## He has a name written on his cloak and on his thigh,

"King of kings, and Lord of lords."

Revelation 19:16

#### IN THE BAPTIST 509 Harrison Avenue, Harrison, Ohio 45030

November 23, 2014

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King WEEKEND MASSES: Saturdays at 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Sundays at 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES: Monday through Friday at 7:30 a.m. School Mass at 9:00 a.m. on Fridays.

MORNING & EVENING PRAYER WITH HOLY COMMUNION: Monday - Friday at 6:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. respectively.

CONFESSIONS: Tuesdays: After 7:30 a.m. Mass until finished, also 6:15-7:00 p.m. / Saturday: 3:00-3:45 p.m.

1st Friday after 7:30 a.m. Mass until finished / anytime by appointment.

ADORATION CHAPEL: Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

BAPTISMS: The schedule for Baptisms can be viewed online at www.stjb.net. Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements in advance.

BAPTISM CLASS: (Required for first time parents.) Held the 1st Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): Call Lynda Noel, Pastoral Minister. WEDDINGS: Call the priest and please allow 6 months for wedding arrangements and preparations.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Phone Parish Office 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Monday - Friday to register.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: All articles and full page inserts are due no later than 10:00 a.m. on Monday mornings.

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#### **Mass Intentions**

#### Monday, November 24<sup>th</sup> 7:30 a.m. Millie & John Losekamp (Family) Tuesday, November 25<sup>th</sup> 7:30 a.m. Janet Fohl (Rita Viel) Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> 7:30 a.m. Albert J. Schuman (Bob Ammer) Thursday, November 27<sup>th</sup> 7:30 a.m. Tom & Lillian Billman (Rich & Carol) 10:00 a.m. Daniel Metz (Dale & Peggy Schmeltzer) Friday, November 28<sup>th</sup> 7:30 a.m. Eric Sierra (Dale & Mim Bley) 9:00 a.m. NO SCHOOL MASS Saturday, November 29<sup>th</sup> 7:30 a.m. Roberta Kube (Ferd & Kathy Lampe) 4:00 p.m. Bob "Lefty" Trabel (Kay) (JK) Sunday, November 30<sup>th</sup> - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent 7:30 a.m. Mary Anne Rogers (John & Marge Rogers) (BD+DM) 9:00 a.m. Albert Schuman (Mark & Thelma Furney) (ES) 11:00 a.m. Mary Weisbrodt (Family) (JK) 1:00 p.m. Virgil Meyer, Sr. (Ed & Nancy Hardin) (JK) 7:00 p.m. All St. John Parishioners (BD)

#### **Prayers**

**Special Intention:** For all people: That we may act with kindness and charity towards the elderly, migrants, the poor, and the unborn.

Hospital: Kenny Hauck

Deceased: Patricia (Pat) Burchfield

**Prayer List:** Susan Beck, Joan Becker, John Discepoli, Darlene Forbeck, T.F., Bill Hamann & Family, Jerry Heimbrock, Pat Hendricks, Dorothy Henton, Beverly Ihle, Ann Kemper, Bert Martini, Mary Lou Martini, John Nelson, Mary Anne O'Donnell, Patty Overberg, Tony Robben, Lawrence Roell, Don Schuh, The Sierra Family, James Unwin

#### **Vocation View**

"He will separate the sheep from the goats." To be a shepherd is to tend the flock of the Lord, teaching them to hear His voice. Have courage to follow wherever He leads. (Matthew 25:31-33)

#### Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers (Lectors Bold)

Saturday,	November 29 <sup>th</sup>
4:00 p.m.	Jacinte Lytle & Albert Witt, Marianne
	Lienesch, Anne Fields, Ron Esterman,
	Christy Tepe, Linda Greer
Sunday, N	lovember 30 <sup>th</sup>
7:30 a.m.	Carl Koors & Tom Losekamp, Cheryl
	Lamers, Gordon Gavin, Dale Schmeltzer,
	Karen Murnan, Jeanette Losekamp
9:00 a.m.	Vicki Tettenhorst & Carrie Roell, Terry
	Ferris, Joe Groh, John Blakely, Christy
	Braun, Bernie Robben
11:00 a.m.	Doug & Emily Hoffman, Eric Hollis, Linda
	Grimmeissen, Gary Lape, David Bochenek,
	Daniel Robben
1:00 p.m.	Brookelyn Towe & Missy Rehn, Mary Roll,
	OPEN, OPEN, OPEN, OPEN
7:00 p.m.	Ken Wilhelm & Brent Charette, Linda
	Dole, Carrie Roesener, Chrissy McAlister,
	OPEN, OPEN

