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With Sister Simone Campbell's announcement that she will step down from her position in March, NETWORK has embarked on the search for a new Executive Director. For the past 16 years, Sister Simone has grown and nourished the NETWORK community and ensured NETWORK's position as a leader working for justice in our federal policies. In the coming months, the NETWORK community will have several opportunities to celebrate and express gratitude for Sister Simone's many accomplishments at NETWORK.

ON THE COVER
View from Black Lives Matter Plaza in Washington, D.C. of the fence around the White House. Photo by: Colleen Ross, NETWORK Lobby

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A Hard-Won Victory for the Common Good

Together We Chose Community over Chaos

SISTER SIMONE CAMPBELL, SSS

As I write this, the election appears to be settled... finally. There are those who still believe the lies of President Trump and the Republican Party. President Trump’s efforts to delegitimize the election results and undermine our democracy horrified me. Perhaps even more shocking is the entire Republican Party’s support of this lie. Truth won out in the end, but the chaos and attacks underscores the work we have to do to choose a different way into the future.

In the midst of the post-election lies and sabotage, I rejoice in the fact that, with a record-breaking number of votes, the United States has elected President-elect Joe Biden to be its second Catholic president. But getting to this point has not been easy. We have worked hard to make this happen, but there is so much more work ahead.

We can point with pride to the fact that we worked effectively over these four years to oppose some of the most egregious, immoral policy proposals of the Trump administration. We were able to work in an effective coalition to stop the repeal of the Affordable Care Act. We could not stop the Republican tax law passed at the end of 2017, but we continue trying to modify it and make it more responsive to the needs of the common good. These Republican tax policies, like so many, benefitted the most privileged at the expense of those with the least. In this environment, movements for racial justice, climate justice, LGBTQ+ equality, workers’ rights and immigrant rights, health care, tax justice, and more rose up and stirred the conscience of our nation. This stirring of conscience will be critical for the work ahead as we work to respond to the needs of this disturbing moment.

Faced with a Congress that made little effort to curtail the Trump administration’s many proposals to undermine our society, we followed the need and jumped into the fray of administrative regulations. Many of you joined us by submitting public comments about proposed regulations. We opposed immigration regulations, SNAP modifications, and Census proposals to name a few. We helped to create a strong public record of opposition to the most horrific Trump policy proposals and in some cases delayed or even denied their implementation.

However, not all of our intense work over these four years was in opposition to proposals by the Trump administration. In the 116th Congress, NETWORK worked with the new Democratic House majority to address many of the critical issues facing the nation. Nearly all of our Mend the Gap areas were addressed in House legislation during the past two years. We knew these bills (including the For the People Act, the American Dream and Promise Act, the Equality Act, the Raise the Wage and Paycheck Fairness Acts, the Voting Rights Advancement Act, and more) were not likely to get a hearing in the Senate, but they were critically important for moving the conversation forward and laying the groundwork for future legislation.

For much of 2019 and early 2020 we were working flat out to achieve meaningful legislative successes. In one instance — the CARES Act — the pandemic gave us the opportunity for change. Congress enacted a provision requiring employers to offer paid family leave for the first time in our nation’s history. The pandemic brought to the forefront the need for policies that had only been dreamed of in the past. This opportunity drove home the point that we must look out for one another holistically, not just in the realm of pandemic health care.

In the fall, our efforts shifted to put a laser focus on defeating President Trump’s bid for a second term. Looking at the electoral map, we created a national and state-specific strategy for key states: Arizona, Florida, Michigan, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin. We were intentional about creating a Spanish-language social media ads and “Pope Francis Voter” website. We helped to move the conversation about Catholic voters in new directions through the Equally Sacred Scorecard, which many of you read and shared.

