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To Pastors + Parish Social Ministry [PSM] Partners, PSM Planning Team Members,  
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Re **Parish Social Ministry [PSM] Update # 47** [in 118 Months]

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES of Louisville: Providing help, Creating hope!**

### **PSM UPDATE delivery mode –**

*If anyone would prefer receiving this quarterly update by email as an attached .doc file, please contact S Mary Schmuck. Our point: what works better for you!*

Contact the Nazareth Office if you would find a Catholic Charities of Louisville website BLOG helpful!  
[www.cclou.org](http://www.cclou.org)

### ARCHDIOCESE OF LOUISVILLE

Catholic Charities

Parish Social Ministry

PSM = Emergency Aid + Faithful Citizenship  
+ Global Solidarity

*It's like a 3-leaf clover -*

*where the stem is **Catholic Social Teaching!***

**PSM entails**

**invitation, conversion and empowerment!**

**Try tithing prayer: 10% of one's waking hours daily!**

- 1. EMERGENCY AID:**  
Your Parish Community leads here...
- 2. FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP:**  
Parishes' weakest area!  
Catholic Charities leads

- with Catholic Conference of KY [CCK]
- 3. GLOBAL SOLIDARITY:**  
Catholic Relief Services leads, we implement....  
This newsletter is set up with the above 3 elements in mind.

**NB: Calls to Parish Social Ministry Partners begin January 14, 2012 Sat Conversation guide: Page 7!**

## Faithful Citizenship

### **MORE MAJOR CUTS COMING: Our response?**

Gov. Beshear says hurtful budget cuts are coming – on top of various federal ones in the pipeline.

Further, US Census data about poverty growth – thru 2010 before all this budget dealing – indicates our poverty problem grows – and among our precious children! About half of US people are now considered “low income”!



A lot more people are and are going to get hurt - more.

Especially vulnerable are low income workers who use supportive services such as food stamps, childcare subsidies and housing vouchers to supplement their wages. An illness or a large car repair bill can bring catastrophe that ends in homelessness and all its problems for individuals and society.

**Be encouraged to do further serious thinking, praying and planning about how your parish, your local community, ministerial association, county and others will respond to more people earnestly seeking help.**

This will be an ongoing PSM Partner follow-up call topic.

**Information about LOCAL impacts continue to be sorely needed. Please send to Catholic Charities Nazareth Office asap. It is used in several ways including with our state and federal policy makers.**

A fine 5-page resource [nicely formatted], **Social Security, Medicare and Pensions: Promoting the Common Good**, is available from the Nazareth Office (addresses P 1 here).

It provides historical context on all 3 and how each contributes to the common good, human dignity and economic justice.

It has been prepared by Robert Stewart and Center of Concern's Education for Justice program. Highly recommended to have on hand as challenges grow to all 3 "prongs" of US social insurance!

### **Our US Catholic Bishops urge:**

- Spending choices have clear moral and human dimensions
- Catholic teaching's moral criteria: protect people who are poor and advance the common good.
- Shared sacrifice should guide budget cuts, not disproportionate cuts in programs that serve poor persons at home or abroad.
- Poor and vulnerable people didn't cause our budget problem; they should not bear the greatest burden in overcoming them.
- US Constitutional requirement: Promote the general welfare.

Remember: the big causes for our enormous federal debt:

- Starting 2 wars AND cutting taxes
- Unfunded Medicare drug benefit
- Inadequate healthcare reform
- Deregulation of financial industry

**Are we addressing these CAUSES?**

## **FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP LUNCHEONS**

**St Joseph Maloney Room**

**W Stephen Foster & 5<sup>th</sup> St, Bardstown**

Noon – 1 pm 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday. Current plan:

Jan 17	Why mind the economic gap?
Feb - NONE C@C	
Mar 20	KY Medicaid process
Apr 17	C KY immigration overview F C Lnchn evaluations 5-11 recommended this topic – panel
May 15	Products from recycled mats

**Bad weather policy:** follow Bardstown School's decision. No school, no luncheon!

Bring a sandwich; soup + drinks provided  
RSVP with Sister Mary Schmuck, RSM, 502-331-4545 or schmuckrsm@scnazarethky.org  
*Eternal thanks to St Joseph Parish for hosting these Faithful Citizenship luncheons!*

## **CATHOLICS @ THE CAPITOL in Frankfort**

**Feb 6-7, 2012 Mon-Tue afternoon...c noon**  
**"Many Gifts, One Spirit!"**

Plan now to come, invite others, help others to participate!

