



Growing And Responding as Catholics Everyday

FEEDBACK

From October Topic: Do Catholicism and Activism Go Together?

In the session with presenter Mary Lee Becker, the participants aged in range from 7th/8th grade up through adults. Mary Lee asked us to focus on the principles of Catholic Social Teaching (CST).

These are the replies from the tables:

1. Dignity of the Human Person

What it means: all people are created in the image of God and should not be denied the basic needs of life; Respect for all people; Accepting, value, respect for individual; respecting the individual; all people are created equal and are given a chance

What might happen if more people practiced this teaching: less suffering, less fighting, more peaceful, less poverty, more peace, the world would be a better place

“Marketing Campaign” for CST: i matter; Love Everyone; Don’t get wrecked, show some respect!;;If you don’t like me, pray for me.; Be nice, think twice; #helpyourneighbor

2. Option for the Poor & Vulnerable

What it means: all take care of the poor first; for people to be aware and be compassionate to others; put the needs of the poor and vulnerable first

What might happen if more people practiced this teaching: there would be less of a gap in society; more needs met therefore less poor and vulnerable; wealth would be distributed; more people living a better life; more people would be able to contribute to society

“Marketing Campaign” for CST: #shareitforward; For God so loved the world that he gave; Helping Hands; Love One Another

3. Community and the Common Good

What it means: Coming together as one united front; interdependence of caring for other; Love thy neighbor; having enough to survive; caring for others and making sure their needs are met

What might happen if more people practiced this teaching: there would be less people in need and more equality; people would feel more supported; fewer wars; less hunger; more neighborliness; less suffering; less violence, world would be a better place; living more peacefully

“Marketing Campaign” for CST: #wearetheworld; coexist; Circle of Friends; Community Happens; Sharing Happens #haveaniceday; Do you have what others need?; Help others in need of help

4. Solidarity

What it means: taking care of each other no matter who you are; to be a community; people coming together as one community to reach common goals; support among people and of welfare of each other

What might happen if more people practiced this teaching: more peace; less people in need; less people excluded; we would accomplish our goals more efficiently and peacefully; would be a better place; less poverty

“Marketing Campaign” for CST: #solidarity; Stick Together; #benice; #takecareofoneanother; Together We Accomplish More

5. Rights and Responsibilities

What it means: dignity, right to work, contribute to society; everyone has right for basic needs; we have responsibility to see that everyone has these rights

What might happen if more people practiced this teaching: less people needing government assistance; everyone's life would be better

"Marketing Campaign" for CST: Get motivated...Keep Working; You have the right to be responsible!

6. Dignity of Work

What it means: personal satisfaction, pride & fulfillment; safe work environment; no discrimination; fair wages; equal opportunity; reasonable hours and workload; equal treatment; equal pay; everyone has right to work; everyone needs respect at their job

What might happen if more people practiced this teaching: More employment; more respect and less social tension; less homelessness; more productive society; more satisfied employees; happy life for everyone; society as a whole would improve; value jobs and want to do a good job; single parents could be home more for children; better work environment; more pay for all

"Marketing Campaign" for CST: Work that doesn't Hurt; Employ and Respect Everyone; Happiness at Work=Happiness in Life; Everyone Deserves Dignity; #workforyourhappiness

7. Care for God's Creation

What it means: having respect for earth and all its living organisms; taking care of the environment; taking care of animals and people; not polluting; taking care of our planet so people have what they need in the future

What might happen if more people practiced this teaching: world would be a better place; healthier world; cleaner world; thriving world; environment would be cleaner; takes care of people's needs

"Marketing Campaign" for CST: #beclean,stayclean; #savegodsc creations; #onestepatatime; post something on social media that tugs at people's heartstrings, like the commercial when we were kids about pollution; #replacewhatyoutake; #respectresources; #reducereuserecycle; #respectwhatyoutake