

THE OVERVIEW

JustMatters is a new and expanding series of formation materials from JustFaith Ministries. JustMatters allows participants to focus on a particular social justice topic in six to eight weekly or bi-weekly sessions. The general format for these topic-focused modules is prayer, readings, videos, speakers and dialogue. JustMatters allows a group of eight to fifteen people to give sustained attention to a specific area of social concern or social ministry, with special emphasis on Catholic social teaching and culminating in a call to engaged action.

THE PROCESS

The JustMatters library will include the categories of critical social and justice issues. Subscribing churches will have access to all topical options. JustFaith graduates will find these resources particularly useful in engaging other parishioners in the study of current issues, effective strategies and sustaining an inner spiritual life. In addition, participants in JustMatters may find this experience to be a compelling springboard into the JustFaith program.

The JustMatters modules include six-eight sessions, each being 2 to 2.5 hours long, with an opening and closing prayer. Modules will often include space for a guest speaker on the topic and likely will encourage a “border crossing” immersion experience where participants can have direct contact with people who are most effected by the issue being explored.

GETTING STARTED

The cost for a parish wishing to register for JustFaith for 2007-2008 is \$250. This fee also provides a parish access to other programs offered by JustFaith Ministries but each program must be registered for separately. The yearly registration includes the use of up to four JustMatters modules. If a parish is not registered for any other JustFaith Ministry program, the cost to access and use modules available in 2007-08 is \$250.

Other costs associated with the program include books and/or videos, which can all be purchased from a single source. For more information on the modules available in this program, or for a registration form, contact the JustFaith Ministries office or visit the JustFaith Ministries Web site at www.justfaith.org

FOR MORE INFORMATION

JustFaith Ministries also offers: a justice formation program for high school students called JusticeWalking; a skills building program for adults interested in parish-based social ministry, and the full JustFaith program, a formation program on poverty and compassion. Contact the JustFaith Ministries Office for more information.

For detailed information about JustMatters, contact David Horvath at david@justfaith.org

JUSTFAITH MINISTRIES WORKS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH:



Catholic Campaign for Human Development



Catholic Charities USA



Catholic Relief Services



Bread for the World

Seeking Justice. Ending Hunger.

These organizations are committed to reversing the effects of poverty locally and/or globally and are major contributors to both the vision and content of JusticeWalking.



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