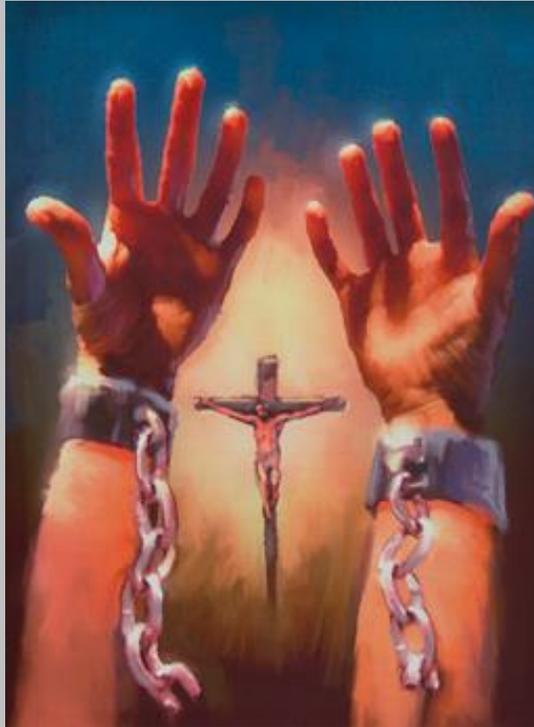




# CATHOLIC SCHOOLS FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE

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*“The Spirit of the  
Lord is upon me,  
because He has  
anointed me to  
bring glad tidings  
to the poor.  
He has sent me...*



*...and recovery of  
sight to the blind,  
to let the oppressed  
go free”  
Luke 4:18*

**TO PROCLAIM LIBERTY TO CAPTIVES**

## **BREAKING THE CHAINS OF MODERN DAY SLAVERY**

**March 13, 2015**

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### **SUMMIT OF CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

*Eucharist with Most Rev. Bishop Richard Lennon, Bishop of Cleveland,*

*Keynote Address by Sister Anne Victory, HM, Collaborative to End Human Trafficking,  
Mr. Steven Dettelbach, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio,  
and Mr. Timothy Kolonick, FBI Supervisory Special Agent,*

*Educational Workshops featuring over 20 presenters from Northeast Ohio raising our awareness of those  
in our midst who are vulnerable to modern day slavery,*

*Living Stations of the Cross, and SOAP Outreach Service Project to overcome sex trafficking*

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## Catholic Schools for Peace and Justice

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Prayer + Education + Advocacy + Action

Catholic Schools for Peace and Justice (CSPJ) is a network of students and educators from Catholic high schools in the Diocese of Cleveland, is supported by the Diocesan Social Action Office, and is rooted in Catholic Social Teaching.

CSPJ originated in 2002 through the recognition of our schools' common faith mission and the hope of further collaboration in our efforts and resources dedicated to promoting peace and justice.

Since our founding, educators and student leaders have met regularly to share ideas and resources, plan CSPJ sponsored events, and invite each other's schools to participate and collaborate on projects.

We have helped to establish a culture in our schools that actively seeks to engage all students in our common vocation of working for justice and peace.

