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Date: September 13, 2021

To: Clergy, school principals and staff, parish communicators, social action ministers, directors of Faith Formation, campus ministers and youth ministers

From: Kat Doyle, director of Justice and Peace Ministries; Office of Life Dignity and Justice

Re: Civilize It: A Better Kind of Politics

Civilize It: A Better Kind of Politics is a nonpartisan initiative from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops that seeks to assist Catholics to counter polarization and division in Church and society by following the example of the Good Samaritan, who challenges us to “become neighbors to all” (*Fratelli Tutti*, no. 80). Building off the successful 2019/2020 campaign of the same name, Civilize It: A Better Kind of Politics seeks to engage individuals, families and communities in dialogue and bridge building in pursuit of the common good beyond election season.

Along with a pledge to charity, clarity and creativity, additional materials – including an examination of conscience, individual and communal reflection guides, action steps and more – are available to empower individuals, families and communities to be bridgebuilders across perspectives.

Catholics across the Archdiocese of Atlanta are invited to charity, clarity and creativity to promote the common good at civilizeit.org.

[Click here for resources in Spanish.](#)

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