada: Ensuring Safe, Secure and Affordable Housing.</i> CCCB, 2019.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Poverty_and_Affordable_Housing_EN-1.pdf	economy

Title, Author, Year	Publisher	Contact Information	Description
<i>Practices by Canadian mining companies in other countries raise concerns.</i> CCCB, 2007.	CCCB	cccb.ca/document/practices-by-canadian-mining-companies-in-other-countries-raise-concerns/	environment
Resources—Indigenous Art Collection. 1975.	CCCB	cccb.ca/indigenous-peoples/resources/cccb-art-collection/	Indigenous peoples
<i>Responsibility, Rehabilitation, and Restoration: A Catholic Perspective on Crime and Criminal Justice.</i> United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), 2016.	USCCB	usccb.org/resources/responsibility-rehabilitation-and-restoration-catholic-perspective-crime-and-criminal	restorative justice
“Restorative Justice Week,” The Church Council on Justice and Corrections (CCJC), 2019.	CCJC	ccjc.ca/restorative-justice-week/	restorative justice
<i>Statement by the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See on the Doctrine of Discovery and Inter Coetera.</i> 2010.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Holy-See.pdf	Indigenous peoples
<i>Statement of the Episcopal Commission for Social Affairs concerning the Eradication of Poverty.</i> CCCB, 1998.	CCCB	cccb.ca/document/statement-of-the-episcopal-commission-for-social-affairs-concerning-the-eradication-of-poverty/	economy

Title, Author, Year	Publisher	Contact Information	Description
<i>Statement on Nuclear Weapons.</i> CCCB, 2019.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/Statement_on_Nuclear_Weapons_Plenary_Assembly_Sept_25.pdf	peace and security
<i>Submission on Palliative Care to Health Canada.</i> CCCB, 2018.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/08/palliative_care_submission_for_health_canada_en.pdf	palliative care
<i>Summit of the Americas: That None be Excluded.</i> Statement of the Permanent Council, CCCB, 2001.	CCCB	cccb.ca/letter/summit-of-the-americas-that-none-be-excluded/	economy
<i>That We Might All Have Life in Abundance.</i> Pastoral Statement on the Occasion of the G-8 Summit. CCCB, 2002.	CCCB	cccb.ca/document/that-we-all-might-have-life-in-abundance/	economy
<i>The Common Good or Exclusion: A Choice for Canadians,</i> CCCB, 2001	CCCB	cccb.ca/document/the-common-good-or-exclusion-a-choice-for-canadians/	citizenship and the common good
<i>The “Doctrine of Discovery” and Terra Nullius: A Catholic Response.</i> CCCB et al, 2016.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/catholic-response-to-doctrine-of-discovery-and-tn.pdf	Indigenous peoples

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<i>The Struggle Against Poverty: A Sign of Hope in our World.</i> Episcopal Commission for Social Affairs on the Elimination of Poverty, CCCB, 1996.	CCCB	cccb.ca/document/the-struggle-against-poverty-a-sign-of-hope-in-our-world/	economy
<i>The Word of God and Social Action: Insights from Verbum Domini</i> , CCCB, 2014	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/The_Word_of_God_and_Social_Action.pdf	citizenship and the common good
<i>Trading Away the Future: Concerns Arising From the Investor-State Mechanism of the North American Free Trade Agreement and its Extension throughout the Americas.</i> CCCB, 2002.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Trading-Away-the-Future.pdf	economy
<i>Voting as Catholics: 2019 Federal Election Guide.</i> CCCB, 2019.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/2019_Federal_Election_Guide.pdf	citizenship and the common good
“We are aliens and transients before the Lord our God”— <i>Pastoral Letter on Immigration and Protection of Refugees.</i> CCCB, 2006.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/PastoralLetter_Immigration.pdf	refugees and immigration
“You love all that exists... all things are Yours, God, lover of life— <i>A Pastoral Letter on the Christian Ecological Imperative.</i> CCCB, 2003.	CCCB	cccb.ca/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/pastoralenvironment.pdf	environment

Magazines and Articles

Title, Editor, Cost	Publisher	Contact Information	Description
Catholic Missions In Canada. Muzzerall, J. Published quarterly, \$25.00. Online subscriptions available.	Catholic Missions In Canada	201-1155 Yonge Street Toronto, ON M4T 1W2	Information regarding the support of 24 Canadian mission dioceses by supporting missionaries, helping with building repairs, providing ministry to First Nations communities, providing religious education, educating lay pastoral leadership and seminarians.
<i>Commonweal Magazine</i> . Preziosi, D. Varied costs, online subscriptions available.	Commonweal Foundation	Commonweal Magazine 475 Riverside Drive Room 405 New York, NY 10115 commonwealmagazine.org/	A liberal American Catholic journal of opinion, providing a forum for civil, debate on the interaction of faith with contemporary politics and culture.
<i>CST 101: Themes from Catholic Social Teaching</i> . United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), 2017.	USCCB	usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catholic-social-teaching/upload/catholic-social-teaching-handout-adults-digital.pdf	Catholic social teaching, including a brief description of each theme.
EarthBeat. Fraser, B.	The National Catholic Reporter Publishing Company	ncronline.org/earthbeat	<i>EarthBeat</i> reports on how faith groups speak out and take action regarding ecological concerns.
<i>Global Sisters Report</i> . DeGeorge, G. \$52.95	The National Catholic Reporter Publishing Company	globalsistersreport.org	“An independent, non-profit source of news and information about Catholic sisters and the critical issues facing the people they serve. [Its] network of journalists report about their lives and works, and sisters write commentary from their perspective.” (<i>Global Sisters Report</i>)
<i>Journeying Towards Care for Our Common Home: Five Years After Laudato Si’</i> . 2020.	Interdicasterial Working Group of the Holy See on Integral Ecology	laudatosi.org/laudato-si/good-practise/holy-see-vatican-city/	The encyclical’s teachings offer a timely and hope-filled impetus to the efforts to work together to shape a future where society is united in protecting life and cultivating creation entrusted to people to make it bear good fruit without excluding anyone.