### ***Participants in Today's Summit are from every Catholic High School in the Diocese of Cleveland!***

*Archbishop Hoban High School, Akron*

*Beaumont High School, Cleveland Heights*

*Benedictine High School, Cleveland*

*Cleveland Central Catholic High School, Cleveland*

*Elyria Catholic High School, Elyria*

*Gilmour Academy, Gates Mills*

*Holy Name High School, Parma Heights*

*Lake Catholic High School, Mentor*

*Magnificat High School, Rocky River*

*Notre Dame Cathedral Latin High School, Chardon*

*Our Lady of the Elms High School, Akron*

*Padua Franciscan High School, Parma*

*Saint Edward High School, Lakewood*

*Saint Ignatius High School, Cleveland*

*Saint Joseph Academy, Cleveland*

*Saint Martin de Porres High School, Cleveland*

*Saint Vincent-Saint Mary High School, Akron*

*Trinity High School, Garfield Heights*

*Villa Angela-Saint Joseph High School, Cleveland*

*Walsh Jesuit High School, Cuyahoga Falls*

**Summit Schedule**  
**March 13, 2015**  
**Lake Catholic High School, Mentor**

- 8:45 a.m.**     **Schools arrive at St. John Vianney by buses, vans, cars, etc.**  
In the narthex, students will pick up name tags and their personalized schedule for the day.
- 9:00 a.m.**     **Mass at St. John Vianney Church**  
**Most Rev. Richard Lennon**, Bishop of Cleveland, presider
- 10:00 a.m.**     **Opening remarks and welcome (in Church, after Mass)**
- 10:25 a.m.**     **Breakout Session 1 (Students will go to one of 20 different presentations)**
- 11:00 a.m.**     **Breakout Session 2 (Students will go to one of 20 different presentations)**
- 11:35 a.m.**     **Lunch & SOAP Project (Cafeteria) - OR - Living Stations of the Cross (Gym)**
- 12:10 p.m.**     **Lunch & SOAP Project (Cafeteria) - OR - Living Stations of the Cross (Gym)**
- 12:55 p.m.**     **Keynote Address: Panel Discussion on Human Trafficking**  
Featuring **Sister Anne Victory, HM**, Collaborative to End Human Trafficking,  
**Mr. Steven Dettelbach**, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio, and  
**Mr. Timothy Kolonick**, FBI Supervisory Special Agent
- 1:45 p.m.**     **Closing in the Auditorium:**  
– What can we do from here? - **Students from St. Joseph Academy**  
– Closing prayer – **Sr. Kathleen Ryan SND**
- 2:00 p.m.**     **Follow-up Session:**  
Students meet in their own school groups to reflect on what they learned and to share action ideas they can take back to their classmates
- 2:30 p.m.**     **Dismissal**



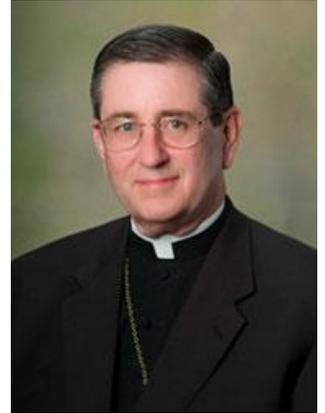
# + Eucharist +

## ***Most Rev. Richard Lennon, Bishop of Cleveland***

The Most Rev. Richard Gerard Lennon was installed as the 10th Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Cleveland, Ohio on May 15, 2006. His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI named Bishop Lennon to the leadership position over nearly 800,000 Catholics in eight counties of Northeast Ohio on April 4, 2006.

A native of the Boston area, Bishop Lennon was born in Arlington, Massachusetts and graduated from Catholic High School. He attended Boston College before entering St. John's Seminary in Brighton, Massachusetts where he received an M.A. in Church History and a M.Th in Sacramental Theology.

Installed as the 10th Bishop of Cleveland on May 15, 2006, Bishop Lennon established a vision for the Church in the Diocese of Cleveland focusing upon evangelization with an emphasis on the Gospel. Bishop Lennon has prioritized the education of pastors and parish staffs, the institution of parish internal audits, diocesan school internal audits, and the establishment of norms on models for Catholic Schools and Catechetical models for children.



## ***Keynote Presenters***

### ***Sister Anne Victory HM, Collaborative Initiative to End Human Trafficking***

Sister Anne Victory currently serves as Education Coordinator for the Collaborative Initiative to End Human Trafficking in the Cleveland/Akron, Ohio area. The Collaborative Initiative to End Human Trafficking is a group of concerned persons and organizations in northern Ohio whose mission is to educate and advocate for the prevention and abolition of human trafficking, while connecting services on behalf of trafficked persons. The Collaborative members are committed to the promotion of human and civil rights, especially those of trafficked persons, and they support the mission through their shared expertise in education, health care, law, and social service.



### ***Mr. Steven M. Dettelbach, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio***

Steven M. Dettelbach was nominated by President Obama on July 10, 2009 and unanimously confirmed by the U.S. Senate on September 15, 2009 as United States Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio. He comes to his position as chief federal law enforcement officer for the northern forty counties of Ohio with a wealth of varied experience.

Mr. Dettelbach previously served for over 12 years as a career federal prosecutor. During those years, he worked at the Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Criminal Section; U.S. Attorneys Offices in Maryland and Washington, D.C.; and from 2003 to 2006 in the Northern District of Ohio, as a member of the Organized Crime and Corruption Strike Force. He won convictions in what was, at the time, the largest human trafficking case ever brought in the United States, in which approximately 70 Thai women were held against their will and forced to work in El Monte, California.