Capitol Plaza Hotel in Frankfort Monday;

Visit Legislators' offices Tuesday morning.

Strive for a delegation (of at least 1!) from each parish! An energizing, informative experience!

Nazareth office will coordinate carpooling and hotel room sharing.

Encourage our students – college, high and elementary schools - to participate! An invaluable experience in faithful citizenship for them!

**Finances:** \$40 registration for 2 meals + materials; \$ 98 (= Catholics @ The Capitol's special rate + fees/taxes) for Hotel Room for up to 4 people/room. Start now to piece together financing for it – matching funds from parish/parish groups.

**By January 30, 2012**

**Register with**

- **Catholic Conference of KY - ideally online** <http://bit.ly/vYtTpe> + mail in the \$40 fee.
- **Hotel: 502-227-5100. Be sure to ask for special "Catholics @ The Capitol rate."**

**Jan – Apr 2012 KY General Assembly session: Develop 2-year budget; redistricting.**

**CCK issue concerns:**

- Informed consent
- Abolition of the death penalty for severely mentally ill persons and eventually all persons,

- Cap on payday loans at 36%,
- Business tax credits for education -

## PARISH HEALTH & WELLNESS MINISTRY

*Thank you for all your great work in continuing Jesus' healing ministry!*

### KY HEALTH NEEDS

These include the need to work on obesity reduction in Kentucky and smoking cessation....

**Norton Healthcare** continues to offer ongoing resourcing. Contact **Sharon Elsesser**, Sharon.elsesser@nortonhealthcare.org 502-629-7431. Info: 502-629-1234 or www.nortonhealthcare.com/CHM

### FOUNDATION FOR A HEALTHY KY

[www.healthy-ky.org](http://www.healthy-ky.org)

Kentucky Voices for Health has developed an **easy-to-read guide to understanding the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act**. It explains how the legislation impacts workers, employers, Medicare beneficiaries and others.

**www.healthcare.gov** the official federal government website. It offers information about health care reform as well as notices of grants and other funding to expand access to care and increase consumer-centered services. To visit the website, <http://www.healthcare.gov/> This new law is one of the "most discussed and least understood topics" these weeks...! **It is so important that we are clear about what this new law entails – versus numerous gross distortions of it being spread abroad. Also important: call the law by its actual name.**

**NB: our US Catholic Bishops are urging REFORM, not repeal of our Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.**

### DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

Catholic Charities USA has rather extensive information for your review as your start and move through this effort.

This will be a topic in the phone follow-up with PSM Partners.

### JAIL MINISTRY

Parishes are urged to encourage persons serving in jail ministry, invite yet others, support the ministry with resources, bless its participants. Jesus was a prisoner, and his mother and close associates were deeply affected by it and his cruel execution.

Another thought for Jail Ministers: what about families with someone in jail? Word is: 1/24 adults in Kentucky has been in our corrections system. Family members are hurting too.... Victims families, too....

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***"Love of God and love of neighbor have become one: In the least of the brethren we find Jesus himself, and in Jesus we find God....Love for widows and orphans, prisoners, and the sick and needy of every kind is as essential to (the Church) as the ministry of the sacraments and preaching of the Gospel."***  
--Pope Benedict XVI, Deus Caritas Est.

### OPEN PRAYER DAYS

Catholic Charities Parish Social Ministry continues to publish a monthly "Open Prayer Day" resource – 2 pages. It is sent to all parishes via email. Anyone wishing her/his own email or a paper copy, contact the Nazareth office, addresses P 1. This resource is being used in various parish communities in various ways.

### GLOBAL SOLIDARITY:

**Catholic Charities' Migration & Refugee Services**, 2911 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, a special resettlement service program for refugees through the Archdiocese of Louisville.

