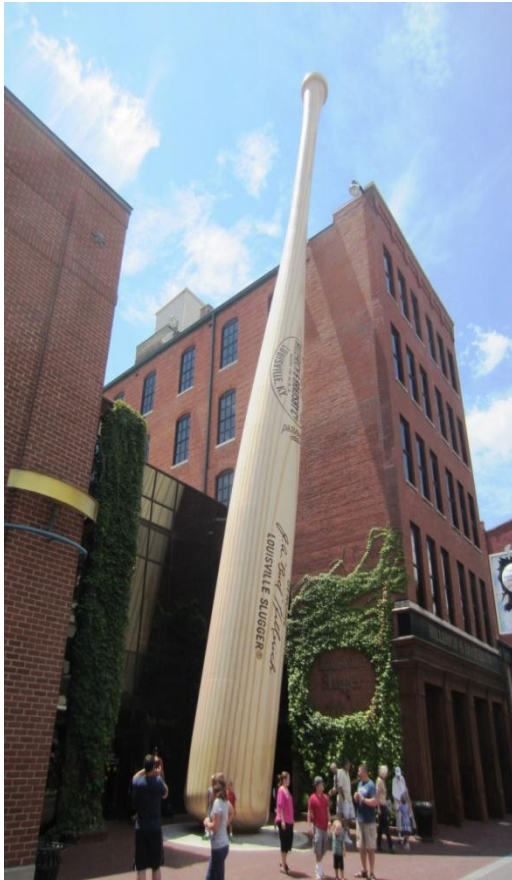


Warm ups in Louisville, Kentucky

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Slugger Museum



Hey Batter!



It's going, its gone!

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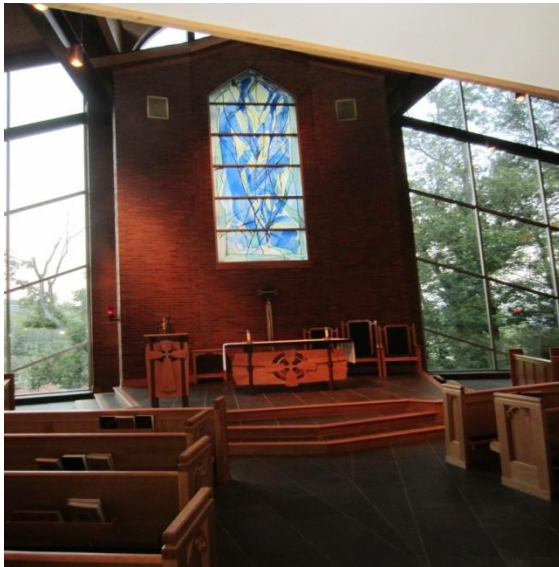


SASI Participants

- Nation wide participation -
 - ▣ 213 participants representing 25 states.
 - ▣ The Roundtable, CRS, USCCB, JPHD, CCHD, Catholic Charities, JustFaith Ministries.
- Two tracks
 - ▣ Track 1 – Biblical Justice
 - ▣ Track 2 – Addressing Poverty Today
- Sixteen roundtable discussions.

Welcome and Challenges

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Our Lady of The Woods
Chapel – Bellarmine
University

- “We must be multipliers **not** dividers” – *Bishop Donald Gainer of Louisville, Kentucky*
- Multiplication of the loaves and fishes
John 6:1-15
 - ▣ Phillip answered “Two hundred days wages worth of food would not be enough for each of them to have a little.” The accountant.
 - ▣ Andrew said, “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?” – The divider.

Welcome and Challenges

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Our Lady of The Woods
Chapel – Bellarmine
University

- **Jesus said, "Gather the fragments left over, so that nothing will be wasted." So they collected them, and filled twelve wicker baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves that had been more than they could eat". **The multiplier in Jesus and who are called to be.****
- **"Our focus should be interdependence **not** dependence versus independence" – *Deacon Louis Caruso of Catholic Charities Louisville, Kentucky.***

Finding the Political Will to End Hunger

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David Beckman
– Bread for the
World.

- Connect our local work with global work on hunger and poverty.
- Build upon our successes.
- Emphasize the gospel of Jesus.
- Love the Church
- Step out in Faith

Addressing Poverty Today: Public Authority Proper Role

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Tom Mulloy –
Domestic Policy
Advisor USCCB

□ **Catechism:**

- Make accessible food, clothing, health, work, education and culture ... - *par 1908*
- Defend and promote the common good of civil society, its citizens, and intermediate bodies ... - *par 1910*

□ **Compendium of the Social Doctrine:**

- *To ensure the common good, the government of each country has the specific duty to harmonize the different sectoral interests with the requirements of justice ... par 169*

Addressing Poverty Today: Contributing Factors

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□ Negative factors

1. Medical out of pocket expense (MOOP) 3.4%
2. Work expense (i.e. travel) 1.5%
3. FICA 1.5%
4. Federal Income Tax 0.5%
5. Child Support 0.2%

Source:

http://www.census.gov/hhes/povmeas/methodology/supplemental/research/Short_ResearchSPM2010.pdf

Addressing Poverty Today: Supplements and Transfers

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□ Poverty positive impacts:

1. LIHEAP (heating assistance) -0.1%
2. WIC -0.2%
3. School Lunch -0.3%
4. Housing Support -0.9%
5. SNAP -1.6%
6. EITC -2.0%

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Addressing Poverty Today: A Place at the Table.

