

As we remember our day of fasting and prayer on Tuesday, October 11, 2016, we remember “Responsible Citizenship is a virtue and participation in the political process is a moral issue. Every individual is called to faithful citizenship, to become an informed active and responsible participant in the election process. Every voice matters. Every vote counts.”
(Faithful Citizenship: A Catholic Call to Political Responsibility)



In Contemplative Silence we place ourselves in the presence of God. (5 minutes)

Hymn

Suggestion: "Blest Are They" – David Haas

Reading

Every voice matters in the public forum. Every vote counts. Every act of responsible citizenship is an exercise of significant power. As we approach the elections, we renew our call for a new kind of politics focused on moral principles not on the latest polls, on the needs of the poor and vulnerable not the contributions of the rich and powerful, and on the pursuit of the common good, not the demands of special interests.
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Leader

- ★ Our Catholic Faith compels us to address the world through the lens of our relationship with God and with one another. We need political leaders who will make peace with justice a top priority and who will actively seek nonviolent solutions to conflict.
- ★ That our political leaders will rebuild our communities and bring an end to the cycles of violence, and killing, we pray...
- ★ That our political leaders will actively promote racial justice and equal opportunity for all, we pray ...
- ★ That our political leaders will recognize earth's goodness, champion environmental justice and uphold our responsibility to be stewards of God's creation, we pray...

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O God as we strive to live out our faith and to address the world through the lens of our relationship with God and to one another, send your Holy Spirit upon us that the decisions that we make at this important time, may truly reflect your teachings and benefit the greatest number of people. May these and all our decisions be based on global responsibility and an awareness of the needs of all people. “We commit to using our collective voice, resources and power in collaboration with others to establish justice which reflects God's abundant love and desire that all may have life.” (LCWR Assembly Resolution 2016)