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<i>Liguorian Magazine</i> . Herzing, E. US\$25.00 magazine US\$10.00 online	Liguori Publications	One Liguori Drive Liguori Missouri 63057-9999 liguori@liguori.org liguorian.org/	“Timely pastoral messages to Catholics on matters of the faith, practices, Christian living and social justice to enhance their conversion to Christ.” (<i>Liguorian</i>)
<i>The National Catholic Reporter</i> . Schlumpf, H. US\$92 .95	The National Catholic Reporter Publishing Company	ncronline.org/	Connects Catholics to church, faith and the common good with independent news, analysis and spiritual reflection.
<i>Nature Conservancy Canada</i> . Grenier, C. Distributed to donors	Nature Conservancy of Canada	245 Eglinton Ave East, Suite 410 Toronto, ON M4P 3J1	Updates on the Nature Conservancy of Canada’s work and includes stunning photography and stories on leading-edge conservation and land management.
<i>The Guardian</i>	Guardian Media Group	theguardian.com/international	Eco-spirituality, social liberal online magazine.
<i>The Social Agenda: A Collection of Magisterial Texts</i> . Archbishop Cardinal Nguyễn Văn Thuận, F. 2000.	Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace	thesocialagenda.org/	“Contained within this collection [are] central statements of the Roman Pontiffs from a range of texts, including papal encyclicals, apostolic letters, and Conciliar documents, on matters relating to politics, economics, and culture.” thesocialagenda.org

Speakers

Name, Organization, Location	Contact information	Additional Notes
<p>Note: Costs vary, and contact people may change over time. During the global COVID-19 pandemic, many speakers may offer virtual options.</p>		
<p>Bob McKeon, social justice advocate and professor. Edmonton, Alberta</p>	<p>rmckeon55@gmail.com</p>	<p>Retired from the Office for Social Justice of the Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton, Mr. McKeon has taught theology and social ethics courses at several colleges and universities. Topics include Catholic social justice, poverty, health, hunger, housing and community and economic development.</p>
<p>Myron Rogal, diocesan social justice coordinator. Saskatoon, Saskatoon</p>	<p>mrogal@rcdos.ca</p>	
<p>Tashia Toupin, diocesan social justice coordinator. Regina, Saskatchewan</p>	<p>ttoupin@archregina.sk.ca</p>	
<p>Various, Development and Peace—Caritas Canada, Canada-wide.</p>	<p>devp.org</p>	<p>Contact the regional staff animator for speakers and video resources on <i>Laudato Si'</i>, Catholic social teaching and global social justice.</p>
<p>Retreat Houses</p>		
<p>Carmelites – Fr. Mario Fernandes (director). Mount Carmel Spirituality Centre. Parkland County, Alberta</p>	<p>mountcarmeledmonton.ca/</p>	<p>A variety of retreat options are available to meet its primary goal of bringing “God to the people especially through [their] way of living, especially through meditation, contemplation and also teaching people how to pray.” (Fr. Mario Fernandes) The centre is undergoing a major renovation and rebuilding project, so check its website before arriving.</p>

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Episcopal Commission for Justice and Peace – Most Rev. Robert Bourgon (chairman). Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. Ottawa, Ontario	cccb.ca/justice-and-peace/	“The mandate of this Commission is to convey the teachings of Scripture and of Catholic social doctrine in the Canadian context, to shed greater light on social issues and to provide instruction on how Catholics may respond to the challenges of our times.” (Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops)
FCJ Retreat & Conference Centre. Calgary, Alberta	fcjcentre.ca/	The centre is devoted and dedicated to the education of the underprivileged and marginalized, especially girls and women in the Americas, Asia, Australia and Europe.
Jesuits – Ignatius Jesuit Centre. Guelph, Ontario	ignatiusguelph.ca/loyola-house/eco-spirituality/	Offers a variety of ecology programs.
Oblates – Brendan Bitz (director), Queen’s House Retreat & Renewal Centre. Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	queenshouse.org/	“At the service of the church and one with the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate... [and] primarily committed to the renewal of the people of God with special regard for the alienated and the suffering.” (Queen’s House)
Oblates – Lucie Leduc (director) and Archbishop Emeritus Sylvain Lavoie OMI (spiritual director). Star of the North Retreat Centre. St. Albert, Alberta	starofthenorth.ca/about-us/our-staff/	
Order of Franciscans Minor – Susan Campbell (director). Mount St. Francis Retreat Centre. Cochrane, Alberta	mountstfrancis.ca/	Inspired by the vision and example of St. Francis and St. Clare of Assisi, in collaboration with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary and many other loyal supporters, the Franciscan Friars have served in this spiritual centre of peace, healing and prayer since 1949.
Providence Sisters – Providence Renewal Centre. Edmonton, Alberta	providencerenewal.ca/	Providence Renewal Centre strives to be the human face of God’s providence in an ever-changing world.

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Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada – Villa St. Joseph Ecology and Spirituality Centre. Cobourg, Ontario	villastjoseph.ca/	In the sisters’ words, they “value holistic spirituality inclusive of all peoples and all the earth [and] approach ministry and programs from an ecological, inter-faith and justice-oriented stance.”
Universities, Colleges and Seminaries		
Dr. Christopher Hrynkow, Department Head (religion and culture). St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	chrynkow@stmcollege.ca	Topics include religion and ecology, ecojustice, peace and social justice, Catholic social teaching, ecological ethics and green living.
Dr. Cristina Vanin, Associate Professor (religious studies). St. Jerome’s University, Waterloo, Ontario	cdvanin@uwaterloo.ca	
Dr. Gertrude Rompré, Director (mission and ministry). St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan	grompre@stmcollege.ca	Topics include spirituality and social justice.
Dr. Peter Baltutis, Associate Professor (history and religious studies). St. Mary’s University, Calgary, Alberta	peter.baltutis@stmu.ca	Dr. Baltutis has been a guest speaker at previous League conventions.
Dr. Timothy Harvie, Associate Professor (philosophy and ethics). St. Mary’s University, Calgary, Alberta	Timothy.Harvie@stmu.ca	Dr. Harvie has been a guest speaker at previous League conventions.
Elliott Allen Institute for Theology and Ecology (EAITE). University of St. Michael’s College, Toronto, Ontario	stmikes.utoronto.ca/academics/faculty-of-theology/elliott-allen-institute-theology-ecology	A collaborative institute rooted in theology and partnered with science and the humanities.
Heather Eaton, Professor. Saint Paul University, Ottawa, Ontario	heaton@ustpaul.ca	Topics include ecological dimensions of conflict, social and political ethics and religious aspects of conflict and peace.
Newman Theological College, Edmonton, Alberta	newman.edu/	Many speaker and topic options are available throughout the year.
St. Joseph College, Edmonton, Alberta	ualberta.ca/st-josephs/index.html	

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Ecumenical		
A Rocha Canada. Surrey, British Columbia	arocha.ca/	Conservation science, environmental, education, preserving sensitive habitats and threatened species, sustainable agriculture, growing organic food and feeding people living on low income, inspiring school children and training young people are some key actions taken by this organization.
Angélica Gonzalez-Apple (program manager North America). Global Catholic Climate Movement, worldwide	catholicclimatemovement.global/	A global organization whose members take action to care for the earth and bring transformation.
Dr. Willard Metzger (executive director). Citizens for Public Justice, Ottawa, Ontario	cpj.ca/	Advocating for issues regarding poverty in Canada, climate justice and refugee rights, the organization works to promote public justice through key policy debates, research and analysis, publishing of resources and ongoing dialogue with the public.
Aisha Francis (executive director). KAIROS Ecumenical Justice Coalition, Toronto, Ontario	kairoscanada.org/	Comprised of settlers, newcomers and Indigenous peoples, it works with “people of faith or conscience all over the world for ecological justice and human rights” (KAIROS Canada) and advocates for social change through solidarity with its members.