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Notable Quotables
What justice-seekers have been saying this quarter

“It should not be political when you’re trying to save someone’s life. Health care should not be political. COVID should not be political.”
Dr. Teresa Tyson speaking during the Nuns on the Bus site visit to the Health Wagon

“We must make the promise of the country real for everybody — no matter their race, their ethnicity, their faith, their identity, or their disability.”
President-elect Joe Biden’s victory speech after the result of the 2020 presidential election was decided

“We are on the right side of history on racial justice.”
NETWORK Board Member Leslye Colvin asking: “Are we on the right side of history on racial justice?” published in National Catholic Reporter

“Growing up during the civil rights era taught me to internalize as a Catholic that the moral arc of the universe bends toward justice, and as faithful citizens we must always discern and respond to the promptings of the Spirit.”
NETWORK Board Member Leslye Colvin asking: “Are we on the right side of history on racial justice?” published in National Catholic Reporter

“It should not be political, that’s good, because that means there’s something to be done here.”
Shani Akilah on dialogues about race during the Nuns on the Bus site visit to the Black and Brown Workers Cooperative

“The power of the vote is that it belongs to each of us. It is the ability to exercise the right to self-determination in our lives.”
Denise Lieberman speaking at the Nuns on the Bus site visit to the College Church Outreach Program

“The only Gospel that some people ever read is that of our lives. We have to be actively fighting against racism in whatever form it takes.”
Sr. Peg Spindler, CSA speaking at the Nuns on the Bus site visit to Sojourner Truth House

“The protection of our democracy takes struggle. It takes sacrifice. There is joy in it and there is progress.”
Vice President-elect Kamala Harris’s victory speech before introducing President-elect Biden, after television networks called the election

“Raising the minimum wage to a livable wage is a racial justice issue.”
Rev. Raphael Warnock (@ReverendWarnock) tweeting ahead of the the Georgia Senate runoff elections

“Predatory capitalism is falling around us and we have to make sure that the pieces that get picked up are what should be picked up. Let us build.”
Paulette Fair speaking at the Nuns on the Bus site visit to the Kheprw Institute

“Climate change is a life issue.”
Daniel P. Horan, OFM speaking on important election issues during the Nuns on the Bus Closing Town Hall

“Looking to the common good is much more than the sum of what is good for individuals. It means having a regard for all citizens and seeking to respond effectively to the needs of the least fortunate.”
Pope Francis speaking about striving toward the common good in his new book “Let Us Dream: The Path to a Better Future”

“If we’re not fighting for the dignity and humanity of life then what are we doing?”
Elena Hung, co-founder of Little Lobbyists, speaking on the importance of health care legislation and the ACA at the Nuns on the Bus Health Care Rally
So many of you were gifted articulators of being multi-issue voters, sharing your thoughts online at our Town Halls every night during our virtual Nuns on the Bus tour. Your willingness to engage in the conversation and share our Equally Sacred Scorecard was a highly effective campaign strategy, and the scorecard was viewed over 100,000 times. I heard from many of you that you printed copies and handed them out. Some of you sent them to bishops and priests as well as neighbors and relatives. Together we had an impact! Because of that, we can look forward with hope to the inauguration and the new Congress.

We know that the 117th Congress will require intense engagement. The House of Representatives has fewer Democrats than in the 116th Congress. Whatever the result of the Georgia Senate runoff elections, bipartisan votes will be needed for any Senate legislation to pass with a 60-vote threshold. This means it will be challenging to move legislation through Congress and to President Biden’s desk.

However, it is not just the situation in Congress that make our lives challenging. President Trump has persisted in his lies about the election. He and his supporters have continued to claim there was “rampant fraud” and that the results cannot be trusted. On many levels, he has successfully promoted chaos and distrust of our system of governance. This President has a voracious appetite for the spotlight. This will not disappear the moment that President-elect Biden and Vice President-elect Harris take their oaths of office. It is hard to imagine what a former President Trump will do, but I am sure that he will continue to break norms and protocols. This will challenge all of us to stay focused on building an inclusive community that dismantles structural racism and opens possibilities for all people.

We have much work to do to heal our democracy and build anew in this country. We will need to talk to our Representatives in Congress, but we will also need to talk to our neighbors and friends about healing our nation. Let us recommit to a ministry of conversation and encounter that puts truth and community at the heart of our work. Then, four years from now, we will be able to say that 2021 was the year we recovered from the pandemic AND moved closer to realizing a just society where the economic gaps are bridged and structural racism eliminated.

I want to extend a sincere thank you to each one of you who persevered through Wi-Fi difficulties, participated in an event across time zones, and became a pro at Zoom in order to join us in this new format!

