

Windows to Understanding

38 minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1992

A stimulating documentary on the struggles of women in daily life. It depicts the stresses women feel when torn between home and work, the significance of older women passing on messages and values to younger women, and women's needs in spirituality and prayer.

When You Preach, Remember Me

13 minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1993

Experts in the field of domestic violence, priests who have preached about it and women who have experienced it talk about violence against women in the home, its root causes and its disastrous effects.

Love Shouldn't Hurt

30 minutes (Diocese of Sioux City) 1997

A call for action against domestic violence, this video brings to light the abuses against women and what we can do to help.

Deacons— Ministers of Justice and Charity

22 minutes (Bishops' Committee on the Diaconate) 1998

Nearly 12,000 deacons serve the Catholic Church in the United States. The ministries of these men are as varied as their individual gifts. This video captures some of the mission of those who have given themselves to the service of the church as Ministers of Justice and Charity.

Note

*U.S.C.C. – (USCC became USCCB, effective July 1, 2001) United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

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Faithful Citizenship A Matter of Conscience

30 minutes DVD
(U.S.C.C.B.)*2008

How is "faithful citizenship" a matter of conscience? Three ten-minute segments show how everyone can faithfully participate in the political process. Each segment helps Catholics learn how they can form their consciences in order to make important public choices. The three segments are (1) English for adults "A Matter of Conscience" (2) Spanish for adults "Un Asunto de Consciencia", (3) English for teens "Go Make a Difference".

Communities of Salt and Light: The Social Mission of the Parish

17 Minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1994

This valuable resource for parish social ministry outlines the challenges of the U.S. Bishops' statement on the social mission of the parish and the ways parishes can respond. It can help leaders challenge their parishioners to embrace the social teachings of the Church.

We Are Called: Catholic Social Teaching for Today

22 minutes (Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis) 2001

Highlighting the seven principles of Catholic social teaching, this video invites viewers to make these principles a part of their response to God's call.

In the Footsteps of Jesus

28 minutes (U.S.C.C.B.)* 2003

Organized in two segments, part one provides an overview and a scriptural context of the seven themes of Catholic social teaching. In part two, seven speakers illustrate each of the themes as they share personal stories of injustice and the actions they took.

Bring Down the Walls

14 minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1991

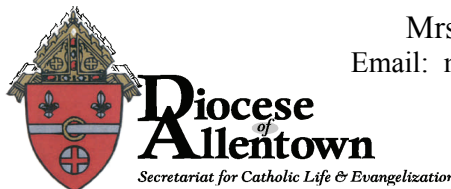
This video specifically commemorates the 100th Anniversary of "Rerum Novarum," the landmark social justice encyclical of Pope Leo XIII. It presents an excellent overview of modern Catholic social teaching. It is recommended for parish social concerns groups, high school students or the R.C.I.A. program.

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God Leading Us in Catholic Social Teaching

45 minutes (Diocese of Sioux City) 2003

Most Rev. Bishop Daniel N. DiNardo, Diocese of Galveston/Houston, presents the scriptural and historical foundation of Catholic social teaching in relation to social ministry in today's world. (Keynote Address at Diocesan Ministries Conference 2003)

Faith Works across the USA

60 minutes (U.S.C.C.B.)* 2004

Here is a look at a tapestry of ways in which Catholics live out their faith. This video presents a sense of the diversity of ministries by which Catholics across the U.S. put their faith into action.

Marketplace Prophets: Voices for Justice in the 20th Century

60 minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1991

This is a highly praised portrayal of 100 years of Catholic social teaching from the 1891 encyclical, "Rerum Novarum," to the groups and individuals working for social justice today. Recommended for anyone interested in how the church carries out its social justice mission on a day-to-day level.

Many Faces in God's House

17 minutes (U.S.C.C.B.)* 2002

Parish, diocesan and national leaders share their insights on how to respond to the call to bring unity into our culturally diverse communities. As the Body of Christ, we can no longer gather as a community without being mindful of the diversity and beautiful gifts in our midst.

Evangelizing God's People in a Culture of Diversity

60 minutes DVD (U.S.C.C.B.)* 2007

In this presentation a wide array of speakers and panels represent diverse cultural experiences. This resource helps in the work of evangelization, even across cultures. It celebrates the diversity reflected in the Church in North America and explores how to evangelize God's people, from all cultures.

We Are Sent

17 minutes DVD
(Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis)
2005

Through the experience of one parish this DVD offers clear and concise explanations of the liturgy of the Eucharist in five movements: gathering, listening to God's Word, offering the gifts, blessing and breaking bread then sharing the meal, and sending forth. Experience everyday people sharing their own stories of Eucharist and mission

Who Are My Sisters and Brothers?

27 minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1996

An up-close and personal look at some of the human faces behind the immigration debate in our nation, this video examines why people are on the move around the world, who these people are, and how our Church is reaching out to them.