Ted Talks

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“3 kinds of bias that shape your worldview.” J. Marshall Shepherd, 2018	TEDxUGA	ted.com/talks/j_marshall_shepherd_3_kinds_of_bias_that_shape_your_worldview/details?rid=gDu8q3JsmB5z&utm_source=recommendation&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=explore&utm_term=watchNow	(Climate change/cognitive dissonance) J. Marshall Shepherd explains how confirmation bias, the Dunning-Kruger effect and cognitive dissonance shapes how people think. He shares ideas for how to replace thoughts with more powerful content—knowledge. 12:03 minutes
“3 things I learned from my intellectually disabled son.” Emilie Weight, 2017	TED-curated event in partnership with Merck KGaA, Darmstadt, Germany	ted.com/talks/emilie_weight_3_things_i_learned_from_my_intellectually_disabled_son	(Inclusion) A mother shares what she learned when she stopped treating her intellectually disabled son as a patient and began to relate to him as a partner. 9:33 minutes
“3 ways to be a better ally in the workplace.” Melinda Epler, 2018	Presented at a TED Salon event	ted.com/talks/melinda_epler_3_ways_to_be_a_better_ally_in_the_workplace/details	(Inclusion) Discusses ways to support people underrepresented in the workplace. 9:30 minutes
“Every day you live, you impact the planet” Jane Goodall, 2020		ted.com/talks/jane_goodall_every_day_you_live_you_impact_the_planet	(Climate change) Dr. Goodall speaks of her formative days working with chimpanzees and how she empowers communities worldwide to save natural habitats. 25:14 minutes
“How a handful of fishing villages sparked a marine conservation revolution.” Alasdair Harris, 2019	Presented at “We the Future” conference	ted.com/talks/aldasair_harris_how_a_handful_of_fishing_villages_sparked_a_marine_conservation_revolution/details	(Climate change/marine conservation) An introduction to a new approach to ocean conservation. 11:42 minutes
“How to overcome our biases? Walk boldly toward them.” Vernā Myers, 2014	Presented at an independent TED event	ted.com/talks/verna_myers_how_to_overcome_our_biases_walk_boldly_toward_them/details	(Inclusion) Presents ways to acknowledge biases and then move toward (instead of away from) groups that create discomfort. 17:42 minutes
“How to shift your mindset and choose your future.” Tom Rivett-Carnac, 2020	Presented at a TED conference	ted.com/talks/tom_rivett_carnac_how_to_shift_your_mindset_and_choose_your_future/details	(Climate change) Presents many reasons for adopting a mindset of “stubborn optimism” in the face of climate change. 15:46 minutes

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<p>“How to turn climate anxiety into action.” Renée Lertzman, 2019</p>	<p>Presented at a TED conference</p>	<p>ted.com/talks/renee_lertzman_how_to_turn_climate_anxiety_into_action/details</p>	<p>(Climate change) How people’s feelings of anxiety and being overwhelmed by climate change can turn into something productive and constructive. 13:49 minutes</p>
<p>“How we could change the planet’s climate future.” David Wallace-Wells, 2019</p>	<p>Presented at “We the Future” conference</p>	<p>ted.com/talks/david_wallace_wells_how_we_could_change_the_planet_s_climate_future/details</p>	<p>(Climate change) A clear call for a lifestyle change. 11:13 minutes</p>
<p>“If you adults won’t save the world, we will.” Xiye Bastida, 2020</p>		<p>ted.com/talks/xiye_bastida_why_i_fight_for_climate_justice/details</p>	<p>(Climate change) A girl explains her reasons for fighting climate change in a letter to her grandmother. 8:08 minutes</p>
<p>“Indigenous knowledge meets science to solve take on climate change.” Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim, 2019</p>	<p>Presented at a TED conference</p>	<p>ted.com/talks/hindou_oumarou_ibrahim_indigenous_knowledge_meets_science_to_solve_climate_change/details</p>	<p>(Climate change) A story of scientists and Indigenous peoples working together to restore endangered ecosystems. 12:53 minutes</p>
<p>“Is the weather actually becoming more extreme?” R. Saravanan, 2020</p>	<p>Directed by Hype CG</p>	<p>ted.com/talks/r_saravanan_is_the_weather_actually_becoming_more_extreme/details</p>	<p>(Climate change) Highlights differences between weather and climate and details how humans can create a positive or negative impact. 5:02 minutes</p>
<p>“Our moral imperative to act on climate change— and 3 steps we can take.” Pope Francis, 2020</p>	<p>Presented at a TED conference</p>	<p>ted.com/talks/his_holiness_pope_francis_our_moral_imperative_to_act_on_climate_change_and_3_steps_we_can_take</p>	<p>(Climate change) Pope Francis presents three courses of action to address the world’s growing environmental problems and economic inequalities. These offer ways for everyone to work together, across faith and societies, to protect Earth and promote dignity. 12:42 minutes</p>