In 2020, the Nuns on the Bus visited 25 community partners, hosted 28 town halls for Spirit-filled voters, and held five national rallies with policy advocates and elected officials across the country who are working to mend the gaps in our nation. Although our Nuns on the Bus virtual tour was unusual, it still managed to be the perfect vehicle of justice and joy to spread the message that Who We Elect Matters!
2020 was a turbulent and deadly year. The COVID-19 pandemic began in early January and escalated throughout the year. In counties and states across the United States, the COVID-19 pandemic indiscriminately brought communities to a precipice. As 2021 begins, there have been more than 20 million COVID-19 cases and more than 350,000 deaths in the U.S. Many of those deaths have disproportionately affected Black, Latinx, and Native American communities, communities, which have high concentrations of essential workers and systemic barriers that impede access to health care. At the same time, the economic situation is devastating, with millions of workers unemployed and struggling to put food on the table and keep a roof over their heads.

The tragic experience of the overcriminalization of Black people endemic to the United States continued in 2020. High profile deaths of young Black men and women at the hands of law enforcement led to historic mass protests against police violence, calls for justice, and the reimagining of a justice that would end the violence against Black men, women, and children. We say must say their names: Ahmaud Arbery, shot and killed by a former police officer while jogging; Breonna Taylor, shot and killed in her home by police serving a no-knock warrant; George Floyd choked to death by police; Rayshard Brooks, shot and killed by police in a fast food parking lot; Walter Wallace Jr., fatally shot by police while suffering from mental illness; Casey Goodson, Jr. shot by police in the back while walking into his house. Sadly there are others whose faces and names that are not widely known. Advocates for justice continue seeking real solutions to the systemic racism devaluing Black lives.

Finally, the earth too made her anguish known in 2020. Fires raged throughout the summer in Western states, destroying homes, forests, and anything else in its path. Hurricanes ripped though the South and Southwest forcing people to flee for their lives at the high of a deadly pandemic. The cry of the earth matched the cry of those in poverty looking for solutions to suffering and destruction.

Congressional Action in an Unpredictable Year

The year began with Washington embroiled in a political drama. At the close of 2019, the Democratic-led House of Representatives voted to impeach President Donald Trump for both abuse of power and obstruction of Congress. In February, the Republican-led Senate acquitted the President after voting against subpoenaing any witnesses. As you can see in the voting record, Republican Senator Mitt Romney was the only Republican to vote for President Trump’s removal. Around this time, the coronavirus crisis began to reach the United States, first in a small number of states and then spiraling around the coun-

4,332 deaths by March 31
Congress passes three COVID-19 packages to respond to the emerging COVID-19 crisis, including the $2 trillion CARES Act.

59,299 deaths by April 30
The 9th rural hospital closes in 2020 alone.

100,500 deaths by May 31
House passes $3 trillion HEROES Act which would increase SNAP funding, provide rent, mortgage, and utility assistance, extend unemployment benefits, and more.

120,077 deaths by June 30
U.S. Census Bureau data shows that nearly 14 million children in the United States don’t have enough to eat, more than five times the number in all of 2018.

145,354 deaths by July 31
60% of Black households, 72% of Latino households, and 55% of Native American households are facing serious financial problems, compared with 36% of white households.
A YEAR OF RECKONING AND RENEWED COMMITMENT

By mid-March, President Trump declared a national state of emergency. At first, leaders of both parties put aside partisan politics to respond to the needs of people and communities during the pandemic. In record speed, three emergency packages were developed and passed in March. These bills provided trillions of dollars to combat the coronavirus outbreak, to protect families and vulnerable people, and to bolster the economy. These acts effectively funded research for vaccines and the healthcare infrastructure to combat COVID-19, while providing financial assistance families and businesses.

For the next nine months, Congress struggled to pass further COVID-19 relief. Now as we see the global introduction of government-funded vaccines, COVID-19 anxiety climbs daily with record deaths of 3,000 people a day, record unemployment, and record numbers of small businesses shutting their doors.

The deadly nature of the disease and the need for a strong federal response only became more apparent after March’s legislative actions. Political calculations, however, shifted significantly. The COVID-19 pandemic became a huge political liability for President Trump. His response was to downplay the risks of the disease, blame “blue states” for mishandling their COVID-19 responses and urge his supporters that concerns about COVID-19 were “fake news” perpetrated by a liberal media. Likewise, the politics changed for the Republican-led Senate. Fiscal conservatives were furious about the amount of public spending in the three previous relief bills. The Senate’s most conservative members including Senators Rand Paul and Ted Cruz railed at spending for unemployed workers, spending for state and local governments, and more. Senate Majority Leader McConnell, aware of the split in his caucus, shut down attempts to pass additional COVID-19 relief by House Democrats for nine months, not wanting to expose the deep divisions in his Republican caucus despite the high numbers of cases and deaths across the country.

