



# Ragin' Cajun Catholics Cardinal Newman Lecture Series Fall 2020

**Distributism: A Path to the Common Good and Prosperity**  
Presented by Jay Toups

**Sources:**

Encyclicals: Pope Leo XIII, *Rerum Novarum*; St. John Paul II, *Laborem Exercens* and *Sollicitudo Rei Socialis*

Books: *The Third Way* (Includes *Rerum Novarum* and works by G.K. Chesterton);  
*The Servile State* by Hillaire Belloc

Website: The Distributist <https://distributist.blogspot.com/>

**Discussion Questions:**

What is the difference between socialism, capitalism, and distributism?

How as a Christian can we begin focusing on the common good and subsidiarity in our place of employment, in school, in our personal life?

The world has gone “global;” how does distributism fit into that structure?

Capitalism has build never-before-seen prosperity; why should we change?

How does American idealism fit into a distributist world?