

Dear Life, Justice & Peace Ministers,

Since some of you experienced difficulty in accessing the links in the message I sent out last week, I am resending the message. Please let me know of any problems. Thank you.

Ferguson/St. Louis - In response to the violence in the community last Monday night, Archbishop Robert Carlson released a statement last Monday night: [YouTube](#).

Executive Action on Immigration - On November 20th, the President announced changes to immigration policies that could impact close to five million people. The following websites provide information about the new deferred action policy for parents, expansion of the DACA program (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals), and other administrative relief. It is important to understand that the federal government will not be accepting applications for three to six months. The Archdiocese is developing other resources about what you can do in your parishes to support immigrants as well as continue our advocacy of comprehensive reform.

- [The Administrative Relief Resource Center](#) is a project of the Committee for Immigration Reform Implementation (CIRI). CLINIC, the Catholic Legal Immigration Network, Inc., is a CIRI partner.
 - o [Overview \(English\)](#)
 - o [Overview \(Spanish\)](#)
- [Executive Actions on Immigration](#)

WARNING! Beware of scams. Get help from a licensed attorney with experience in immigration law or Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA) accredited representative. Find legal help at this [link](#).

Resource on Marriage - Last week the Vatican sponsored a conference on complementarity. As part of this event, a series of six videos was posted on [YouTube](#). The segment titles to this stunningly beautiful production are:

1. The Destiny of Humanity: On the Meaning of Marriage
2. The Cradle of Life & Love: A Mother & Father for the World's Children
3. Understanding Man & Woman
4. A Hidden Sweetness: The Power of Marriage Amid Hardship
5. Challenge & Hope for a New Generation
6. Marriage, Culture & Civil Society

I think people will be inspired by watching the *Humanum* series. One of the people in the first segment, a woman from Nigeria, said that marriage is a sacrifice, but "it's

your own project for the world." The total run time for all six segments is about 90 minutes.

Thank you for all you do in support of life, justice & peace!
Wishing you a Blessed Thanksgiving,
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"The Christian life...
is a gift, it is love,...
[it is] self-giving."

~Pope Francis

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