### ***Mr. Timothy Kolonick, FBI Supervisory Special Agent***

Supervisory Special Agent Timothy Kolonick entered the FBI in 2001. He spent 13 years in Cleveland as an agent investigating violent gangs and kidnappings. He was temporarily assigned to the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force Fusion Center in Washington, D.C. in 2009 before returning to Cleveland as a supervisor of the Cleveland Division's Violent Crime Task Force and the Child Exploitation Task Force. Prior to joining the FBI, he served as a Secret Service Agent for 3½ years, and as a Cleveland Police Officer.



## ***Breakout Session Presenters - Sessions ONE and TWO:***

**Sr. Josie Chrosniak, HM & Sr. Ruth Mary Powers, HM**, Collaborative Initiative to End Human Trafficking  
**State Representative Marlene Anielski** - Fireball Run for America's Missing Children  
**Keith Sulzer**, Cleveland Police Department  
**Geneva Mason**, Lucas County Human Trafficking Coalition  
**Karen McHenry**, Bellefaire JCB Teen Street Outreach to find missing children / human trafficking victims  
**Sr. Cecilia Liberatore, SND**, Renee Jones Empowerment Center  
**Jeff Stewart**, Immigrant Worker Project and Diocesan Task Force: Welcoming the Stranger  
**Chris Kerr** and **Kim Miller**, Ignatian Solidarity Network  
**Theresa Stafford** and **Courtney Robinson**, Cleveland Rape Crisis Center  
**Sr. Karen Kirby, CSJ**, Migrant Workers and Refugee along US-Mexico Border  
**Sister Mary Ellen Brinovec, OSU**, Collinwood Catholic Ministries  
**Diane Daiber**, International Association of Forensic Nurses  
**Andrew Paskert**, ASIA Services - tutoring and support for immigrants  
**Kelly Davis**, Director of Catholic Commission Lake and Geauga  
**Chrissy Stonbraker-Martinez**, IRTF Fair Trade Program  
**Lucretia Bohnsack**, Executive Director of Esperanza Threads, a fair trade clothing company  
**Becky Trout**, SOUL FUEL Program coordinator, Nehemiah Mission of Cleveland--Liberian Refugees  
**Tobias Engel**, Student at St. Ignatius HS: Advocacy and Human Trafficking Legislation  
**www.slaveryfootprint.org** - Interactive Web Session

## ***2015 Year of Consecrated Life***



In this Year of Consecrated Life we especially celebrate the many Women Religious who have taken the lead in our Church and our world in seeking out, accompanying, and extending healing love and mercy to those in the bondage of modern day slavery.

***THANK YOU - Your faith witness encourages us to "be not afraid!"***

## ***SOAP Outreach Service Project (during lunch)***

**S.O.A.P.** stands for 'Save Our Adolescents from Prostitution' and is a hands-on outreach to fight sex trafficking at large events & in communities. S.O.A.P. was founded by author, advocate, and survivor- Theresa Flores. On her worst night, after being auctioned off to nearly two dozen men in a dingy, dirty, inner city Detroit motel, Ms. Flores recalled the only item that would have reached out to her, a bar of soap. With that in mind, she created S.O.A.P.-Save Our Adolescents from Prostitution, to help reach out to other victims. Our Mission: to rescue victims being trafficked at hotels, to provide victims a number to call for help, to educate motels and hotels on the signs of trafficking and to mobilize volunteers on a human trafficking outreach.



S.O.A.P. National travels all over the U.S. to hold outreaches during large events. We partner with local organizations to distribute millions of bars of soap wrapped with a red band that gives the National Human Trafficking Hotline number, (888.3737.888) and resources to high-risk motels. Trained volunteers help us offer the soap free of charge to motels along with training to be able to identify and report sex trafficking when they see it in their establishments. S.O.A.P. events are scheduled for high-demand events like the Super Bowl, NCAA Final Four, Indy 500 and many more!

S.O.A.P. Cleveland Team was formed in the fall of 2014 and holds outreaches and trainings in and around Cleveland.

To request a S.O.A.P. outreach in your city during a large event, or learn how to become a SOAP Team in your community, contact us at: [tflores@traffickfree.com](mailto:tflores@traffickfree.com)

# ***Living Stations of the Cross***

## **Introduction before Stations:**

Jesus showed us how to live by faith, love, and sacrifice when he prayed in the garden accepting God's plan to suffer and die for our sins. He also showed us how to live and love as he prayed for those who had caused his suffering "for they know not what they do"

Jesus' walk to Calvary is similar to the journey of 27 million men, women, and children who carry the cross of modern day slavery. Like Jesus, they suffer physical and mental abuses. Their walk is daily.

