



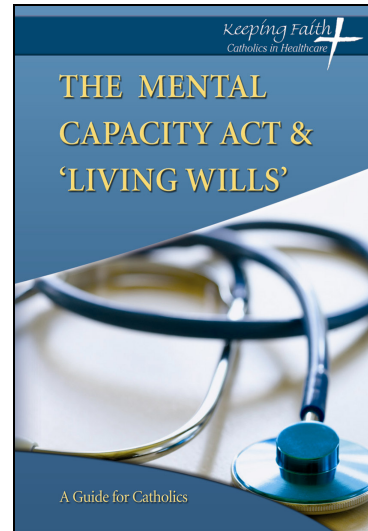
CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCE OF ENGLAND AND WALES

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The Mental Capacity Act and 'Living Wills': A Practical Guide for Catholics

The new Mental Capacity Act, in force from October 2007, has a number of far-reaching implications and will affect anyone unable to make decisions for themselves. To assist the Catholic community, the Bishops' Conference has produced a short guide, which has just been published by the Catholic Truth Society. It provides practical and accessible guidance to those concerned about aspects of this new law.

To brief and inform moral theologians, priests and interested healthcare professionals about the Act, Archbishop Peter Smith and Professor David Jones are holding three study days. Admission to these is free but prior booking is essential.



STUDY DAY

There will be three study days:

Leeds	Tuesday 22 April 2008	Hinsley Hall
Birmingham	Wednesday 14 May 2008	St Chad's Cathedral
London	Tuesday 27 May 2008	Vaughan House, SW1

The study days will start at 12.00 and finish at 3.00pm. Refreshments and a light lunch will be included. To reserve a place at one of the study days please email studyday.mcaguide@cbcew.org.uk indicating which study day you would like to attend. For further information phone: 020 7901 4828

To obtain a copy of the Guide:

Hard copies at £1.95 each can be ordered from the Catholic Truth Society at: orders@cts-online.org.uk or on 020 7640 0042.

A pdf version of the Guide can be downloaded from:
www.catholicchurch.org.uk