

GATHER

4th Annual Catholic Immigration Summit

Hope in Solidarity: The Catholic Response to Immigration Practices and Policies in the U.S.

The Summit, originally scheduled for this weekend, is moving online! Visit Seattle U's Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture's website (<https://www.seattleu.edu/ictc/>) for resources to help our community learn more about the challenges facing immigrant communities. Explore topics such as advocacy, DACA, spiritual practice & resilience, mental health, legal assistance and more. Co-sponsored by the Archdiocese of Seattle and St. James Immigrant Assistance.

Ways to be Catholic and Politically Active: A Series for Young Adults

Young adults (18-39) are invited to attend an election year series on informing your conscience, intentional dialogue, and how to be active in politics as a Catholic. Meetings will occur via Zoom. Meeting dates are June 4, July 1, and August 5. The first gathering will focus on Catholic social teaching with Jessie Dye from Earth Ministries and Theresa Shepherd-Lukasik. Register here to receive the Zoom link: <https://forms.gle/yXwWrYNHeRgKDpZC7>. Details are also available on the [Facebook](#) page for Western Washington Catholic Young Adults.

May Community Meal Cancelled

The **Sunday, May 31** Community Meal is cancelled as a result of the "Stay Home, Stay Healthy" order. Thank you for doing your part to keep everyone safe. Stay tuned for updates on the June 28 meal as they become available.

SERVE

Youth Migrant Project is on!

The Youth Migrant Project mission trip for teens (graduating 8th graders through graduating seniors) is moving ahead! We are accepting applications and preparing for service in the Skagit Valley from **August 10-14**. Come learn about migrant life by visiting the camps, working in the fields, and distributing food at the Tri-Parish Food Bank. We will join with youth from St. Anne, St. James and St. George. We will continually monitor health advice as we proceed. If the full program isn't possible, we hope to find ways to assist essential farmworkers and their families as they labor to put food on our tables! **Applications are due by this Sunday, May 31.** For information, contact Jennifer at jibach@olgseattle.org.

COVID-19 Assistance: Ways to Give and Get Help

With the ongoing pandemic, many of us find ourselves in difficult situations. Homeschooling, stress, isolation, financial strain, and health concerns are some of new challenges we face. Know that you are not alone. We are here to support you in any way we can. We are continually adding to our COVID-19 Assistance page: <https://olgseattle.org/covid-19-assistance>. Whether you need assistance, want to lend a hand, or both, we've got resources for you. We also have prayer resources to strengthen you on the journey. Please send additional resource to Jennifer (jibach@olgseattle.org).

LEARN

Catholic Relief Services: Rebuilding in Uganda

Esther, a mother of six, is feeling grateful today. After her home was destroyed by a landslide, she was able to replace most of what she lost thanks to funding from the US government's Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance (USAID/OFDA). CRS is working to help families affected in the Bundibugyo district of Uganda. Visit www.crs.org for more information and to see how you can help!

GIVE

OLG is Collecting Masks

Catholic Community Services is in urgent need of thousands of masks for their frontline workers. They are also trying to equip farmworkers with masks as the harvesting seasons begin. Help the essential workers who labor to provide shelter and food for our community. We will be collecting homemade and store-bought masks. Visit <https://ccsww.org/sewing-bee/> for sewing instructions and tutorials. You can drop your donations in the collection bin outside the Pastoral Center on weekdays.

Help Stock St. Vincent de Paul Stores

SVdP stores are again accepting donations at their Kenmore, Renton and Georgetown locations. Drop off donations of clothing, electronics, and household items in good condition Tuesdays-Saturdays from 10am-

3pm. Drop donations directly into a box and print your receipt from the SVdP website. SVdP clients use vouchers to shop at the stores and sales from the stores help SVdP to serve those in need in our community.

ACT

Urge Congress to Strengthen SNAP in the next Relief Bill

Families are struggling to put food on the table during this time of economic crisis. Churches and charities are working overtime to meet this rising need, but more must be done. The Supplement Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) effectively addresses hunger by delivering resources directly to low-income households. It's also a proven tool to boost the economy – every dollar spent on SNAP generates up to \$1.80 in economic activity. Join the Washington State Catholic Bishops in telling Congress to prioritize SNAP in the next COVID-19 relief bill by increasing benefits and suspending rule changes. Visit wacatholics.org/be-an-advocate/action-center for an editable action alert today!