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2018

# Building *Community*: A Call to the Common Good

February 3–6



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# Welcome to the 2018 Catholic Social Ministry Gathering

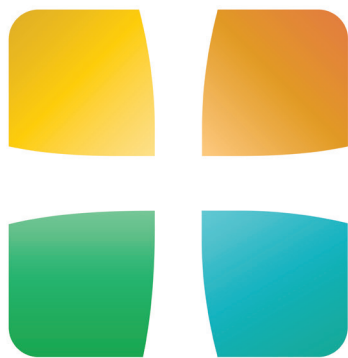
For more than 25 years, the Catholic Social Ministry Gathering has served as an important central and annual opportunity for U.S. Catholics to network, advocate for social justice, and form leaders in service to the Church and society. Washington, D.C. is the necessary place to meet with our national political leadership, and the best place to gather Church leaders and experts in civil society to examine the relevance of our Catholic Social Teaching tradition to current domestic and international affairs.

We are excited to reconvene the CSMG after having taken a one-year hiatus to support the Convocation of Catholic Leaders in July 2017. CSMG 2018 will highlight the inspiring work of Catholic leaders from around the country and explore the opportunities to respond to Pope Francis' call to go out to the peripheries as missionary disciples and promote love and unity that leads to thriving communities, at home and around the world. We welcome more than 500 diverse and dynamic leaders at the 2018 Catholic Social Ministry Gathering to pray, learn, connect, and take concrete actions of love for God and our neighbors.

*"The earth is our common home and all of us are brothers and sisters. If indeed 'the just ordering of society and of the state is a central responsibility of politics,' the Church 'cannot and must not remain on the sidelines in the fight for justice.' All Christians, their pastors included, are called to show concern for the building of a better world."*

—Pope Francis, *Evangelii Gaudium*, no. 183

Organized by the USCCB Department of Justice, Peace and Human Development in collaboration with 16 national Catholic organizations, CSMG participants share inspiration, fresh perspectives, and new vision for how to put faith into action at home and abroad. We are honored to join with you in this unique networking opportunity with social ministry professionals and emerging leaders from a cross-section of Catholic ministries!



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General Information		
<b>REGISTRATION HOURS</b>	West Registration Desk	Lobby Level (west promenade)
Friday, February 2, 2018	3:00 PM – 6:00 PM	
Saturday, February 3, 2018	7:00 AM – 7:00 PM	
Sunday, February 4, 2018	7:00 AM – 7:00 PM	
Monday, February 5, 2018	7:00 AM – 7:00 PM	
Tuesday, February 6, 2018	7:00 AM – 11:00 AM	
<b>EXHIBIT HOURS</b>	Ambassador Ballroom	Lobby Level (west promenade)
Saturday, February 3, 2018	1:00 PM – 6:30 PM	
Sunday, February 4, 2018	8:00 AM – 6:30 PM	
Monday, February 5, 2018	8:00 AM – 6:30 PM	
Tuesday, February 6, 2018	7:30 AM – 10:30 AM	

**SOCIAL MEDIA:** Join the conversation on Twitter using **#csmg18**. Don't forget to follow CSMG on Facebook @WeAreSaltAndLight to share your own highlights of the Gathering.

**RECEIVE OUR LATEST UPDATES:** Our **CSMG mobile app** will help you make the most of the Gathering, and is now available at no cost in the Apple and Android app stores by searching for "CSMG Community." The *CSMG Daily Bulletin* will be e-mailed each day to all registered participants, with paper copies available at CSMG Registration. The bulletin includes important daily announcements and any schedule changes or updates, so make sure to look out for it. A copy of the bulletin will also be posted daily at CSMG Registration.

**EVALUATION SURVEY:** Your feedback is important to the organizers of CSMG, and helps us continue to make improvements to the Gathering. Our CSMG mobile app (see above) provides a simple way that you can immediately return feedback on many of our CSMG sessions to staff. Facilitators will also make brief evaluation forms on paper available at the end of informational sessions and presentations for those without access to smartphones and mobile devices. Upon conclusion of the Gathering, a brief final evaluation will be

e-mailed to all participants. The final evaluation will cover different points from the app/paper evaluations—**please make sure to complete it promptly.**

**CAPITOL HILL VISITS:** An important part of our time together is our visit to Capitol Hill. Please check in with your state captains for the times of your Senate visits. If you have not yet made an appointment with your Representative's office, it may still be possible to schedule a meeting. The Capitol Switchboard number is 202-224-3121. A handout with additional tips on travel to Capitol Hill is available at the CSMG Registration Desk.

#### **MEDIA, SOCIAL MEDIA, AND RECORDING POLICY:**

1. **Professional media** organization representatives are required to obtain advanced accreditation to attend the Catholic Social Ministry Gathering (see **CSMG Media Accreditation** at [www.CatholicSocialMinistryGathering.org](http://www.CatholicSocialMinistryGathering.org)).
2. **Social media** use is encouraged at CSMG. However, CSMG participants are responsible for their own use of social media during the Gathering, and are asked to be respectful

- of other participants, and to follow normal courtesies in this regard. Note the following exception about off-the-record sessions.
3. **Closed to media sessions** will be announced or posted at the beginning of some meetings, or noted in program materials. We ask participants to respect the confidentiality of these sessions to make them as productive as possible. No social media posting, recording, or reporting of any kind is permitted from sessions announced as closed to media.
  4. **Recording of entire CSMG sessions** for posting, sharing, or distribution is not permitted. Please direct any questions about recording or sharing of CSMG keynotes, plenaries, or other presentations to Ivone Guillen, Program Coordinator.
  5. **CSMG participants consent to being recorded.** Official CSMG representatives will be recording some CSMG events and functions in part or in full, and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) may make them available after the meeting for official purposes. By your attendance at CSMG, you hereby agree that you may be photographed, videoed, or recorded and that such photography, video, and/or recording will be owned by USCCB and may be edited, modified, and distributed by USCCB in any format chosen by USCCB.
  6. **If you missed our vigil Mass for Sunday (on Saturday)**, the latest Sunday Mass in the area is at 7:30 pm at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, 2665 Woodley Road, NW, approximately 3 blocks north of the Omni (202-234-1488).

## Special thanks to our CSMG 2018 Master of Ceremonies



**Monsignor Ray East** is the son of the late Thomas and Gwendolyn East. The grandson of Baptist missionaries to South Africa, he was born in Newark, New Jersey. Raised in San Diego, he graduated from the University of San Diego. His position with the National Association of Minority Contractors brought him to Washington, DC where he later experienced a call to the priesthood and was ordained in 1981 by Cardinal Hickey. Father East has served in six Washington parishes and is currently pastor of St. Teresa of Avila Parish in Anacostia, Washington, DC. This parish, known for its vibrant liturgies and Catholic leadership formation, is served by the Contemplative branch of the Missionaries of Charity of Blessed Teresa of Calcutta. He has worked in the areas of Liturgy, Youth Ministry and Evangelization.