Global Solidarity

14 minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1998

"Called to Global Solidarity: International Challenges for U.S. Parishes" offers support and encouragement for parishes to act on the gospel mandate to care for all of God's people wherever they live. Summarized in this video, it provides a concise version of the U.S. Bishops' message for all who wish to explore how parishes can respond to the call for global solidarity.

Living with AIDS: An Occasion of Grace

30 minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1994

This video demonstrates how individuals can make a difference in healing the physical, emotional and spiritual scars brought on by the AIDS epidemic. It presents examples of persons and outreach programs responding to those devastated by the AIDS crisis.

The Earth Is the Lord's

13 minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1995

The seven themes offered by the U.S. Bishops in their pastoral statement "Renewing the Earth" are presented in this video to help us recognize, embrace, and build communities to champion a faith-filled vision of the Lord's earth and ecological responsibility. Building peace, preserving a just and sustainable environment, society, and world are not optional ideals but matters of faith and practical necessities for human life.

Blessed are the Peacemakers

60 minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1998

Depicts communities where individuals are taking action to stop violence in their communities and in their lives.

The Challenge of Peace: God's Promise and Our Response

50 minutes (Paulist Press) 1983

Rev. Bryan Hehir, chief staff member for the Bishops' Drafting Committee on the Pastoral Letter offers a very precise and detailed lecture - style presentation on the issues and on the pastoral letter itself.

Women: A Wellspring of Strength in the 21st Century Church

27 minutes (Diocese of Sioux City) 2000

Draws directly from the U.S. Bishops' document "From Words to Deeds: Continuing Reflections on the Role of Women in the Church." Done in three 9-minute segments allowing opportunity for discussion after each segment.

My Soul Proclaims: Voices of Catholic Women

60 minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1993

This one-hour presentation captures the historical and contemporary contributions of Catholic women in the Church and society. Through their leadership, teaching, writing and tireless work in parishes, women are touching thousands of lives.

Total Parish Ministry

60 minutes each (Twenty-Third Publications) 1996
Fr. William J. Bausch

This eight-part video series provides viewers with an extensive overview of the societal changes and shifts in the profile of the Catholic Church in America. Each session, videotaped live at a workshop for parish leaders, deals with the reality of contemporary parish life and suggests ways to renew vitality, commitment and community.

Session 1: Patterns of Change and the Call to Respond

Session 2: The Evolution of Parish Renewal

Session 3: Profile of a Functioning Parish

Session 4: A Welcoming Community, an Owned Community

Session 5: Principles of Collaboration and Community Building

Session 6: The Sacramental Touch and Holy Week Liturgies

Session 7: Sacraments of Cohesion: Living the Life of Community

Session 8: Pastoral Issues: Conflicts and Leadership

For All the People

28 minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1986

This video presents the essence of concerns behind the U.S. Bishops' Pastoral Letter, "Economic Justice For All." It addresses poverty, unemployment, hunger and the economic relationship between the U.S. and developing nations.

Because We Are Disciples

12 minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1993

An introduction to the meaning of evangelization: the sharing of faith, a personal account of being loved by God, this video is a powerful tool for parishes in recruiting lay people to take action in the church.

Preaching the Just Word Series

(Woodstock Theological Center) 1995

Filmed at "Preaching the Just Word" workshop, this five-part video series expands the viewer's vision of justice. Presenters include Fr. Walter Burghardt, S.J., John Carr, Sr. Kathleen Hughes, Fr. Raymond Kemp, Leo Murray and Sr. Sarah Sharkey.

Session 1: Preaching the Just Word
40 minutes

Session 2: A Biblical View of Justice
85 minutes

Session 3: Catholic Social Teaching
100 minutes

Session 4: The Liturgy That Does Justice
90 minutes

Session 5: Preparing the Homily
85 minutes

Hope for a Renewed Earth

60 minutes 1994

This video highlights the link between social justice and the environment. With comments from bishops and a brief review of Scripture and Tradition, the video helps viewers see the Church's concern for the environment as part of its history.

Cultural Diversity: Enriching Human Community

21 minutes (Franciscan Communications) 1993

This video explores and affirms an appreciation of various cultures (Hispanic American, African American, Asian American, Native American and European American) prominent in the American Church. It addresses the strengths and struggles found in culturally conscious parishes, in culturally diverse parishes, and in multicultural parishes.

The Line in the Sand: Stories from the U.S. Mexico Border

49 Minutes DVD Catholic Relief Services 2006

A team of writers and actors were sent to the Arizona-Mexico border to interview people affected by migration, including ranchers, government officials, activists and migrants themselves. The interviews were turned into this stage performance.

Dying to Live: A Migrant's Journey

33 minutes DVD (Groovy River Films) 2005

Here is a look at the human face of a migrant by exploring who these people are, why they leave their homes and what they face in their journey. This DVD presents a reflection on the human struggle for a more dignified life and the search to find God in the midst of it all.

Poverty and Responsibility

25 minutes (National Pastoral Life Center) 1999

Highlights the Church's mission with the poor.

When Did I See You Hungry?

37 minutes (San Damiano Foundation) 2002

This photographic meditation, along with discussion guide, depicts the plight of the poor and helps the viewer move toward a personal response to the overwhelming challenge of global hunger.

