

SEE LOVE VOTE Checklist

As Catholics, we are called to love our neighbors. Today, we **SEE** how immoral policies are harming all of us – making our groceries, rent, and health care unaffordable, tearing apart immigrant families, and trying to keep us from voting. Grounded in the Catholic Social Justice tradition, we are responding with **LOVE** – love that propels us to **VOTE** in the 2026 elections and beyond, to make life better for all our communities!

How do Catholics love our neighbors?

We vote for leaders who will make sure that all of us have what we need to thrive!



"Democracy recognizes the dignity of every person and calls each citizen to participate responsibly in the pursuit of the common good."

Candidate name: _____

Will your candidate work for...

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Good-paying jobs with benefits and protections?

- Ensure all workers can earn a living wage with benefits including paid leave and a secure retirement
- Protect the right of all workers to join a union for better pay and working conditions
- Protect workers from unsafe and inhumane work conditions and from being replaced by artificial intelligence
- Make community college and training and apprenticeship programs free

Catholic teaching affirms the dignity of work and workers and calls for wages that let us "live a truly human life." (Mater et Magistra, #71)



This resource can support you in educating yourself as a faithful voter. Fill this out for your candidates, share it with friends, and make a plan to vote!

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Quality, affordable health care for all?

- Expand affordable, quality health care for all and end medical debt
- Lower the cost of lifesaving prescription medicines
- Invest in maternal health programs to support the lives of parents and babies
- Reinvest in rural hospitals, nursing homes, maternity wards, and other critical services that have closed due to massive cuts to health care

The Catholic Church affirms that food, housing, and health care are not privileges reserved for the wealthy, but universal rights. (Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church, #166)

Affordable food and housing for all?

- Lower rent by expanding affordable housing programs, especially for seniors, young adults, disabled people, and low-income families
- Stop corporations from buying up single-family homes and driving up housing costs
- Lower the cost of groceries by removing tariffs on food and other essentials and stopping corporate price hikes



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An economy that puts families over billionaires?

- Ensure the wealthy and corporations pay their fair share in taxes, including with a billionaire's tax, to fund the essentials our families need
- Support U.S. jobs by removing corporate tax incentives that shift jobs overseas
- Fund childcare programs to ease the cost of living for families
- Provide the full Child Tax Credit to all families

Catholic teaching calls for an inclusive economy that places people over profit and ensures that we all have what we need to thrive. (Populorum Progressio, #33)

Safe and welcoming neighborhoods?

- Invest in vibrant neighborhoods instead of funding mass deportations and more for-profit prisons
- Keep families together, support the right to seek safety from persecution, and create pathways to earn citizenship
- Ensure immigrant families can go to religious services, schools, and hospitals without fear
- Support common-sense gun safety laws to save lives and create safe neighborhoods

The Catholic Church insists upon every person's intrinsic dignity, our right to live free of violence, and our right to migrate to seek a safe and good life for ourselves and our families. (USCCB, Strangers No Longer, #19, 28)

Affordable energy, clean air, and safe drinking water?

- Lower energy prices by investing in clean energy
- Protect our communities from AI data centers that pollute our water and drive up our utility bills
- Protect clean air and safe drinking water for every community

Care for our common home is a requirement of the Catholic faith. (Laudato Si', #8)

Our say in shaping our future?

- Ensure all eligible voters can cast a ballot and have an equal say in the decisions that affect us
- Ensure the will of the people prevails over the interests of corporations and the ultra-wealthy

Catholic teaching calls each of us to participate in public life, especially through voting, to serve the common good. (Christifidelis Laici, #42)

- Check or update your voter registration status
- Find your polling place
- See who and what is on your ballot
- Learn more and get involved!

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