# Saturday, February 3, 2018

## Pre-Gathering Meetings and Events

8:00 AM – 8:45 AM	<b>Morning Prayer with the Catholic Labor Network</b> (open to all)	Council Room
8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	<b>Catholic Relief Services Diocesan Directors Annual Meeting</b> (directors only)	Diplomat Ballroom
9:00 AM – 1:30 PM	<b>Catholic Labor Network Meeting &amp; Luncheon</b> (fee applies)	Forum Room
10:00 AM – 1:30 PM	<b>Indigenous Dialogue from Two Continents: Hopes, Dreams and Actions</b> (invite only)	Regency Ballroom
12:00 PM – 1:15 PM	<b>Catholic Charities USA—Poverty Discussion</b> (invite only)	Senate Room
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM	<b>St. Vincent de Paul Society Voice of the Poor Meeting</b> (please bring your lunch—visitors welcome)	Cabinet Room

## 2018 Catholic Social Ministry Gathering

7:00 AM – 7:00 PM	<b>Registration</b>	West Registration
1:00 PM – 6:30 PM	<b>Exhibit Hall</b>	Ambassador Ballroom
12:00 PM – 1:15 PM	<b>Diversity Initiative Welcome Luncheon</b> (by invitation)	Executive Room
12:00 PM – 1:15 PM	<b>Young Leaders Initiative Welcome Luncheon</b> (by invitation)	Congressional A & B
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	<b>Orientation for First-Time Participants</b>	Diplomat Ballroom
2:00 PM – 2:45 PM	<b>Advocacy Training 101</b> (all welcome, recommended for first-timers)	Diplomat Ballroom
2:25 PM – 2:45 PM	<b>State Captains Caucus Meeting</b> (by invitation)	Cabinet Room
3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	<b>Keynote Presentation:</b> <i>Where is your brother?</i>	Regency Ballroom



**Most Reverend Eusebio L. Elizondo**, Auxiliary Bishop, Seattle; Chair, USCCB Subcommittee for the Church in Latin America; Chair, USCCB Committee on Migration and Refugee Services from 2013-2016

Bishop Eusebio Elizondo, MSpS is a native of Victoria, Tamaulipas, Mexico. He received a bachelor's degree in theology and a canon law degree from the Gregorian University in Rome. In 1984, he was ordained a priest of the Missionaries of the Holy Spirit—a Religious Congregation of men consecrated to God for the service of the Church—providing spiritual direction for priests and consecrated religious. As a parish priest, he provided

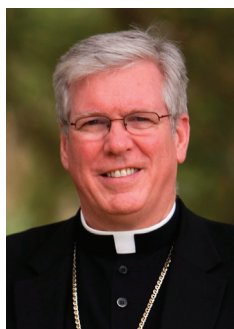
ministry to the Catholic community in Western Washington at the request of Archbishop Brunett. He was appointed Auxiliary Bishop of Seattle by Pope Benedict XVI on May 12, 2005 and was ordained by Archbishop Brunett on June 6, 2005.

4:00 PM – 4:30 PM

**Break**

4:30 PM – 6:00 PM

**Welcome Mass** (anticipatory vigil Mass for Sunday) Palladian Ballroom



Principal Celebrant and Homilist:

**Most Reverend Frank J. Dewane**, Bishop of Venice; Chair, USCCB Committee for Domestic Justice and Human Development

Bishop Frank J. Dewane was named Coadjutor Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida by Pope Benedict XVI on April 25, 2006 and on January 19, 2007, he was installed in his current role as the second Bishop of the Diocese.

Bishop Dewane holds degrees from the University of Wisconsin, The American University in Washington, D.C., as well as from Pontifical Gregorian University and Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas, both in Rome.

Prior to entering the seminary, Bishop Dewane worked for the National Broadcasting Corporation (NBC) in Moscow, Russia, and then for a subsidiary of PepsiCo in New York City.

Ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Green Bay in 1988, Bishop Dewane was appointed in 1991 to serve as a member of the Permanent Observer Mission of the Holy See to the United Nations in New York City, during which time he represented the Holy See at several international conferences. In 1995, he was transferred to the Pontifical Council “Cor Unum” and was later appointed Under Secretary of the Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace.

Bishop Dewane currently serves on several committees at the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops including the Administrative Committee of the USCCB and Chair of the Committee for Integral Human Development. Most recently, he has been named the Consultant for the Ad Hoc Committee against Racism. In addition, Bishop Dewane is a member of the Board of Directors of the Franciscan Foundation for the Holy Land.

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

**CCHD Dinner: *Sister Margaret Cafferty Development of Peoples Award***  
(all registered CSMG participants welcome) Regency Ballroom

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is proud to present the 2018 *Sister Margaret Cafferty Development of Peoples Award* at the Saturday, CCHD dinner. CCHD’s *Sister Margaret Cafferty Development of Peoples Award* is presented annually to a group or individual working on the margins and demonstrating outstanding witness to Gospel values and action on behalf of justice.

## Sunday, February 4, 2018

7:00 AM – 7:00 PM

**Registration**

West Registration

7:30 AM – 8:45 AM

**Catholic Charities USA Breakfast**

(all registered CSMG participants welcome)

Regency Ballroom

**Donna Markham OP, PhD, ABPP, President & CEO**

Sister Donna Markham, President and CEO of Catholic Charities USA (CCUSA), is the first woman to hold this position in the organization's over 100 year history. An Adrian Dominican sister with a doctorate in clinical psychology, Sister Donna served on CCUSA's Board of Trustees for eight years, two of which were as Board Chair. In addition, she has served in leadership positions in behavioral healthcare both in Canada and the U.S. and is an internationally-recognized author and speaker in areas pertaining to transformational leadership, organizational change management and the effective treatment of the mentally ill.

Sister Donna received her doctorate from the University of Detroit and has been involved in executive leadership development, organizational transformation and clinical practice throughout her professional career. Prior to coming to CCUSA she served as president of the Behavioral Health Institute at Mercy Health System where she led the transformation of the delivery of behavioral health services across the seven geographic regions of the health system.

Sister Donna is a Fellow in the American Academy of Clinical Psychologists. In addition to executive management and clinical work, Sister Donna is engaged in global peace initiatives directed toward building bridges of understanding and collaboration across conflict zones.

8:00 AM – 6:30 PM

**Exhibit Hall**

Ambassador Ballroom

9:00 AM – 9:20 AM

**Opening Prayer**

Regency Ballroom

9:20 AM – 9:40 AM

**Welcome and Introduction of Speakers**

Regency Ballroom

9:40 AM – 10:30 AM

**Plenary: *Solidarity in Our Common Home***

Regency Ballroom

**Mauricio López Oropeza, Executive Secretary, Pan-Amazonian Ecclesial Network—REPAM**

Mauricio López is Mexican by birth, Ecuadorian by choice, and Amazonian by vocation. Mauricio serves as the Executive Secretary of REPAM, the Pan-Amazonian Ecclesial Network. He is also the Executive Secretary of *Pastoral Social Cáritas Ecuador*. An Ignatian layperson, he is President of the global Christian Life Community-CVX, and a member of the Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation (JPIC) Commission of the Latin American Council of Religious Institutes. His academic background is in human development, the social sciences, theology, and administration.



**Haszel Dallana Contreras, Pastoral Agent**

Haszel Dallana Contreras is the regional Assistant Coordinator of Integral Human Development, and participates in peace strategies for the Colombian southeast with Pastoral Social Cáritas Colombia where she has worked for five years. She has accompanied the campesinos of Vereda Chaparrito and their organizational process. She supports the development of sustainable agriculture for peace.