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“The ecology of inequality.” Mindy Fullilove, 2017	Presented at TEDxMidAtlantic 2017	ted.com/talks/mindy_fullilove_the_ecology_of_inequality	(Racism) Originally presented on the anniversary of the first recorded arrival of enslaved Africans to American shores, the speaker addresses slavery and Indigenous and women inequalities. 12:19 minutes
“The link between climate change, health and poverty.” Cheryl Holder, 2020	TEDMED	ted.com/talks/cheryl_holder_the_link_between_climate_change_health_and_poverty/up-next	(Climate change) Describes health impacts of climate change, especially for the poor and vulnerable, and includes a call for clinicians to build a more equitable system in which the poor and vulnerable no longer bear a greater burden of climate change. 12:05 minutes
“The most important thing you can do to fight climate change: talk about it.” Katharine Hayhoe, 2018	Presented at a TED conference	ted.com/talks/katharine_hayhoe_the_most_important_thing_you_can_do_to_fight_climate_change_talk_about_it/up-next	(Climate change) Presents the value of how having real climate change discussion allows connections to be made over shared family values like family, community and religion. 17:04 minutes
“The new urgency for of climate change.” Al Gore, 2020	Hosted by Chris Anderson, Head of TED	ted.com/talks/al_gore_the_new_urgency_of_climate_change/details	(Climate change) Al Gore speaks about keeping carbon emissions down following the recovery from the global COVID-19 pandemic. 56:38 minutes
“The race to a zero-emission world starts now.” António Guterres, 2020	Presented at a TED conference	ted.com/talks/antonio_guterres_the_race_to_a_zero_emission_world_starts_now#t-27660	(Climate change) Presents an invitation to viewers to get on board for change so that global emissions are reduced temperature increases arrested. 5:18 minutes
“The state of the climate crisis.” The Climate Action Tracker, 2020		ted.com/talks/climate_action_tracker_the_state_of_the_climate_crisis	(Climate change) Provides an update on how countries are progressing since signing the 2015 Paris Agreement to limit global emissions. 4:35 minutes.

Title, Presenter, Year	Publisher	Contact Information	Description
<p>“What a nun can teach a scientist about ecology.” Victoria Gill, 2020</p>	<p>In conjunction with The Kavli Foundation, the Simons Foundation and the National Academy of Sciences</p>	<p>ted.com/talks/victoria_gill_what_a_nun_can_teach_a_scientist_about_ecology/up-next</p>	<p>(Climate change) Journalist Victoria Gill shares the story of how an unusual collaboration between scientists and the Sisters of the Immaculate Health saved the achoque (a Mexican salamander) from extinction and demonstrates how local and Indigenous people could hold the secret to saving the planet’s most threatened species. 13:59 minutes</p>
<p>“Why the only future worth building includes everyone.” Pope Francis, April 2017</p>	<p>Presented at a TED conference</p>	<p>ted.com/talks/his_holiness_pope_francis_why_the_only_future_worth_building_includes_everyone/details</p>	<p>(Solidarity) “Let us help each other, all together, to remember that the ‘other’ is not a statistic, or a number... We all need each other.” (Pope Francis) 17:43 minutes</p>

Organizations

Name, Principal Officer	Website	Mission
Bread for the World Institute, Rev. Eugene Cho	bread.org/	The institute has been educating others worldwide since 1975 and provides non-partisan policy analysis on hunger and strategies to eliminate it.
Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness, Tim Richter, President and CEO	caeh.ca/	Mandated to prevent and end homelessness in Canada.
Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops, Archbishop Richard Gagnon (Winnipeg), President	cccb.ca/	Facilitates joint pastoral action on the part of Canadian bishops, including the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • regulation of certain pastoral matters • transmission of the church's teachings adapted to the situation of Catholics living in Canada • coordination of apostolic and charitable initiatives across many dioceses • support partners in the Global South that promote alternatives to unfair social, political and economic structures • educate the Canadian population about the causes of poverty and mobilize Canadians towards actions for change
Catholic Association of Religious and Family Life Educators of Ontario, Pat Carter CSJ	carfleo.com/	
Catholic Connect Foundation Inc., Richy Orozco	CatholicConnect.care	Works to provide funding and resources for local, national and international humanitarian aid and charitable works.
Catholic Missions In Canada, Rev. David Reilander	cmic.info/	Provides funds for the work of missionaries to proclaim the word of God across the nation, especially in the most remote and in-need areas.
Catholic Relief Services, Sean Callahan, President and CEO	crs.org/resource-center/CST-101	Carries out the commitment of bishops of the United States to assist the poor and vulnerable overseas.

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Church Council on Justice and Corrections, Bonnie Weppler	ccjc.ca/	A national, non-partisan and ecumenical organization comprised of six denominations that promote education on restorative justice, sponsoring initiatives to build healthier and safer communities.
CorpWatch, Pratap Chatterjee	corpwatch.org/	Its mandate is to “provide accurate, timely and easily accessible articles, reports and data on violations by multinational corporations to activists, media, the general public and policy makers.” (CorpWatch)
Development and Peace— Caritas Canada, Serge Langlois	devp.org/	Supports partners in the global south that promote alternatives to unfair social, political and economic structures, educates Canadians about the causes of poverty and mobilizes Canadians towards actions for change.
Doctors without Borders, Dr. Christos Christou, International President	doctorswithoutborders.ca/	Exists to provide medical treatment to save people in conflict zones, natural disasters and epidemics as rapidly as possible.
Ecojustice, Lori Williams, President and Chairperson	ecojustice.ca/	Uses the law to protect the environment, not only for humans but for all creatures requiring clean air, water, a safe climate and healthy soil.
Education for Justice (a project of Ignatian Solidarity Network) Memberships cost from \$58.00-\$500	educationforjustice.org/	“A global digital subscription membership service that provides resources for those who wish to study, teach, and practice Catholic social tradition... [Offers its] members access to a growing library of thousands of text-based and multimedia resources, a monthly e-newsletter, and other benefits to help them approach the world’s headlines from the perspective of Catholic social tradition. It helps to meet the challenge of sharing Catholic social tradition and to bring greater awareness to social justice issues.” (<i>Education for Justice</i>)
Friends of the Earth, Beatrice Olivastri	foecanada.org/	Provides a voice for the environment, nationally and internationally as it works with others to encourage communities to become involved in the renewal of communities and the earth, be it through research, education or advocacy.
Global Catholic Climate Movement, Piotr Abramczyk	catholicclimatemovement.global/	A global network of 737 Catholic organizations worldwide that works together to care for creation by responding to climate change.

