

Catholic Social Teaching in Politics

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Life and Dignity of the Human Person <i>All created in the image and likeness of God</i> 			UK Government and Politics: The development of democracy and the protection of human rights in the UK. Political Ideas: Human rights and political ideology. Liberalism and equality. US Government and Politics: The development of democracy and the protection of human rights in the US. Civil rights and the role of the Supreme Court.
Call to family, community and participation <i>Whatever is needed for each person to flourish</i> 			UK Government and Politics: The development of the franchise and how it has been used to protect families and communities. The extension of the franchise to increase participation. Political Ideas: Organic society and the role of people to participate. US Government and Politics: The development of democracy and civil rights.

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Solidarity and the common good <i>Not just doing things for other people but acting with them to build a more just world together</i> 			UK Government and Politics: The extension of the franchise and how to participate in political life. Political Ideas: Solutions to different problems with society, for example how to create equality between males and females. US Government and Politics: The Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Civil rights movements and the promotion of equality from the Founding Fathers until present day.
The dignity of work and the rights of workers <i>As far as possible, decisions should not be taken at the highest levels but by the people who are most affected</i> 			UK Government and Politics: The role of political movements like the Chartists to highlight and address inequality at work. Political Ideas: The belief in an organic society to promote peace and prevent rebellion. The role of employers to protect workers. US Government and Politics: The development of civil rights to protect workers.

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Stewardship of God's creation <i>We are called to care for creation as stewards, not just as consumers</i> 			UK Government and Politics: Communities and voting. Who people vote for and why. Political Ideas: Different methods to achieve gender equality within Feminist theory. US Government and Politics: Individual rights within the constitution and the role of the Supreme Court to help protect them.
Rights and responsibilities <i>When one person has a right, others have a responsibility to uphold that right</i> 			UK Government and Politics: The development of Human Rights in the UK. Political Ideas: Liberalism and the development of a rights based culture. US Government and Politics: The Bill of Rights and amendments to it.

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Option for the poor and the vulnerable <i>To choose to consider the needs of the poorest and most vulnerable people first</i> 			UK Government and Politics: The role of democracy to protect the marginalised, development of rights for all, processes and procedures to ensure rights are protected. Political Ideas: Socialism and welfare politics. US Government and Politics: Supreme court cases into rights protection.