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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"You don't go to college so you can punch a clock. You go to college so you can be in a position to make a difference"

Janet Napolitano

CATHOLIC Q&A

Can Church doctrine ever change?

click <u>here</u> for the answer

INTERFAITH CALENDAR click here for more information

05/01: Beltrane - *Neo-Pagan* 05/02: Twelfth Day of Rivan - *Baha'i* 05/02: Ramadan ends - *Islam* 05/03: Saints Philip & James - *Christian* 05/03: Eid al Fitr - Islam 05/04: National Day of Prayer - *Interfaith* 05/05: Yom Ha'Atzmaut - *Judaism* 05/19: Lag B'Omer - *Judaism* 05/24: Declaration of the Bab - *Baha'i* 05/26: Ascension of Jesus - *Christian* 05/27: Visakha Puja/Buddha Day - *Buddhism* 05/29: Ascension of Baha'u'llah: *Baha'i*



HAVE A GREAT SUMMER: GOOD LUCK TO OUR STUDENTS ON YOUR FINAL EXAMS, PAPERS & PROJECTS



THIS WILL BE THE LAST EDITION OF *MISSION MATTERS MONTHLY* FOR THE SEMESTER -WILL RETURN ON SEPTEMBER 6, 2022

WORK-LIFE BALANCE: HOW WE CAN KEEP IT UNDER CONTROL

A lack of order in a person's life is never without consequences. Its first symptoms are easy to notice. You might be getting home late at the end of the workday, finishing up work on Sunday, experiencing the inner struggle between having enough time for relaxation and finishing work. Our work, our need to perform, our boss's expectations, or the earnings we hope for and expect will never replace being with those who need us and whom we need. Paradoxically, while we love our spouse and children more than our work, we sacrifice the former more easily to the latter than vice versa.

Whatever the kind of work they do, people who are torn in many different directions by the multiplication of tasks, who are tired—even exhausted—from working at an ever more intense rhythm, with no time to reflect and give meaning to what they do, burn themselves out and slowly lose contact with what's really important. In this situation, the internal unity of someone who fulfills him- or herself by acting in freedom gives way to inner division instead.

There is no miracle cure, no one-size-fits-all model to change the relationship we have with our work. We can begin by stopping and reflecting on our timeconsumption at work, on our job security, on our needs and expectations and on the question of costs, of money, and of what our professional lives are costing our personal lives. Perhaps this is the best way to discover the path to what's most important in our lives, which once resonated deep in our hearts and which the weeds of a superficial approach to life might be smothering. Click <u>here</u> to read the full article.



OUR CORE VALUES —



Transformation

RESPECT FOR HUMAN DIGNITY

Compassion

Solidarity with People in Need

2021-2022 Focus

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A "Respect for Human Dignity" Reflection:

Learn About the organization Bread for the World

WHO WE ARE

Bread for the World is a collective Christian voice urging our nation's decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad.

By changing policies, programs, and conditions that allow hunger and poverty to persist, we provide help and opportunity at home and far beyond where we live. We can end hunger in our time. But churches and charities can't do it all. Our government must also do its part.

With the stroke of a pen, policies are made that redirect millions of dollars and affect millions of lives.

By making our voices heard in Congress, we make our nation's laws fairer and more compassionate. We leverage big changes for people in our country and around the world who struggle with hunger.

WHAT WE DO

Bread equips people to write personal letters and emails, meet with their members of Congress, and to work with others to end hunger. Working through churches, campuses, and other organizations, we engage people in organized advocacy.

Each year, Bread invites churches across the country to take up an Offering of Letters to Congress on legislation that impacts hungry and poor people. We organize advocacy campaigns to pass or block federal legislation that will help end hunger and poverty.

Bread works in a bipartisan way. Our network of thousands of individual members, churches, and denominations is active in every congressional district. We speak the truth to power with a moral and Christian voice and at the right time. And together, we are building the political will to end hunger and poverty.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

God's grace in Jesus Christ moves us to help our neighbors, whether they live in the next house, the next state, or the next continent.

Confront the problem of hunger. Speak up. Join us. What can one person do? Plenty. Join Bread for the World and make a difference. Click <u>here</u> to learn more.



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CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2022! Commencement, May 21, 2022

There is no passion to be found in playing small, in settling for a life that is less than

the one you are capable of living. — Nelson Mandela

We do not need magic to change the world, we carry all the power we need inside ourselves already: we have the power to imagine better. – *JK Rowling*

Do not follow where the path may lead. Go, instead, where there is no path and leave a trail. – *Ralph Waldo Emerson*

Fortune does favor the bold, and I promise that you will never know what you're capable of unless you try. — *Sheryl Sandberg*

A person's greatness consists in their ability to do, and the proper application of their powers to things needed to be done. — *Frederick Douglass*

The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams. – *Eleanor Roosevelt*

Learning is the only thing the mind never exhausts, never fears, and never regrets. – *Leonardo da Vinci*

Sometimes you find out what you are supposed to be doing by doing the things you are not supposed to do. – *Oprah Winfrey*

You are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think. — A.A. Milne

Never bend your head. Always hold it high. Look the world right in the eye. – $\mathit{Helen}\ \mathit{Keller}$

Intelligence plus character—that is the goal of true education. — Martin Luther King Jr.

Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful. – *Albert Schweitzer*



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