



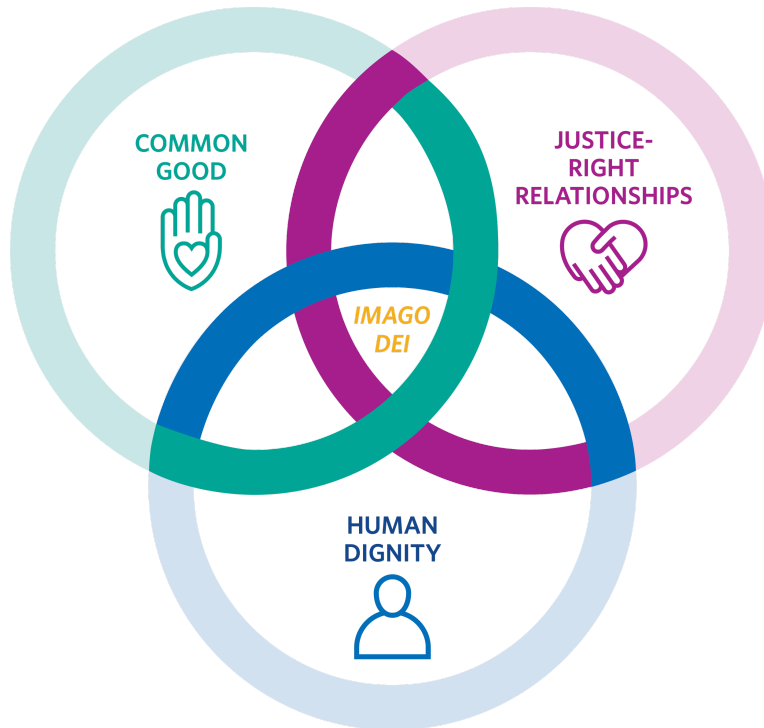
Ascension
Leader Institute

Roots of Ministry Leadership

Our View of the Human Person: Respect for Life
Retreat 1

Imago Dei

Made in the Image and Likeness of God



Human dignity

The **inherent value of each individual** simply by virtue of their existence as a human being, not contingent upon race, gender, social status, ethnicity, the ability to function or any other accidental attribute of the human person.

Common good

Human life finds its fulfillment in and through relationships. Ascension is committed to creating an environment and promoting policies that **foster conditions necessary for persons to flourish**.

Justice

At its most basic level, justice means **giving all persons what is due or owed to them** in accord with their inherent dignity as people created in the image and likeness of God. It accounts for the basic human needs all people need to flourish and participate in the Common Good.