**Adelson Da Silva (Korá is his indigenous name), Indigenous Leader**

Adelson Korá Da Silva is originally from São Luis, a tribal village on the indigenous reservation of Vale do Javari in Brazil, near the border with Peru. At 11 years old, he became the first Kanamari to leave the tribe to study in a city, and later returned to his village, where he is now a tribal leader. At 17 he became Vice Coordinator of the Vale do Javari indigenous movement, and was later elected General Coordinator. He has held various municipal, state, and federal positions and is now the Alderman and President of the municipal council of Atalaia do Norte.

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM **Coffee Break** Ambassador Ballroom

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM **Solidarity in Our Common Home Conversation** Regency Ballroom

Facilitators: **Kimberly Mazyck**, Relationship Manager, Partnership, Training & Engagement Unit, Catholic Relief Services; **Ricardo Simmonds**, Environmental Policy Advisor, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Presenters: **Mauricio López**, Executive Secretary, REPAM; **Haszel Dallana Contreras**, Pastoral Agent, REPAM; **Adelson Da Silva** (Korá is his indigenous name), Indigenous Leader, REPAM; **Bahati Jacques**, Policy Analyst, Africa Faith and Justice Network; **Mary Louise Worthy**, Chief, Lower Eastern Cherokee Nation SC

12:00 PM – 12:15 PM **Break** (please exit the Regency Ballroom so lunch can be prepared)

12:15 PM – 1:45 PM **Lunchtime Conversation with Dr. Jonathan Reyes and Special Guests David Brooks and Mark Shields of the PBS NewsHour** Regency Ballroom

**David Brooks** became an Op-Ed columnist for *The New York Times* in September 2003. He has been a senior editor at *The Weekly Standard* and a contributing editor at *Newsweek* and the *Atlantic Monthly*. Born in Toronto, Canada, Mr. Brooks graduated a bachelor of history from the University of Chicago in 1983. He is married and lives in Bethesda, Maryland.

A nationally known columnist and commentator, **Mark Shields** has worked in Washington, D.C. through the administrations of nine U.S. Presidents. He was an editorial writer for *The Washington Post* where he began writing his column in 1979. For 17 years, Shields was moderator and panelist on CNN's



*Capital Gang*. He is a native of Weymouth, Mass., a graduate of the University of Notre Dame, and a veteran of the United States Marine Corps.

1:45 PM – 2:00 PM

**Break**

2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

**Catholic Campaign for Human Development**

Regency Ballroom

**Plenary Presentation:** *Church and Communities*

*Address the Sin of Racism in our Society*



**Most Reverend George V. Murry, SJ**, Bishop of Youngstown;  
Chair, new Ad Hoc Committee Against Racism

Bishop Murry was born in Camden, New Jersey, in 1948. After graduating from Catholic elementary and high schools, he attended St. Joseph’s College in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, St. Thomas Seminary in Bloomfield, Connecticut, and St. Mary’s Seminary in Baltimore, Maryland where he received a bachelor’s degree in Philosophy in 1972. That same year he entered the Society of Jesus. He was ordained for the Maryland Province of the Society of Jesus on June 9, 1979. He earned a Masters of Divinity degree from the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley in 1979 and a doctorate in American Cultural History from George Washington University in Washington, D.C., in 1994.

Presenters: **A panel of community leaders.**

3:00 PM – 3:30 PM

**Coffee Break** (with dessert)

Ambassador

3:30 PM – 6:30 PM

**CCHD Diocesan Directors Meeting** (directors only)

Diplomat

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

**Community Workshops: Group A** (6 concurrent sessions)

**1. Finding the Common Good in a Throw-Away Culture**

TBD

In the throw-away culture that Pope Francis rails against, finding and articulating the common good are serious challenges. Catholic Social Teaching and thought show the way, however, and bring a powerful counter-cultural message around which Catholics can effectively rally and advocate for social justice. In this workshop, examples will be provided of ways to use Catholic Social Teaching and different organizing concepts to advance social justice causes and initiatives among our fellow Catholics, no matter their political persuasion, and with the community at large. We’ll look at what works and what might not work, identify specific barriers and ways to surmount them, and discuss collaborative approaches with like-minded faith based and secular social justice organizations using The Society of St. Vincent de Paul’s Neighborhoods of Hope Collective Impact approach.

Presenters: **Jack Murphy**, Systemic Change Leader, Society of St. Vincent de Paul; **Tom Dwyer**, Chair, National Voice of the Poor Committee, Society of St. Vincent de Paul

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

**2. Justice Café: Cultivating a Campus of Changemakers**

TBD

Facilitated discussion in the model of the “Justice Café” will elicit best practices and target campus-specific issues as well as known and potential roadblocks to mobilization for justice on campus. Discussion topics will include: moving from charity to justice; cultivating a spirituality of encounter and civil dialogue; and best practices for launching an effective campaign on campus. **(This workshop is limited to YLI participants.)**

Facilitators: **Austin Shafer** and **YLI participants** from St. Thomas More Newman Center at The Ohio State University

**3. Weaving a Green Thread into the Fabric of Catholic Life: Implementing the Common Home Project**

TBD

How can we as a Church inspire Catholics to care more deeply about the gift of God’s creation and the dignity of all life, especially that of persons who are poor and vulnerable? All is intimately connected; therefore we must create opportunities for Catholics for “‘ecological conversion,’ whereby the effects of their encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in their relationship with the world around them” (Pope Francis, *Laudato Si’*, no. 217).

This workshop will explore how U.S. dioceses and the Catholic communities and organizations within them are implementing the message of *Laudato Si’* in a comprehensive manner, and how their work has inspired the collaborators of Catholic Climate Covenant to shape a new program: The Common Home Project.

Facilitator: **Jose Aguto**, Catholic Climate Covenant

Presenters: **Marianne Comfort**, Sisters of Mercy of the Americas; **Tony Stieritz**, Archdiocese of Cincinnati

**4. Pine Ridge and the Social Issues that Impact the Lives of Native Americans in the U.S.**

TBD

In this workshop, we will examine the complex issue of sovereignty and how this issue has implications in the lives of the Native Americans that live on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. This workshop is to help participants develop a working knowledge of the social justice issues facing the Native American community in the U.S. using the Pine Ridge reservation as an example. We will also be putting forward ideas to foster hope and resilience.

Facilitator: **Rev. Michael Carson**, Assistant Director of Native American Affairs, Secretariat of Cultural Diversity, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Presenter: **Richard May**, national author and lecturer of issues concerning Native Americans

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM

### 5. Called to the Global Common Good: Community Strategies to Promote Global Solidarity

TBD

Based on the framework of the U.S. bishops' *Called to Solidarity: International Challenges for U.S. Parishes* and *Communities of Salt and Light: Reflections on the Social Mission of the Parish*, and the model of WeAreSaltAndLight.org, this interactive workshop will explore best practices and helpful resources for parish and campus communities to employ in building global awareness and solidarity. Within the bishops' framework, the presenters will lift up some best practices and resources and invite the participants to do the same. As Pope Francis wrote in *The Joy of the Gospel*: "We need to pay attention to the global so as to avoid narrowness and banality. Yet we also need to look to the local, which keeps our feet on the ground" (no. 234). This workshop will explore how to bring global solidarity into local communities.

