



Diocese of San Bernardino

MINISTRY OF LIFE, DIGNITY AND JUSTICE

Ministerio de Vida, Dignidad y Justicia

May 2018

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Diocese of San Bernardino wishes to acknowledge and celebrate those men and women who dedicate their lives to serving others as healthcare givers. These are people whose services to us are critical and important. They care for us, share our pains and are with us in our most vulnerable moments.

There are many people engaged in this task of serving the health needs of the young and old, the rich and the poor, all of God's children. But we know there are some who enthusiastically go way beyond the call of duty to carry out this service for the sick and show great deal of diligence to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ in their provision of these services. These people strive to live out the gospel values by applying the teachings of the Catholic Church in their medical work ethics.

As we continue to live out our Faith, putting into action all that Jesus Christ has asked us to do through his Church, applying as much as we could, those principles and values that distinguish us as Christians, we wish to recognize those healthcare professionals who have marked out themselves in their healthcare practices by adhering strictly to the Catholic moral values and beliefs. You may or may not have someone to recognize this year, but please, look in your parish community or healthcare institution for these exceptional healthcare givers.

We would ask that you nominate someone who has demonstrated great compliance with the Catholic Church's moral values and teaching in their medical practices.

Thank you for taking time to nominate these wonderful people who cater for our health needs.

I pray God to give you his peace and choicest blessings.

Yours Sincerely,

Sr. Mary Chilee Okoko, DMMM
Director, Department of Life, Dignity and Justice

CRITERIA FOR EACH AWARD



The St. Luke Award:

This award is presented to any doctor/physician who has distinguished himself/herself in their professional discipline, in a way that reflects the Catholic values and moral ethics. This award is defined as “Promoting the culture of life, value and respect for the dignity of the human person and compliance with the moral ethics embodied in the Hippocratic oath”.



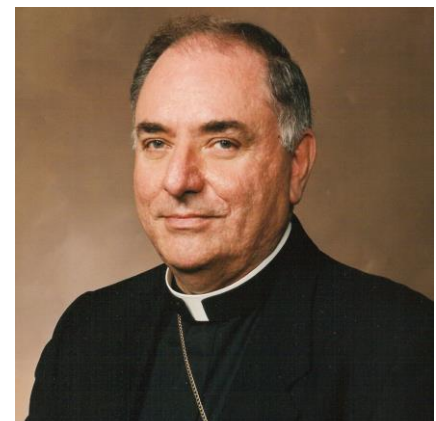
Florence Nightingale Award:

This award will be presented to any licensed nurse who has distinguished himself/herself in the field of nursing in a way that reflects Catholic values and moral ethics. This award will recognize an individual with a passion for nursing, clinical excellence, service to the community, respect for patients and families, and teamwork with other healthcare providers.



Blessed Teresa of Calcutta Award:

This award will be presented to an individual who is not a medical professional, but who has supported projects and programs, provided ancillary services in the healthcare system, fulfilling the mission of the Diocese “so that people’s lives are filled with hope.” For the purpose of this award, projects and programs will be measured by commitment, public information and education to the community.



Bishop Award:

This award will be presented to any healthcare provider, other than a physician or a nurse, who has distinguished himself/herself by providing healthcare services in a manner that promotes the mission of the Diocese, “so that people’s lives are filled with hope.” For the purpose of this award, service will be measured by level of commitment, availability and promptness in service and compliance with the moral teaching of the Church.

Nomination for the White Mass Award



Nominee: _____

Name: _____ Date: _____

Street Address: _____ Phone Number: _____

City: _____ CA, Zip Code: _____

Parish (If Appl.): _____ Parish City: _____

I nominate the above person to receive: (please check the award box)

- St. Luke Award**
- Theresa of Calcutta Award**
- The Bishop Award**
- Florence Nightingale award**

Please describe why this individual is deserving of this award. Use the blank page for your response and add additional pages if more space is needed.

Include in your description answers to these questions:

1. How long and in what context do you know this person?
 2. How do they fulfill the requirement for this award?
 3. Will the nominee be willing and/or comfortable with the sub-committee investigating their healthcare practices and methods?
 4. Check here for "Yes" ----- If "NO" why? -----
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Note: Each entity (Parish, Ministry, Healthcare Institution) may nominate one person in each category. Persons nominated but not recognized may be re-submitted the following year.

Person Submitting the Nomination:

Name _____ Profession _____ Date _____

Street Address _____ Phone _____

City _____ CA, Zip Code _____

My reason for Nominating (Name):

**Please submit completed nomination form to:
Diocese of San Bernardino
Director of Ministry of Life, Dignity and
Justice
Attn.: Nominations Committee
1201 E. Highland Avenue
San Bernardino, CA 92404**

**To be considered, Nominations must be
received in our office no later than
September 9, 2018**