

LEAP_{NETWORK}

(LEGISLATIVE EDUCATION and ADVOCACY PARISH)

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What: LEAP is a simple and fast way to act on your faith. LEAP Network is a way for everyday Catholics to become informed, involved, and influential regarding public policy through their local parish, with the support of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

Why: There are three main functions of LEAP Network:

1. Practice our political responsibility as U.S. citizens (Based on the Constitution)
2. Practice our faith as Catholics (Based on Scripture)
3. Practice Catholic Social Teaching (Based on such principles as the dignity of the human person, option for the poor, and solidarity of all people)

“In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue; participation in political life is a moral obligation.”- U.S. Bishops, Faithful Citizenship

Who: LEAP Network is a network of the Office for Peace and Justice designed to assist parishoners who feel led by their faith to advocate for the poor and vulnerable. They are Catholics who want to give a voice to the voiceless in the public square: the poor and indigent, immigrant groups, the unborn, etc.

How: You can become involved in LEAP Network through:

- Responding to and passing on our bi-monthly email alerts
- Reading advocacy issue articles in “Everyday Catholicism”
- Contacting and/or meeting with your legislators
- Testifying at meetings and hearings
- Seeking any ways to give a voice to the voiceless

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