



**The Office for Catholic
Social Justice Ministry
of the
Archdiocese of Hartford**

offers assistance to parishes and
schools to support the work
of social justice
and to make it an integral part
of every Catholic community.

Putting Catholic Social Teaching into
Action!

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**Engaging
Youth
in
Social Justice
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*"Dear young people, please, don't be observers of life,
but get involved. Jesus did not remain an observer,
but he immersed himself. Don't be observers, but immerse
yourself in the reality of life, as Jesus did."*

Pope Francis

**Are you looking to deepen the experience of your
young people in the work of social justice?**

**Is your direct service event an isolated experience,
unrelated to a faith that empowers youth to make
social justice an integral part of their lives?**

**Is Catholic Social Teaching part of classroom or religious
education discussions, but not a lived experience?**



**How can the OCSJM
help you enliven Social Justice
in your Youth Ministry?
Contact us to find out!**

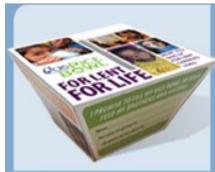
National Opportunities

The OCSJM partners with national organizations to offer experiences that reach beyond local boundaries, to address national and global concerns that impact our extended community.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES (CRS)

The official international humanitarian agency of the Catholic community in the United States.

CRS Rice Bowl



- **Pray** to deepen our relationship with God
 - **Fast** to remove the things that get between us and God and to live in solidarity with those in need
 - **Give alms** to our brothers and sisters in need, honoring Jesus' call to serve our neighbors.
- Free CRS Rice Bowl materials provide lesson plans, video and print resources. The OCSJM is available to assist you with program set-up and speakers.

CRS Helping Hands



Helping Hands is a high-energy, hands-on way for Catholics in the U.S. to learn about the reality of hunger around the world and to do something to help. Volunteers package nutritious meals for the people of Burkina Faso using supplies provided by CRS and Stop Hunger Now.

CRS Food Fast

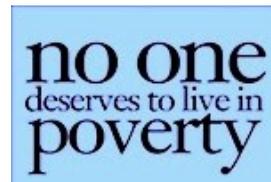
CRS Food Fast is a 24-hour hunger awareness retreat for Catholic youth. By spending 24 hours in the shoes of people who go hungry, Catholic youth deepen their faith and strengthen their yearning to bring change to our world!

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT (CCHD)

The domestic antipoverty program of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

CCHD Multi-Media Art Contest

Each year, CCHD hosts a Multi-Media Contest, inviting young people from grades 7 through 12 to submit a multi-media project in ANY form to creatively illustrate the annual theme. Designed to engage young people in justice education, the contest works to demonstrate the link between charitable works and advocacy to address the root causes of poverty.



CCHD Internship

For your alumni!

CCHD offers an internship program for Catholics to gain experience working with and on behalf of the poor. The CCHD internships combine practical work in carrying out the mandate of CCHD at the local level, opportunities to develop relationships with community leaders, reflection on Catholic social teaching, and opportunities for sharing the experience with other CCHD interns.



Local Opportunities

Each year the OCSJM sponsors social justice events designed to teach, mobilize and inspire. Staff members are available to provide you with custom-designed presentations and training.

RESOURCES

Visit our website at:

www.catholicsocialjustice.org

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View our videos on YouTube

SOCIAL JUSTICE CONFERENCE

Each June, the annual Bishop Peter Rosazza Social Justice Conference offers opportunities for youth and young adults to be part of the social justice conversation, while learning about current issues and initiatives. Join parish leaders, students and educators from across the Archdiocese for a day of workshops, prayer, discussion and an inspiring guest Keynote speaker.



CONSULTATION, WORKSHOPS & TRAINING

The OCSJM staff can offer consultation, workshops, and/or training events for your youth group, class, catechists or other gathering on a variety of justice-related topics.

We can help you —

- Design a social justice program
- Plan a social justice retreat or reflection for service day
- Host a workshop on various social justice themes:
 - Seven Principles of Catholic Social Teaching
 - Two Feet of Love in Action
 - Faithful Citizenship
 - Fair Trade
 - Environmental Justice
 - Poverty and Hunger in the US
 - International Poverty