Helping People Help Themselves

15 minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1999

Using the biblical imagery of water, this video depicts the spirit of Catholic social teaching, as Catholic parishioners and other members of community-based groups work at confronting and overcoming some of the obstacles that tend to keep people trapped in poverty.

Among the People: Facing Poverty in America

53 minutes (Catholic Campaign for Human Development) 2002

This video depicts the story of how grassroots groups and the Catholic Campaign for Human Development are "striving toward long-term solutions by attacking poverty's causes together."

Your Voice Counts: Turning Lobbying Upside Down

19 minutes (NETWORK Education Program) 2000

This "how to" video demonstrates the basic steps of political advocacy and offers suggestions on ways to cultivate your relationship with members of Congress and their staffs.

A Culture of Life and the Penalty of Death

15 minutes DVD (U.S.C.C.B.)* 2006

A Culture of Life and the Penalty of Death stands as a call for our nation to abandon the use of the death penalty and move one step closer to building a culture of life. It is based on a Statement of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops whereby the bishops are urging Catholics and others to work for an end to the use of the death penalty in the United States. This DVD provides an overview of Catholic social teaching on the death penalty. It highlights the flaws in the death penalty, advocates that Catholics oppose the death penalty and encourages viewers to join the Catholic Campaign Against the Use of the Death Penalty.

Restorative Justice: A Catholic Perspective

18 Minutes Archdiocese of San Francisco, Office of Public Policy

This film seeks to encourage dialogue about all aspects of the criminal justice system through a Catholic lens.

Beyond Prison: Seeking Justice for All

38 minutes (Diocese of Sioux City) 2001

America's broken criminal justice system is presented in this video. Effective alternatives and specific recommendations drawn from the U.S. Catholic Bishops' 2000 statement, "Responsibility, Rehabilitation, and Restoration," are included.

The Death Penalty

25 minutes (National Pastoral Life Center) 1999

Presents arguments for and against the death penalty.

Let Justice Flourish

18 minutes (The Catholic Health Association of the U.S.) 1999

In this beautiful reflection, the teachings of popes and bishops on justice are connected with their Biblical roots in the words of the Hebrew prophets and in the preaching of Jesus. Papal encyclicals and other church documents are presented as a body of thought that responds to the injustices of the times.

In Their Own Voices: Ministry to the Aging in the 21st Century

50 minutes (Diocese of Sioux City) 2003

Inspired by the U.S. Bishops' statement, "Blessings of Age," Catholic women offer perspectives on parish ministry to elders with suggestions for increasing awareness of their needs. Includes excerpts from a workshop, "Elder Ministry: Are You Ready for the Demographic Shift?" presented by the Archdiocese of Omaha Pastoral Planning Office, Coordinator for Aging and Disabilities.

Elder Ministry: Are You Ready for the Demographic Shift?

50 minutes (Diocese of Sioux City) 2003

This video presentation provides insights, ideas and resources that will enable both urban and rural parishes to respond to the spiritual and social needs of the growing numbers of older parishioners.

Renewing the Mind of the Media: Overcoming the Exploitation of Sex and Violence in Communications

12 minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1999

The U.S. Bishops present this video as a companion piece to their 1998 statement, providing a starting point for further reflection and action against pornography and violence by individuals and parishes.

We Are One Flock

15 minutes (National Catholic Office of Persons with Disabilities) 1990

The gifts people with disabilities can give a church willing to accept them is evident on this video. It is fully accessible to persons with disabilities, featuring open captioning for persons who are deaf and audibly announces any printed information for persons who are blind.

Open Hearts-Open Minds-Open Doors

20 minutes (Pathways Awareness Foundation) 1997

This video, featuring the late Joseph Cardinal Bernardin and the late Fr. Henri Nouwen, highlights the importance of including persons with physical, mental and emotional differences into liturgy and parish life.

Disability Etiquette - How to Relate to People with Disabilities

30 minutes (University of Dayton) 1994

This video describes appropriate interactions with persons with blindness, deafness, speech impediments, and physical and mental disabilities.

For Justice

30 minutes (Campaign for Human Development)

"Economic Justice for All" is told through employment, housing, farming issues, and citizen participation in local decision making. This video documents how community groups are living out the "New American Experiment."

Catholic Health Care: The Urgent Call for Change

19 minutes 1995

This video would be of interest to professionals in health care, as well as to all who are concerned about the many changes in health care today.

John Ryan: Labor Priest

30 minutes (Hallel Institute) 1994

Msgr. Ryan charted the course of Catholic principles of social justice in the years following WWI, principles that were to be incorporated into law by F.D. Roosevelt's "New Deal." This video examines the origins of those principles in Pope Leo XIII's encyclical, "Rerum Novarum," and how they apply in the contemporary realities of our troubled economy.

I Am Only a Child

14 minutes (U.S.C.C.)* 1993

This compelling reflection on the situation of children in our nation and world provides a meaningful resource for discussion.