It is by carrying our own crosses each day that we come to know and understand Jesus' sacrifice and love for us. And so therefore, we should also come to know the struggles of our sisters and brothers in Christ who bear the cross of modern day slavery and human trafficking, In doing so, we hope to bring ourselves closer to them in spirit and understanding. Please walk with us on the journey of Christ and our brothers and sisters.

## **The First Station: Jesus is condemned**

Reader 1: Judas, a disciple of Christ, betrayed Jesus for money. He led the guards to the garden of Gethsemane. With a kiss, Judas identifies which of the men is Jesus the Nazarene. After a struggle with Peter, Jesus is taken away by the guards, to be judged by the Sanhedrin and later brought to public trial by Pontius Pilate. Pilate condemns Jesus to please the crowd before him. He then washes his hands of the decision made: the decision to crucify Christ.

Reader 2: Victoria, at age 20 is a veteran of the international slave trade. Victoria's odyssey began when she was 17, fresh out of school in the decayed capital of the former republic of Moldova. "There was no work, no money," she says. So when a friend suggested he could help her get a job in a factory in Turkey, she jumped at the idea. She was taken, instead, to the border of Serbia where she was handed over to a group of Serb men, and given a false passport. She was raped and warned not to resist. They sent her under guard to Bosnia. Victoria was now a piece of property and, as such, was bought and sold by different brothel owners ten times over the next two years for an average price of \$1,500.

**ALL: Dear Jesus, Help us to recognize those who are betrayed with a kiss like you were. Help us to pray for those, who like Judas, sold their brother or sister into suffering. Lord, don't let us wash our hands in ignorance. Help us get involved in the fight against human trafficking.**

## **The Second Station: Jesus takes up his cross**

Reader 1: Jesus is scourged and whipped. After this punishment, he must take up the great burden of carrying the cross. Though he is not guilty of any crime, he accepts the burden for all humanity. In this moment, Jesus embraces his cross as a humble servant. His actions say to us "I love you. You are worth it".

Reader 2: At Mumbai's railway terminal a boy named Krishna is one of a stable of child beggars whose prior abuse is unknown, but is evident in the scars on his back. The scars draw sympathy of those who pass by, and so the women seen here use Krishna to collect rupees to make their living. Krishna sleeps in the station, taking his drinking and washing water from puddles that collect under the train cars. He survives on scraps of food doled out by his keepers.

**ALL: Dear Jesus, We pray for children like Krishna who need freedom and protection. Help us to show them the love they deserve. How might we say "I love you." and "You are worth it" to impoverished children both foreign and domestic? Lord, motivate us to search for systemic change against poverty which has motivated the abuse.**

## **The Third Station: Jesus Falls the First Time on the Path to Calvary**

Reader 1: The cross is heavy and Jesus is weak. The soldiers are pushing him along, whipping at his back, with a crown of thorns placed on his head, they mock him, Jesus stumbles and falls the first time.

Reader 2: In the filth and dust of abandoned copper mines, down perilous 80ft shafts, adults and children work for \$3 a day. One fall for these workers equals death. They wash their hands in cholera-infected streams full of human filth, then pushing enormous two hundred weigh loads uphill on old bicycles to a nearby town. It is crude rapacity, but to Africans and many of their leaders it is better than the alternative, which is slow starvation. China buys the materials and Americans buy the products.

**ALL: Dear Jesus, my sins put the cross on your shoulders, and my careless purchases put a cross on the shoulders of modern day slaves. Lord, I pray for discernment in what actions I may take to bring awareness of the exploitation of laborers, and particularly of my brothers and sisters in the Congo. How might international law and international business prevent these conditions?**

### **The Fourth Station: Jesus meets Mary**

Reader 1: Along the road, Mary catches a glimpse of her son. For a brief moment, their eyes meet. In her desire to show compassion for her son, she suffers greatly.

Reading 2: Flor Molina of Mexico, at 28, lost her youngest child and was working two jobs to provide for her remaining children. At night she took sewing classes, hoping to one day earn money to properly care for them. When her sewing teacher told her about a job in the United States that would pay enough money to support her family and maybe even start her own business, she accepted, despite the fact she would need to leave her children behind. Her mother would temporarily care for them, but this sacrifice was heart wrenching. Molina was taken to Los Angeles where she was put to work in a sewing factory. Her workday started at 4 a.m., sewing by the dim light on the machine. The conditions were those of a sweatshop -- the doors often locked, breaks limited, and threats of physical abuse common. She was eventually cut off from contact with her family.