Presenters: **Steve Colechi**, Director, Office of International Justice and Peace, USCCB; **Joan Rosenhauer**, Executive Vice President, CRS; **Ashley Feasley**, Director of Policy, Office of Migration and Refugee Services, USCCB

### 6. Pastoral Migratoria/Immigrant Social Ministry: Forming and Empowering Immigrant Leaders for Justice

TBD

This workshop will share a proven model of parish-based, immigrant led ministry now in 40 Latino parishes with over 200 leaders. *Pastoral Migratoria* is rooted in the methodology of *Aparecida*, the 2007 document developed by the Latin American Bishops under Pope Francis. The workshop will (a) introduce the components of Immigrant Social Ministry, showing how they respond to the needs of parish communities and signs of the times, (b) situate *Pastoral Migratoria* in the methodology (listen-learn-proclaim) of *Aparecida*; and (c) share basic steps and lessons learned in order to introduce this ministry in your parish or diocese. The workshop will also highlight the experiences of immigrant parish leaders, who have become actors of their own development, transforming and activating their communities even in the midst deep uncertainty for themselves and their families.

Facilitator: **Elena Segura**, Associate Director, Office of Human Dignity and Solidarity, Senior Coordinator for Immigration, Archdiocese of Chicago

Presenter: **Raymundo Valdez**, *Pastoral Migratoria* Outreach Coordinator, Archdiocese of Chicago

4:30 PM – 5:00 PM

**Break**

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

**Community Workshops: Group B** (6 concurrent sessions)**1. Parish Ministry Helping Friends and Family Suffering Domestic Abuse**

TBD

The goal of this workshop is to encourage volunteers to envision parish ministries that help families suffering domestic violence. This workshop is sponsored by the Catholic Charities USA Parish Social Ministry leadership team.

One out of every four women has experienced severe physical violence at home: punching, kicking, choking, or threats with weapons from their partner. Parishes in many dioceses are receiving calls to assist families suffering this abuse. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has provided inspiring guidelines for how parishes can prepare and respond to parishioners experiencing abuse. Your parish can become a place of refuge, hope and help. Join with us to (1) review USCCB Catholic teaching that encourages people in abusive situations to seek safety and healing; (2) review a danger assessment and concern summary that guide parishioners how to identify and respond to persons suffering domestic abuse; and (3) learn ways parishes can develop a domestic violence outreach program.

Facilitator: **Laura Yeomans**, Program Manager, Catholic Charities Parish Partners Program, Archdiocese of Washington, DC

Presenters: **Susan Squier Gibeson LMFT**, Our Lady of Mercy parish leader, Potomac, MD; **Becky VanPool**, Parish Engagement Director, Catholic Charities of Oklahoma City, OK

**2. Best Practices in Responding to Racial Unrest: Lessons Learned from Ferguson**

TBD

Responding to the spiritual, socioeconomic, and cultural needs of a community in crisis due to systematic racism requires a systematic approach. In this workshop, learn how Catholic Charities of Saint Louis and the Archdiocese of Saint Louis responded to the 2014 racial unrest in Ferguson, Missouri, and consider how dioceses, social service agencies, and communities can begin to effectively respond to the realities of racism.

Facilitator: **Ray Boshara**, Consultant to the USCCB Committee on Domestic Justice and Human Development, and a member of the Peace and Justice Commission of the Archdiocese of Saint Louis

Presenters: **Lynn Squires**, Former President, St. Charles Lwanga Center; **Theresa Ruzicka**, President, Catholic Charities of Saint Louis

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

**3. Restorative Justice in Parish Life**

TBD

As Catholics, our call to restorative justice is rooted in foundational values of justice, mercy, encounter, and reconciliation. Restorative justice is a way of understanding crime, and harm in all of its forms, as a violation of people and relationships, rather than solely a violation of the law. This workshop will explore ways to integrate restorative practices within parish communities so that we may recognize our own brokenness and walk in solidarity with those who experience harm, build inclusive community, and constructively address issues of conflict and injustice.

Facilitator: **Karen Clifton**, Executive Director, Catholic Mobilizing Network

Presenter: **Caitlin Morneau**, Director of Restorative Justice, Catholic Mobilizing Network; **Participants** from CMN's restorative justice parish programs

**4. Transforming Interpersonal Conflicts: Nonviolent Communication** TBD

Workshop participants will practice essential skills to better engage conflicts with people we disagree with in order to build deeper unity and fulfill the common good. From conflict across political parties, within our Catholic church, and throughout our schools and homes, this intensifying struggle of conflict is becoming pervasive. People of faith have an opportunity to witness to the courageous love of Christ in these difficult moments and social spaces.

Building off the creative energy of the Catholic Convocation in July 2017 we plan to identify key troubling and destructive conflicts in our experience, learn about the importance of identifying needs and feelings, and practice the basic skills of nonviolent or compassionate communication to transform our conflicts and better build community.

Facilitator: **Eli S. McCarthy, PhD**, Director of Justice and Peace, Conference of Major Superiors of Men

Presenter: **Ann Scholz, SSND, PhD**, Associate Director for Social Mission, Leadership Conference of Women Religious; **Mali Parke**, Founder and Director, The Peace Circle Center

**5. Showing Our Faith Through Our Works: Advancing Worker Justice**

TBD

"Behold, the wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud, and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts!" Scripture warns (James 5:4). Indeed, the Holy Father has reminded us, "While the earnings of a minority are growing exponentially, so too is the gap separating the majority from the prosperity enjoyed by those happy few" (*Evangelii Gaudium*, no. 56). We must mark his words and "say 'thou shalt not' to an economy of exclusion and inequality" (no. 53).

Catholic social teaching calls us to promote worker justice. Across the United States Catholic clergy and lay activists serve as a voice for those who labor. In this workshop, we will hear from some of them, and discuss what we can do to bear witness in the face of a “globalization of indifference” (no. 54).

Facilitator: **Clayton Sinyai**, Executive Director, Catholic Labor Network

Presenter: **Mary Ellen Russell**, Executive Director, MD/DC Catholic Conference; **Terry Cavanagh**, St. Ignatius Peace and Justice Ministry, Baltimore, MD

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

**6. V Encuentro: Getting Involved and Bearing Fruit for Justice**

TBD

One out of every two Catholics under the age of 35 living in the United States are Hispanic/Latino. Their presence and leadership at all levels of the church will have a major impact in parishes, dioceses and other Catholic institutions for many years to come. The V Encuentro is a four-year process of consultation, leadership development and mission sponsored by USCCB (2017-2020). Its central goal is to empower Hispanics/Latinos to embrace more fully their active participation in the life and mission of the church, and in society.

The goal of this workshop is to encourage the engagement of parish and diocesan leaders in the V Encuentro process. This workshop is sponsored by the USCCB Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church.

Presenter: **Alejandro Aguilera-Titus**, V Encuentro National Coordinator, USCCB

6:00 PM – Onward

Free evening with dinner on your own and optional events.

7:00 PM – 10:00 PM

**Evening of Prayer with Adoration** (all welcome)

Palladian Ballroom

Our prayer space is reserved this evening for a time of contemplation. All CSMG participants are invited to join in any part of these prayers.

- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:00 pm
- Rosary in Spanish and English starting at 8:00 pm
- Sung prayer in the style of Taizé at 9:00 pm
- Benediction at 9:50 pm (prayer concludes at 10:00 pm)

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## Monday, February 5, 2018

7:00 AM – 7:45 AM	<b>Daily Mass</b>	Palladian Ballroom
7:00 AM – 7:00 PM	<b>Registration</b>	West Registration
7:45 AM – 8:45 AM	<b>Catholic Relief Services Breakfast</b> (all registered participants welcome)	Regency Ballroom

Join CRS as we celebrate our spirit of solidarity with our brothers and sisters overseas and highlight the “Share the Journey Migration Campaign” and the CRS Rice Bowl Lenten program. We will celebrate CRS Rice Bowl and share its special connection for families, individuals, and parishes through Lenten prayers, fasting, and almsgiving.

8:00 AM – 6:30 PM	<b>Exhibit Hall</b>	Ambassador Ballroom
9:00 AM – 9:20 AM	<b>Opening Prayer</b>	Regency Ballroom
9:20 AM – 10:45 AM	<b>Domestic and International Policy Plenary:</b> <i>Moving from a Throwaway Culture to a Culture of Encounter</i>	Regency Ballroom

The panel will address polarization in our culture and Church, and the call to move from a throwaway culture to one of encounter, in which all voices are heard, especially those of poor and vulnerable persons at home and abroad. The challenge is both national and international, including the challenge of racism, especially in the wake of events in Charlottesville and the crisis of migration and refugees.

Featuring:

**Sr. Patricia Chappell, SNDdeN**, Executive Director, Pax Christi USA  
**Dr. Maryann Cusimano-Love**, Professor, The Catholic University of America  
**Fr. Matthew Malone, S.J.**, Editor, *America Media*  
**Dr. R.R. Reno**, Editor, *First Things*

Moderator: **Kim Daniels, J.D.**



**Sr. Patricia Chappell, SNDdeN** is Executive Director of Pax Christi, USA. She was the full-time president of the National Black Sisters’ Conference from 1996 to 2001 and is a former member of the Board of Trustees for Trinity University in Washington, D.C.



**Dr. Maryann Cusimano-Love** is an Associate Professor of International Relations at The Catholic University of America and an advisor to the USCCB Committee on International Justice and Peace. She is the author of *Beyond Sovereignty: Issues for a Global Agenda* and *Morality Matters: Ethics and the War on Terrorism*.



**Fr. Matthew Malone, S.J.** has been President and Editor-in-Chief of America Media since 2012. He previously served as associate editor of *America* magazine. Fr. Malone entered the Society of Jesus in 2002 and was ordained a priest in 2012.



**Dr. R.R. Reno** has been editor of *First Things*, an inter-denominational and inter-religious journal, since 2011. He has authored several books, including *Resurrecting the Idea of a Christian Society* and *In the Ruins of the Church: Sustaining Faith in an Age of Diminished Christianity*.



**Mrs. Kim Daniels, J.D.** (Moderator) is a member of the Vatican’s Secretariat for Communications, a role to which she was appointed by Pope Francis in July 2016. She is the former spokeswoman for the president of the USCCB.

10:45 AM – 11:15 AM	<b>Coffee Break</b>	Ambassador Ballroom
11:15 AM – 12:30 PM	<b>Legislative Issues Briefing</b>	Regency Ballroom
	This informative session will focus on priority issues and will help participants prepare for their Capitol Hill visits.	
12:30 PM – 1:30 PM	<b>Working Lunch: State Delegation Meetings</b> (boxed lunch provided)	Regency Ballroom
1:30 PM – 2:00 PM	<b>Break</b>	Ambassador Ballroom
2:00 PM – 3:15 PM	<b>Policy Workshops: Group A</b> (6 concurrent sessions)	

**1. New Slavery, New Freedom in the 21st Century:  
A Catholic Response to the Opioid Abuse Crisis**

TBD

“Chemical dependency is a direct assault on the dignity of the human person, a destructive invasion in the lives of users, their families, and their communities” (U.S. Catholic bishops, *New Slavery, New Freedom*). The opioid abuse crisis has reached epidemic proportions. Since the start of the 21st century, the number of deaths by drug overdose has increased by over 300%. Beginning with the over-prescription of opioid painkillers in the 1990s and early 2000s, the opioid crisis is now fueled by heroin, fentanyl, and carfentanil. Fr. John Stabeno, who has worked in addictions ministry for 28 years, will present a theological framework for understanding the disease of addiction. The workshop will encourage discussion about potential areas for Church engagement on the issue in the future.



Moderator: **Ms. Meghan Goodwin**, Policy Advisor, Office of Domestic Social Development, USCCB

Speaker: **Fr. John Stabeno**, Program Director of Addictions and Healing Ministries, Catholic Charities Camden

2:00 PM – 3:15 PM

## 2. Nowhere to Lay His Head: Developing Affordable Housing for the Vulnerable

TBD

“Foxes have dens, and birds have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head” (Luke 9:58). Vatican II declared that shelter is “necessary for leading a truly human life” (*Gaudium et Spes*, no. 26). Today, Catholic non-profits are leaders in the development of affordable housing, providing shelter for millions of people in the United States who otherwise could not afford it. However, some of the critical financing for housing—a bipartisan mechanism that benefits all participants—could be threatened by proposed tax reform. Meanwhile, local grassroots organizations engage to ensure that the right to affordable housing and the rights of tenants are respected. This workshop will explore the variety of ways the Church engages on the issue of affordable housing, and provide some potential areas for future advocacy around this issue.

Moderator: **Brian Corbin**, Executive Vice President, Member Services, Catholic Charities USA

Panelists: **Mr. Stephen Caprobres**, Executive Director, Housing for Hope Inc., Catholic Charities Community Services, Phoenix, AZ

**Mr. Randy Keesler**, Regional Grants Specialist for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development

## 3. The Role of Race in the Criminal Justice System

TBD

There is overwhelming evidence of racial disparities in the criminal justice system. At every step of the way—from policing, to arrest, to arraignment and the setting of bail, to charging decisions, sentencing, and post-sentencing procedures—there is evidence of decision-making that yields racially disparate results. The bishops recognized these racial disparities in their pastoral letter, *Responsibility, Rehabilitation, and Restoration: A Catholic Perspective on Crime and Criminal Justice*. This workshop will examine the moments of decision-making in the justice system, the evidence of racial bias, and the possible policy remedies at the federal and local level to begin to address these systemic problems.

Panelists: **Professor Roger Fairfax**, Jeffrey and Martha Kohn Senior Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Research Professor of Law, The George Washington University School of Law; **Professor Kristin Henning**, Agnes N. Williams Research Professor of Law, Associate Dean for Clinics and Centers, Director, Juvenile Justice Clinic, Georgetown University Law Center; **Marc Mauer**, Executive Director, The Sentencing Project

2:00 PM – 3:15 PM

#### 4. Protecting Workers and Immigrants in the 21st Century: New Models for Worker Justice

TBD

The American labor movement has a rich heritage of protecting vulnerable workers and lifting up poor and immigrant communities to resist and overcome exploitation in the workplace. Since *Rerum Novarum*, the Church has stood with workers seeking just treatment in the workplace and full recognition of the human dignity of workers and their families. As new challenges and opportunities arise in a modern, globalized economy, new models for achieving worker justice and safeguarding migrant and other vulnerable communities have arisen. In this discussion, we examine some of these new models in light of labor history, Catholic Social Teaching, and the practical and policy implications of current groups and organizations.

