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Dear Friends,

It may surprise some people to see all of the business-related topics enumerated in the print version index of Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church (2004). Since the encyclical *Rerum Novarum* (1891) addressed accelerations in economies, the Church's teaching has kept pace with a world that has not stood still. These teachings offer an affirmation of the human dignity of individuals, families and communities.

Admittedly, the complexities of our lives often outrun our ability to fully capture in documents the values that we advocate. This is where the Catholic Business Exchange provides a forum to share prayers, news and insights that bring faith enrichment into our work. It offers human connections across a wide spectrum of industry and expertise.

If you are like me, I appreciate this organization for sticking to meeting agendas that come to a hard stop. This makes any invitation to join you that much more appealing.

Thank you for being leaders in connecting faith and work, and making a vocation in business in Central Indiana that much more vibrant.

In Christ's peace,

Most Reverend Timothy Doherty, STL, PhD
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