These refugees who come to the US from dire political repression in their home country generally have spent time [years] in a refugee camp in a 2<sup>nd</sup> country before arriving here. They often flee their homeland with little more than a handful of clothing items and personal mementos.

Migration and Refugee Services [MRS] provides refugees with the support and assistance they need in order to become self-sufficient.

Our role at Catholic Charities is to involve, organize, and bring together the agency, church, and community resources necessary for resettlement.

Refugees being resettled have full clearance from our US State Department + Homeland Security.

Please call **Chris Clements**, Community Resource Developer, at 502-636-9263, ext. 125 or [ccllements@archlou.org](mailto:ccllements@archlou.org) - or **Vickie Lile** at [vlile@archlou.org](mailto:vlile@archlou.org), 502-365-4713.

Household items and supplies are ALWAYS needed.

Contact Nazareth Office (P 1) for possible transport connections to our Louisville Office.

### NATIONAL MIGRATION WEEK

**Epiphany Sunday Jan 8 – 14.**

Pray for all men, women and children who migrate – willingly or under duress!

## STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING!

**Marissa Castellanos**, Human Trafficking Program Manager KY Rescue and Restore Victims of Human Trafficking, is based in our Catholic Charities Louisville office.

mcastellanos@archlou.org 502-974-4947  
Her 45-minute presentation is very informative (and disturbing!) with **good do-able action steps**. She is very engaging!

Contact her for further information with the thought of asking her to come talk with a good group you convene. That group could include your parish people, other churches, ministerial association, police chief, sheriff, healthcare providers, all civic Leaders. Human trafficking is in great danger of growing – it is so profitable, and a supply is “re-usable” vs that of drugs and guns. Such a grave abuse of human life and dignity and our sexuality and workers! Work on this matter is a real benefit to the health and wellbeing of victims for certain and our society.

## 1<sup>ST</sup> FRIDAYS FOR FOOD SECURITY

Our US Catholic Bishops are urging fasting every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday until April 6, 2012.

The event's page on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=110978892320508](http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=110978892320508)) provides a forum for Catholics to leave comments about their experiences and access learning and prayer resources.

A handout will be posted on Facebook each month, focusing on a different aspect of the issue. These will include: the reality of food insecurity in the U.S., migrant laborers and those who produce food, effects of hunger on pregnant women and their unborn children, and child nutrition and the school lunch program.

## St FRANCIS PLEDGE TO PROTECT CREATION AND PERSONS WHO ARE POOR AND VULNERABLE

### 40 DAYS OF PRAYER: Care for Creation in KY

KY Council of Churches' Care for Creation unit is offering this set of brief prayerful reflections for each day “now” through Ash Wednesday. The goal is also for KY General Assembly guidance to better care for creation.

The prayers were penned by various Christian church groups and are very touching and respectful – much in the spirit of St Francis' appreciation for God's gift of creation and our responsibility to take good care of it.

The set (12 p total, column format) are available either by USPS or email. Contact Nazareth Office

**ST FRANCIS PLEDGE Survey** The master summary of 117 Archdiocesan entity records (58.5% of the 188) is available upon request - 1 grand table with 15 “lines”. Heartening reading! See all that others are doing as well as one's own parish or school!

*A special hope: that with any parish renovations - especially given any Future of Hope Campaign funds available – the survey's results help facilitate sustainable energy choices being more easily made!*

**Bishop Thomas Wenski**, USCCB International Policy Committee chairman, in a USCCB letter to Congress, has noted: USCCB urges **3 major themes and principles/values from Catholic Social Teaching to guide our responses:**

1. Give priority attention to **poor persons, communities and nations**
2. Pursue the **common good**
3. Practice **prudence** – lest the problem get worse and the remedies more costly.

Text for the June 15, 2001 USCCB document, **Global Climate Change: A Plea for Dialogue, Prudence, and the Common Good**, can be found at

<http://www.usccb.org/sdwp/international/globalclimate.htm>

For a paper copy, contact Catholic Charities' Nazareth office.

Our overall need: **REDUCE** our various human demands on Earth's resources – pollution, supply drain, dumping on poor people. Earth is our only planetary home, God's gift to us all across the planet and centuries.

