



MISSION MATTERS

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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Love and compassion are necessities, not luxuries. Without them, humanity cannot survive"

~Dalai Lama XIV

CATHOLIC Q&A

What are the rights of workers ?

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INTERFAITH CALENDAR

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11/01: All Saints Day - Christianity
11/02: All Souls day - Christianity
11/12: Birth of Baha'u'llah - Baha'i
11/20: Christ the King - Christianity
11/21: Yule-Winter Solstice - Pagan
11/24: Martyrdom of Guru Bahdur - Sikhism
11/26: Day of Covenant - Baha'i
11/30: St. Andrew's Day - Christianity



A NOVEMBER TO NOTE!

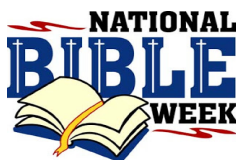
November 1-30: Native American Heritage Month
-click [here](#) for more information.



November 11: Veteran's Day - click [here](#) to learn more.



November 14-18 - National Bible Week - Take the Bible Week Student Trivia Quiz - Win Prizes! Check your emails!



November 17: Interfaith Thanksgiving Prayer Service at 11:15 am Recital Hall



November 21: Felician Sisters Founders Day, click here to learn more!



EIGHT WAYS TO FIND HAPPINESS AT WORK

You may be facing some tough challenges at work or reached a state of indifference, stuck in a workplace rut. Here are eight ways to overcome these obstacles and find real happiness at work. *From beliefnet.com*

Look Inward Start with yourself. Before going to work, prepare with positivity. Remember why you chose this job or field of work and remind yourself of what you're passionate about.

Overcome Adversity with Resilience There will be failures at work, challenges and adversity ahead. But being resilient and bouncing back from the worst shows our best.

Be Integral to Creating a Positive Work Environment Your work environment can dampen your mood and affect your work performance. Stay away from people that are damaging to your happiness. Don't listen to, or spread, gossip.

Focus on the Process It's not when you get there, but how. The effort and time put into the work process is more important than the success reached.

Change Your Perspective We tend to put our expectations on things that have no connection to real happiness, so when it all falls apart, we are frustrated.

Have and Keep Your Integrity So much of what you value is a part of who you are. Being honest and authentic in your work will help create a space of peace and balance.

Consider Others A compliment or a helping hand can be a starting point for friendships within the workplace.

Don't Be on Work Overload Doing too much when it comes to our jobs can breed discontentment. Don't say "yes" to everything, tacking on more piles of work that you know you can't handle. CLICK [HERE](#) FOR FULL ARTICLE!

OUR CORE VALUES

*Solidarity with
People in Need*



Transformation



COMPASSION



*Respect for
Human Dignity*



*Justice
and Peace*

2022-2023 Focus

PUTTING COMPASSION INTO ACTION!

Keep COVID-19 Testing Free for All!

As of March 22nd the federal government ran out of funds for COVID-19 testing. Without immediate action this will result in millions of Americans losing access to critically important testing.

The Federal decision to not fund COVID-19 testing threw the HRSA will adversely impact the access for uninsured to receive reliable testing.

Phoenix, AZ: Embry Health has been providing COVID-19 services to different communities across Arizona, Texas, Oklahoma, Florida, New Mexico, and Washington, when communities worldwide needed a test that could result in a life-or-death situation.

We have offered over 4,000,000 tests and seen over 2,000,000 unique patients over these past two years.

Unfortunately, with the recent announcement of the HRSA program losing funding, everyone will be impacted, from medical providers to patients. Embry Health has been forced to end free testing for uninsured patients, resulting in many of our patients being affected.

"If people do not have free COVID-19 testing available, they will not get tested, putting families and loved ones at risk. Therefore, Embry Health continues to encourage Congress to authorize additional timely funding for COVID-19 testing, treatment, and vaccinations. This funding is critical to ensure the testing and vaccine infrastructure built by labs and providers across America remains available for all patients, regardless of insurance status," said Embry CEO Raymond Embry.

To those who have been our supporters and community partners, we thank you, because of you, we made a difference together during this pandemic. We encourage you to sign this petition to ensure that those who are not covered by insurance can continue to rely on the HRSA fund to cover claims submitted for uninsured patients who still need to be able to have access to free COVID-19 testing.

Click [here](#) to sign petition!



THANKSGIVING - NOVEMBER 24, 2022 Prayers of Thanksgiving

Baha'i: O Thou kind Lord! This gathering is turning to Thee. These hearts are radiant with Thy love. These minds and spirits are exhilarated by the message of Thy glad tidings. Confirm this revered nation to upraise the standard of the oneness of humanity, to promulgate the Greatest Peace, to become thereby most glorious and praiseworthy among all the nations of the world. Make it precious and near to Thee through Thy bounty and bestowal.

Buddhism: Expressions of gratitude to repay the kindness of the Buddhas whose words open the door to liberation, to our mothers for their boundless love, and to our enemies for assisting us in developing patience: What way is there to repay the Buddha who grant immeasurable benefit and who befriends the world without pretension other than by pleasing sentient beings?

Christianity: Father all-powerful, your gifts of love are countless and your goodness infinite; as we come before you on Thanksgiving Day with gratitude for your kindness, open our hearts to have concern for every man, woman, and child, so that we may share your gifts in loving service. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Islam: Praise be to Allah who created us from His light with His hand and dignified us over His creatures and made us trustees of His creation and His revelation. The command of Allah has come, do not rush it. Glory be to Him; exalted above what they associate. Allah is with those who are righteous and those who are virtuous.

Judaism: We thank You that You are Adonai our God and God of our ancestors throughout all time. You are the Rock of our lives, the Shield of our salvation in every generation. We thank you and speak your praises for our lives that are in Your hand, for our souls that are in Your charge, for Your miracles that are with us, and for Your wonders and Your gifts that are with us at all times—evening, morning, and noon.

Native American: Great and Eternal Mystery of Life, Creator of All Things, I give thanks for the beauty You put in every single one of Your creations. I am grateful that You did not fail in making every stone, plant, creature, and human being a perfect and whole part of the Sacred Hoop. I am grateful that You have allowed me to see the strength and beauty of All My Relations.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

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