



CATHOLIC VOTER ALERT

Vote NO on IM-29

IM-29 threatens human dignity, common good

Initiated Measure 29 (IM-29) proposes to legalize so-called “recreational” marijuana. Lessons learned from other states that have legalized marijuana show this drug harms not only those who use it, but all of society.



Increased rates of drugged driving **accidents** and **fatalities**



Significant rise in marijuana-related visits to emergency rooms and calls to **poison control centers**.



Much higher marijuana use among adolescents and young adults, which can lead to **permanent IQ loss** of as much as 8 points.

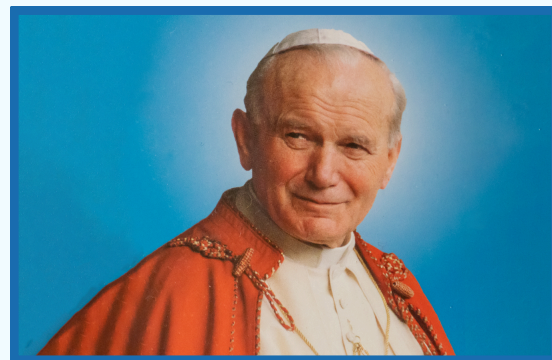


Marijuana use linked to mental health problems: **depression**, anxiety, psychosis and **suicide attempts**.



Marijuana use linked to poor educational outcomes, lower income, unemployment, welfare dependence, **relationship problems**.

“Drug abuse impoverishes every community where it exists. It diminishes human strength and moral fiber. It undermines esteemed values. It destroys the will to live and to contribute to a better society. Drug abuse is indeed a scourge, just as much as famine, a drought, or an epidemic. Every year it reaps an increasing harvest of human lives.” - Pope St. John Paul II



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