

Archdiocese of Chicago

November 2, 2012

Dear Fathers:

On this last Sunday before the elections, it would be appropriate to draw your parishioners' attention to the series of statements put out by the CCI and the USCCB and published in the parish bulletins in the last two months. These provide the principles that believing and practicing Catholics should use to form their conscience according to the truths of the faith in matters of social policy. The principles are not partisan, but the hierarchy of the values they espouse and the evils they condemn is clear and needs to be used by Catholics.

The episcopal vicars and I thank you for your pastoral leadership and your fidelity in teaching the faith.

Fraternally yours in Christ,

Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I. Archbishop of Chicago