**ALL: Dear Jesus, like your mother Mary, Flor sought to provide for her children, and she received angst and suffering. We pray for all mothers seeking to provide --for those who feel trapped financially, who must submit to abusive labor conditions, abusive domestic conditions, or jobs in which they are sexually exploited. Lord, we pray for litigation that protects and prevents abuses to women, and especially mothers.**

### **The Fifth Station: Simon helps Jesus**

Reader 1: Simon is just an ordinary person who is selected out of the crowd to help Jesus carry his cross. Simon did not want the burden, but by the time they had reached the top of the hill, he was thankful to help Jesus.

Reader 2: Alejandro Benitez was working for a passenger van service when he and his boss were attacked by armed slaveholders for giving rides to farmworkers, some of them slaves, who wanted to leave the groves of Florida where forced labor was being committed. Benitez helped federal investigators build a case in 2002 that sent three convicted traffickers to jail for a combined total of 34 years. Francisco Martinez was one such slave who escaped a nearby forced-labor operation and joined the Coalition of Immokalee Workers who had aided him after his escape. Martinez now counsels other farm workers about their rights, and helps those who have been forced to labor as slaves to reorient themselves to liberty.

**ALL: Dear Jesus, let us always be ready and willing to stand up for others despite the risks. We pray for people like Francisco and Alejandro who have actively given up time in their lives to work in the field of social justice. Lord, help us to grow in our concern and awareness for the oppressed workers in this country.**

### **The Sixth Station: Veronica wipes the face of Jesus**

Reader 1: Jesus is hot, perspiring, and weak. His blood is running into his eyes making it difficult to see. Out of the crowd comes Veronica, to wipe the face of Jesus.

Reader 2: When Abdul's mother died, a stranger brought him across the border to a Cocoa farm in the Ivory Coast. Abdul is 10 years old now, a three-year veteran. Although he has never tasted chocolate himself, he cuts down and cracks open the Cocoa pods necessary to produce it. Abdul says all he's given is a little food, the torn clothes on his back, and an occasional tip from the farmer. He is not the only youngster working in his group. Sixteen year old Yacou can barely clear grass in the cocoa fields without cutting himself; he has many scars across his leg from his machete. The emotional scars run much deeper. "I wish I could go to school. I want to read and write," he said. But Yacou hasn't spent a single day in school, and he has no idea how to leave the farm.

**ALL: Dear Lord, who will wipe the face of Abdul and Yacou? Inspire us to take political action by investigating national policies that allow for this injustice to occur in the Ivory Coast and elsewhere. Make us Veronica, O Lord.**

### **The Seventh Station: Jesus falls the second time**

Reader 1: The cross seems heavier now and the pain is stronger. Alone and mocked by many, isolated on the path from his friends and family. Jesus falls a second time.

Reader 2: Cheryl suffers from fibromyalgia, a disease affecting the central nervous system, which causes an aching pain that resonates throughout her body. She was diagnosed with the condition in 2000 and was prescribed pain medication shortly after. She began abusing a pain relieving narcotic prescribed to her by a specialist - OxyContin. The euphoria and the relaxed state in which all responsibilities seemed to disappear, drove her to take larger doses, more frequently, and in new forms; she neglected the proper dosage prescribed to her. Cheryl's health began deteriorating and she rarely left her home, all the while her doctor and her husband were deceived by her ability to put on a good face to maintain her habit. She was now a prisoner of addiction.

**ALL: Dear Jesus, we know that without suffering we could not appreciate joy, but we pray for those whose pain, whether physical or mental, seems too difficult for them to bear. Please help us to be cognizant of our own personal addictions which hinder our relationship**

**with you and those around us. Even if we fall again and again, help us to get back up. Help us to be aware of the widespread trends of addiction.**

### **The Eighth Station: Jesus consoles the women and children**

Reader 1: Despite his own suffering, Jesus takes time to comfort the women and children in the crowd. "Don't cry for me, but for yourselves and your children"

Reader 2: This is Sixteen-year-old Bishal who, with his brothers, begins making bricks at 1.45am each day, and only stops 15 hours later. He works alongside his eight-year-old brother Shankar, who is also among the estimated 14,000 children under the age of 14 working in Nepal's brick industry. Work in Nepal's brick kilns is characterized by long hours, low pay and a system of debt bondage that can bind some workers to kilns for months, and even years

**ALL: Dear Jesus, you asked us to cry for ourselves and our children, yet we've let the children of Nepal, and children across the globe, be exploited for money. We have the knowledge and yet the injustice continues. We pray for discernment. How might we take action? How might we console those child laborers?**

### **The Ninth Station: Jesus falls the third time**

Reader 1: Jesus falls for the third time under the weight of the cross. Fully aware of the abuse he endured, he would not submit to his weakness.