## 4 IMPORTANT EFFORTS on the horizon:

- \* **USCCB's Faithful Citizenship document – promulgation and teaching.** 2012 national elections
- \* Feb 6-7, 2012 Mon-Tue **Catholics @ The Capitol** in Frankfort. Plan now to get people there!
- \* Feb 28 Tue **Haiti Day** for schools, St Raphael Louisville
- \* **July 29 Sun – Aug 1 Wed Social Action Summer Institute** Bellarmine U, Louisville

## GOOD NEWS from PSM PARTNERS!

**Region 8: Hardin, Meade and 2 other Kentucky counties are collaborating on a recycling center.** What can our 10 parishes in these counties do to heartily promote this fine development? Contribute volunteers? Get people including parish offices and our school to use the center? St Francis would be so pleased...!

**St Christopher Parish** served more than 100 households in their Thanksgiving dinner.

**Region 9: Martha Hickman, St Monica Bardstown**, has worked with Nelson County's Jailer to provide brownies in the Fall and then pumpkin bread at Thanksgiving to all 100 inmates. Her medical doctor on learning of her project made a contribution in gratitude for the good people in his life during his rough childhood.

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## MATERIALS PROVIDED since November, 2011

Dec 1, 2011 Ky Interfaith Power & Light: Dec newsletter  
Dec 12, 2011 Poverty, the Common Good and Catholic Social teaching

## SPECIAL THANKS to:

**Nazareth Campus Service** for on-campus duplication, participation in its Internet service and many other blessings!

**Sisters of Charity at Nazareth** Rose Eleanor Perry, Rita Spalding, Margaret Regina Murphy, Mary Assumpta Dwyer, Mary Immaculata Kuehner, Pauletta Kane, Catherine Arnold, Joseph Marita Wheatley, Joan Wilson and Dolores Greenwell for such gracious help folding this PSM Update for mailing!

**GBA Office Solutions**, N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Bardstown - for "big jobs" service-while-one-waits and a good price!

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Fr Kevin Bryan**, St John the Apostle Brandenburg + St Martin Flaherty as he regains good health.  
**Normaline and Lenny Skees**, St Ignatius White Mills. Lenny has been coping with leukemia. Normaline is PSM Partner at St Ignatius

## SOCIAL MINISTRY LOGISTICS TIPS! USE 9-DIGIT ZIP CODES; Get Email Addresses

Use of 9-digit zip codes of US Postal Service mailings is encouraged.

**To find an address' zip code:** [www.usps.com/zip4](http://www.usps.com/zip4)  
Street addresses can be pasted in from another document. If other addresses have the same city, use "Back" to return to the 1<sup>st</sup> USPS.com entry and just change the street address.

These 9-digit zip codes do not change – a blessing. Our Archdiocesan Directory has started adding them in. A 9-digit zip is a 1-1 correspondence to each address the way one's Social Security number is to each individual.

A 9-digit zip is key to finding a lot of residence-specific government information!

Again, **ADDING EMAIL ADDRESSES TO PARISHIONERS' RECORDS** is an increasingly wise move, too.

Email addresses for our priests: know that this office tries hard to use "Fr" or "Rev" [with/without periods] in its email address book, but some providers just won't take such titles. Hence "Bill" and "Kevin" et al. Why this? There seem to be more mysteries in life than theological ones!

## HELP SUPPORT CATHOLIC CHARITIES

**Catholic Charities of Louisville is your Church's response to the baptismal call of service and advocacy.** In your name it responds to societal needs in an organized and professional way and this is not possible without the support of the community. Last year Catholic Charities of Louisville served more than 30,000 individuals through 10 programs and numerous services.

Please consider an investment in this work. Gifts can be made online at [www.cclou.org](http://www.cclou.org). Thank You!

"...there is probably no other private organization in our state that offers the scope of spiritual and human services provided through out archdiocesan agencies and organizations.!" --Fr Jeff Hopper, St Monica and St Thomas Bardstown Administrator.