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GreenPeace Canada, Christy Ferguson	greenpeace.org/canada/en/	Exists as a voice for a fragile Earth that needs solutions, change and action—all required to protect the planet. It seeks to build peace through international cooperation in education, the sciences and culture.
Human Rights Watch Canada, Michele Alexander	hrw.org/about/get-local/toronto	Committed to protecting the human rights of people globally.
Labor Network for Sustainability, Joe Uehlein	labor4sustainability.org/	A network that acts as an organized voice within the labour movement for ecologically sustainable policies and is committed to advancing the movement for good jobs and a just transition for workers in the movement to renewable energy.
Nature Canada, Graham Saul	naturecanada.ca/	Helps Canadians reconnect to nature, as it tries to instill a respect for nature, appreciation for its wonders and a sense of awe, all of which encourages actions on behalf of nature's defence.
Nature Conservancy of Canada, Catherine Grenier	natureconservancy.ca/en/	Inspires others to unite with the organization to create a legacy for future generations. Through donations, it purchases and conserves critical natural areas and biological diversity across Canada.
Oxfam, Dr. Dhananjayan Sriskandarajah	oxfam.org.uk/	Works to prevent and relieve poverty, protect the vulnerable, advance sustainable development and promote human rights, equality and diversity, often through humanitarian intervention.
Renfrew Catholic District School Board	religiouseducation.rccdsb.edu.on.ca/ curriculum/about/social-justice/	Connects readers with a variety of social justice links.
Resources for Catholic Educators (Social Justice and Peace page), Gilles Côté	4catholiceducators.com/justice.htm	Supports Catholic teachers and catechists as educators of the faith by providing information and easy access to resources.
Scarboro Missions, Fr. Jack Lynch	scarboromissions.ca/justice-peace-and- integrity-of-creation/resources	Society of Catholic priests and laity that serve worldwide in creative and new projects to share the gospel, collaborate with local churches and live simply and in solidarity with peoples living on the margins.

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Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, Richard Pommainville, Executive Director	ssvp.ca/	This Catholic organization of lay people active in many countries worldwide, with a mission to live the Gospel message “by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice and joy.” (Society of Saint Vincent de Paul)
Society of Saint Vincent de Paul’s National Social Justice Committee, Richard Pommainville	ssvp.ca/social-justice-resources	A branch of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, it works collaboratively on social justice topics while creating a network of communication and information for its members and the public.
Sowing Hope for the Planet	sowinghopefortheplanet.org/	A collaborative project by the Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation Commission in the name of the International Union Superiors General and the Global Catholic Climate Movement.
Ten Thousand Villages, Gordon Zook, CEO	tenthousandvillages.com/for-the-home	Creates opportunities for artisans in developing countries to earn income by bringing their products and stories to its shops through long-term fair-trading relationships.
The Catholic Worker Movement	catholicworker.org/	Committed to nonviolence, voluntary poverty and the works of mercy as a way of life, the legacy of its co-founder Dorothy Day, continues to be reflected in its members.
The <i>Laudato Si’</i> Movement: Common Care for Our Common Home, sponsored by the Francis of Assisi Academy for the Protection of the Earth, European Union	laudatosi.org/	A vibrant organization that promotes the visibility and exchange of a rich diversity of resources of the <i>Laudato Si’</i> Movement for the common care for our common home. Pope Francis’ encyclical <i>Laudato Si’</i> , is reflected in its ecumenical spirit and interreligious solidarity.
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), Ms. Audrey Azoulay, Director-General	en.unesco.org/	Works to build peace through international cooperation in the fields of education, the sciences and culture.
World Vision Canada, Michael Messenger, President and CEO	worldvision.ca/	A global relief, development and advocacy organization that partners with children, families and their communities to provide an opportunity for healthy, vibrant communities by tackling the causes of poverty and injustice.

Scripture Quotes

“Where society tends to favor impartiality when determining justice, the Bible provides evidence of God’s bias toward the weak and poor. While society often resorts to considerations of merit when discussing justice, the God of the Bible looks more at need... In the scriptures justice is more of an end-state; it is the establishment of shalom, a community of peace where right relationships are restored.” (Social Justice Resource Center)

All passages are from the *Holy Bible: New Revised Standard Version* (NRSV).

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Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-16	<p>“For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.”</p>
Leviticus 25:1-17	<p>The Sabbatical Year</p> <p>“The Lord spoke to Moses on Mount Sinai, saying: Speak to the people of Israel and say to them: When you enter the land that I am giving you, the land shall observe a sabbath for the Lord. Six years you shall sow your field, and six years you shall prune your vineyard, and gather in their yield; but in the seventh year there shall be a sabbath of complete rest for the land, a sabbath for the Lord: you shall not sow your field or prune your vineyard. You shall not reap the aftergrowth of your harvest or gather the grapes of your unpruned vine: it shall be a year of complete rest for the land. You may eat what the land yields during its sabbath—you, your male and female slaves, your hired and your bound laborers who live with you; for your livestock also, and for the wild animals in your land all its yield shall be for food.</p> <p>The Year of Jubilee</p> <p>You shall count off seven weeks of years, seven times seven years, so that the period of seven weeks of years gives forty-nine years. Then you shall have the trumpet sounded loud; on the tenth day of the seventh month—on the day of atonement—you shall have the trumpet sounded throughout all your land. And you shall hallow the fiftieth year and you shall proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee for you: you shall return, every one of you, to your property and every one of you to your family. That fiftieth year shall be a jubilee for you: you shall not sow, or reap the aftergrowth, or harvest the unpruned vines. For it is a jubilee; it shall be holy to you: you shall eat only what the field itself produces.</p> <p>In this year of jubilee you shall return, every one of you, to your property. When you make a sale to your neighbor or buy from your neighbor, you shall not cheat one another. When you buy from your neighbor, you shall pay only for the number of years since the jubilee; the seller shall charge you only for the remaining crop years. If the years are more, you shall increase the price, and if the years are fewer, you shall diminish the price; for it is a certain number of harvests that are being sold to you. You shall not cheat one another, but you shall fear your God; for I am the Lord your God.”</p>

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Isaiah 1:11-17	<p>“What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation—I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow.”</p>
Matthew 12:15-21	<p>“When Jesus became aware of this, he departed. Many crowds followed him, and he cured all of them, and he ordered them not to make him known. This was to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah: ‘Here is my servant, whom I have chosen, my beloved, with whom my soul is well pleased. I will put my Spirit upon him, and he will proclaim justice to the Gentiles. He will not wrangle or cry aloud, nor will anyone hear his voice in the streets. He will not break a bruised reed or quench a smoldering wick until he brings justice to victory. And in his name the Gentiles will hope.’”</p>
Micah 2: 1-5	<p>“Alas for those who devise wickedness and evil deeds on their beds! When the morning dawns, they perform it, because it is in their power. They covet fields, and seize them; houses, and take them away; they oppress householder and house, people and their inheritance. Therefore thus says the Lord: Now, I am devising against this family an evil from which you cannot remove your necks; and you shall not walk haughtily, for it will be an evil time. On that day they shall take up a taunt song against you, and wail with bitter lamentation, and say, ‘We are utterly ruined; the Lord alters the inheritance of my people; how he removes it from me! Among our captors he parcels out our fields. Therefore you will have no one to cast the line by lot in the assembly of the Lord.’”</p>
Isaiah 58:1-9	<p>“Shout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.”</p>

