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Social Welfare and Catholic Social Teaching

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For this Special Issue of *Religions*, we are soliciting submissions that will individually address specific practical aspects of Church teaching on the need to provide for the poor. We wonder what actual policy differences this teaching has made. What have been the successes and the failures? What are the long-term perspectives for this teaching? We are particularly interested in (1) a mix of country or regional articles (the Catholic Church and social welfare in Communist Eastern Europe; the Catholic Church and social welfare in the US; in Latin America, etc.); (2) thematic articles on topics like the Catholic Church and old age, disability, unemployment, inequality, dignity at work; (3) examinations of movements such as ecclesial base communities (comunidades eclesiales de base) and liberation theology; and (4) articles that examine tensions within the church regarding the development of Catholic social teaching and its prominence among other church goals, and interactions with the secular welfare state.

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