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Dear Families of Parishes and other Friends,

Fields of Justice invites you to join fellow Christians across the country in participating in Bread for the World's spring offering of letters.

The Fields of Justice collaborative includes individuals and representatives of parish families in the northern part of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. We explore the justice issues facing our region, our country, and our world, and seek ways to address these issues with prayer, information, and action.



One of our current action initiatives is to organize an offering of letters to senators Sherrod Brown and Rob Portman, as well as to our United States representatives, from individuals in the northern part of the Archdiocese. We have adopted the 2022 international priority of the interdenominational nonprofit Bread for the World.

We encourage you to check out the Bread for the World website at bread.org for information about this effective, inspirational organization and its work.

Steps in creating an offering of letters from your family of parishes:

1. contact your pastor to ensure his support;
2. pick a weekend—ideally, before the July 4th holiday—when letters will be signed/authored;
3. in the weeks leading up to this date, inform everyone in your parish about the project, through bulletin blurbs, social media posts, pre-Mass messages, petitions, etc., which we can provide;
4. provide the pre-printed letters in the pews—with pens!—and allow everyone a few minutes before Mass begins to sign them. Collect letters after each Mass (cut them apart), and mail, as a group to the Ohio offices of senators Brown and Portman and to your representative. Count the number of letters you have generated. (Alternatively, you can set up a table for folks to sign letters after Mass—paper letters or letters signed through the website via onsite laptops—although the number of persons participating will be greatly reduced. You can also provide the QR code for folks to connect to the Bread site in your parish's bulletin or on your social media site.)
5. Report your results back to us at Fields of Justice, including the number of letters.

As Christians we affirm the sacred dignity of human life in our country and across the globe. Thank you for putting your faith into action with us at Fields of Justice!



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