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Leviticus 19: 1-2, 13-18	<p>“The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy.”</p> <p>“You shall not defraud your neighbor; you shall not steal; and you shall not keep for yourself the wages of a laborer until morning. You shall not revile the deaf or put a stumbling block before the blind; you shall fear your God: I am the Lord. You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbor. You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbor: I am the Lord. You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. ¹⁸You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.”</p>
James 1:27, 2:14-24, 26	<p>“Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world.”</p> <p>“What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, ‘Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,’ and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead. But someone will say, ‘You have faith and I have works.’ Show me your faith apart from your works, and I by my works will show you my faith. You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder. Do you want to be shown, you senseless person, that faith apart from works is barren? Was not our ancestor Abraham justified by works when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was brought to completion by the works. Thus the scripture was fulfilled that says, ‘Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness,’ and he was called the friend of God. You see that a person is justified by works and not by faith alone. For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is also dead.”</p>
Psalm 82:3	“Give justice to the weak and the orphan; maintain the right of the lowly and the destitute.”
Matthew 7:12	“In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets.”
Proverbs 21:3	“To do righteousness and justice is more acceptable to the Lord than sacrifice.”
Psalms 103:6	“The Lord works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.”

Scripture Source	Scripture Quote
Acts 4:32-35	“Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles’ feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.”
Exodus 22:21-22	“You shall not wrong or oppress a resident alien, for you were aliens in the land of Egypt. You shall not abuse any widow or orphan.”
Other	
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Prophets Among Us



St. Martín de Porres (1579-1639)—Patron saint of social justice, racial harmony and people of mixed-race.

Martín de Porres was born of a liaison between a Spanish aristocrat and a woman (of African and possibly Indigenous descent) freed from slavery. At this time in history, being born out of wedlock and being of mixed race would have been a difficult burden for him to bear, made more challenging being raised in poverty. He was fortunate to have been placed to study with a barber/surgeon and learned skills to help care for the sick at a Dominican monastery, where he began to volunteer at age 15.

In 1601 he became a Dominican oblate. Although it was not customary to receive a person of mixed race into a religious order in Peru, an exception was made. He became a Dominican lay brother in 1603.

Martín de Porres had a vast knowledge of herbal medicines, and he continued to treat people free of charge. He would distribute food and clothing to the poor, which he solicited from wealthy families.

He is remembered for founding an orphanage for abandoned children, staffed with teachers, nurses and guardians—the best he could hire.

Martín de Porres died at the age of fifty-nine while suffering from a fever.

He was beatified in 1837 by Pope Gregory XVI and canonized by Pope John XXIII in 1962. There are many miracles attributed to him, including levitation, bilocation and instantaneous cures.



Dr. Mary Jo Leddy (1946-)—Canadian social activist, speaker, theologian and writer

Dr. Mary Jo Leddy was a member of the Roman Catholic Sisters of Our Lady of Sion for 30 years until she left the congregation in 1994. She is widely known for work with refugees at Toronto's Romero House, where she began as a night manager in 1991 and, since 2010, has continued as its director.

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Dr. Leddy was the founding editor of the *Catholic New Times*, a Canadian magazine with the objective of promoting the advancement of religion in Canada. In 1966 she received the Order of Canada for her humanitarian work.

The author of numerous books on various topics, including exploring the theme of gratitude, newcomers' role in bringing people to a more profound knowledge of Christ and Canadian identity, Dr. Leddy teaches theology at the University of Toronto's Regis College.

St. Marguerite d'Youville (1701-1771)—Patron saint of widows, difficult marriages and death of young children.

Marguerite d'Youville was born in Varennes, Quebec. Her father died when she was young, and her husband—a gambler and bootlegger— died young in 1730. She had six children; however, four of them died in infancy.

During her marriage, Marguerite experienced a religious renewal. She devoted her time and energy to help others, wanting to make known God's compassionate love for all.

In 1737 Marguerite and three other women founded The Sisters of Charity of Montreal, more

commonly known as the Grey Nuns. They cared for both men and women in difficulty, which was significant as most places only cared for men.

The Grey Nuns would eventually expand to other locations in Canada, Africa, South America and the United States, opening orphanages, schools and hospitals, devoting themselves to compassionate services and supporting society's most vulnerable people.

Marguerite died in Montreal in December 1771. She was credited with having inexplicably cured a long-term leukemia survivor. Pope John XXIII beatified her in 1959, and she became the first Canadian-born saint when she was canonized in 1990 by Pope John Paul II.





Sr. Helen Prejean, CSJ (1939-)—American advocate for the abolition of the death penalty

Sr. Helen Prejean gained notoriety when in 1995, her best-selling book *Dead Man Walking: An Eyewitness Account of the Death Penalty in the United States* was adapted for film. Along with working to abolish the death penalty, she founded the group SURVIVE, which helps families of victims of murder and related crimes.

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“The death penalty is one of the great moral issues facing our country, yet most people rarely think about it and very few of us take the time to delve deeply enough into this issue to be able to make an informed decision about it” (Sr. Helen Prejean).

Learn more about Sr. Helen Prejean at sisterhelen.org/.



Roses in December (martyred Dec. 2, 1980)— Dorothy Kazel, OS; Maura Clark, MM; Ita Ford, MM; and Jean Donovan

These four women were murdered brutally by the El Salvador National Guard (supported by the United States) for their ministry and their dedication to fight poverty.

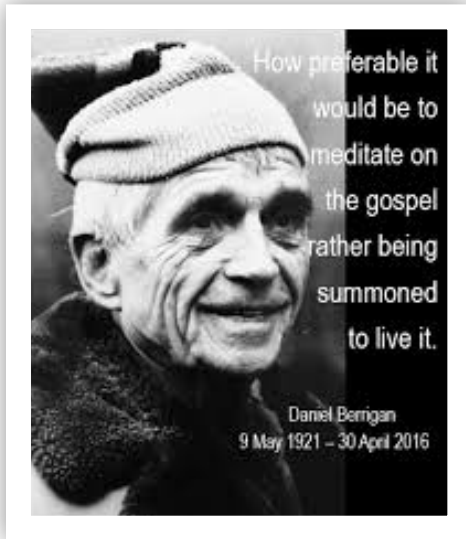
While working in Chalatenango, Salvador, Ita Ford received urgent requests from refugees for food, medicines and transportation. She and Maura Clark would make frequent trips to the countryside to deliver supplies and attend to those hiding from the government-sponsored death squads. Dorothy Kazel and Jean Donovan, Cleveland Mission Team members, lived and worked in La Libertad.

