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Where justice is denied, where poverty is enforced, where ignorance prevails, and where any one class is made to feel that society is an organized conspiracy to oppress, rob and degrade them, neither persons nor property will be safe."

-- Frederick Douglass

"As the health care debate rages on..." How often do we hear these words spoken on television, muttered at lunch table debates, and plastered over periodicals? As the nation ponders health care in the United States, it is hard to know where to stand. Without supporting any particular political party, the Catholic approach to health care is shaped by a simple but fundamental principle: "Every person has a right to adequate health care. This right flows from the sanctity of human life and the dignity that belongs to all human persons, who are made in the image of God. Health care is more than a commodity; it is a basic human right, an essential safeguard of human life and dignity. We believe our people's health care should not depend on where they work, how much their parents earn, or where they live. Our constant teaching that each human life must be protected and human dignity promoted leads us to insist that all people have a right to health care." (A Framework for Comprehensive Health Care Reform USCCB, 1993)

In May, 2009, Bishop William Murphy offered the Senate Finance Committee some assumptions about health care policy in the United States. Legislation must provide: 1) a truly universal health policy with respect for human life and dignity; 2) access for all with a special concern for the poor; 3) pursuing the common good and preserving pluralism, including freedom of conscience and a variety of options; and 4) restraining costs and applying them equitably across the spectrum of payers."

There are no easy answers in the health care debate. However, as people of faith, it is important to consider the principles of Catholic Social Teaching as we urge our representatives to draft a workable plan for us all.

More information can be found at http://www.usccb.org/healthcare/official_documents2x.shtml

A local charity which serves the poor in the Dayton area will receive 10% of every Sunday collection. The rest of the collection supports more than 100 Campus Ministry programs of all kinds, including our.

Service Club of the Week:

Sustainability Club educates the UD community about green, sustainable practices and the human costs of environmental problems. They work with the university to adopt sustainable practices, including their involvement with MEEC (Marianist Environment Education Center) at Mt. St. John.

Events include Blackout; Earth Day; Environmental Science Week.

Death Penalty Prayer Vigil Join us Thursday October 8 in the IC Chapel at 9:45am for a prayer vigil for the state execution of Lawrence Reynolds Jr.
Beyond the Doors

Campus Ministry Calendar

October
17, 24, 31  SERVICE Saturdays
7-11  Fall BreakOuts
8-10  The REAL Dayton
12  Perspectives on Faith & Life Dinner
12, 26  UD Discernment Group
13  Table of Plenty
13  Beyond UD Fair
16-18  AMEN Retreat
23-25  Lighthouse Retreat
23  Sara Gomez of Tijuana
Christian Mission talk
26  Oscar Romero: one man play by Al Staggs
Margaret Knappke
Capt. Paul Chappelle
talk on SOA
talk on Will War Ever End

Get Involved in Service and Justice

SOA
Come and learn more about the School of the Americas/WHINSEC Monday, October 5 at 9pm in KU 312. For more information or question contact Rosie Eyerman at eyermarc@notes.udayton.edu

Is Healthcare a Human Right?
Table of Plenty is a chance for open dialogue with other students, faculty, and staff on current social justice issues. Lunch made and provided by the CSC staff! October 13 at noon in Liberty Hall, Room 08. RSVP to Sue Terbay at terbaysc@notes.udayton.edu

Spring BreakOuts
Consider participating in opportunities by air travel to host communities in Texas, California, Ecuador, Mexico, and El Salvador. UD students, along with the faculty/staff leader will be immersed in a new culture and way of life. You will share, learn and lend a helping hand with members of the host community. Info sessions; Oct. 5 at 5:30pm, and Oct. 6, at 3pm. Liberty hall 114. Applications campus.udayton.edu/csc/breakouts are due October 16th. Any questions. Contact Mary Niebler at Mary.Niebler@notes.udayton.edu or x92012

Thinking about a Year of Service?
Beyond UD Fair: Representatives from 50 post-grad service organizations will be at tables with information to help you discern if this is what you are called to do after you graduate. Tuesday, Oct. 13 from 7-9pm in KU Ballroom. Beyond UD PORCH Group: This small Christian community is focused on discernment about life after UD, with a particular focus on volunteering. Meets every Tuesday from 6-7pm. Dinner provided. Contact Colleen O'Grady at ogradycd@notes.udayton.edu

Lighthouse Retreat
October 23-25
Is open to all sophomores, juniors and seniors, with a focus on life's challenges and the sources of light and hope in the midst of these challenges. It is a time to explore spirituality, self and relationships through ritual and community reflection. For details and registration visit ministry.udayton.edu or pick up a form in Liberty Hall room 201. Contact Dave at x92010 or conarddq@notes.udayton.edu

Metanoia Team Applications
Now Available!
Pick one up today in the back of the chapel or Liberty Hall for the retreat happening January 29-31. Contact Dave Conard or Allison Leigh with questions. Applications are due October 7 by 5 p.m.

Amen: Broken and Shared
October 16-18
Sponsored by Campus Ministry and Catholic Life, this weekend offers an opportunity for Mass, Liturgy of the Hours, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, faith sharing, reflection, social activities, and plenty of time for personal reflection and rest. For details contact Jeremy Helmes at Jeremy.Helmes@notes.udayton.edu or Patrick Cashio at cashiopa@notes.udayton.edu

L.I.F.E.
Attention Freshman!! Interested in growing in your Catholic faith? Then join a L.I.F.E. group We have four different times and places for you to choose from: Mondays at 9pm in Marycrest, Tuesdays at 8:30pm in Marycrest, Wednesdays at 7:30pm in Founders, and Thursdays at 7:30pm in Stuart. If you're interested or have any questions contact Mary at udccatholiclife@gmail.com

UD Discernment Group
Are you wondering how God might be calling you to live your Baptismal commitment? Do you think God might be calling you to a life of service as a brother, priest or sister? Do you want to meet other students exploring the same questions? Join us for our UD Discernment group. We meet the 2nd and 4th Monday of every month. All are welcome – no matter what stage of discernment you're in. For more information, contact James Kozlowski at kozlowsj@gmail.com

Religious Talk in a Pluralist Community
Dr. Jason Pierce, Political Science, will speak about the role of religion in a diverse community at the next Perspectives on Faith and Life dinner. His talk will be followed by facilitated table discussion. This is a great way to talk about important issues and to enjoy a free catered meal in an engaging environment. Session runs from 6:30pm to 8pm in the Barrett Dining Room on Monday October 12. RSVP to pfls@notes.udayton.edu by October 6.

UDIM Retreat Day
Spend the day, October 17, with UD Interdenominational Ministry as we look at what it means to be men and women of Christ. While this is an on-campus retreat, attendance is expected for the entirety of the day's events 10am-6pm. For registration visit UDIM's Facebook page or send Rev. LaKendra an email/Facebook message. Registration is due no later than October 15, $5 fee & form can be turned into Campus Ministry main building Liberty Hall, Rm 101, your residence hall campus ministry or Rev. LaKendra’s office 117 Marianist Hall.