Reader 2: A Harvard-educated magazine editor turned businesswoman appears strong and upright; no one knows . the heavy cross she secretly bears. She was in a relationship that appeared loving at first, but culminated into extreme manipulation and violence. "I didn't know he was abusing me." She now exclaims. "Even though he held those loaded guns to my head, pushed me downstairs, threatened to kill our dog, poured coffee grinds on my head as I dressed for a job interview" all those times she never once thought of herself as a battered wife. "Instead, I was a very strong woman in love with a deeply troubled man and I was the only person on earth who could help him face his demons." She was facing verbal, mental, and physical abuse in her own home.

**ALL: O God, we pray for those who are bound by the chains of mental and physical spousal abuse. We know that those who abuse others are wounded themselves. These wounds need serious treatment, treatment we cannot provide alone. Help us to promote education for our generation about relationship abuse and the necessity of treatment for mental illness and violent behavior.**

### **The Tenth Station: Jesus is Stripped of his garments**

Reader 1: Jesus stands on top of the hill and is stripped of his clothes and bears the crown of thorns, his mockers produce him a sign labeling him "King of the Jews."

Reader 2: When her village in Southern Sudan was raided by an Arab militia in 1987, Abuk Bak--only 12 years old at the time--was kidnapped and subsequently enslaved for ten years. During that time, her master, Ahmed Adam, never once used her name; she was always abeeda. It was only after she escaped that she learned what it meant: her name for a decade was simply "black slave." Thankfully, Abuk Bak received U.N. refugee status and now lives in Massachusetts, where she was reunited with her mother, sister, and brother. Her father is still waiting in Southern Sudan to be granted refugee status so that he can rejoin his family in the U.S.

**ALL: Dear Jesus, help us bring into consciousness the reality of wars in Sudan and other war torn nations. Help us to recognize those who are simplified and labeled.**

### **The Eleventh Station: Jesus is nailed to the cross**

Reader 1: The soldiers force Jesus down on the cross, and nails are driven into his hands and feet. Christ is pierced by our sins.

Reader 2: The pain may be excruciating, but Jesus endures. His mercy continues to endure. As Christ is hoisted on the cross with his arm pulled out of place... he speaks to the thief hoisted next to him. He forgives the man, telling him that he, too, can enter the kingdom if he truly believes. He asked God to forgive us, the people, "Forgive them for they know not what they do"

### **The Twelfth Station: Jesus dies on the cross**

Reader 1: Jesus hangs from the cross in agony. He struggles to breathe. Jesus knows that everything is about to be complete. Days before, Jesus had broke bread with the disciples saying "Do this in memory of me" He called us to remember this sacrifice. He wants us to continue to share his body for our nourishment. When Jesus yelled out on the cross, "It is finished!" He conquered sin. Jesus then bowed his head and gave up his spirit.



Reader 2: So often it seems that innocent people die, those who are so full of life and of pure spirit. Look at the thousands of people that are killed each day through abortion, war, and acts of violence, and those who live under the conditions of modern day slavery. Jesus died so that the innocent would be redeemed in their heavenly kingdom, but he calls us to love and forgive as he loved and forgave.

**ALL: Dear Jesus, forgive me for my shortcomings, forgive me for my ignorance. In this Lenten season, I challenge myself to remember your commitment to all humanity, and I commit myself as a vessel of your love. I will work for peace and recognize the need for forgiveness of all transgressors involved in Modern Day Slavery.**

#### **The Thirteenth Station: Jesus is taken down from the cross**

Reader 1: The suffering is over and the body of Jesus now rest peacefully in the arms of his mother. Mary's heart nearly breaks with sorrow.

Reader 2: On Sept. 19, 2010 Seth Walsh's single mother Wendy found him unconscious; he had hung himself from a tree in his backyard. He was rushed to the hospital and died on life support a week later. Close to 600 townspeople crammed into First Baptist Church for Seth's funeral. Such community support didn't seem evident during Seth's lifetime, however. He was belittled and harassed as early as the fourth grade -- face to face, over the telephone, over the Internet -- and for what? To make fun of his mannerisms, for his style of dress, for his interests, and later in life, for being gay. Seth was laid to rest on October 1st, 2010.