#### **Altar Servers**

Saturday, November 29 <sup>th</sup>				
4:00 p.m.	YunFong Flanigan, Michael Fields, OPEN			
Sunday, November 30 <sup>th</sup>				
7:30 a.m.	Matthew Zinser, Nick Barth, Christian Schalk			
9:00 a.m.	Michael Groh, Dominic Dalessandro, Evelyn Hermann			
11:00 a.m.	Sam & Jake Scheper, Natalie Griffin			
1:00 p.m.	OPEN, OPEN, OPEN			
7:00 p.m.	Luke Roesener, William & Sam McAlister			

#### **Greeter Volunteers**

Greeters at ALL Masses should be prepared to distribute worship aids.

Saturday, November 29th4:00 p.m.OPEN, OPENSunday, November 30th7:30 a.m.Ray Bruns, OPEN9:00 a.m.Don Kuntz, Karen Albrink11:00 a.m.Kim Roberts, OPEN1:00 p.m.John & Patty Dean, OPEN7:00 p.m.OPEN, OPEN

#### **From The Pastor's Printer**

#### IT'S NOT BAD TO BE SHEEPISH

The last Sunday of the liturgical year is always the Feast of Christ the King. This feast is appropriate since the feasts and readings of the past year have shown us the path that leads to us having the honor, not only of being able to be citizens of the kingdom, but members of the royal family of heaven. Made sons and daughters of the eternal, loving God, we are to worship the Father's only begotten Son as the ruler over all creation, as the Savior of the human race. This is not some kind of divine power trip, but the acknowledgment of reality. CHRIST IS KING OF ALL THAT IS!

It is in light of this reality-that we march to the beat of Christ's drum -that we understand the criteria for faithful citizenship in His kingdom and role as members of His family: To see Christ in the faces of others, especially those in need. We can think of this as simply taking care of those in need when we happen to run into them on the street. While that is certainly part of Christ's expectation, what is really expected is that we have our eyes open to those in need and work not simply to an immediate need (a sandwich, help with rent, etc.), but to see that they are assisted in systematic ways, that we advocate for those in need so that they can live with the dignity and responsibility that is becoming of human beings.

This does not mean that we simply throw money at every project, since projects that don't meet the ends mentioned above do not really help those in need. Neither does it mean that we can simply dismiss this responsibility because no program is perfect, nor because there are people who leech off of society. In addition to direct care, we must advocate for assistance that works; we must be willing to support it in significant ways. We may feel that the government is not capable of efficiently, or in the correct way, addressing the issues of lifting the needy out of the web of need. However, if the government is not the way, it then falls to the citizens of God's kingdom to sacrifice out of their own pockets to meet the needs of the hungry, thirsty, naked, sick, and imprisoned since, as Christ makes clear, He is present in each one of them. The care (or lack thereof) of those who count for nothing in our culture is what will determine if we are sheep of the Good Shepherd or goats of another shepherd. Act sheepishly for Christ and the kingdom of heaven is yours!

#### THANKS A MILLION FOR BRINGING THE KINGDOM TO ME!

I sometimes ask myself what I have done to be so gifted by God. To be born into the saving grace of Christ, to live in a country with freedoms I too often take for granted, to have the good health I do not deserve, to have the love of my family, and to serve this parish. I am not simply grateful to be pastor of Saint John's because you are so supportive of me, and tolerant of my foibles, but because I see in so many people the kingdom of God being lived out, day in and day out, in generosity, forgiveness, struggles for goodness, and praise of God in church and in life. I realize I have done nothing to deserve it. It is all gift – from God and from you. And for this I thank God and you from the bottom of my heart. A blessed Thanksgiving to God and to you. – *Fr. Jeff* 

#### **The Week Ahead**

#### Monday, November 24, 2014

• SJB Jr. High Talent Show - 2:30 PM

#### Tuesday, November 25, 2014

- Youth Discovery 7 PM
- SJB Singers Rehearsal 7:30 PM

#### Wednesday, November 26, 2014

- PARISH OFFICE & SCHOOL CLOSED
- Breaking Open The Word 6:30 PM
- RCIA 7 PM
- Cub Scouts Meeting (Den 1) 7 PM

#### Thursday, November 27, 2014

- PARISH OFFICE & SCHOOL CLOSED
- Happy Thanksgiving!

