

Come and learn about the Church's social teaching with other young adults in a stimulating and friendly atmosphere.

You are invited to the first in a series of four forums for **YOUNG ADULTS** (Y12 to 30 yrs) exploring the principles at the heart of Catholic social teaching.

Human Dignity (Winter 2006)

Solidarity (Summer 2006)

Subsidiarity (Winter 2007)

Common Good (Summer 2007).

Each forum will include talks, time for prayer, discussion and the chance to enjoy great company.

...the Church's social teaching is itself a valid instrument of evangelisation. As such, it proclaims God and his mystery of salvation in Christ to every human being, and for that very reason reveals man to himself. In this light, and only in this light, does it concern itself with everything else: the human rights of the individual, and in particular of the "working class", the family and education, the duties of the State, the ordering of national and international society, economic life, culture, war and peace, and respect for life from the moment of conception until death.

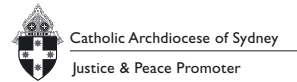
John Paul II, Centesimus Annus, 54

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Saturday June 3 2006
10.00AM - 4.30PM
St Mary's Cathedral College Hall

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**Catholic Social Teaching:
a dialogue with young adults**
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**HUMAN
DIGNITY**

...the Church's social doctrine has become a set of fundamental guidelines offering approaches that are valid even beyond the confines of the Church: in the face of ongoing development these guidelines need to be addressed in the context of dialogue with all those seriously concerned for humanity and for the world in which we live.

Benedict XVI, Deus Caritas Est, n. 27.

**Are you concerned for humanity
& for the world in which we live?**

The focus of the Winter 2006 forum is

HUMAN DIGNITY

The whole of Catholic social teaching develops from the principle affirming the dignity of the human person....

But who is the human person?

What is human dignity?

How does this principle apply to issues like the death penalty and stem cell research & biotechnology?

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Speakers at the Winter 2006 Forum will be:

Bishop Anthony Fisher is Professor of Bioethics and Moral Theology at the John Paul II Institute for Marriage and Family and Deputy-Chancellor of the Catholic Institute of Sydney and a member of Faculty. Amongst other roles, he is also the Episcopal Vicar for Life and Health in the Archdiocese of Sydney and the coordinator of World Youth Day 2008 in Sydney.



Dr Michael Costigan, an academic and journalist, has been executive secretary of the Bishops' Committee for Justice, Development, Ecology and Peace for the past 17 years. He is the author of the position paper *The Death Penalty – Why Catholics Should Oppose It*.



Fr Gerry Gleeson is a Priest of the Archdiocese of Sydney, Professor of Philosophy at the Catholic Institute of Sydney and a research associate at the Plunkett Centre for Ethics in Health Care at St Vincent's Hospital, Sydney.



Dr Catherine Althaus is a research fellow at the Centre for Governance and Public Policy at Griffith University. She has extensive experience working in the public and private sectors and a passion for communicating Catholic social teaching.

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**For catering purposes
please register by
Friday 19th May by**

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**You are invited to make a
\$10 dollar donation
to assist in covering costs.**

"The Church offers its social teaching to all Christians and people of goodwill as a series of reflections on the best way to advance the common good and defend important human values. I encourage the young people of Sydney to hear the call and accept the challenge of the Church's social teaching."

Cardinal George Pell

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