In brief, the bodies had first been left in an open field the night of December 2. On December 3, when the bodies were discovered by local farmers, civil authorities had them buried in secret. But, on December 4, some of the local people went to the

parish priest who then notified church authorities, and the gruesome assassinations came to light. The bodies of the four North American missionaries, raped and brutally shot, had been found. They had suffered “the same fate as the poor.” (*Roses in December: 40th Anniversary Continuing Their Legacy*, Share Foundation: Leadership Conference of Women Religious, Dec. 2020, p.4)

For more information - [youtube.com/watch?v=pjqCdLJTe_o](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pjqCdLJTe_o)

Am I willing to suffer with the people here, the suffering of the powerless, the feeling impotent? Can I say to my neighbors I have no solutions to this situation; I don't know the answers, but I will walk with you, search with you, be with you. Can I let myself be evangelized by this opportunity? Can I look at and accept my own poorness as I learn it from the poor ones? (Ita Ford, MM, *Roses in December: 40th Anniversary Continuing Their Legacy*. 2020. Share Foundation: Leadership Conference of Women Religious, p.3)



Fr. Daniel Berrigan, SJ (1921-2016)—Defiant priest who helped shape the opposition to the Vietnam War.

Fr. Daniel Berrigan was ordained in 1952. He was a professor of New Testament studies at Le Moyne College in Syracuse, New York. While working in Syracuse, Fr. Berrigan advocated for an end to poverty and founded International House, a centre for Christian social action.

In 1965, Fr. Daniel Berrigan was instrumental in founding the organization Clergy and Laymen Concerned About Vietnam (CALCAV). He believed

“racism and poverty, militarism and capitalist greed were interconnected pieces of the same big problem: an unjust society.” (Daniel Lewis, “Daniel J. Berrigan, Defiant Priest Who Preached Pacifism, Dies at 94,” *New York Times*, April 30, 2016)

Fr. Daniel Berrigan was a faculty advisor for Cornell University’s first gay rights student group in 1968 and a supporter of patients with acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS). In addition, he was a prolific author of more than 50 books, including 15 volumes of poetry.

St. Óscar Romero (1917-1980)—Bishop, social justice activist. Martyred on March 24, 1980

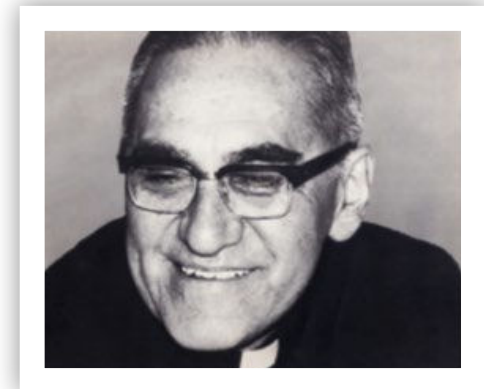
Óscar Romero was born in El Salvador and had five brothers and two sisters. He attended the local public school, but as it only offered the first three grades, he was then tutored until the age of 13, at which time he entered into the minor seminary in San Miguel. He studied in Rome and would obtain his doctoral degree in theology, specializing in ascetical theology. He was ordained in Rome on April 4, 1942. Most of his priestly career was spent in San Miguel, El Salvador, where he worked for more than 20 years.

Óscar Romero was appointed an auxiliary bishop in 1970 and, in 1977, became the fourth archbishop of San Salvador at a time of great

unrest in that country. On March 24, 1980, following his delivery of a sermon calling on Salvadoran soldiers, as Christians, to stop their assault on the basic human rights of citizens, he was assassinated after celebrating mass at a chapel in a church-run hospital specializing in cancer treatment and end of life care.

“His ministry was distinguished by a particular attention to the poor and marginalized.” (Pope Francis).

“Martyrdom is a grace of God that I do not believe I deserve. But if God accepts the sacrifice of my life, may my blood be the seed of freedom and the sign that hope will soon be a reality.” (Óscar Romero, March 23, 1980)





**Alicia Domon, ISME and Léonie Duquet, ISME
(Martyred 1977)**

From 1976 to 1983, an Argentinian military dictatorship “conducted a ‘dirty war’ against ‘subversives’ and dissidents.” (Robert Ellsberg, *Give Us This Day*) As a result, thousands of people were killed while many more disappeared, having been abducted by the military. “Two French nuns, ... Alicia Domon and Léonie Duquet, were among them.” (*ibid*)

“Both [were] members of the Toulouse Institute of the Sisters of Foreign Mission [and]... were among the many foreign missionaries who [went] to work in Latin American in the 1960s. While at first they engaged in traditional ministries, by 1969, like many other religious,... they had moved out of their convent and into an urban shantytown to share the life of the poor.” (*ibid*)

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Sr. Alicia Domon “became involved with the ‘Mothers of the Disappeared,’ who gathered in the central plaza each day, holding photographs of their missing children, offering a silent rebuke to the military regime. On December 8, 1977, she and eleven other women were seized. Her housemate Sr. Leonie was also picked up. Though neither of them was ever seen again, later reports confirmed that they had been tortured and then tossed from an airplane over the Atlantic Ocean.” (*ibid*)

“Several months before her death, [Sr. Alicia Domon] had written to the archbishop of Toulouse: ‘I would ask you not to do anything to save me which could endanger others. I have already made the sacrifice of my life.’” (*ibid*)

“I didn’t come here [to the shantytown] to tell people what they had to do but in order that we could help each other and share life’s joys and sorrows.” (Sr. Alicia Domon)



Harriet Tubman (1822-1913)—Abolitionist and political activist

Harriet Tubman was born into slavery. She was one of nine children born to her parents enslaved in Dorchester County, Maryland, to different owners. Tubman suffered permanent physical injuries from the violence she endured while enslaved. However, she escaped and became a leading abolitionist risking her life to lead hundreds of slaves into freedom along the Underground Railroad.

Harriet Tubman dedicated her life to helping impoverished former slaves and the elderly.

“I had reasoned this out in my mind, there was one of two things I had a right to, liberty or death; if I could not have one, I would have the other; for no man should take me alive.” (Harriet Tubman)

Martin Luther King Jr. (1929-1968)—Baptist minister and social activist. Assassinated April 4, 1968

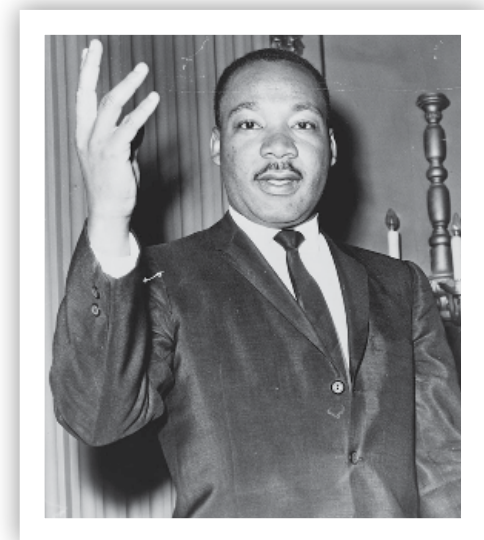
Martin Luther King Jr. was born January 15, 1929, in Atlanta, Georgia, to a Baptist minister and his wife, who was also very active in the church. He had two siblings, and they would read the bible aloud in his childhood home. As a young child, he experienced racial prejudice and witnessed his father stand up against segregation and other forms of discrimination.

