

June 12, 2020

#### Dear Brothers:

I am pleased to announce that plans are being made for the 13<sup>th</sup> Certificate Program in Catholic Social Teaching in Washington, DC from 25-30 October 2020. I invite your nomination of participants. Preparations are proceeding under the assumption that the Covid-19 pandemic will be sufficiently ameliorated by these dates such that the course can proceed as planned.

Responding to a need for establishing a common framework for understanding Catholic Social Teaching (CST) and its application by diocesan professionals, The Catholic University of America and Centesimus Annus - Pro Pontifice were asked to develop this course. The program has proved an asset to many, providing a wonderful opportunity for gaining in-depth insights into our Church's rich social teachings.

This certificate program promotes the understanding and application of CST as developed and advanced by the Magesterium for over 125 years, starting with *Rerum Novarum* and continuing through our times - with emphasis on *Centesimus Annus*, *Caritas in Veritate* and the writings of Pope Francis.

The curriculum was developed with special attention to the challenge made by Pope Saint John Paul II: "It is...truly important to have a precise, motivated and complete approach to making the Church's social teaching known so as to avoid stressing any one aspect more than another, swayed by preconceived emotions or views, thus losing sight of its integral structure and using it instrumentally." (Address to CAPP, 4 December 2004).

This is a key point. The program is neither 'left' nor 'right' – it is Catholic and faithfully utilizes a "complete approach".

Also, the program identifies, emphasizes and is built around the knowledge that, "[h]er moral vision in this area 'rests on the threefold cornerstone of human dignity, solidarity and subsidiarity" (Ecclesia in America, 55). These principles form the basis for the program.

Finally, a strong spirituality is an integral part of the week with daily Mass, communal prayer and devotion, and reflections challenging participants to integrate the week's learning personally and professionally.

Hopefully, the course can proceed as currently outlined. Contingency plans are as noted in the attached registration materials should postponement become necessary.

Assuring you of my prayers, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ the Redeemer,

Cardinal Joseph W Tobin, C.Ss.R.

Archbishop of Newark

ATTACHMENTS (3): Registration letter with general information





# Centesimus Annus Pro Pontifice & The Catholic University of America

#### Present

### A CERTIFICATE PROGRAM IN CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

2020 - WASHINGTON, DC: Centesimus Annus Pro Pontifice-USA\* (CAPP) and The Catholic University of America (CUA) jointly announce the "2020 Certificate Program in Catholic Social Teaching" from October 25 through October 30.

This week-long, graduate level investigation of the Church's deep patrimony of social teaching is open to diocesan administrators/department directors, and their staff, in Religious Education, Catholic Charities, Catholic Conference, Social Justice, and other ministries. It is also open to clergy, religious, seminarians and lay leaders in philanthropy, business, the professions, and academia who wish to have an indepth understanding of the Church's social teachings from noted scholars, theologians, and professionals.

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#### **Lecture Topics**

The extensive program topics include:

- Introduction to Catholic Social Teaching (CST)
- The Three Cornerstone Principles of CST- Human Dignity, Solidarity, Subsidiarity
- History of CST
- CST & Culture
- CST & the Developing World
- CST & Free Market Economy
- CST & Democracy, and the Role of the State
- CST & the Family
- Consumerism & Alienation the Developed World's Main Dysfunctions
- CST a Pastoral Perspective

In addition to facilitated evening discussions on the Three Cornerstones of CST, Religious Freedom and Entrepreneurship will be explored.

Participants are welcomed to experience a retreat environment having housing at the Washington Retreat House including daily Liturgy of the Hours and Mass. If the schedule allows, there may be some time to explore the area shrines.

#### Registration

Register by September 15th - \$1545.00 (save \$150.00)

(please send deposit of \$300.00 with registration to reserve a place; balance due by September 15th)

BASED ON THE NUMBER OF REGISTRATIONS RECEIVED BY SEPT. 15, WE RESERVE THE OPTION TO POSTPONE THE COURSE UNTIL 2021, IN WHICH CASE PAYMENTS RECEIVED WILL BE REFUNDED IN FULL OR APPLIED TO NEXT YEAR, BASED ON THE APPLICANT'S PREFERENCE. THIS SAME REFUND POLICY WILL APPLY IN THE EVENT THAT WE ARE UNABLE TO PROCEED IN 2020 BECAUSE OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

Final Deadline for Registration – October 12th - \$1695.00 (for registrations made after September 15th)

The program fee includes tuition, lectures, housing, meals from Sunday evening to Friday afternoon and workbooks. Transportation costs and arrangements are the responsibility of the participants.— YOU MAY WISH TO WAIT UNTIL AFTER SEPTEMBER 15th BEFORE BOOKING ANY NON-REFUNDABLE FARES; WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO COMPENSATE YOU FOR ANY TRAVEL CANCELLATION COSTS.

Please mail check (made out to CAPP-USA) and copy of your registration form to:

Mrs. Patricia Fakharzadeh, 829 Ellis Place, Oradell, NJ 07649

For more information call (201) 599-2123 or email: cstprogram@capp-usa.org; or visit capp-usa.org

\*Centesimus Annus Pro Pontifice ("CAPP") is a lay-led, Vatican organization founded by Pope Saint John Paul II for the education and evangelization of Catholic social doctrine through business, professional and academic leaders.





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Housing: Washington Retreat House

4000 Harewood Road NE Washington, DC 20017 Phone: (202) 529-1111

Arrival: Sunday, October 25th

Please arrive at the retreat house by 3:00 PM to register for housing, and settle-in.

Program begins with Mass, Dinner and Introduction/Welcome - 4:00 PM.

Departure: Friday, October 30th

Program ends with a Mass & Graduation Lunch on Friday afternoon (October 30).

## **Program Homework Requirements:**

Read and refresh your memory of Pope Saint John Paul II's Centesimus Annus, Pope Benedict XVI's Deus Caritas Est, and Caritas in Veritate and Pope Francis' Evangelii Gaudium and Laudato Si'.

#### What to Wear:

Program - Business Casual

Dinner Sunday and Graduation Lunch Friday – jacket for men, and a nice outfit for women.



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# October 25 through October 30, 2020 - Washington DC Registration Form

Date:							
Name: FirstL	stLast			Suffix			
Title: Mrs Miss Ms.	Sr	Mr	_ Dr	Rev	Rev. Mr		
Job Title:							
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City:							
Phone: Work #:	Cell #:		Ho	ome #:			
Home Address:							
City:	State:		Zip:				
Email Address:							
Person to contact in emergency Name:							
Phone:	Relation: _						
Any medical conditions, allergies to foodNoneYes, please explain							

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REGISTRANTS BY SEPTEMBER 15. Tuition will be refunded (or applied to the 2021 course) if for any reason the course cannot be held, such as the Covid-19 pandemic.

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