

Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

	CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING	OUR FAITH IN ACTION
<p>Life and Dignity of the Human Person</p> 	<p>All human life is a gift from God, and is, therefore, sacred.</p>	<p>How do we respect, protect, and promote life?</p>
<p>Participation in Family Life and Community</p> 	<p>God created us for relationships—in families, communities and the world.</p>	<p>How do we keep our families strong? How do our families model loving communities?</p>
<p>Rights and Responsibilities of the Human Person</p> 	<p>Every human person has basic human rights—to live, to work, to have food, clean water, housing and education.</p>	<p>How do we work to ensure that everyone's basic human rights are respected?</p>
<p>Preferential Option for the Poor</p> 	<p>Jesus was especially concerned for the poor and most vulnerable. When we love the least of our sisters and brothers, we love God.</p>	<p>How do we recognize and respond to the cry of the poor in our midst and around the world?</p>
<p>Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers</p> 	<p>Our work has dignity because it is our participation in God's work. All persons have a right to just wages and safe workplaces.</p>	<p>How do we see our work as an opportunity to use our God-given gifts? How can we promote justice in the workplace?</p>
<p>Human Solidarity</p> 	<p>As members of one global family, we are committed to the common good and responsible to one another.</p>	<p>How can we overcome the barriers and divisions within the human family? How can we be loving brothers or sisters to others we may never know or meet?</p>
<p>Stewardship of God's Creation</p> 	<p>We are called to be stewards of the world's resources and to care for the environment.</p>	<p>How do we care for water, land, and air in our neighbourhoods? At work? In our nation? Around the world?</p>

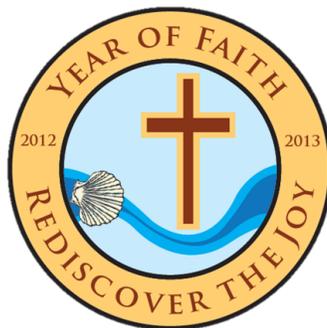
Catholic Social Teaching : The Faith We Live

During the coming weeks, we will focus on **THE FAITH WE LIVE**.

At Christmas, we celebrate that the eternal Word of God became flesh and lived among us. The eternal love of God for all humanity, and indeed for all creation, became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and was born of the Virgin Mary. Through his words and deeds, Jesus Christ revealed God's love to humanity.

Today God's love continues to be communicated in a special way through the members of Christ's Body, the Church. Our works of charity and justice and our words of hope and encouragement reveal God's love and God's desire that all might have life in abundance.

At the conclusion of the Mass, we are sent forth to glorify the Lord with our lives. With these words we are commissioned to live the faith we believe, to put our faith in action.



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our faith in action.

And what does the Lord require of you

...to do justice,

and to love kindness,

and to walk humbly with your God.

Micah 6:8

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