Martin Luther King Jr. studied at Crozer Theological Seminary in Pennsylvania, where he was elected student body president. He graduated in 1951 with a bachelor of divinity degree. After that, he began doctoral studies in systematic theology at Boston

University and worked as an assistant pastor at Boston’s historic Twelfth Baptist Church.

Martin Luther King Jr. played a vital role in the American civil rights movement, beginning in the mid-1950s until his assassination in 1968. Inspired by his Christian beliefs and Mahatma Gandhi, he sought equality and human rights for African Americans, the economically disadvantaged and all victims of injustice through peaceful protest. He is also well known for his iconic “I Have a Dream” speech.

An American federal holiday marking the birth of Martin Luther King Jr. is observed on the third Monday of January.





Bantu Steven Biko (1946-1977)—South African anti-apartheid activist

Bantu Steven Biko was born at his grandmother's house in Tarkastad, Eastern Cape in South Africa. He was the son of a police officer (who became a lawyer) and a domestic worker, who was later employed as a cook at a hospital. He had three siblings—one of whom claimed that observing his mother's difficult working conditions first encouraged his activism.

Disillusioned by the multiracial National Union of South Africa Students (NUSAS), which espoused the rights of blacks, in 1968, Biko co-founded the all-black South African Students' Organization

(SASO). This organization believed society needed restructuring to reflect the black majority in South Africa. Eventually, the government would ban this association, and Biko would continue to operate covertly, helping political prisoners and their families.

Bantu Steven Biko was arrested several times during the following two years. On September 11, 1977, he was found naked and shackled outside a hospital and died of a brain hemorrhage the next day. His death, believed to have been caused by injuries suffered while in police custody, made him an international martyr for the anti-apartheid movement in South Africa.



St. Katharine Drexel (1858-1955)—Patron saint of racial justice and philanthropists, educator, heiress, philanthropist, religious sister

Katharine Drexel was born to a wealthy investment banker and his wife. Unfortunately, her mother died five weeks after her birth. She and her sister were then cared for by their aunt and uncle for the next two years. Her father eventually remarried and had another daughter.

Educated by private tutors, Katherine Drexel travelled extensively. Her family was dedicated to the faith and practiced the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.

As she watched her stepmother struggle with cancer, Katherine Drexel realized her wealth would

not keep them from experiencing the world's difficulties. She decided to devote her life to help with the material and spiritual needs of black and Indigenous peoples.

Katharine Drexel made her first vows as a religious at the Sisters of Mercy Convent in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on February 12, 1891. Until her death at the age of 96, Katharine worked tirelessly, giving abundantly of her fortune to continue her work of caring for and educating black and Indigenous peoples in the United States and Haiti.

Pope John Paul II beatified Katharine on November 20, 1988, and canonized her on October 1, 2000. Her feast day is celebrated on March 3rd.

Dr. Helen Caldicott (1938-)—Anti-nuclear advocate, author and physician

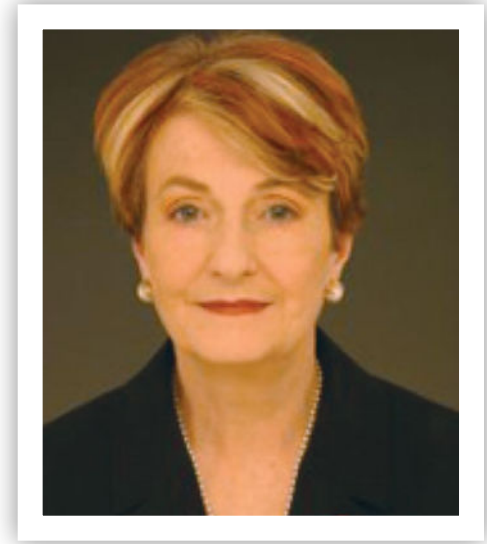
Helen Caldicott was born in Melbourne, Australia, to a factory manager and an interior designer. She graduated in 1961 with a medical degree and worked in the renal unit of Queen Elizabeth Hospital (Adelaide). She completed one year's residency and a two-year internship in paediatrics, later establishing the first Australian clinic for cystic fibrosis at Adelaide Children's Hospital.

In the 1970s, Helen Caldicott began to speak on the health hazards of radiation, particularly from a paediatrics perspective. She opposed atmospheric nuclear testing in the Pacific and educated trade unions about the medical dangers of the nuclear fuel cycle.

In her continued fight against nuclear weapons and power, she has written several books, been nominated for several awards, received 21 honorary degrees and been the subject of several films.

For more information on Helen Caldicott, visit helencaldicott.com/.

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Malala Yousafzai (1997-)—Nobel Peace Prize laureate and human rights advocate

Malala Yousafzai was born July 12, 1997 in Mingora, Swat, Pakistan, to Ziauddin Yousafzai and Tor Pekai Yousafzai. She was educated primarily by her father—an educational activist and teacher who ran a girls’ school in their village. In 2008 the Taliban took control of their town, banning many activities, including watching television, listening to music, girls’ education and women shopping.

In wanting to understand the situation for girls in Pakistan better, BBC Urdu searched for a girl who would blog about her educational experiences. Malala’s father agreed to let her write that blog using a pseudonym. This opened the door to film a documentary with New York Times reporter Adam B. Ellick. Malala’s advocacy continued and her public profile increased.

On October 9, 2012, Malala Yousafzai and two other girls were shot by a masked gunman who boarded a school bus. Malala and the girls survived the attack and her attempted murder received worldwide media attention, creating the opportunity for more than two million people to sign the Right to Education campaign’s petition, which led to the ratification of the first *Right to Education Bill* in Pakistan.

On October 10, 2014, Malala Yousafzai was the youngest person to receive the Nobel Peace Prize for her struggle for the right to education for all children. She shared the honour with Kailash Satyarthi.

To learn more about Malala Yousafzai, visit malala.org/.

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