

The population control policies like China's "one child policy" disrespect the life and dignity of a human person because it allows people to do the most cruel and inhuman things to the weakest human being, the unborn babies.

As Catholics we believe that God created the world. Human beings, as the important part of it, are God's most valuable creation. We are created based on God's own image. The facts that some governments, for example, China, enforce population control with the "one child policy" shows humans are being ignorant and disrespectful to God's most precious gift: life. They refused to accept the gifts from God that, of course, come with challenges.

This policy also shows how shallow some human thinking can be. If China's government thinks that poverty is a result of overpopulation, then they should use this as motivation to do better in their economy. One thing for sure they have a great amount of labor for many different industries.

Humans are created with intelligence to think of many solutions. By enforcing this policy, China's government gave up on finding solutions. They refused to use their intelligence, and they just tried a shortcut to limit the numbers of newborn children. This shows that they disrespect their dignity as intelligent human beings.

This policy also forces abortion on women if they become pregnant and I think this is the lowest level humans can be: murdering an unborn baby and forcing the mother to end her own child's life. Instead of respecting God's gift and protecting the weakest, they are disrespecting it by murdering the human being that is completely defenseless. Abortions hurt physically and mentally, not only to the unborn babies, but also to the mothers.

This "one child policy" is unjust to unborn children, women, men, families, and society because it really destroys human rights. Men, women, and each family are entitled to have as many children as they wish. Enforcing the "one child policy" is limiting their options as humans. This policy forces the killing of the unborn child. This is unjust to the men and women because they are prohibited from making their own decision of how many children to have and are forced to kill their child. It is unjust to the families since it takes their fundamental right to live freely and make their own decision.

The irony is: Governments worldwide consider a murder of a grown up person a crime but the "one child policy" forces the murder of an unborn child. Instead of protecting the helpless and defenseless, they encourage the killing of the child. How inhuman are we going to be? How unjust will society be?