Panelists: **Professor Joseph McCartin**, Professor of History and Executive Director of the Kalmanovitz Initiative for Labor and the Working Poor, Georgetown University; **Gonzalo Carreon**, Don Bosco Worker Center; **Elizabeth Lopez**, Workers Dignity

#### 5. For I Was Hungry: Impact of the Farm Bill on Poor and Vulnerable People

TBD

When Congress debates the “Farm Bill” Reauthorization, key Catholic organizations and our community at large will offer a united, constructive, and active voice about how U.S. farm policies affect hungry people worldwide, domestic farmers, and food producers and consumers, and promote stewardship of creation. We are urging Congress to support farmers, promote rural development, and reduce hunger and poverty in the United States and around the world. Half the world’s population relies on agriculture to make a living. People around the globe living on less than \$1 or \$2 per day live in rural areas, so agriculture reform is a primary means of alleviating poverty. This workshop will detail the potential impacts of the Farm Bill and joint efforts to lift up those most in need in the Farm Bill debate.

Moderator: **Mark Rohlena**, Director, Office of Domestic Social Development, USCCB

Panelists: **Eric Garduno**, Senior Policy and Legislative Specialist, Catholic Relief Services; **Lucas Swanopoe**, Senior Director, Government Affairs, Catholic Charities USA

## 6. Common Ground on Climate Policy: How Congress is Answering the Call to Dialogue in *Laudato Si'*

TBD

As Pope Francis declared in *Laudato Si'*, “The climate is a common good, belonging to all and meant for all.” As such, the danger posed by climate change, especially to the poor and most vulnerable, is a deeply moral issue, and one that requires prudent action arising from honest dialogue. This workshop will offer a first-hand perspective on the climate conversations taking place in Congress amongst people who hold a diverse range of beliefs. Staff from the founding members of the bipartisan House Climate Solutions Caucus will be present to discuss the progress being made in finding common ground on climate policy.

Moderator: **Dan Misleh**, Founding Executive Director, Catholic Climate Covenant

Panelists (*invited*): **Hector Arguello**, Senior Legislative Assistant at Office of Rep. Carlos Curbelo (R-FL); **Joshua Lipman**, Legislative Director at Office of Rep. Ted Deutch (D-FL)

**Commentator:** Ricardo Simmonds, Environmental Policy Advisor, Office of Domestic Social Development, USCCB

3:15 PM – 3:45 PM

**Coffee Break**

Ambassador Ballroom

3:45 PM – 5:00 PM

**Policy Workshops: Group B** (6 concurrent sessions)

### 1. Nuclear Threats to the Common Good: Disarmament, North Korea and Iran

TBD

A majority of the nations of the world, recognizing the existential threat that nuclear weapons pose for life on our planet, have advanced a Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (a.k.a. the Nuclear Weapons Ban Treaty). At the same time, our world struggles with threats of the proliferation of nuclear weapons, notably in North Korea, while the nuclear powers fail to deliver on their promise to embrace nuclear disarmament. The Catholic Church approaches these challenges from a moral and human perspective. This workshop will explore the current status of the nuclear threat and the Church’s engagement.

Moderator: **Ms. Virginia Farris**, Policy Advisor, Office of International Justice and Peace, USCCB

Panelists: **Ms. Kelsey Davenport**, Director for Nonproliferation Policy, Arms Control Association; **Dr. Stephen Colecchi**, Director, Office of International Justice and Peace, USCCB

## 2. The Church in the DR Congo: The Only Voice Speaking Truth to Power

TBD

This informative workshop will explore the complicated crisis in the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the prophetic role that the Church is playing to keep the country from descending into chaos. We will also hear how CRS is intervening to build peace and prosperity and strengthening the Church to defend the common good. We will wrap up with a discussion of how our Government should support the Church and promote democracy and peace in a very fragile country.

Panelists: **Steve Hilbert**, Foreign Policy Advisor for Africa, Office of International Justice and Peace, USCCB; **Leila Nimatallah**, Senior Policy & Legislative Specialist, Catholic Relief Services

3:45 PM – 5:00 PM

## 3. The Church in Colombia and Cuba: Strengthening our Advocacy for Peace, Development, and Engagement

TBD

Colombia and Cuba are at critical political, social, and economic inflection points, with the Catholic Church in both countries crucially contributing to the prospects for peace, equitable economic development, and continued U.S. assistance and engagement. On the positively evolving peace implementation process in Colombia, Catholic advocacy in the United States should focus on ensuring that U.S. foreign assistance to Colombia meets the country's needs. Advocacy priorities on Cuba (in support of the Cuban bishops) continue to encourage bilateral engagement, the establishment of normalized trade relations, and the eventual lifting of the economic embargo.

Panelists: **Mr. Geoff Thale**, Washington Office on Latin America; **Christopher Ljungquist**, Policy Advisor, Office of International Justice and Peace, USCCB

## 4. A Foreign Policy Framework: Nonviolence, A Style of Politics for Peace

TBD

Pope Francis has reflected on “Nonviolence: A Style of Politics for Peace” in his 2017 World Day of Peace Message. Foreign policy experts speak about the three D’s: Defense, Diplomacy and Development. Even these experts worry that the three-legged stool is out of balance, with significant overinvestments in defense and underinvestments in diplomacy and development. The Church offers integral human development as the new name for peace, and champions non-violence as the major tool for resolving conflicts. This workshop will explore the implications of the Church’s teaching for U.S. foreign policy.

Moderator: **Bill O’Keefe**, Vice-President, Government Relations and Advocacy, Catholic Relief Services

Panelists: **Dr. William Barbieri**, School of Theology and Religious Studies and the Peace and Justice Studies Program, The Catholic University of America; **Ms. Marie Dennis**, Co-President, Pax Christi International

**5. Dignity and Freedom: A Moral Framework for Trade Policy** TBD

Given the deep divisions at play between the United States, Canada, and Mexico in the recent NAFTA renegotiation rounds, the process has spilled over into 2018. This session will explore the positive and negative impacts the accord has had on the United States and Mexico, as well as its broader, transformative effects on the countries’ bilateral relations. A close look at the Trump Administration’s negotiating positions is important, as some provisions now being proposed originated with TPP and are likely to reappear in subsequent trade negotiations. Furthermore, the renegotiation process is influenced by socio-cultural and political dynamics currently in-flux in both countries, with the United States emerging with a more skeptical overall position on trade than its southern neighbor.

