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Who should attend this conference?

- Catholics who desire a greater understanding of how they can see the Image of God (Imago Dei) in each person and who want to know how they can support human dignity in our society and the world.
- Teachers, Directors of Religious Education and parents who wish to guide young people to a deeper appreciation of how we support the human dignity of our neighbors.
- Persons who are particularly concerned about human dignity at work, in school, in the family, for families harmed by our country's current immigration system, for people caring for loved ones at the end of their lives and for people interested in ending the death penalty and restoring justice to society.

Conference Schedule

8:00	Check-in for Catechetical Certification Participants
8:15	Pre-Conference session for Certification Participants
9:00	Check-in for other Conference Participants and Students Light Breakfast
9:45	Welcome and Opening Prayer
10:00	Keynote Address Félicien Paul Randriamanantenasoa Programming Manager of CRS Madagascar <i>Saving Lives, Strengthening Communities in Madagascar</i>
11:00	Break
11:15	First Session of Workshops
12:15	Lunch
1:30	Second Session of Workshops
2:30	Break
2:45	Third Sessions of Workshops
3:45	Break - Walk to Immaculate Conception Chapel
4:00	Reflections on the Day - Immaculate Conception Chapel
4:30	Closing Liturgy Bishop Joseph Binzer presiding

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PROCLAIMING OUR HUMAN DIGNITY THROUGH SOLIDARITY

Saturday, March 3, 2012
at the University of Dayton
Kennedy Union
9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Mass begins at 4:30 p.m.



Workshops -

The Budget as a Moral Document

This session will examine the budget as a moral document. How a government spends its money is a moral statement about where and with whom it places its priorities.

Presenter: Dr. Vincent Miller, the Gudorf Chair in Catholic Theology and Culture, University of Dayton

Building Just Societies through Educational Systems in the U.S.

This session will identify the social concerns issues of education and examine the inequity of education in the U.S. School choice will be identified as a civil right and the rights and obligations of parents will be covered. All God's children should be treated with respect and dignity!

Presenter: Larry Keough, Associate Director, Department on Education, Catholic Conference of Ohio

Building Just Societies through Educational Systems in Mali and Burkina Faso

The US Catholic community is helping to build just societies through the on-the-ground work of Catholic Relief Services. Come see the good work you are doing around the world, especially in classrooms in the west African countries of Mali and Burkina Faso.

Presenter: Pam Long, Regional Director, Catholic Social Action Office

End of Life Ethics

End-of-life topics touch the depths of our being, stir the emotions, and raise profound questions—and so call for careful moral reasoning. We will consider Scriptural foundations and Church teaching regarding euthanasia, assisted suicide, withdrawing life-support systems, patients' rights and medical care. We will also consider practical steps to prepare now for the hour of death.

Presenter: Kenneth R. Overberg, SJ, Professor of Theology, Xavier University

Ending Capital Punishment and Embracing Restorative Justice

Participants will leave this session with improved understanding of the Church's consistent pro-life teaching, its application to capital punishment and restorative justice, and how to get involved in campaigns to repeal state death penalty laws and

expand or inaugurate restorative justice programs. Participants will acquire educational tools for their parishes, youth groups, respect life and social justice committees.

Presenters: Karen Clifton, Executive Director, Catholic Mobilizing Network to End the Use of the Death Penalty; Vicki Schieber, Education Coordinator, Catholic Mobilizing Network to End the Use of the Death Penalty and Board Chair for Murder Victims' Families for Human Rights; Sr. Grace Walle, FMI, Chair, Marianist Social Justice Collaborative Anti-Death Penalty Team.

The Family: A Source of Human Dignity

Regardless of circumstances, each person is destined to derive an affirmed sense of dignity through the intimate experience of family. Sadly, this smallest and most fundamental cell of society is too often harranged by trials that threaten the dignity of its members and undermine the very fabric of our civilization. Join our presenters as they take us through the Church's guiding family principles and confront the most pressing issues facing the dignity of families today.

Presenters: Noreen Wendeln and Joshua Danis from the Office of Family and Respect Life

US Catholics Embracing Human Dignity in Madagascar

US Catholics are decidedly contributing to a better way of life in Madagascar, an island nation off the southeastern coast of Africa. Find out how you do it with the help of Catholic Relief Services staff.

Presenter: Félicien Paul Randriamanantenasoa

The (In)Dignity of Work

The Church has expressed a consistent teaching on the dignity of work since Rerum Novarum, noting that labor is more than "a simple commodity" and "labor has intrinsic priority over capital." In this economic crisis, with declining wages, soaring unemployment and attempts to restrict collective bargaining rights, Catholics, especially Catholics in government and business - should be mindful of the Church's teaching about the moral dimension of all economic activity.

Presenter: Dr. Mark Ensalaco, Director of the University of Dayton's Human Rights Program

Loving the Stranger: Immigration and Human Dignity

A Conversation on Church Teaching on Migration, Restoring Order and Practicing Love Towards Immigrants. The lack of reform is having devastating effects on the families of local migrants and it requires greater solidarity from their Catholic neighbors. This panel discussion will explore the Church's moral teaching and other aspects related to immigration.

Presenters from: the Immigration Task Force of the Catholic Social Action Office with Tony Stieritz, Director of the Catholic Social Action Office

Catechetical credit and CEUs

Catechists may obtain credit toward certification from the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis for the course, Justice and Peace, by attending the Conference and completing some additional requirements. If you are interested in obtaining certification credit please contact Pam Long in the Office of Catholic Social Action for more information.

CEUs: Teachers will be given a certificate of completion which can be used for CEUs through the Principal-approved CEU process.

For more information contact the Catholic Social Action Office at 937.224.3026 or csadayton@catholiccincinnati.org

Our Keynote Speaker

Félicien Paul

Randriamanantenasoa has his finger on the pulse of development in Madagascar, an island country off the east coast of Africa where he serves as the Programming Manager for Catholic Relief Services. In Madagascar CRS programs focus on agriculture, resource management, building resilience in communities following disasters, health and peacebuilding.



Registration

Cost of the conference is \$30 (\$10 / student) or \$40 for catechetical certification. Fee includes light breakfast and lunch. Scholarships available. **Payment can be mailed with the registration form below. Pre-payment required by Feb. 24.**

See next page for online registrations

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Please check off your choices for each workshop session.

Session One

(The Budget as a Moral Document is required for catechetical certification and can be taken in Session One or Three.)

- The (In)Dignity of Work
- The Budget as a Moral Document *
- The Family: A Source of Human Dignity
- Building Just Societies through Educational Systems in the US

Session Two

(Choose one of the * sessions for catechetical certification)

- U.S. Catholics Embracing Human Dignity in Madagascar *
- The Family: A Source of Human Dignity
- Building Just Societies through Educational Systems in Mali and Burkina Faso *
- End of Life Ethics
- Loving the Stranger: Immigration and Human Dignity
- Ending Capital Punishment and Embracing Restorative Justice

Session Three

- The (In)Dignity of Work
- The Budget as a Moral Document * (See Session One note.)
- Building Just Societies through Educational Systems in the US
- End of Life Ethics
- Ending Capital Punishment and Embracing Restorative Justice
- Loving the Stranger: Immigration and Human Dignity

Registering as a

Conference Participant - \$30 Student Participant - \$10

Catechetical Certification Participant - \$40

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