



"CHARITY IS AT THE HEART OF THE CHURCH, IT IS THE REASON FOR ITS ACTION, THE SOUL OF ITS MISSION." —Pope Francis

WHY NOW?

In the wake of the Synod and Catholic Charities' recent restructuring, Bishop Donald J. Hying asked that the Diocese's Social Teaching Ecclesial Commission explore ways in which parishes might be more explicitly engaged in charitable ministries of various kinds. This "summit" represents an effort to bring parishes and groups that now sponsor various kinds of charitable ministries together with those that do not yet do so in order to explore challenges and opportunities in this regard.

OBJECTIVES

- To Call Attention to Our Christian Obligation to Be Charitable
- To Identify Strategies to Address Weaknesses in the Way Our Charitable Efforts Are Funded, Coordinated, and Delivered
- To Help Parishes Identify Priorities and Opportunities Pertaining to Charity

REGISTRATION

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Deadline: October 31, 2019

Cost of Attendance: FREE! (must register)

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WHEN & WHERE

- **Saturday, November 16, 2019**
- 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- Queen of All Saints Legacy Center
1715 Barker Street
Michigan City, Indiana
- Continental Breakfast & Lunch to Be Provided

PROGRAM

- 8:00 Mass
- 9:00 Welcome & Review of Summit Objectives
- 9:10 Keynote Address: (Tim Matovina, Ph.D.)
Dr. Timothy Matovina is Professor of Theology and the William & Anna Jean Cushwa Director of the Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism at the University of Notre Dame
- 10:00 Panel Discussion: "Reading the Signs of the Times"
- 10:45 Break
- 11:00 Breakout Session 1: "Challenges in Launching & Sustaining Our Charitable Ministries"
- 12:00 Lunch
- 12:45 Breakout Session 2: "Challenges in Launching & Sustaining Our Charitable Ministries"
- 1:45 Break
- 2:00 Observers' Feedback
- 3:00 Closing Prayer



WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Pastors & Associate Pastors, Deacons & Religious Communities
- Members of Pastoral Councils & Commissions
- Lay Catholics Who Serve in Charitable Ministries or Apostolates of Any Kind (*St. Vincent de Paul, K of C, etc.*)
- Young Catholics Looking to Put Their Faith in Action
- Those Who View the Corporal Works of Mercy as Integral to Our Catholic Faith
- Those Who Recognize the Need to Better Coordinate Our Charitable Efforts