**ALL: Dear Jesus, we pray for the modern day slaves who are victims of bullying. Make us courageous. Bring to our awareness pain and suffering experienced by our peers. Help us to discern the correct action to take, may it be speaking out against the offender, may it be offering love and support to the victim, and especially reaching out to an adult who can take authoritative action. Lord, we pray for the bullies, we know that those who hurt, hurt others.**

#### **The Fourteenth Station: The Burial of Jesus**

Reader 1: Jesus had once told everyone in the temple -- I will destroy this temple and raise it in three days. The temple was his body, he destroyed it by accepting the crucifixion and asking for our forgiveness for eternity to come. When they took his body to be placed in the tomb -- there it remained for three days. The disciples had to mourn and wait in patience for his resurrection.

Reader 2: Sarah, a 17-year old girl from rural Ohio, was a runaway whose spiritual life was taken by her exploiter. Her mother and stepfather often neglected her because of alcoholism. When running away one day she was approached by a 30-year-old man on the street. He told her how pretty she was and asked why she looked so sad. He offered to cheer her up by taking her to a nail salon and paying for her to be pampered. She agreed. For the next two months Sarah dated this man. After living together for about a month, the man told her he couldn't make the rent payment and needed her help. He asked her to go on dates with older men, and eventually to engage in commercial sex. Sarah felt uncomfortable but agreed because she would do anything to stay with him, to please whom she thought was the love of her life. One night Sarah was assaulted by a stranger who had solicited her once for sex. In the emergency room, staff and police tried to help Sarah break the chains of her slavery -- but Sarah, scared and confused, resisted.

**ALL: Dear Jesus, we pray to resurrect the true Sarah, the child of God. We pray to resurrect the true man, one who would protect Sarah, not exploit her. We pray for courage and patience while we await the resurrection of justice.**

#### **The Fifteenth Station: Jesus is Risen**

Reader 1: After three days, the stone is turned from the Tomb and Jesus' body is no longer there. He had risen and showed himself to his disciples, commanding them to spread the Good News.

Reader 2: We cannot forget that the Good News, God's love, is the ultimate motivator for changing the world. Many of these victims have survived and people have organized to campaign for justice. We can get educated. We can get involved.

Reader 1 & 2: Lord Jesus, look with tender mercy upon the multitudes of our day who bear the indignities of injustice everywhere. Raise up leaders in every land dedicated to Your standards of order, equity, and justice.

Grant unto us, the grace to be worthy members of your mystical body, laboring unceasingly to fulfill our vocation in the social apostolate of Your Church. Sharpen our intellects to pierce the pettiness of prejudice; to perceive the beauty of true human brotherhood. Guide our minds to a meaningful understanding of the problems of the poor, of the oppressed, of the unemployed, of all in need of assistance anywhere. Guide our hearts against the subtle lure of earthly things and undue regard for those who possess them.

**All: May we hunger and thirst after justice always. Amen.**

## **Take Action: Prayer**

St. Josephine Bakhita was born in Sudan in 1869 and enslaved as a child. Eventually she was sold to an Italian diplomat and taken to Italy, where she was later brought to freedom through the help of the Canossian Daughters of Charity. Through their guidance, she learned about God and served him faithfully until her death in 1947. In October 2000, Josephine Bakhita was canonized by Pope John Paul II, at which point he noted that “in St. Josephine Bakhita we find a shining advocate of genuine emancipation. The history of her life inspires not passive acceptance but the firm resolve to work effectively to free girls and women from oppression and violence, and to return them to their dignity in the full exercise of their rights” (St. Bakhita’s Canonization Mass, October 1, 2000).



***St. Josephine Bakhita, you were sold into slavery as a child  
and endured untold hardship and suffering.***

***Once liberated from your physical enslavement,  
you found true redemption in your encounter with Christ and his Church.***

***O St. Bakhita, assist all those who are trapped in a state of slavery;  
Intercede with God on their behalf so that they will be released from their chains of captivity.***

***Those whom man enslaves, let God set free. Provide comfort to survivors of slavery  
and let them look to you as an example of hope and faith.***