## PSM UPDATE Recipients

### Region 8:

Fr Bob Abel	Becky Flaherty
Brenda Redman*	Greg Beavin
Fr Stanley Osborne	
Fr Dennis Cousens	Susan Barefoot
Dean Sears*	Fr Dan Lincoln*
Norva Lark* em	Fr Leo Craycroft
Fr Kevin Bryan*	Teri Pierce *
Regina Bennett	Phil Millay
Judy Banks	Peter Bucala
Melba Kindervater*	Fr Chuck Walker
Fr Matthew Hardesty	Glory Kramer
Sr Michael Marie Friedman, osu	Normaline Skees *
Brenda Skees *	Dcn Michael Vessels
Fr Pablo Hernandez *	Bob & Sharon Ernst
Tony Simon	Connie Thompson

### Region 9:

Linda Lewis	Martha Hickman
Harriet Elmore *	Joe Zarantonello
Fr Troy Overton *	Fr John Schwartzlose *
Adam Cecil *	Dcn Joe Filiatreau
Ben Wiederholt em	Mary Florence Barnes
Terry Rogan	John Westerfield
Fr Bill Hammer *	Rose Hamilton Cruey *
Sr Marie Seaman, sfcc	Fr Mike Wimsatt
Judy Beaven	Fr Joe Batcheldor
Fr Tom Clark	Fr Jeff Hopper
Tom Hamilton BHS	Jonathan Raley, BHS
Fr Gary Young, cr	Dcn Sam & JoAnn Filiatreau *
Fr Ken Fortener *	Fr Paul Beach *
Fr Chris Allegra *	Elaine Dickerson

### Region 10:

Fr Joe Hemmerle* em	Sr Marina Gibbons, OP
Fr Jim Reinhart *	Fr Trumie Elliott*
Pam Breunig	Sr Theresina Greenwell, OP
Fr Kevin McGrath, op *	Jessica Smith
Dcn Gus Cooper *	Pam Grundy
Fr Jim Graf *	Robert Cecil *
Fr Jerry Bell	Fr Bill Bowling *
Lois Southall	Dottie Kehm
Fr Patrick Dolan*	Alicia Riggs
Sue A Goode	Kathy Shannon
Jodi George	Mike Luescher
Fr Jim Reinhart *	Agnes Ann Schum, sl
Sr Judy Morris, op	Sr Marilyn King, rsm
Sr Judy Popp, sl	

### Region 11:

Fr Paul Eve *	Kathy Frick *
Fr Larry Gelthaus *	Fr Joel Rogers, cpm.*
Fr Charles Zmudzinski, cpm	Fr Kenneth Soroko, cpm
Marian Stenken, scn *	Kathy + Leo Krug
Dcn David Smith	

And: Sharon Elsassor, Norton Healthcare Church & Health Ministries  
Region 8-10 Jail Ministers, Sr Judy P opp, SL

**Serving and striving to animate 38,556 persons, young and old, in 47 parishes across 19 counties to serve as and because Jesus did!**

\* = designated Parish Social Ministry Partner.

## Catholic Charities Nazareth Office

### ACCOMPLISHMENTS November - December 2011

- Call to several PSM Partner November 10+
- 1 Faithful Citizenship Luncheon
- Quarterly report to Catholic Charities Louisville Dec 31
- 1 Reg 11/Sou KY Missions meeting
- Region 8 meeting of clergy
- CCK Social Concern C mt Nov 16
- Meeting with Ky Sen Higdon
- 10 webinars/conference calls – issue updating
- KY Council of Churches Care for Creation working group meeting Fern Creek
- 2011 Festival of Faiths – 2 offerings including Interfaith Breakfast with Bishop Blaire
- Friedell C meeting Lexington
- Mercy Sacred Heart Village Advisory Council mt

### TASKS January – April 2012

- Catholic Charities staff work
- **Catholics @ The Capitol Feb 6 – 7 Mon-Tue +** participation building
- 3 Faithful Citizenship Luncheons
- 4 Reg 11/SKM meetings
- Numerous webinar issue updating
- US Rep Brett Guthrie's meeting in Bardstown
- Common Cause of KY board mt
- 2 Mercy Sacred Heart Home Advisory Council meetings
- Day for Haiti Feb 28
- KY Council of Churches Care for Creation working group meeting Fern Creek
- African American Catholic Awards Banquet Mar 3
- Sisters of Mercy meeting in Cincinnati Mar 30-31
- Annual Retreat Holy Week Apr 1-7

### NAZARETH OFFICE INFORMATION

The phone's voice mail is unfilling.

