



open wide our hearts

the enduring call to love *a pastoral letter against racism*



In November 2018 the Catholic bishops of the United States released a Pastoral Letter Against Racism called, ***Open Wide Our Hearts***. The letter is a powerful invitation for all the people of God to “face courageously the vice of racism,

... reach out generously to the victims of this evil, to assist the conversion needed in those who still harbor racism, and to begin to change policies and structures that allow racism to persist.”

FEEDBACK ON THE NEW PASTORAL LETTER

The Office of Racial Harmony (ORH) is inviting you to provide us with your feedback on the new pastoral letter against racism.

STEP 1: Below is the link to obtain a copy of the pastoral letter for your review:

DOCUMENT (PDF): open wide our hearts pastoral letter against racism:

<http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/racism/upload/open-wide-our-hearts.pdf>

STEP 2: Provide us your feedback on any of the following questions:

1. What did you like about the Pastoral Letter?
2. Was there anything you wish it said differently, or more of?
3. What did you learn from it that you didn't know before?
4. Why do you think the USCCB thought it important to adopt this new pastoral letter on racism now?
5. What did the pastoral letter say to you personally? (Did it call to you in any personal way?)
6. What do you think the pastoral letter is calling each parish to do?
7. What do you think the pastoral letter is calling the ORH to do?
8. What do you think the pastoral letter is calling the Archdiocese to do?
9. What do you think might be some ideas to move the ball forward with any of those responses, whether personally or parish-wide or beyond?
10. What question haven't we asked in this discussion-event that you wish we had asked? (We'll have more events, so this feedback helps us to serve you better!)

STEP 3: There are 2 options to provide us your feedback:

OPTION 1: We invite you to attend one of the discussion-events scheduled on the following page.

OPTION 2: You may e-mail your feedback to: wcastillo@arch-no.org



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