

Resources on HIV/AIDS

from the IHM HIV/AIDS Committee, Monroe, Michigan

Websites

www.unaids.org UN-AIDS: Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

The Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) is an innovative joint venture of the United Nations family which brings together the efforts and resources of 11 UN system organizations to unite the world against AIDS.

www.cdc.gov/hiv U.S. Center for Disease Control

Provides basic information on HIV/AIDS in the U.S., including testing information, statistics, who's at risk, prevention resources, policies and programs, HIV/AIDS media (including fact sheets, slides, infographics, etc.) and more.

<http://www.e-alliance.ch/en/s> Ecumenical Advocacy Alliance

(Click on "HIV and AIDS" on the Menu Bar)

The HIV and AIDS campaign is based on the knowledge that *all* churches are living with and affected by HIV and AIDS. The pandemic continues to affect people everywhere, and people of faith everywhere must take up their pastoral and prophetic role to overcome stigma and discrimination, to care for body and spirit, and to advocate for universal treatment and effective forms of prevention.

http://www.unaids.org/sites/default/files/media_asset/JC2686_WAD2014report_en.pdf

World AIDS Day Report 2014 - "Fast Track: Ending the AIDS Epidemic by 2030"

www.ihmsisters.org IHM Sisters, Monroe, Michigan

(Click on "Living Justly - Current Issues - Global AIDS Crisis")

Many resources, including World AIDS Day prayer services, are available on this site.

The Washington D.C. Declaration

The Washington D.C. Declaration recognizes the fact that we stand at a unique time in the history of the AIDS epidemic. Through new scientific advances and societal, political and human rights gains, it is possible to turn the tide against the AIDS and begin to end the epidemic in our lifetimes. The IHM AIDS Committee endorsed the declaration.

Books

When God's People Have AIDS: An Approach to Ethics

Maria Cimperman

A unique treatment of moral theology and HIV/AIDS prevention that explores how Christian virtues can provide a vital and hopeful resource during this time of suffering.

28: Stories of AIDS in Africa

Stephanie Nolen

Through 28 riveting, anecdotal stories, the author brings to life men, women, and children involved in every AIDS arena, making them familiar. She explores the effects of an epidemic that well exceeds the Black Plague in scope, and the reasons why we *must* care about what happens.

Our Stories, Our Songs: African Children Talk About AIDS

Deborah Ellis

Deborah Ellis spent time in Africa collecting the experiences of children for *Our Stories, Our Songs: African Children Talk about AIDS*. The book is geared to a young audience.

The Heaven Shop

Deborah Ellis

The Heaven Shop is a poignant story of a child caught up in the AIDS pandemic in southern Africa. Proceeds from book sales go to UNICEF.

Infections and Inequalities: The Modern Plagues

Paul Farmer

Farmer argues that social and economic inequalities “have powerfully sculpted not only the distribution of infectious diseases but also the course of health outcomes among the afflicted,” what he calls “the pathogenic agency of inequality.”

Catholic Ethicists on HIV/AIDS Prevention

James Keenan (Ed.)

An excellent collection of articles by moral theologians on the critical moral issues at the heart of the AIDS pandemic.

We Are All the Same: A Story of a Boy's Courage and a Mother's Love

Jim Wooten

This is an extraordinarily moving account of a courageous South African boy's battle with AIDS that is also a scathing indictment of South African leaders who have failed to confront the AIDS epidemic in their country.

Articles

[AIDS Epidemic Under Control by 2030 'Is Possible'](#)

By James Gallagher, *BBC News*, July 16, 2014

There is a chance the AIDS epidemic can be brought under control by 2030, according to a report by the United Nations AIDS agency.

[Breakthroughs in Access to HIV Medicines](#)

Cathy Rowan, *Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns*, March 2014

The last few months have seen important developments in the efforts to increase access to medicines for people living with HIV and AIDS.

