

Jesus' Call for Justice

Keep these ideas in mind as you study **Unit 5, Session 24**.

Each of us is a part of many communities, both large and small. To make our communities function well, the Holy Spirit calls us to care for one another with respect and tolerance. Jesus Christ brings us together in a community—the Church.

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All people are of equal value in God's eyes.

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Governments should support the basic rights of individuals. Basic rights include the right to religious liberty and the right to be protected from terror or torture.

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As Catholics, we pray the *Magnificat* at every evening prayer.

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Through Catholic Social Teaching, God calls us to show justice, respect, dignity, and solidarity in all our communities.

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The Letter of James explores the theme of faith and good deeds. It also explains that faith without action is meaningless.

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Saint Patrick was a military officer who was captured and enslaved in Ireland. Never losing his faith, he forgave and helped those who had enslaved him.

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Upon his return to Ireland, Patrick introduced the Celtic tribes to Christianity by establishing monasteries, convents, and parishes, and adapting pagan celebrations to Christian feasts.

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