

Faith in Action

I do not know how to love God except by loving the poor. I do not know how to serve God except by serving the poor....!

DOROTHY DAY, SERVANT OF GOD

Loving God by serving others

Dorothy Day has been called a champion of the poor and her canonization cause is underway. In his visit to the United States Congress in September 2015, Pope Francis chose Dorothy Day as one of the American Catholics who have helped "build a better future ... (and) shaped fundamental values which will endure forever in the spirit of the American people."

Pope Francis said, "Her social activism, her passion for justice and for the cause of the oppressed were inspired by the Gospel, her faith, and the example of the saints."


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Dorothy Day is known for her hospitality to the poor and her unrelenting pursuit of social justice for all people. In that same spirit, Partners in Charity ministries reach out to the poor in our community,

servicing them with great love. This service reflects the love of God and is made possible by our faith in him.

Advice from Dorothy Day keeps the focus on God not on an individual's works: "Don't worry about being effective," she said, "just concentrate on being faithful to the truth."

Her own faith-filled vision, the generosity of others, and her confidence that God would provide her what she needed, enabled Dorothy Day to reach out and live the Gospel fearlessly. Her radically Catholic way of life took root during the Great Depression. "Intellectuals and ordinary laypeople alike responded wholeheartedly to this Catholic vision of social and personal transformation. It offered a more acceptable



alternative at a time when many people thought that only the communists cared about the masses," according to "An Introduction to the Life and Spirituality of Dorothy Day," by James Allaire and Rosemary Broughton of The Catholic Worker Movement. Her model of living is carried on today in the Catholic Worker. She is an example of how we live out our baptismal call to put our faith into action.

"We see Christ in all and we are called to be Christ to all - we live our mission to evangelize by teaching, preaching and practicing the faith," Bishop McManus says in this year's video introduction to the Partners in Charity campaign. He reminds us that as partners in this appeal, we are helping to bring the face of Christ to people in need of God's love and hope through charitable, pastoral and educational ministries.

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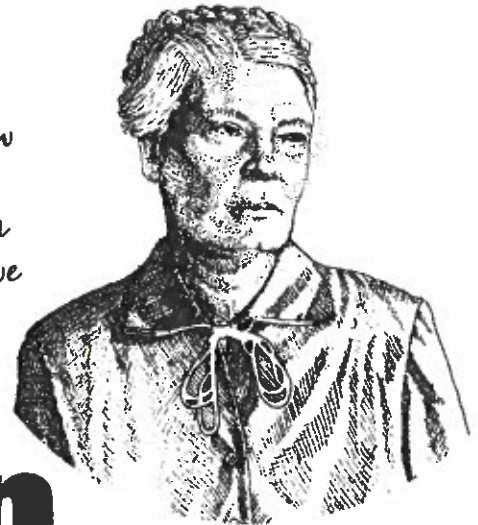
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*We cannot love God unless we love
each other, and to love we must know
each other. We know Him in the
breaking of bread, and we know each
other in the breaking of bread, and we
are not alone anymore.*

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Faith in *Loving God by serving others* Action

Fullness of life

The ongoing formation of priests is first of all a work of God's Spirit within the life of a priest. Ongoing formation is founded upon the truth that every Christian is called to continual rebirth into the fullness of life in Christ Jesus.

This is a lifelong process.

—Father Ronald G. Falco,
Office of Ongoing Priestly Formation

A voice for vulnerable

The life and dignity of the human person is one of the top priorities of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, and it is easy to see why. As Catholics we are called to serve those who are most vulnerable, and those who have no voice.

—Allison LeDoux
Respect Life Office

Social concerns

Deacons are especially known for their commitment to social concerns and works of charity. Many deacons

also serve the community in prisons, hospitals, college campuses, and even truck stop ministry. They are "living icons" of Jesus Christ by serving the needs of the faith community and leading them to Christ.

—Deacon William Bilow
Office of the Diaconate



Haven of hope

One of our boys was just placed in a pre-adoptive "forever family." He has stepped out of Nazareth into a local community with a foundation of skills to support his mental health and a new, loving, welcoming family to call his own.

—Kim Pare
McAuley Nazareth Home for Boys