#### Friday, November 28, 2014

PARISH OFFICE & SCHOOL CLOSED

#### Saturday, November 29, 2014

- Future Home Committee Meeting 8 AM
- SJB Volleyball Home Game 9 AM

#### Sunday, November 30, 2014

- RCIA Rite of Dismissal @ 9 AM Mass
- Youth Renew Team Formation 6 PM
- Evangelization Team Meeting 7 PM

The parish calendar can be viewed online at <u>www.stjb.net</u>.

#### SJB Lotto Update

SJB Lotto is in the process of awarding \$10,000 in cash this year. Thanks to all who sold and purchased tickets.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the weekly Lotto winner! Johnny Knoop won \$100 for the week of 11/17 with ticket #0946. The winning ticket was sold by The Knoop Family. It was pulled by Paul Roell and Angie Land.

#### Blessing Of The Bread

Please bring your wine and bread to Mass on Thanksgiving Day to be blessed after Mass. Be sure to put your name on the bottle of wine and on the plate or basket of bread and remember to take your bread and wine after it is blessed. Thank you!

#### This Week and Next Week's Readings

November 23<sup>rd</sup> – Solemnity of Christ the King Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; Psalms 23:1-3, 5-6; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46 November 30<sup>th</sup> – First Sunday of Advent Isaiah 63:16-17, 19, 64:2-7; Psalms 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Psalms 85:8; Mark 13:33-37

Readings may be found online at <u>www.usccb.org/bible</u>.

#### **Stewardship of Treasure**

-COLLECTION FROM NOVEMBER 16, 2014-		
462 Envelopes\$12,890.05		
LOOSE \$1,820.75		
Mailed In\$1,465.00		
Building Fund\$550.00		
53 WESHARE (NOVEMBER 10 <sup>th</sup> —NOVEMBER 16 <sup>th</sup> ) . \$3,890.00		
TOTAL\$20,615.80		
WEEKLY BUDGET \$22,000.00		
Over/Under Budget for the Week (-\$1,384.20)		
Over/Under Budget for Fiscal Year (-\$10,519.93)		

#### St. Vincent de Paul Quarterly Report

During the past quarter of the year, your St. Vincent de Paul Society has spent over \$7900.00 to help those in need with rent, food, utilities, etc. We assisted 97 families during the past quarter.

At this time of the year, when all of us are thinking of the upcoming holidays, let's remember that some of our neighbors are struggling with the necessities of life.

In the Gospel today the Lord said, "I was hungry and you gave me food. I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me." What the Lord meant was, whatever you do for the least of my brothers or sisters, you did for me.

On the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday collection, let's remember those who have needs by your generous donations to St. Vincent de Paul. This is also a time when the food barrels need to overflow with non-perishable food items.

## **Parish Office Closed**

The Parish Office will be closed for Thanksgiving on November 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>. The office will re-open on December 1<sup>st</sup> with regular hours.

#### **Health Ministry**

#### We Cannot Thank You Enough

#### DID YOU KNOW?

...that laughter strengthens your immune system and triggers the release of endorphins. It helps you to reflect and express not only the joy in your heart, but also in your body, mind, and soul.

...that even if you fake it, humor will boost your energy, diminish pain, and protect you from the damaging effects of stress. A good laugh will help you deal with feelings of anger and fear, but best of all, laughing is fun, free and easy to use.

## ...that here are <u>5 HUMOROUS</u> (not to be taken seriously) HEALTH TIPS FOR YOUR FUNNY BONE:

- 1. Cross your legs at your ankles. Your thighs and calves will look slimmer.
- 2. 100 laughs a day is equal to 60 minutes of exercise.
- Calculating your body fat ratio is simple. If you have a body, and you have body fat, your ratio is one to one. If you have two bodies, your ratio is two to one, etc.
- Sit-ups will not prevent you from getting soft around the middle. When you exercise a muscle, it gets bigger. You should only be doing sit-ups if you want your stomach to get bigger.
- 5. If God wanted you to touch your toes, he would have made them chocolate!

...that you can get your blood pressure checked in the Community Room after the 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>, and after the 4:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>.

#### Future Home Committee Meeting Update

The committee met on November 8<sup>th</sup>. The committee is talking to a stain glass restoration company to get estimates on the repair, and the moving of the windows.