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**175,627 deaths by Aug. 31**

**Negotiations to pass additional coronavirus legislation fail; federal enhanced unemployment benefits providing $600/week expire.**

**198,935 deaths by Sept. 30**

**Though some eviction protections exist at the federal and state levels, 30–40 million people in the U.S. could be at risk of eviction in the next several months.**

**222,330 deaths by Oct. 31**

**Negotiations for another coronavirus stimulus package break down. Majority Leader McConnell’s pared-down legislation fails to pass the Senate. Senate hearings and confirmation of Justice Barrett take place and Justice Barrett is sworn in.**

**259,075 deaths by Nov. 30**

**As a Dec. 26 deadline approached when 12 million people will lose unemployment insurance, Congress could not reach a deal to extend benefits in November.**

**336,811 deaths by Dec. 31**

**Congress finally succeeds in passing a $900 billion COVID-19 relief bill with the FY 2021 budget. President Trump threatened a veto, but signed on Dec. 27.**

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COVID deaths data: covidtracking.com/data/national
First Article of Impeachment: Abuse of Power – Vote #33 (H.Res.755)

NETWORK supported the impeachment of President Trump. The first article of impeachment was in regards to the President’s abuse of power “by ignoring and injuring national security and other vital national interests to obtain an improper personal political benefit. He has also betrayed the Nation by abusing his high office to enlist a foreign power in corrupting democratic elections.”
Not Guilty 52-48, February 5, 2020

Second Article of Impeachment: Obstruction – Vote #34 (H.Res.755)

NETWORK also supported the second article of impeachment, which outlines the President’s obstruction of Congress. During the House of Representatives investigation into the President’s actions, he “directed the unprecedented, categorical, and indiscriminate defiance of subpoenas issued by the House of Representatives” and in doing so violated the Constitution.”
Not Guilty 53–47, February 5, 2020

Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supple­mental Appropriations Act – Vote #66 (H.R.6074)

NETWORK supported this initial $8.3 billion coronavirus relief package, which moved rapidly through Congress, to provide emergency funding to federal agencies responding to the COVID-19 outbreak. It included funding for health systems to prepare for the pandemic, funding for the National Institute of Health (NIH) to work on a vaccine, and funding for disaster related loans through the Small Business Administration.
Passed 96-1, March 5, 2020

Families First American Coronavirus Response Act – Vote #76 (H.R.6201)

NETWORK supported this relief package aimed to address the economic and health impacts of COVID-19 by expanding nutrition assistance and paid sick leave, adding additional unemployment benefits, providing free coronavirus testing, and increasing federal Medicaid funding.
Passed 90-8, March 18, 2020

Coronavirus Aid, Relief, & Economic Security (CARES) Act – Vote #80 (H.R.748)

NETWORK supported this third relief bill, albeit with reservations. CARES appropriated $2.2 trillion for direct payments to individuals, for loans to small businesses, for expanded unemployment insurance, for community health centers, election security, and housing in an effort to counter the worst anticipated negative economic impacts of COVID-19. Provisions that excluded tax filers without a Social Security number from the direct payments were a huge disappointment for withholding supports to undocumented taxpayers.
Passed 96-0, March 25, 2020

Confirmation of Justice Amy Coney Barrett – Vote #224 (PN2252)

NETWORK opposed the confirmation of Amy Coney Barrett to the Supreme Court for both the fast-tracked process and based on her judicial record. The Senate pushed through confirmation of Justice Barrett even as millions of voters had already cast their ballots in a national election. Aside from the bad-faith process, Justice Barrett’s record reflects opinions counter to NETWORK’s values of protecting the common good and public welfare.
Confirmed 52-48, October 26, 2020

Congressional Changes in 2020

In the Senate
- Kelly Loeffler (R-GA), Sworn in January 6, 2020
- Mark Kelly (D-AZ), Sworn in December 2, 2020

