

Justice and Peace Newsletter – Easter 2018

'With loud shouts they insistently demanded that He be crucified, and their shouts prevailed' (Luke 23:23)

'He has risen, just as He said (Matthew 28:6)

## **Justice and Peace Fieldworker**

#### We are looking for someone with a passion

for justice and peace to be the Fieldworker for the Commission. You will need excellent communication skills, understanding of Catholic social teaching, flexibility, and the maturity to organise and manage your own workload and office. The post is based at Willson House in Nottingham, but the Fieldworker may work from home by agreement. Driving licence and use of a car are essential, as the Fieldworker serves the whole diocese. Salary will be £14,500 pa for 24 hours per week. Closing date for applications Monday 16th April. For full details and information on how to apply please put 'Fieldworker' in the subject line and email: pmstoat@gmail.com or call 01159 509 773 with your name and email address.

### Share the Journey – Parishes

Refugee Week 18 – 24 June: We are inviting every school and every parish to take part during the global week of action. In your parish, on the weekend of 23/24 June, can you organise a walk to church? Perhaps park at the local supermarket / school / park as a meeting point? In your school, can every student walk a mile around the playground? All these miles will then be added to the online totaliser! Through this walk of solidarity, we will show leaders that we expect them to step up in support of refugees and migrants. Please do get in touch about any events you are planning and do use the wonderful resources to help you. All walks taken by groups visiting the Briars are already being added to the totaliser. Share the Journey is here

### Pax Christi AGM

**The Pax Christi AGM 2018** will be held on Saturday 2nd June 2018 at Our Lady & St. Patrick's in the Meadows, Nottingham. All are welcome http://paxchristi.org.uk/

# Modern Slavery: Construction Industry

The Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB) has joined forces with Stronger Together to tackle modern slavery in supply chains. Major companies have joined the initiative and further information can be found at https://stronger2gether.org/construction/. A short video is also available on Chris Blythe's blog (CEO of the CIOB) at: https://www.ciob.org/blog/we-are-strongertogether-tackling-modern-slavery

#### Share the Journey - Nottingham

Walk from St. Barnabas Cathedral to the Assumption, Beeston via the Nottingham & Beeston Canal. This is a five mile gentle stroll in solidarity with refugees and asylum seekers taking place on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2018. We leave the cathedral at 11am.

### **International Law & Refugees**

In the Spring of 2011, violence in Syria began. It continues to this day and shows no sign of ending. Individual state actors do not intervene due to apparent wider geopolitical consequences and even opening arms to receiving refugees seems difficult.

Next year marks the 500th anniversary of the invasion of the Aztec empire, which features in Bartolomé de las Casas' work: *The Destruction of the Indies.* His relentless campaigning and petitioning of King Phillip II of Spain checked the power of the conquistadors from Mexico to Peru, and might represent the first step towards prevention of crimes against humanity. Please reflect this Easter on the weakness of international law and what it has meant for refugees around our world over the last five centuries. What needs to change?