Blessed are the peacemakers, they will be called children of God.

Matthew 5:9

If you oppress the poor, you insult their Maker.

Proverbs 14:31

Make justice your aim:
redress the wronged,
hear the orphan's plea,
defend the widow.

Isaiah 1:17

The harvest of justice is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace.

James 3:18

This is what Yahweh asks of you, that you act justly, love tenderly, and walk humbly with your God.

Micah 6:8

## Let us not tire of preaching love;

it is the force that will overcome the world.

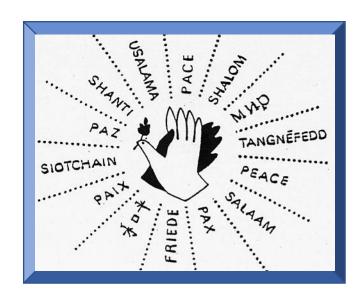
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Though we see that waves of violence succeed in drowning the fire of Christian love,

## love must win out;

it is the only thing that can.

Archbishop Oscar Romero



### Cambridge

# Justice & Peace Group

Formed in 1981, to find ways to answer the Biblical call to peace and the social justice teachings of the Church.

Let us be channels through which God can protect all creation and make justice and peace flourish - Pope Francis



#### **Action Examples:**

#### **PRAYER**

- · Stations of the Cross
- · Reflections on Papal writings, and for Advent, Lent
- Concerns for arms trade, wars, refugees, migrants
- · Season of Creation, climate crisis, fair trade

#### **CAMPAIGN**

- · Parliamentary lobby of MP
- Postcard campaigns/CAFOD petitions
- · Letter writing on behalf of prisoners of conscience

#### **PRACTICAL**

- CAFOD fund-raising
- Food Bank
- · Cambridge Churches Homeless Project

#### **AWARENESS RAISING**

- · Week for Peace in Palestine and Israel
- · City of Sanctuary
- Catholic Concern for Animals
- · Peace Sunday message

#### **NETWORKING**

- International and Social Affairs Christian Network
- Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission
- National Justice and Peace Network
- Global Justice Cambridge
- Cambridge Carbon Footprint
- · Pax Christi, CAFOD, Green Christian, ...

#### **Cambridge Justice & Peace Group**

The group was started in 1981, following encouragement by Pope Paul VI and the Second Vatican Council.

We are a friendly group, meeting monthly to reflect on both the spiritual basis of our call to commitment to Justice and Peace, as well as on the issues of concern of the day.

We plan activities to address these concerns – including liturgical events, talks, fund-raising, campaigning, publicity events, etc. We work to:

- increase awareness of suffering in our community and in the wider world
- develop understanding of the causes of that suffering
- help build a more just and peaceful world

Meetings: 2nd Tuesday of the month

Time: **7:30nm** 

Venue: Online, via Zoom (started Spring 2020)

... ask a contact (below) for link to join

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Group

https://justice-and-peace-cambridge.org

We welcome everyone, and we have members from the Cambridge Catholic parishes of Our Lady & The English Martyrs (OLEM), St. Philip Howard (SPH), St. Laurence (SL), Our Lady of Lourdes, Sawston (OLOL) and St John Fisher, Cambourne (SJF), and welcome members from other area churches.

To find out more, please come to one of our monthly open meetings or contact:

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