Catholic Responses to AIDS in Southern Africa: 30 Years After the Discovery of AIDS – Part I

Johan Viljoen, Jan. 21, 2013

St. Joseph's Theological Institute hosted a conference titled "Catholic Responses to AIDS in Southern Africa, 30 years after the discovery of HIV" in January 2013. This is part one of a summary of the conference.

Catholic Responses to AIDS in Southern Africa: 30 Years After the Discovery of AIDS – Part II

Johan Viljoen, Jan. 21, 2013

Part two of a summary of the conference, "Catholic Responses to AIDS in Southern Africa, 30 years after the discovery of HIV"

Drugs, Dignity and the Drive to End AIDS

Caritas International, Feb. 27, 2014

Faith-based organizations lay down AIDS roadmap at Caritas-UNAIDS meeting to strengthen collaboration and bring an end to HIV and AIDS.

From South to North: Lessons for the Church from the Developing World

Bishop Kevin Dowling, The Tablet Lecture 2014

An audio recording of Bishop Kevin Dowling's 2014 Tablet Lecture. Born in Pretoria and ordained as a Redemptorist priest in 1967, Kevin Dowling was appointed the Bishop of Rustenburg in 1990. He has ministered in various parts of South Africa, including townships in Cape Town and Pretoria and has been at the forefront of the Church's response to the HIV/AIDS pandemic.

<http://wapo.st/1B2cqXZ> Poverty, anti-gay bias, and inadequate health insurance has made Southern states the epicenter of HIV/AIDS. From The Washington Post.

Writing the Final Chapter on AIDS

Miriam Gathigah, *Inter Press Service*, Oct. 24, 2014

Although AIDS has defied science by killing millions of people throughout Africa in the last three decades, HIV experts now believe that they have found the magic numbers to end AIDS as a public health threat in 15 years.

DVDs

A Closer Walk (Produced by Worldwide Documentaries, 2003)

A Closer Walk was the first film to depict humankind's confrontation with the global AIDS epidemic. The film focuses on the underlying causes of AIDS; the relationship between health, dignity and human rights; and the universal need for action, compassion and commitment to counter what has become the worst plague in human history.

Angels in America (HBO, 2003)

This made-for-TV version of Tony Kushner's five-hour play is a film adaptation of what was a defining artistic statement documenting the political and social upheaval that HIV/AIDS brought to America's gay community and to the wider America around it.

Out of Control: AIDS in Black America (ABC *Primetime*, 2006)

As the world marked the 25th anniversary of the first reported cases of AIDS, one important story was mostly ignored: AIDS is an epidemic in the African American community and it's spreading fast. Shortly before his cancer diagnosis, Peter Jennings started work on this one-hour documentary devoted solely to the issue of AIDS in Black America.

Out of Hiding, Into the World: Thembi's AIDS Diary

NPR's *All Things Considered*, April 19, 2006

Producer Joe Richman gave Thembi Ngubane a tape recorder and, for a year, she recorded this intimate audio diary that brings listeners into her home, among her family, to witness her daily struggles and triumphs.

Magic Johnson: The Announcement (ESPN Films, 2012)

On Thursday, November 7, 1991, Earvin "Magic" Johnson made people stop and watch at The Forum in Inglewood, California. The 32 year-old ground-breaking point guard was holding a press conference to announce to the world that he was HIV-positive.

Philadelphia (1993)

Tom Hanks plays a gay lawyer who is unjustly fired by his firm because he has AIDS. Denzel Washington is another lawyer who reluctantly takes the case and learns to overcome his misconceptions about the disease, about those who contract it, and about gay people in general.

Where Have All the Parents Gone? (CNN, 2006)

This documentary, narrated by Christiane Amanpour, focuses on AIDS orphans and the people who care for them.

Yesterday (Videovision, 2005)

Yesterday brings an intimate human perspective to the AIDS crisis in Africa, putting a human face on a global crisis that's too often viewed in impersonal terms.

"[The congregation is committed to collaborating with other groups] to develop an appropriate response to the global pandemic of HIV/AIDS, recognizing especially its devastating impact on the children and future of Africa."

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