Moderators: **Ms. Meghan Goodwin**, Policy Advisor, Office of Domestic Social Development, USCCB

Panelist: **Mr. Richard Coll**, Director, Catholic Home Missions, Department of National Collections, USCCB

3:45 PM – 5:00 PM

**6. I was a Stranger and You Welcomed Me: A Catholic Response to Migration Policy** TBD

The debate around global refugee and migration policy has grown increasingly contentious. Efforts to pass restrictive legislation and administrative policies negatively impacting refugees are more prevalent in the United States and elsewhere. Meanwhile, many groups assisting refugees around the world consider the system broken and inadequate. In the face of these challenges, the Catholic Church has remained committed to defending the human dignity of migrants and their families. Such efforts occur on the local and national level, through grassroots advocacy, and Church-wide initiatives including the Caritas “Share the Journey” migration campaign, led in the United States by CRS, MRS, and CCUSA. This workshop will explore the current state of migration and the Church’s efforts to shape refugee and migration policy to more closely align with Catholic teaching.

Moderator: **Ann Scholz**, SSND, Associate Director for Social Mission, Leadership Conference of Women Religious

Panelists: **Ashley Feasley**, Director, Office of Migration Policy and Public Affairs, USCCB; **Jill Marie Gerschutz-Bell**, Senior Policy and Legislative Specialist, Catholic Relief Services; **Saeed Rahi**, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Arlington

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

**Advocacy Training 201** (optional – further skill building & answering tough questions) Regency Ballroom

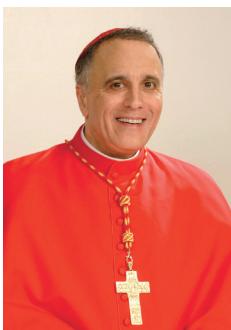
6:00 PM – Onward

Free evening with dinner on your own and optional events.

6:00 PM – 7:30 PM	<p><b>Diversity Initiative Networking Reception</b> (all welcome, fee applies)</p> <p>Join our Diversity Scholarship recipients, representatives from CSMG national collaborating organizations, and CSMG participants for a lively and spirited networking reception with hors d’oeuvres and dessert. You’ll have the opportunity to meet and socialize with a diverse and vibrant group of professionals and students who bring a rich variety of perspectives, skills, voices, and vision to our Gathering. Live entertainment will be provided. A limited number of tickets can be purchased at CSMG Registration.</p>	Regency Gallery
7:30 PM – 8:30 PM	<p><b>Young Leaders Initiative Reflection</b> (YLI participants only)</p> <p>YLI participants will reflect with one another on the gifts, challenges, and take-aways they are experiencing at CSMG.</p>	Congressional A & B
8:30 PM – 9:30 PM	<p><b>Young Leaders Initiative Reception</b> (by invitation)</p> <p>Enjoy delicious ice cream sundaes while connecting with professionals from organizations that live out the Church’s social mission.</p>	Diplomat

## Tuesday, February 6, 2018

7:00 AM – 11:00 AM	<b>Registration</b>	West Registration
7:30 AM – 10:30 AM	<b>Exhibit Hall</b>	Ambassador Room
8:00 AM – 9:15 AM	<b>Sending Mass</b>	Palladian Ballroom



Principal Celebrant & Homilist:

**Cardinal Daniel N. DiNardo**, Archbishop of Galveston-Houston; President, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops

His Eminence Daniel Cardinal DiNardo is the metropolitan archbishop of Galveston-Houston and pastor to its 1.3 million Catholics (and over 4 million non-Catholics) and 440 priests in 146 parishes and 60 schools spread over 8,880 square miles. His seats are St. Mary Cathedral Basilica in Galveston and the Co-Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Houston.

Born in Steubenville, Ohio, and raised with three siblings in Castle Shannon near Pittsburgh, Cardinal DiNardo attended St. Anne grade school and the Jesuit-run Bishop’s Latin school before enrolling in St. Paul Seminary and Duquesne University in Pittsburgh. He received his master’s degree in philosophy from the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. and degrees of Sacred Theology from both the Pontifical Gregorian University and the Patristic Institute Augustinianum in Rome.

He was ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Pittsburgh on July 16, 1977 and served as parish pastor, seminary professor, spiritual director, and in the chancery. From 1984 to 1991, he worked in Rome as a staff member for the Congregation for Bishops, as director of Villa Stritch (the house for American clergy), and as adjunct professor at the Pontifical North American College. In 1991 he returned to Pittsburgh, serving as pastor to several parishes and again in the chancery.

He was appointed coadjutor bishop of Sioux City, Iowa and ordained there as a bishop in October 1997. As his Episcopal motto he adopted: Ave Crux Spes Unica, meaning “Hail the Cross, Our Only Hope.” He succeeded retiring Bishop Lawrence Donald Soens of Sioux City in November of 1998.

He was named coadjutor bishop (later coadjutor archbishop) of Galveston-Houston in January 2004 and succeeded Archbishop Joseph Fiorenza on February 28, 2006. On June 29, 2006, he received the pallium from Pope Benedict XVI. He was elevated to the College of Cardinals in November of 2007 at St. Peter’s Basilica in Rome. As a member of the Sacred College, he served as a Cardinal-Elector in the Papal Conclave of 2013, which saw the election of Pope Francis to the See of Peter. In November of the same year, he was elected by his brother bishops as the Vice-President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) for a three-year term. He is a member of the Pontifical Council for Culture, the Pontifical Council for the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Itinerant People, the Pontifical Council for the Economy, and is on the Board of Trustees of The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

9:15 AM – 10:00 AM

**Continental Breakfast**

(all registered participants welcome)

Regency Ballroom

Blessing of our advocacy by **Monsignor Ray East**

10:00 AM

**Departure for Advocacy Visits on Capitol Hill**

**Reminder:** please clear guest rooms of all belongings and **check out of the hotel no later than 12:00 noon** before proceeding to Capitol Hill.

- Only very limited personal belongings can be carried to meetings on Capitol Hill. See *Daily Bulletin* for details.
- Luggage may be left at Omni Reception until the evening. You may also consider making use of the Tiburon Lockers service at Union Station for a fee of \$3-\$11 per bag/per hour (details and directions available at CSMG Registration).
- SmarTrip cards can be purchased using a credit card or cash for \$10 at the Woodley Park Zoo Metro station as you head to Capitol Hill. SmarTrip card vending machines are located at the bottom of the escalators. The SmarTrip card will allow you to take \$8 worth of travel, more than enough for one round trip to Capitol Hill. You can view costs and other metro rail details at [www.wmata.com](http://www.wmata.com).

10:00 AM – 3:30 PM     **Advocacy Visits on Capitol Hill**     Capitol Hill

Every participant is encouraged to visit his/her members of Congress and their staff members to advocate on our priorities, and leave behind our Capitol Hill Message.

Lunch today will be on your own with your state delegations in-between your meetings on Capitol Hill.

3:30 PM – 5:00 PM     **Capitol Hill Reception**     Dirksen Senate  
(I.D. and CSMG registration badge required)     Office Building  
SDG-50  
(Ground Floor)

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We are very pleased to welcome the following 26 institutions in this fifth year of the CSMG Young Leaders Initiative. Thank you students, campus staff, committee members, sponsors, and all of our CSMG participants helping to encourage and form young leaders for Catholic social mission.

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We extend a warm welcome to the 88 participants in this year's Diversity Outreach Initiative, hailing from 36 dioceses. For more information about this initiative, contact Richard Coll ([rcoll@usccb.org](mailto:rcoll@usccb.org)).