Teri Becker has been asked to gather information about the families that helped build and furnish the current church. If you have information on this, or would like to help, please call her at 513-367-6005. Thank you to all of the prior sponsors for their continued financial support, as well as the new first time sponsors for their donations for the children in El Salvador. Because of your very generous contributions, St. John's collected over \$60,600 for the education of the children at both Santa Cruz and Our Lady of Guadalupe Parishes. We cannot fully comprehend what this money means for these children and their families but their smiles, hugs, and words of love and prayers for us in thanksgiving for your support are shown to us who travel every year to see these children. Please pray for them as they face their challenges. If you have any questions regarding this program or your donation please contact Deacon Don Meyer at 513-367-2141.

#### Trip To El Salvador 2015

All St. John the Baptist parishioners are invited to join us on our annual visit to our sister parishes, Santa Cruz, and Our Lady of Guadalupe in San Salvador, El Salvador. This year our trip will be from Saturday, February 7, 2015, to Saturday, February 14, 2015. These trips are really a pilgrimage and a life-changing experience. In addition to sharing our faith and enjoying the company of our sisters and brothers, we get to visit with all of the sponsored children and their parents in our scholarship program. Please join us on this annual pilgrimage. The cost is approximately \$1,500, which covers the air fare, lodging & food. Please contact Deacon Don Meyer at 513-367-2141 or 513-235-3430 for more information.

#### K. of C. First Friday Fish Fry

The Harrison Knights of Columbus will be holding a First Friday Fish Fry, at the K. of C. Hall, at 10490 North State Street, Harrison. Serving hours are from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. Menu includes: Fish sandwich (\$4), cole slaw, french fries (\$1) and shrimp (\$6). Eat in or carry out.

#### D. Of I. Candy Sale

The Daughters of Isabella are selling Esther Price Candy Bars for \$2.00 each, after all Masses, this weekend. Proceeds benefit the Children's School Library. Thanks for your support!

## **Major Retailers Want To Give Our Parish Money!**

We're pleased to share some exciting news about a fundraising program for our organization. It's called "scrip", and it's the fundraising program that works while you shop.

Scrip is simply a word that means "substitute money" – in other words, scrip is gift certificates from national and local retailers. They're the same gift certificates that you buy at the store. Many popular retailers participate in our scrip program including JC Penney, The Gap, Shell, Pizza Hut, Red Lobster and many, many others.

You're probably asking yourself how these stores help us raise money. It's simple - scrip participating retailers agree to sell gift certificates to our organization at a discount. Families like yours buy the certificates for full face value, they redeem them for full face value, and our parish keeps the difference as revenue. And scrip is exciting, because everybody wins:

- The retailer gets cash up front and repeat business...
- You get a powerful, fundraising alternative that involves *no selling*...
- Our parish gets a regular source of revenue.

The beauty of scrip is that you put your regular household shopping dollars to work. You earn money for our parish without spending a single additional penny. Just spend your regular shopping dollars with scrip at the stores that participate in the scrip program! And, scrip can be used for just about any household purchase including food, clothing, entertainment, gasoline and even dining out.

The profit from the scrip program will be allocated to special projects. The first special project is repaving the parking lot/playground.

The St. John the Baptist scrip is a simple and effective fundraising program. Thanks for your support!

Sign Up for shop with scrip Con	n It's Easy!		
(1) Go to www.ShopWithScrip.com and click <b>Register</b> , then click <b>Join a Scrip Program</b> .			
Enter our enrollment code. By entering this code, your account will be associated with our non-profit organization so you can begin earning rebates!			
③ Fill in all required personal information and click'l Accept.'			
	Enrollment Code:		
Choose two security challenge questions from the list and provide answers.	1CE1EE4D6563		
Registering at shopwithscrip.com will allow you to place your order online. You can also stop by the scrip table to place your order or purchase gift certificates from our on-hand selections.			
Orders placed by 1:00 p.m. Sunday will be available for pickup at the scrip ta weekend after 4:00 p.m., 7:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses. We are in need of volu	-		
Questions? Contact Mindy Caldwell, Scrip program chairperson, at 513-202-1068 o	r <u>mindy.caldwell@gmail.com</u> .		

#### **Newly Baptized**

We wish to welcome our newly Baptized! The following persons were baptized at St. John the Baptist Church from September 1, 2014 – October 31, 2014:

Brooke Marie Hoover Olivia Lucille Higgins Scott Russell Higgins Emma Irene Harrigan Kaelyn Jean Roether Tenley Victoria Stock Luke Joseph Vest Lydia Rose Kelhoffer

The schedule for Baptisms can be found on the parish website, www.stjb.net. Just click the Worship tab, and then select Baptism from the menu on the left. A link to the schedule is at the bottom of the page. Please call the Parish Office to make baptism arrangements in advance.