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- The Catholic way recognizes the essential and complimentary roles of –
 - ▣ Individuals and families,
 - ▣ Community and faith organizations
 - ▣ Marketplace and businesses
 - ▣ Government

Source: Building-a-Circle-of-Protection-around-the-Poor-and-Vulnerable - USCCB

Addressing Poverty Today: International Issues

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Richard Coll –
Foreign Policy Advisor
Latin America and
Global Trade USCCB

- We are facing a spiritual issue.
- Human costs are being divorced from our consciousness.
- Globalization must be challenged to focus on the good.
- Bring theory down to earth
 - Extraction regulations for minerals
 - Regulation Transparency

Addressing Poverty Today: International Issues Tools

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- “The Vocation of the Business Leader” by The Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace -
 - ▣ Aids business leaders engage the contemporary economic and financial world in the light of the principles of human dignity and the common good.
 - ▣ A 29 page handbook covering 89 topics with study and reflection questions
 - ▣ The cost is \$2.00 per copy and can be ordered from the University of St. Thomas by going to <http://www.stthomas.edu/cathstudies/cst/VocationBusinessLead/> .

Addressing Poverty Today: Advocacy

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Ron Jackson, Sr.
Director of
Government Affairs

- Varying levels of advocacy.
 - What you are already doing?
 - Small efforts make a big difference.
- Know the issue, who to talk to and follow up.
- Outcomes **not** outputs.
- In for the long haul – 14 steps in legislative process at federal level.

Addressing Poverty Today: 14 steps in Legislative Process

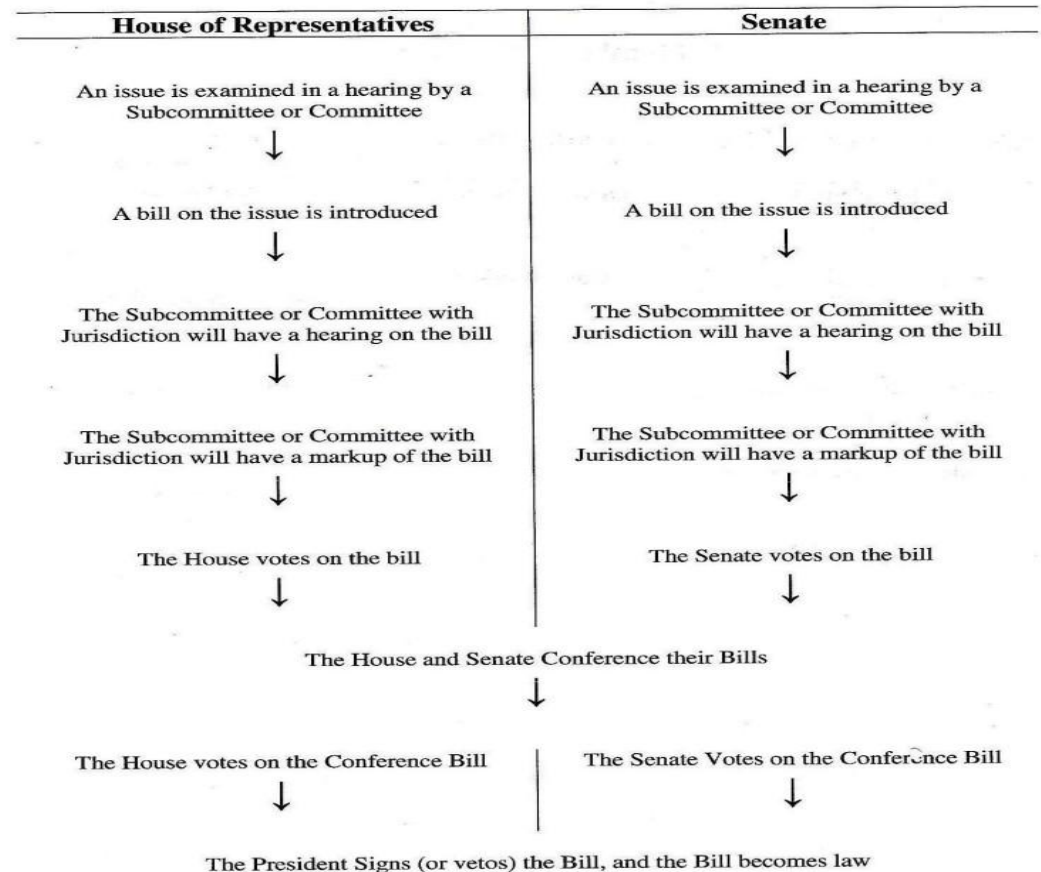
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Catholic Social Teaching reminds us we have rights and responsibilities to our wider community. We are called to be active and informed voters.

