

## The Detroit Guild of the Catholic Medical Association

*Our Organization is committed to:*

- ◆ Upholding the principles of the Catholic Faith as related to science and medicine.
- ◆ Leading the Christian community in communicating Catholic medical ethics to medical professionals, clergy and the general public.
- ◆ Assisting Catholic hospitals in applying Catholic moral principles to the practice of medicine.
- ◆ Enabling Catholic health professionals to know one another better and to work together with deeper support and understanding.

Are you interested in finding out more about the DGCMA or in joining our organization?

Call Kathryn at (734) 420-2784 or visit our web site at [www.dgcma.org](http://www.dgcma.org) for an application.

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## The Culture of Life and Healthcare Reform

Presented By  
The Detroit Guild  
Of The Catholic  
Medical  
Association



Saturday  
June 6, 2009  
9:00 AM - 1:30 PM  
St John Center  
Plymouth, Michigan





## Objectives

Participants will learn about:

- The teaching of the Catholic Church regarding the nature of healthcare in respect to the core principles of subsidiarity, solidarity, and personal dignity.
- A consideration of the virtue of Prudence- How the greatest good is provided for the common good.
- The practical application of these principles to the present context. Can the Culture of Life be trusted to a political body that protects abortion, and seeks to ration care to the elderly?
- Alternatives to the status quo that recognize and respect the dignity of the individual and respect life, parental authority, and individual autonomy.
- Assist in forming a Catholic conscience to judge upcoming proposals for healthcare reform that promote a culture of life.

### Location:

**St John Center**  
**44045 Five Mile Road**  
**Plymouth Michigan 48170**  
**(734) 414-0600**  
**www.theinnatstjohns.com**

## Schedule of Events

**8:00 - 8:30 a.m. Mass Bishop Robert Vasa**  
**Episcopal Advisor of the CMA**  
 St John Chapel

**8:30-8:55 a.m. Registration**

**9:00 - 9:05 Welcome Dr. John Damiani**  
 President - Detroit Guild of the Catholic Medical Association

**9:05 - 9:55 Catholic Social Teaching and Health Care: Part 1**  
Introduction and Principles  
**Dr. Kevin Schmiesing**  
 Research Fellow, Acton Institute

**9:55 - 10:10 Questions and Answers**

**Break 10:10 - 10:25**

**10:30- 11:50 Catholic Social Teaching Part 2**  
Application of Principles  
**Dr. Kevin Schmiesing**

**11:50 -12:10 Q/A**

**12:15 - 12:45 Lunch**

**12:50 -1:30 Legislative Initiatives and Challenges to the Culture of Life**  
Mike O'Dea

Founder of Christus Medicus Foundation and President of Valuesure Corporation, Catholic Healthcare Insurance Specialist

**1:30 1:45 pm Q/A Panel Questions**

## Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

### Registration Fees\*

\_\_\_\_\_ \$40.00 General Admission

\_\_\_\_\_ Student \$20.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Clergy/Seminarians/  
Religious FREE

\*All Fees \$5.00 higher at the door

Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Seating Limited

Make Check payable to DGCMA

Please mail Registration by May 14<sup>th</sup>

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