In the House
- Tom Graves (GA-14), Resigned October 4, 2020
- John Lewis (GA-05), Passed away July 17, 2020
  – Succeeded by Kwanza Hall (GA-05), December 3, 2020
- John Ratcliffe (TX-04), Resigned May 22, 2020
- Mark Meadows (NC-11), Resigned March 30, 2020
- Duncan Hunger (CA-50), Resigned January 13, 2020
- Katie Hill (CA-25), Resigned November 3, 2019
  – Succeeded by Mike Garcia (CA-25), May 19, 2020
- Elijah E. Cummings (MD-07), Passed away October 17, 2019
  – Succeeded by Kweisi Mfume (MD-07), May 5, 2020
- Chris Collins (NY-27), Resigned September 30, 2019
  – Succeeded by Chris Jacobs (NY-27), July 21, 2020
- Sean P. Duffy (WI-07), Resigned on September 23, 2019
  – Succeeded by Thomas P. Tiffany, May 19, 2020
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Network supported this bill for its strong worker protection and labor enforcement provisions. The PRO Act restores dignity to workers by applying a fair standard of protection nationwide and protects workers from retaliation when exercising their right to unionize. 

Passed 224-194, February 6, 2020

2. **Families First Coronavirus Response Act – Vote #102 (H.R.6201)**

Network supported this second, urgent relief package at the onset of the coronavirus pandemic. It aimed to address the economic and health impacts of COVID-19 by expanding nutrition assistance and paid sick leave, adding additional unemployment benefits, providing free coronavirus testing, and increasing federal Medicaid funding.

Passed 363-40, March 14, 2020

3. **Coronavirus Aid, Relief, & Economic Security (CARES) Act – Voice Vote (H.R.748)**

Network supported this third relief bill, though with reservations. The CARES Act appropriated $2.2 trillion for direct payments to individuals, loans to small businesses, for expanded unemployment insurance, for community health centers, election security and housing in an effort to counter the worst anticipated negative economic impacts of COVID-19. Provisions that excluded tax filers without a Social Security number from the direct payments were a huge disappointment for withholding supports to undocumented taxpayers.

Passed by voice vote, March 27, 2020

**Why are there no scores for the CARES Act Vote?**

The highly unusual passage of the CARES Act by voice vote makes it impossible to score despite it being extremely important legislation in 2020.

4. **Paycheck Protection Program & Health Care Enhancement Act – Vote #104 (H.R. 266)**

Network supported this $484 billion COVID-19 response package, which replenished the Paycheck Protection Program funding to continue providing support for small businesses. The package included additional funding for public health measures such as COVID-19 testing and grants to health providers.

Passed 388-5, April 23, 2020


Network supported this $3 trillion package to provide additional direct cash payments, funding for state and local governments, hazard pay for essential workers, an extension of the federal unemployment benefit and additional money for testing. HEROES closed the loophole for taxpayers without a Social Security number, suspended student loan repayments, and included additional funding to support elections.

Passed 208-199, May 15, 2020

6. **George Floyd Justice in Policing Act – Vote #119 (H.R.7120)**

Network supported this legislation, crafted in response to the public outcry from the horrific murder of George Floyd by police. The Justice in Policing Act includes critical reforms like prohibiting chokeholds and similar maneuvers, the establishment of a national database on police-community interactions, eliminating no-knock warrens, and implicit bias training for police.

Passed 236-181, June 25, 2020

7. **Washington, D.C. Admission Act – Vote #122 (H.R.51)**

Network supported the “D.C. statehood bill” as a matter of voting rights and racial justice. This legislation, making Washington D.C. the 51st state of the Union, would enfranchise more than 700,000 D.C. residents — the largest share of which are African American. The bill would give the District the same privilege of self-rule enjoyed by all other states, including representation by voting members in the U.S. Congress.

Passed 232-180, June 26, 2020

8. **Delivering for America Act – Vote #182 (H.R.8015)**

Network supported this bill to provide financial support and operational protections for the United States Postal Service. This emergency legislation provided $25 billion to ensure ongoing timely delivery by USPS during COVID-19. The Constitutional mandate of the Postal Service to deliver to every person in the United States is critical for the health and safety of people sheltering in place during and choosing to vote by mail.

