



Florida Catholic Advocacy Network A 4-Step Parish Guide





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FLCAN is an online community established by the bishops of Florida that exists to connect, educate, and mobilize Catholics across Florida's seven dioceses on public policy issues pertaining to life, dignity, and the common good.

Why Should Catholics Participate?

FLCAN provides the opportunity to speak on behalf of the poor, the disabled, the sick or dying, the unborn, the elderly, families and children, immigrants, the imprisoned, and others in need. If we are truly called to charity for our neighbor, if the Church has something to offer the world, then we need to provide an opportunity like this to people in the pews.





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Step 1: Request Postcards from the Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops

- A. Please contact the FCCB Outreach Coordinator at **(850) 205-6819** to request postcards for your parish outreach initiative.
- B. Please provide the number of postcards needed to ensure an adequate supply for all people attending the Saturday Vigil and all Sunday Masses. Postcards will be mailed out to the parish, at no cost to parish.

Step 2: Place Bulletin Announcement in the Parish Bulletin

- A. **The following bulletin announcement should be placed in the parish bulletin the weekend prior to the parish outreach initiative.**

Catholic social teaching invites us to love and pursue justice for our neighbors; to protect the sacredness and uphold the dignity of human life at every stage of development; to seek peace and promote the common good. **The Florida Catholic Advocacy Network (FLCAN) allows Catholics across Florida to stay informed and take action on important public policy issues. FLCAN postcards will be available in the pews for you to complete next week. Please drop your postcard in the collection basket! You can also text FLCAN to 50457 to receive FLCAN notifications via text.** Visit us today at www.flaccb.org for additional information.

Step 3: Parish Outreach Initiative (A Weekend Campaign)

- A. **The Florida Catholic Advocacy Network (FLCAN) pulpit announcement** will be made by either the Mass celebrant or the FCCB parish ambassador; prior to or at the end of Mass, or during the liturgy.
- B. **FLCAN Postcards (as well as pencils) are to be made available in the pews for parishioners before the pulpit announcement is delivered.**
- C. **Please give parishioners a minute to complete their postcard. All completed postcards are to be collected following the pulpit announcement or placed in the basket during the collection.**

Step 4: Return Completed Postcards to the FCCB

- A. **All completed postcards are to be returned to the FCCB within two weeks of completion.**

**Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops
Attn. Alejandro Capote
201 W. Park Avenue
Tallahassee, Florida 32301**

- B. Reimbursement for return postage is available from the Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops upon request.



The Pulpit Announcement

The Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops is the nonpartisan public policy voice of the Church and serves as a liaison to state government on behalf of the 7 dioceses of Florida.

Through the Florida Catholic Advocacy Network (FLCAN) the Conference provides opportunities for Catholics in Florida to carry out their responsibilities as faithful citizens, to stay informed and take action on important public policy issues.

By connecting today, you will receive by email:

- action alerts on key legislation at both the state and federal level;
- legislative reports and summaries; and
- other resources from the Conference

Jesus invites us to be instruments of hope, peace, and solidarity; to love and pursue justice for our neighbors; and promote the common good. Therefore, we are called to participate in public life, and to joyfully advocate for life, dignity, and the common good.

Please take a minute now to connect with the advocacy network by completing a postcard found in your pew. [You can also receive FLCAN notifications by texting FLCAN to 50457.](#)

Please drop your completed postcard in the collection basket. Thank you for your participation and cooperation!

Disclaimer: The Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops will not share your contact information with any other individuals, groups or organizations.





Anuncio desde el Púlpito

La Conferencia de Obispos Católicos de la Florida es la voz no partidista de la Iglesia en la política pública y sirve de enlace con el gobierno estatal en nombre de las siete diócesis de la Florida.

A través de la Red de Defensa Católica de la Florida (FLCAN), la Conferencia ofrece oportunidades para que los católicos en la Florida puedan actualizar sus responsabilidades como ciudadanos fieles, mantenerse informados y tomar acción sobre cuestiones importantes de la política pública.

Al inscribirse hoy, recibirá por correo electrónico:

- alertas de acción oportuna sobre leyes claves a nivel estatal y federal;
- reportes y resúmenes legislativos; y
- otros recursos de parte de la Conferencia.

Jesús nos invita a ser instrumentos de esperanza, paz, y solidaridad; a amar y perseguir la justicia por el prójimo; y promover el bien común. Por lo tanto, somos llamados a participar en la vida pública, y jubilosamente abogar por la vida, la dignidad, y el bien común.

Por favor, tome un momento para inscribirse a la red de defensa completando una de las postales que se encuentran en su banco. **También puede recibir notificaciones por texto mandando un mensaje al 50457 con las letras FLCAN.**

Después de llenar la postal con su información, por favor entréguela en la canasta de ofertorio. Gracias por su participación y cooperación.

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