

# Pax Christi in Parishes

Supporting and Enriching Youth Ministry



Pax Christi's work with young people encourages critical reflection on issues of peace and justice, the role of peacemaking as part of the Christian vocation, together with prayer and action for peace.

## Facilitating Reflection

Our workshops invite young people to examine the issues and explore the causes and consequences of conflict in their lives and the lives of others throughout the world. Some of our most popular workshops include:

- Vocation of Christian Peacemaking
- Palestine/Israel
- Conflict and Violence
- The Armed Forces
- Human Security
- Christian Nonviolence

The specific theme and content of our workshops can be tailored to the needs of the young people in your parish. Contact Matt at the Pax Christi office to discuss possibilities or to make a booking.

## Resources



Many of our workshops are freely available as resources sheets to allow the themes to be explored with the young people over a longer period of time.

Other resources available from Pax Christi include:

- Remember Bethlehem: Solidarity with Bethlehem during advent and Christmas
- Developing a Peace Garden

Whatever your peacemaking project Pax Christi is here as a resource.

To be kept up-to-date with new Pax Christi resources and upcoming events please subscribe to our monthly youth work e-newsletter.

Contact [education@paxchristi.org.uk](mailto:education@paxchristi.org.uk) to be added to the list

## Prayers for Peace

Pax Christi produce numerous prayer cards and liturgy ideas that help make prayer for peace central to the prayer life of your parish youth group. Some opportunities include:

- The Pax Christi Icon of Peace, available to be used as a focus for prayers of peace
- Peace Sunday. Celebrated in parishes every January, Pax Christi produce resources to accompany this
- Celebrating Peacemakers: The Feast of Bl Franz Jägerstätter, the Austrian conscientious objector and martyr for peace, is celebrated each year on May 21<sup>st</sup>. We also have resources on Oscar Romero and many other peacemakers

Further details and other opportunities on our website [www.paxchristi.org.uk](http://www.paxchristi.org.uk)

## Taking Action

Pax Christi can encourage the peacemaking work of young people within their families, schools and communities.

Each summer we facilitate a number of volunteering opportunities for young people in the UK and Europe.

The Pax Christi youth network organises annual events for young people with a heart for peacemaking.

To keep informed about these opportunities please subscribe to our mailing list.



For more information about how Pax Christi can support your parish youth ministry contact:

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