Passed 257-150, August 22, 2020

9. **Pregnant Workers Fairness Act – Vote #195 (H.R.2694)**

Network supported this bipartisan, common-sense legislation. The bill would modernize current worker discrimination laws to include pregnancy and would address gaps in protections for pregnant workers by requiring workplaces to provide reasonable accommodations to ensure healthy pregnancies.

Passed 329-73, September 17, 2020
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Summer Efforts to Combat Police Violence

Cries for reform related to police violence escalated in early June following the murder of George Floyd in Minneapolis. It was clear that federal statutory reforms were urgently needed on a range of policing issues, including qualified immunity, use of force, police accountability, racial profiling, militarization, data collection, and training. Advocates at NETWORK and throughout the civil rights community marshalled a political effort to press for reform commensurate with the need. As advocates across the globe pushed for transformational change, the House responded by passing the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act. The Senate, however, responded with a watered-down version, The JUSTICE Act, introduced by Senator Tim Scott (R-SC) (the chamber’s only Black Republican), which did not fully ban chokeholds or qualified immunity. This was a missed opportunity to meaningfully restore faith and hope in state systems and will need to be among the top priorities for the next Congress and new Administration.

Senate Focus on Judicial Appointments

Throughout the 116th Congress, Senate Republicans and President Trump have been focused on packing the federal judiciary. The Senate has confirmed more than 228 federal judges with life-time appointments, the second-most since the Carter Administration.

The death of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg weeks before the 2020 election offered the Trump administration a new chance to fill a lifetime appointment on the Supreme Court. The early frontrunner was a conservative judge named Amy Coney Barrett. A white Catholic, mother of seven whose body of work included defending GOP efforts to suppress votes in Florida in 2000. For many, Justice Barrett’s confirmation was the antithesis to Justice Ginsburg. With the high stakes of filing a Supreme Court vacancy just eight days before a presidential election, GOP senators voted (with Senator Collins as the sole GOP dissenter) in lock step with Senator McConnell to confirm the nomination while Democrats stood by regretfully, having created the pathway in 2013 for McConnell to eliminate the filibuster for SCOTUS nominees.

Our Future Outlook

The 2020 election outcomes infused hope for countless social justice advocates. The Biden-Harris ticket unseated an incumbent president for the first time in 30 years, during a global pandemic of biblical proportion with the same electoral college votes Trump won with in 2016 (306 v. 232). While the balance of the Senate stands undecided until January, the 117th Congress will be the most diverse than ever, with record number of women, people of color, and LGBTQ-identified lawmakers set to represent our country. As President-elect Biden prepares to rebuild our country, he faces the daunting task of governing a divided nation and Congress.

The first 100 days of the Biden-Harris administration is expected to focus on implementing a COVID-19 economic recovery, relief, and mitigation plan — using all available resources such as the Defense Production Act and executive orders to extend protections and relief through existing statutory authority. Regardless of the Georgia Senate races, we also expect President Biden to use executive authority to reverse course on many of President Trump’s unjust executive orders that imposed work requirements on safety net programs, weakened fair housing protections, and created a second class for immigrant families. Given the racial animus in our nation, we call on the Biden-Harris administration to prioritize creating a White House Office on Racial Equity to ensure a coordinated government response.

In the House, Representatives are also expected to prioritize the passage of a pro-democracy package on day one, while also working to address COVID-19, right the wrongs of racial inequity, reverse the 2017 tax law, ensure legal protections for 700,000 DACA recipients, and expand economic investments that prioritize the common good and a pro-jobs agenda. It will be critical for Democrats to restore trust early between progressives and moderates to accomplish this legislative agenda. Similarly, Republicans will also need to regroup following the Trump presidency. Whether they intend to obstruct or work together with Democrats to pass bipartisan bills remains to be seen. Regardless of which party controls the Senate, NETWORK member engagement will be critical to holding the Biden-Harris administration and Congress accountable to an economic justice and racial equity agenda that centers the common good.
Catholic Social Justice in 2021 and Beyond!

With record-breaking voter turnout in the 2020 election, President Biden was elected our nation’s second Catholic president with 81,283,098 votes, the most ever cast for a presidential candidate. President Biden often speaks about how his Catholic faith guides his worldview, including the principles of Catholic Social Justice.

Download this graphic of NETWORK’s principles of Catholic Social Justice at: www.networklobby.org/catholicsocialjustice.