Email faithfully awaits attention.

Great care is to respond to both as soon as possible.

**NB: No one is in the office on normal Mon-Fri from 10:30 am – c 1 pm:** Mass, mail, newspapers (30/wk), duplicating and faxing - all in 1 round in this series of campus buildings to avoid taking precious time walking long halls and waiting for elevators.

## RESOURCES

### Join Catholic Charities USA's PSM Section:

An online service, interesting, helpful, no charge. A topic for PSM Partner conversation. Others, contact Nazareth Office (cf P 1) for further information!

### FAITHFUL CITIZEN LEGISLATIVE ACTION:

- **Faithful Citizen Advocates** – Get people to sign up! [www.ccky.org](http://www.ccky.org) – Email only
- **Faithful Citizenship Network:** Catholic Charities Nazareth Office – USPS only

## ECONOMIC JUSTICE IN 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY KENTUCKY: HOLDING OURSELVES ACCOUNTABLE

The 7 brochure titles in “Economic Justice in 21<sup>st</sup> Century Kentucky: Holding Ourselves Accountable”:

- Life is Priceless
- The Cost of Discipleship
- Who Pays the Bills
- Protecting the Common Good
- Honoring the Creator's Gift
- What Borders Are You Talking About
- At Home in the Web of Life
- Resources & Suggested Uses

Printed copies were mailed to all Kentucky parishes and Catholic schools. They are all available in either color or black/white on the web: [www.ccky.org](http://www.ccky.org)

### Catholic Conference of Kentucky website:

Many rich resources – including its

- Faithful Citizen Advocate service and voter registration
- Recent documents from our 4 KY bishops
- 3 commentaries by Fathers Ron Kettler and John Rausch and Sister Mary Schmuck, RSM

### Catholic Charities of Louisville website:

[www.cclou.org](http://www.cclou.org) (Do change your Favorites!)

Check it out and be proud!

### CARE FOR CREATION RESOURCES: KENTUCKY INTERFAITH POWER & LIGHT:

major 1-stop resource for effective parish/congregational energy efficiency efforts! [www.kentuckyipl.org](http://www.kentuckyipl.org)

### PLOWSHARES FARM CENTER FOR EDUCATION AND SPIRITUALITY,

12704 Campbellsville Road, Buffalo KY 42716. 270-325-3801. [plwshare@scrtc.com](mailto:plwshare@scrtc.com) Excellent programs, wonderful field trip/visit opportunities! [www.plowsharesfarmcenter.com](http://www.plowsharesfarmcenter.com)

### PASSIONIST EARTH & SPIRIT CENTER:

1924 Newburg Road Louisville KY. 40205. 502-452-2749 <http://www.earthandspiritcenter.org/lent45/> or [www.lent45.org](http://www.lent45.org)

### Catholic Approach to Climate Change Question and Answer Resource.

9-page resource is divided into 5 sets of questions and answers: faith, science, political, economics and poverty. Download: <http://www.catholicsandclimatechange.org/resources.html> and click on “A Catholic Approach to Climate Change” under “Education” A superb concise resource! See also the background on **Benedict XVI's statements on the environment and climate change.**

### “Climate Change: Our Faith Response,”

c 10-minute DVD with wonderful study guide produced by the Catholic Committee of Appalachia with partial funding from the US Conference of Catholic Bishops. It is intended for religious education classes and is being distributed to the 27 Catholic dioceses in the Appalachian region. Contact CCA at 304-927-5798 or [ccappal@citynet.net](mailto:ccappal@citynet.net) Donation greatly appreciated. **Catholic Charities Nazareth Office has the DVD + study guide available for loan.**

–NCRLC [National Catholic Rural Life Conference] Bulletin 7-28-08

**Kentucky Health Facts** – a website designed to provide ready access to key health data for KY counties and area development districts. Data categories: community demographics, health status and access to health care. [www.kentuckyhealthfacts.org](http://www.kentuckyhealthfacts.org)

