

## Resources

### Websites

#### **1. United States Conference of Catholic Bishops** <http://usccb.org/>

“The USCCB is an assembly of the hierarchy of bishops who jointly exercise pastoral functions on behalf of the Christian faithful of the United States and the U. S. Virgin Islands.”

This website has a plethora of information that is all approved by the Catholic bishops. It includes information on Catholic Social Teaching on various topics. Go to Resources and choose a topic, an Office, a Committee or a type of communication.

#### **2. Montana Catholic Conference** <http://montanacc.org/>

“The Montana Catholic Conference serves as the public policy branch of the Catholic Church in Montana, and the liaison for Montana’s Roman Catholic bishops with state and federal government. Inspired by Scripture and Catholic Social Teaching, the conference seeks to advocate for the weak and vulnerable and act as a catalyst for the transformation of society. All believers are called to faithful citizenship and to become informed, active and responsible participants in the political process...”

You can sign up to receive MCC’s action alerts which give information and a way to advocate on issues important to the Catholic Church in Montana.

#### **3. Network Lobby - Advocates for Justice, Inspired by Catholic Sisters**

<https://networklobby.org/>

“Founded by Catholic Sisters in the progressive spirit of Vatican II, NETWORK works to create a society that promotes justice and the dignity of all in the shared abundance of God’s creation. Inspired by our founders and the leadership of the women who followed, we faithfully embody Gospel justice as we ignite hope in the world. We are rooted in Catholic Social Justice and are open to all who share our passion.

NETWORK, (aka the Nuns on a bus), a Catholic leader in the global movement for justice and peace, educates, organizes and lobbies for economic and social transformation.”

You can sign up to “Stay Connected” and you will receive information and opportunities to advocate for Catholic Social Justice on the federal level.

#### **4. Catholic Mobilizing Network <http://catholicsmobilizing.org/>**

“Catholic Mobilizing Network is a national organization that mobilizes Catholics and all people of goodwill to value life over death, to end the use of the death penalty, to transform the U. S. criminal justice system from punitive to restorative, and to build capacity in the U. S. society to engage in restorative practices. Through education, advocacy, and prayer, and based on the Gospel value that every human is created in the image and likeness of God, CMN expresses the fundamental belief that all those who have caused or been impacted by crime should be treated with dignity. CMN works in close conjunction with the USCCB.

You can attend virtual prayer services on the first Friday of every month, receive information on efforts to abolish the death penalty and on restorative justice, and sign petitions on behalf of people on death row.

#### **5. Journey with the Pope: His Words. Your Journey. Together.**

##### ***The Pontifical Mission Societies***

The Pontifical Mission Societies (PMS) include the *Society for the Pontifical Society of the Propagation of the Faith*, the *Pontifical Society of St. Peter the Apostle*, the *Pontifical Society of the Holy Childhood*, and the *Pontifical Missionary Union*. In his address to the PMS General Assembly in 2020, Pope Francis said,

“Missionary societies...mirror in their own configuration the variety of accents, situations, problems and gifts that characterize the life of the Church in the various parts of the world...[and] reflect the mystery of the universality of the church, in which the incessant work of the Holy Spirit creates harmony from different voices.”

Find out more at *Pontifical Mission Societies*: <https://www.ppoomm.va/en.html>

Sign up for *Journey with the Pope in Scripture and Prayer Reflections* at:  
<https://missio.lpages.co/advice-from-pope-francis-every-day/>

## Books

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