

TIME TO ACT FOR JUSTICE, PEACE & ECOLOGY

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A passion for justice, a desire for peace and a concern for the integrity of God's creation are all essential to the living out of the Gospel. They are not optional extras, but core components of Christian faith.

Building a culture of peace is a journey which begins with peace in our hearts and leads to peace in our local communities, nation, and world. We understand peace as not merely the absence of war or violence, but the presence of just social systems and right relationships between different members of society. Columbans promote a Gospel commitment to peace that fosters a sense of interconnectedness and solidarity with all living beings and all of creation. Below you will find three campaigns that the Justice, Peace and Ecology team is supporting this month.

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[PEACE SUNDAY - 17TH JANUARY 2021](#)

Pax Christi invites you to mark Peace Sunday, amplifying the World Peace Day message given by Pope Francis. On Peace Sunday consider facilitating a collection to support the work of Pax Christi and promoting their liturgy materials.

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[RESET THE DEBT - EMAIL THE CHANCELLOR](#)

Church leaders have sent an open letter to the UK Chancellor, asking the Chancellor to 'work with communities, churches, charities and creditors to create a comprehensive and just solution to the unique problem of lockdown debt'. Please consider joining your voice to theirs by emailing the Chancellor.

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[CHRISTIAN CND - NUCLEAR WEAPONS](#)

The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons will make nuclear weapons illegal from 22 January 2021, having been ratified by more than 130 states. Sign a petition calling on the British Government to sign and halt plans to upgrade Britain's nuclear weapons.

A Prayer from Pope Francis (via Pax Christi):

The peace Jesus gives us is a peace for today and for the future.

May the Lord give us this peace:

Full of hope, That makes us fruitful, That make us communicative with others,

That creates community, And that always looks to the definitive peace of Paradise.

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