**Resource Manual for Ex-Offenders** – contact **Rachel Hurst** at Catholic Charities' Louisville Office, 502-637-9786 x 191 or [rhurst@archlou.org](mailto:rhurst@archlou.org)

## CATHOLICS MOBILIZING NETWORK

Catholic Mobilizing Network (CMN) proclaims the Church's unconditional pro-life teaching and its application to capital punishment and restorative justice. CMN works in close collaboration with the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops to prepare Catholics for informed involvement in campaigns to repeal state death penalty laws and expand or inaugurate restorative justice programs. Join us in our campaign to end use of the death penalty in the United States. <http://www.catholicmobilizing.org/>

**JustFaith** – in the style of RCIA: an intensive justice education program for “would be” prophets and social ministers. A 30-week program involving participants in a panorama of learning experiences that form a rich context for personal transformation and fresh commitment to parish social ministry. Author: Jack Jezreel. sponsored by Catholic Charities USALSO: JustMatters an expanding series of formation materials from JustFaith Ministries. JustMatters allows participants to focus on a particular current social justice topic. The general format for these topic-focused modules is prayer, readings, videos, speakers and dialogue. JustMatters allows a group of eight to fifteen people to give sustained attention to a specific area of social concern or social ministry (some with special emphasis on Catholic social teaching) and culminating in a call to engaged action. Here are the currently available modules: \*Faith Encounters the Ecological Crisis \* In the Footsteps of the Crucified \* Living Solidarity \* Crossing Borders  
\* God's Creation Cries for Justice \* Prison Reform  
\* New Wineskins \* Engaging Our Conflicts  
JustFaith Ministries, PO Box 221348, Louisville, KY 40252-1348. Tel: (502) 429-0865. Fax: (502) 429-0897. [info@justfaith.org](mailto:info@justfaith.org)

## GLOSSARY

**“Parish Social Ministry Update”**: this periodic report on time-urgent social ministry across our Archdiocese.

**“Parish Social Ministry Directory”**: is now a database document, capable of producing various types of reports. This database is located in Catholic Charities Louisville office.

**“Parish Social Ministry Report”**: the annual listing of each parish's social ministry work that is shared with all parishes in each region of Region 8-11. This work is based in Catholic Charities Nazareth office.

**“Parish Social Ministry Partner”**: a pastor-designated person in each parish community in Regions 8-11 who works with Catholic Charities, especially through its Nazareth office.

**PSM GATHERINGS** - convened periodically by Catholic Charities Parish Social Ministry Department. Participants are from all archdiocesan regions.

All of these terms point to the reality that carefully and generously tending social ministry is 1 of 5 major areas of responsibility in each parish community and our Catholic community generally:

- Worship Faith formation
- SOCIAL MINISTRY Stewardship Administration.

## PSM PARTNERS

### PHONE CALL AGENDA:

- **Catholics @ The Capitol** – Feb 6-7, Frankfort: participation, engaging others
- What do you need to better engage others in PSM?
- **State and Federal budget – local impacts?**  
**Status of your parish planning for much increased need?**
- St Francis Pledge Survey work: any news?

- What is your parish doing re **disaster preparedness** information gathering? What is the plan for your county?
- Any Parish Health & Wellness Ministry developments?
- Any Jail Ministry developments?
- Interest in a human trafficking presentation?
- Faithful Citizenship document reissued + website resources
- Would you like more information about Catholic Charities USA's PSM Section – an online service
- How do you want to receive PSM Report to update? USPS-mailed paper copy? Over the phone? Email exchange?
- Other?

*You word (by phone or email) of a good time to call is a BIG help...! Thank you!*

*The Nazareth Office phone is the only phone available for calling you. I am glad to come back to the office after supper to call – but it is very challenging to have done so and not reach anyone.*

*Again, thank you for your help!*

***You and your parish community efforts are important!***

**SOCIAL MINISTRY:  
HELPING AS AND BECAUSE  
JESUS HELPED!  
Catholics believe, celebrate  
AND serve!**

**Next PSM Update currently  
scheduled for:  
April, 2012!**

*Over please:  
Catholic Conference of KY Principles of  
Taxation, Allocation of revenue,  
Contributing to the Common Good.  
Much tax talk: KY, US....*