# TheCatholic Directory.com

#### **Newly Registered Parishioners**

We wish to extend a warm welcome to our newly registered parishioners! The following persons registered with St. John the Baptist Parish from September 1, 2014 – October 31, 2014:

Brandon & Katherine Kiefer Kevin & Sara Hollowell Amanda Niehaus Diana & Matthew Stock Paul & Phyllis Gibbernever Joseph Ventura Sarah Schroff Evan & Elizabeth Dunkel Steven & Amanda Tuchfarber Michael Vest Judith Bollmer Jeffrev & Nicole Williams Brett & Leah Bischoff Branden & Erin Osborne Abbey Jent Frank Ostenkamp Lloyd & Jennifer Sexton Michele Carle-Bosch Michael & Katie Clark

If you are new to St. John's and have not registered, please call the Parish Office to do so over the phone.

#### Youth Renew Team Formation continues this Sunday from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the Youth House. Live the 4th! Youth Renew Weekend is March 20th - March 22nd, 2015. Mark your calendars now so you can be sure to be here.

All high school students are invited to Youth Discovery this Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the Youth House. Come on down & bring your friends too!

**NO OPEN GYM THIS WEEK!** Due to Thanksgiving, Open Gym has been cancelled this week. **Happy Thanksgiving to one & all!** However, it will resume next Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. and all high school students & young adults are invited. There is no cost to attend but all high school students must turn in a properly completed Permission Form to attend. You can get one at the Open Gym or by calling the Youth Office at 513-367-9879. It does not matter where you attend church or school, if you are in high school or older you are invited! Remember, all Saint John Youth Ministry events are for all high school students, college students, young adults and your friends too!

#### **Diabetes Support Group**

The Diabetes Support Group will not be meeting in November or December. Meetings will resume in January.

#### **ROPC Thanks You**

The Reach Out Pregnancy Center wishes to express our gratitude to the parish of St John the Baptist Catholic Church for your continued support towards the ministry of LIFE.

Blessings to you all,

ROPC Staff, Board of Directors and volunteers.

#### **Bulletin Sponsor Of The Week**

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#### **Youth News**

#### Wish List For Mary Magdalen House Barrels

The barrels are located at the exits of church. The following items can help Mary Magdalene House provide a healthier environment and better services to their guests: Plastic bags (13 & 33 gallon sizes), small soaps, toothbrushes, toothpaste, liquid drain cleaner, Lysol, chlorine bleach, cleaning supplies, toilet tissue, laundry supplies, tissues, spray deodorant, pens/pencils, note pads (3x5 or 4x6). The following items for men & women: Underwear, socks, belts, jackets, coats, sweaters, gloves & shoes. Thank you!

#### St. Leo the Great Church

Margie Kunze, Brent Charette, Steve Dahmann, Diane Brockman and Lynda Noel made the first visit to St. Leo the Great Church on Baltimore Ave. on Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. We celebrated the 10:30 a.m. Mass with them. We are prayerfully discerning how the Holy Spirt is leading us in this relationship with our brothers and sisters. As a corporal work of mercy we are collecting non-perishable food items and paper and cleaning goods for their food pantry. Please take your donations to the Community Room by December 6<sup>th</sup> and place them in the marked boxes. Another delegation will return on Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, for the 10:30 a.m. Mass and deliver our donations. All persons who would like to go should meet in the parking lot behind the Youth House at 9:30 a.m. on December 7<sup>th</sup>. The lively celebration is a blend of Hispanic, African and Anglo people and music. Father Jim Schutte is the pastor.

## **2014 Holiday Bulletin Deadlines**

<u>Bulletin</u>	<u>Deadline</u>
12/21	
12/28	
1/4	12/22

All articles are due no later than 10 a.m. on deadline days.

#### **The Sharing Tree**

Again this year, you have the opportunity to share your Christmas spirit with a needy family from the area or Jackson, KY, by participating in our parish Sharing Tree and donation box. To participate, simply take a gift tag from the Sharing Tree, and securely attach this tag to your new, wrapped gift. Each needy child receives a green tag for clothing items and a red tag for a toy or personal item. The gold tags are for household items such as cleaning supplies, paper products, toothpaste, etc. There will also be a



donation box for cash donations & gift cards.

All gifts must be returned no later than 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 21<sup>st</sup>.