Each step of the 14 steps in the process is an opportunity to participate. We can affect the legislation, and the elected officials and their staffs.

John Kingery

Legislative Process



Address Poverty Today: Advocacy tools

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Julie Zorg, Manager
of Policy and
Research for Catholic
Charities USA

- [MeasureOfAmerica.org](#)
 - Opportunity Index (economy, education, community)
 - Mapping the Measure (health, education and income)
- [PovertyUSA.org](#)
 - Interactive poverty map
 - Poverty tour
 - Poverty facts

Address Poverty Today: Parish Challenges Roundtable

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Parish roundtable
participants – 17 people
from 10 states and Canada

- How to get it going in the parish?
 - ▣ Engage deacons, parish councils
 - ▣ Faith formation and sacramental prep.
 - ▣ Vocabulary

- How to involve many parishes?
 - ▣ Book clubs, movie nights
 - ▣ RCIA neophytes, Catechists

Addressing Poverty Today: Healthcare Roundtable

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Healthcare roundtable 13 people from 13 states – medical professionals, chaplains, social justice ministers.

- Does the HCA law provide for a sustainable and evidenced based healthcare?
- What is the full Catholic message regarding universal health care?
- We shared our concerns with USCCB representatives.
- We began and ended in prayer sharing our work with the full roundtable.

Addressing Poverty Today Healthcare Roundtable

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Catholics,
Healthcare for All

Website:

<https://sites.google.com/site/catholicshca/>

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/CatholicsHealthCareForAll>

Mission

Called by the Creator's Holy Spirit and informed by scripture and our faith,

We believe healthcare is a human right for all in our nation and world.

We are the friends mentioned in the Gospels;

We will open the hole in the roof breaking through bias, ignorance and power so all have access to healthcare. All persons of good will are welcome.

The tools we will use are education, support and advocacy.

Addressing Poverty Today: Jobs with Justice and Clout Tours

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Hugh Ella Robinson –
Clout co-president
Westwood Presbyterian
Church

- Jobs with Justice: Voter registration drive.
- Clout: Meeting with business and political leaders.
- Quotes to remember
 - ▣ “God has plan for all of us, to do his will.”
 - ▣ “If you are suffering, than I am suffering.”
 - ▣ “I want to address your needs.”

Addressing Poverty Today: The poor you will always have with you.

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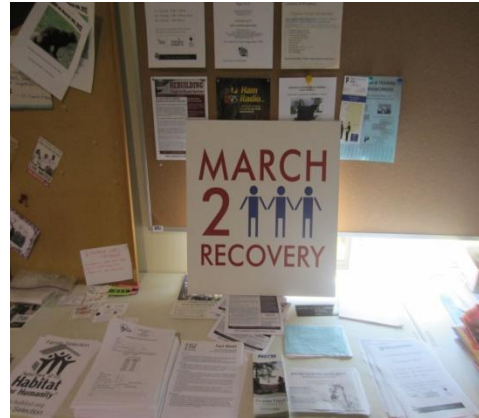


Jack Jezreel,
JustFaith Ministries

- This is a call to solidarity in our parishes.
- The poor are our brothers and sisters.
- There will be change in social justice ministry. It must change.
- Reach out to include all in the Kingdom.
- Parishes can play a vital role.

Addressing Poverty Today: March 2 Recovery Henryville, Indiana

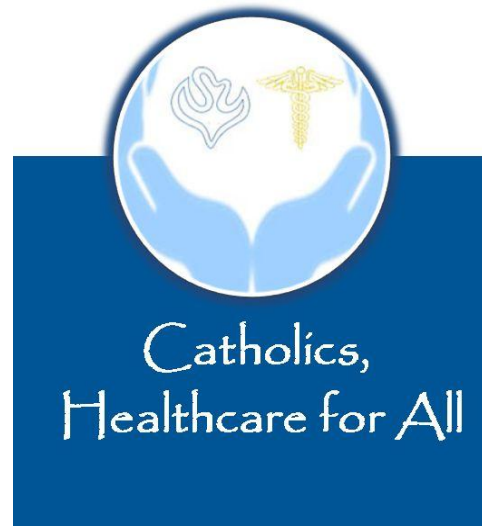
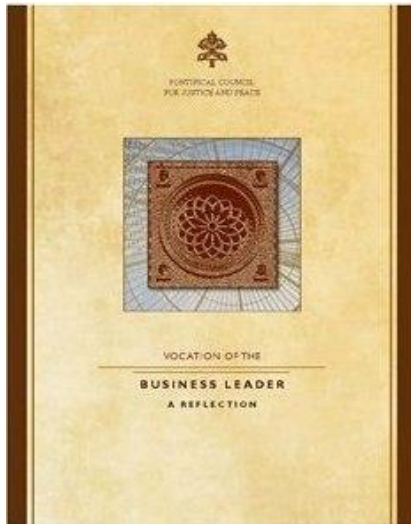
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A Way Forward



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Education, Support and
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<https://sites.google.com/site/catholicshca/>

So You Also Should Do –
<http://www.stcdio.org/about/bishop-kinney/pastoral-letters.html>