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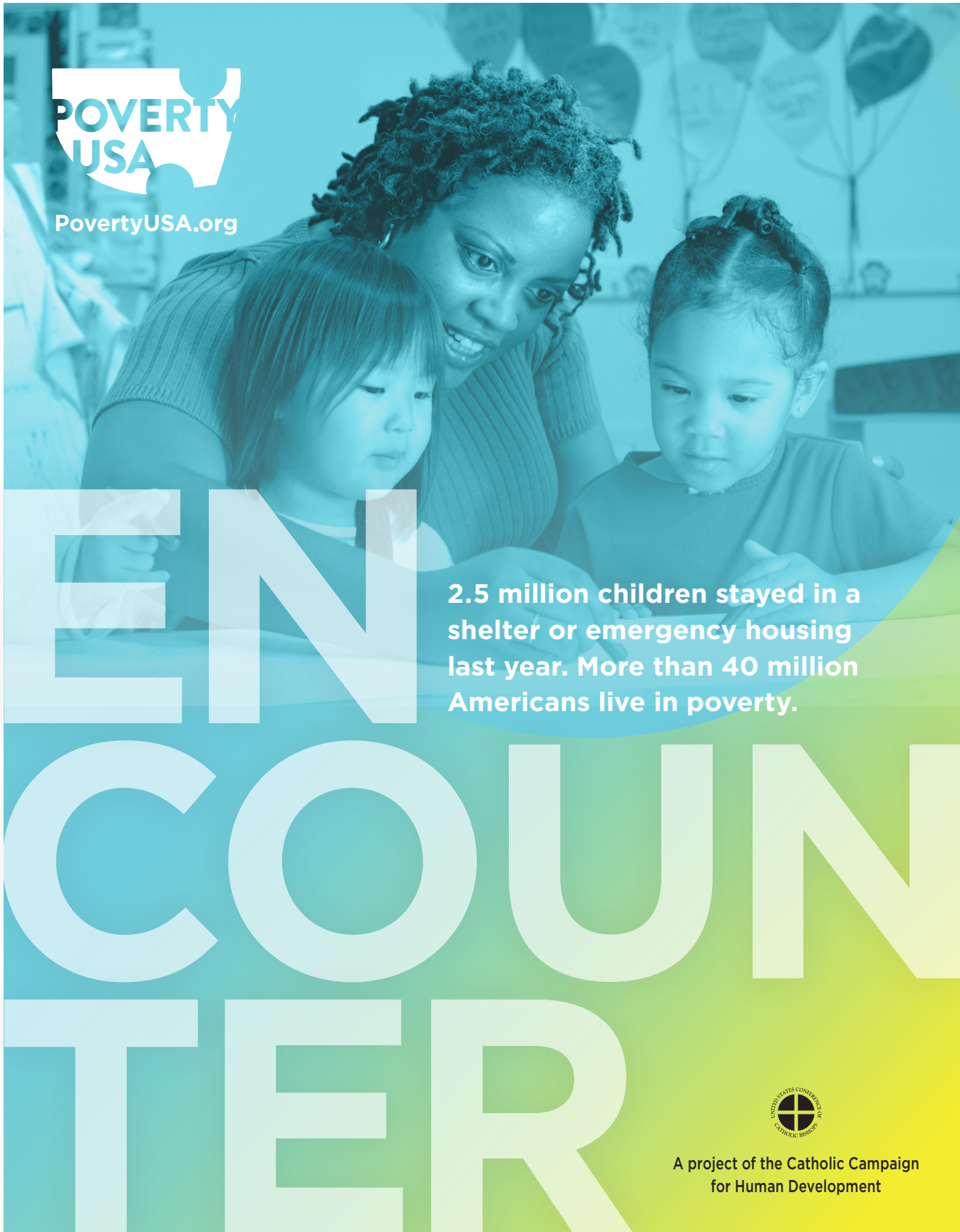
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## Frequently Asked Questions

### Why D.C.?

- Our Church is committed to dialogue with civil society, including the political leadership of nations. Both as citizens and as Catholics we gather at our nation's Capital to raise with national legislators our Church's concerns for people in harm's way.
- Washington D.C. is the base for many civil experts in current domestic and international affairs. D.C. is also the base for large numbers of Catholic leaders in areas such as economic and environmental policy and peace initiatives. CSMG draws on all of these resources and many more to form Catholic leaders for social ministry and advocacy.

### Why February?

- Advocacy with Congress in February presents a strategic opportunity, often occurring at the beginning of a new Presidential administration or at the beginning of a new session of Congress. We make every effort to choose dates that fall after the President's State of the Union address and before Congress' first recess of the year for the President's Day weekend.
- Winter is the most affordable season to host a large gathering of Catholic leaders in D.C. at a time when our advocacy can have the most impact on members of Congress and new legislation. Hotel rates are substantially higher from Spring through Fall, and we are committed to keeping the cost of the Gathering as reasonable as possible.

### Why a Big Hotel and Conference Center?

- The requirements of hosting more than 500 leaders for four days of meetings in Washington, D.C. during the Winter mean there are no real alternatives to locating the Gathering at a major hotel. Colleges and universities only offer conference services and accommodation during the summer, when our advocacy visits to Congress would be much less effective.
- The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has tax-exempt status only in Washington, D.C. and Maryland. Choosing a hotel outside of these locations at which to host CSMG would significantly increase the cost of the meeting and would result in higher registration rates.
- We make every effort to select a hotel consistent with our mission, our commitment to a just and living wage for employees, and in keeping with Catholic teaching concerning labor practices. Unlike many D.C. hotels, the Omni allows employees to organize in unions.
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- We offer the option to arrange room-sharing through on-line registration to make accommodation at the conference hotel as affordable as possible. Good stewardship of the investment in traveling to the Gathering means basing ourselves in a location where we can

make the most of opportunities to pray, meet, and plan together, and to reach out to members of Congress.

### Why Start on Saturday?

- In 2015 we moved our opening day from Sunday to Saturday (and closing from Wednesday to Tuesday). We did so because the fastest growing number of CSMG participants are emerging or informal leaders, for whom weekend meetings reduce days of missed work or classes. CSMG connects official Catholic leaders with emerging and informal leaders for mission together.



## Notes, Reflections, and Plans

“What we are speaking about is the common good of humanity, of the right of each person to share in the resources of this world and to have the same opportunities to realize his or her potential, a potential that is ultimately based on the dignity of the children of God, created in his image and likeness. Our great challenge is to respond to global levels of injustice by promoting a local and even personal sense of responsibility so that no one is excluded from participating in society.”

— Pope Francis, *Address to Participants of the Fortune-Time Global Forum* (December 3, 2016)

“Dialogue presupposes and demands that we seek a culture of encounter; an encounter which acknowledges that diversity is not only good, it is necessary... Where there is conflict, I embrace it, I transform it, and it is a necessary element of a new process.”

—Pope Francis, *Meeting with Representatives of Civil Society* (July 11, 2015)







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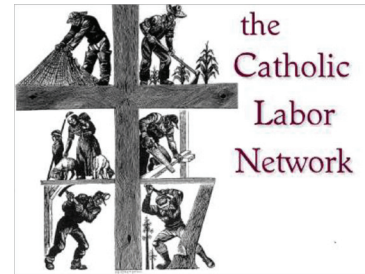
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