***Help all survivors find healing from their wounds.***

***We ask for your prayers and intercessions for those enslaved among us.***

***Amen***

## **Take Action: Education**

### **Slavery Footprint ([www.slaveryfootprint.org](http://www.slaveryfootprint.org))**



**Slavery Footprint** is a survey that asks and responds to the question, “How Many Slaves Work For You?” The survey allows users to input select data about their consumer spending habits, which then outputs a graphical “footprint” of the user’s participation in modern-day slavery (as quantified by their consumption of items created by forced labor and child labor.) Made In A Free World, the creators of Slavery Footprint, researched the supply chains of 400 consumer products to determine the likely number of slaves it takes to make each of those products.[2] They put the information into an online survey where you can determine the number of slaves that are needed to maintain your personal lifestyle. After the survey, the user has the option to share the results or

take action.[3] The purpose of this project is to increase awareness of forced labor and child labor and engage the public in taking steps toward addressing the use of forced labor, by encouraging users to advocate with strategic actions in the marketplace.

### **Blue Heart Campaign**

- ♥ An awareness raising initiative to fight human trafficking and its impact on society.
- ♥ The Blue Heart Campaign seeks to encourage involvement and inspire action to help stop this crime.
- ♥ The Campaign also allows people to show solidarity with the victims of human trafficking by wearing the Blue Heart.

The Blue Heart represents the sadness of those who are trafficked while reminding us of the cold-heartedness of those who buy and sell fellow human beings. The use of the blue UN color also demonstrates the commitment of the United Nations to combating this crime against human dignity.



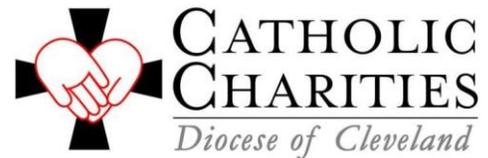
## **Take Action: Give**

There are many great organizations that are working to address the injustice of Modern Day Slavery in our area. CSPJ has decided to make a collective effort to have a student fundraiser at each of our schools to support three local groups that are leading the way in our Diocese. All checks from schools can be made out to **Catholic Charities** (and sent to the *Diocesan Social Action Office, c/o Sister Kathleen Ryan, 7800 Detroit Avenue, Cleveland, OH 44102*). Funds will be distributed accordingly to the recipients:

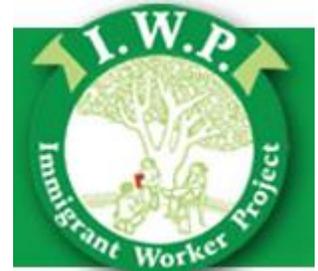
- ✧ **Collaborative Initiative to End Human Trafficking** ([www.collaborativeinitiative.org](http://www.collaborativeinitiative.org)) - The Collaborative to End Human Trafficking educates and advocates for the prevention and abolition of human trafficking while connecting services on behalf of trafficked persons.



- ✧ **Diocesan Social Action Office** ([www.ccdocle.org/social-action](http://www.ccdocle.org/social-action)) - The Social Action Office of the Diocese of Cleveland seeks to shape a more caring society and a more peaceful world through justice education, advocacy, community development and organizing. Our work is based on the call of the Gospel to work for the respect and dignity of all human life, the elimination of poverty, to speak out against injustice, and to promote the common good.



- ✧ **Immigrant Worker Project** ([www.iwpohio.org](http://www.iwpohio.org)) - The Immigrant Worker Project (IWP) is dedicated to the struggle for justice and human dignity for rural immigrant workers from Latin America. We are an organization that is working toward a future where Economic Democracy and Communities of Solidarity are achieved for rural immigrants in Ohio.



## **Take Action: Advocacy**

### ***Seven Easy Steps to contact your Legislators***

1. Visit either [www.house.gov](http://www.house.gov) or [www.senate.gov](http://www.senate.gov)
2. In the top right, please plug in your zip code (for the House) or state (for the Senate), where it indicates: "FIND YOUR REPRESENTATIVE" or "FIND YOUR SENATOR." This will connect you to your representative or senator's website.
3. Once at their website, click on the contact me button
4. It will take you to a form, asking you to enter your contact information
5. Take the time to fill out the form with all of your necessary contact information.
6. Let your elected official hear your views - add your comments in the comment section. This is a great way to share what you've learned today! To learn more about **Catholic Social Teaching** on each issue see the US Bishop's Website:

**Human Trafficking:** <http://usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/human-trafficking/> and <http://www.usccb.org/about/anti-trafficking-program/>

**Migrants/Refugees:** <http://usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/migrants-refugees-and-travelers/>

**Immigration:** <http://usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/immigration/>

7. Click submit and you've done it!

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