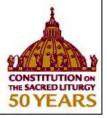
"In [Mary] the Church holds up and admires . . . that which the Church itself desires and hopes wholly to be"

(Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, 103)

that does it mean to say that Mary is what "the Church itself desires and hopes

wholly to be"? How can the Church be like Mary? The Church is like Mary when it is totally open to the will of God, when it brings forth Christ for the world, when it treasures and meditates on the Word of God. The Church is like Mary when it has compassion for those in need, when it stands by the

cross of those who suffer, when it prays for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. The Second Vatican Council gave us a new title with which to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary: She is truly "Mother of the Church."



### "Never tire of working for a more just world, marked by greater solidarity!" —Pope Francis, Apostolic Journey to Rio de Janeiro, July 25, 2013

# CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT WORKING ON THE MARGINS

o be just toward others, we must work to ensure they have adequate resources to meet their human needs. Projects supported by the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) move beyond providing for immediate needs. They work to build healthy, sustainable futures for communities.

Ten years ago, Boston's Haley House began offering bakery training at the request of a few regular guests at the soup kitchen. Due to high demand, Haley House expanded the training into a six-month course that includes customer relations and basic business principles. Haley House currently has 70 trainees who have completed the program and are now employed in the Boston area. Haley House also offers cooking classes for at-risk teens and holistic, individual support to men and women reentering the community after incarceration.

Like Haley House, Faith Works recognizes the value of human relationships in the fight against poverty. Operating in the Roanoke Valley, Faith Works builds community through conversation. After listening to residents and members of parishes and congregations in the city's Southeast area, the group worked to get the area recognized as "medically underserved," and thereby secured \$6 million for a new health clinic. This change will make a dramatic difference in the lives of residents, 80 percent of whom are uninsured. The dialogue fostered by Faith Works also bridges racial divides. One member commented that "nowhere else would we probably have talked to each other, but here we are now working together, gardening [in community gardens] together." Members are working to train leaders in the Hispanic community and to listen to their concerns.

Haley House and Faith Works create a strong local economy by building human relationships and carry on Christ's mission "to bring glad tidings to the poor . . . liberty to captives . . . sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free" (Lk 4:18).

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development funds programs like these in communities across the United States and helps people living in poverty join together, identify problems and find ways to improve their lives and neighborhoods.

CCHD is the official domestic anti-poverty agency of the Catholic bishops in the United States. Your support helps to end poverty one community at a time. Working together, we can reach out and touch the lives of those living on the margins of society. Please visit *www.povertyusa.org* to read more details of CCHD's efforts to spread Christ's love by helping to break the cycle of poverty in your community and across the country.



# CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

# ORIGINS

CCHD was founded in 1970 by the Catholic bishops of the United States as their domestic anti-poverty program. They realized that outreach through established charitable services was not creating the changes people needed in order to get themselves out of poverty. With this goal in mind, the bishops worked to address the underlying policies and systems that perpetuate poverty, as a complement to direct service.

# IMPACT

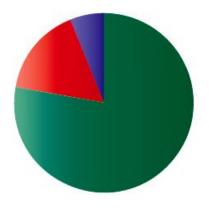
CCHD brings Catholic social teaching to life. It funds community and economic development programs across the United States that help poor and marginalized people join together to make decisions, seek solutions to local problems, and find ways to improve their lives and neighborhoods. Economic development initiatives help create new businesses and jobs. CCHD also provides educational opportunities for Catholics to learn about poverty, stand in solidarity with those affected by it, and reflect on their own responsibility before the great need of others.

## INVOLVEMENT

You can make a difference:

- 1. **DONATE.** Your generous support, in the parish collection and throughout the year, is vital to CCHD's anti-poverty mission and creates real change.
- 2. LEARN. Take advantage of CCHD awareness programs to learn more about poverty, those affected by it, and our responsibilities as members of the Church. Visit www.povertyusa.org.
- **3. PRAY** for those who receive CCHD support and for all our brothers and sisters struggling with poverty.

2012-2013 GRANTS



Community Development: 178

- Economic Development/Job Creation: 36
- Technical Assistance: 10

Total: \$9,299,250

CCHD is committed to accountability and transparency. We allocate funds to community projects that promote the mission and vision of CCHD while adhering to the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church. Please visit *www.usccb.org/cchd* to view funding criteria and see a detailed list of our most recent grants. CCHD's primary source of support is a once-ayear collection held in parishes across the United States. Twenty-five percent of the collection supports anti-poverty projects in the (arch) diocese where the funds are collected.

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