

ST. ISIDORE'S PEACE & JUSTICE COMMITTEE

Mission Statement

The St. Isidore's Peace and Justice Committee has a two-fold mission, one of awareness and one of action. Human dignity is a bedrock of Catholic social justice. Through the Body of Christ, we are all part of one another and, therefore, share in that dignity. It is our aim to communicate to and to make our parish family aware of the needs and problems of others, locally and world-wide, and then by our collective activities, help them to achieve a better life or alleviate pressing problems.

Sometimes our activities will be monetary, sometimes physical, sometimes through prayer and often, all three. The main objective is to do something, however modest, when we are aware of a need for action. In this way, we not only fulfill our mission, but join with God in His.

Meeting Schedule

Every other month at 7:00 p.m. on a Wednesday, alternating locations between the two church sites (St. Mary's and St. Joseph's Churches). Typical meeting months: January, March, May, July, September, November

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Activities/Projects

- KIVA –support of individuals' initiatives through a micro-finance program
- Mission basket support - for missionaries Sister Kathy, Brother Bob
- Snack Packs for Kids - Collect goods
- Angel Action – Project participation, raise awareness
- Support of 2 school children in Nicaragua
- Welcome Cards –given to church visitors



*From left to right:
Meghan Hauser, Dick Wilcox, Pam Crowley, Nancy Berwanger (in rear), Felisa Brea McKay (front), Dee Miller, Cathy Parker.*

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Activities/Projects Proposed for 2015-16 *(continued)*

January	March for Life –Stipend to those who cannot afford the cost of travel.
February	SouperBowl – collection donated to SS & Perry food pantries Write Cards to Shut-Ins
March	Rice Bowls –Raise awareness of food crises, collect donations (St. Mary's church site only) Spiritual Adoption
April	Book Discussion**
May	Mother's Day Baby Shower for All Babies Cherished St. Isidore's Feast Day-seed giveaway, reception*
June	Guest Speaker and reception* All Babies Bottle Collection
July	Annual Picnic Meeting Baked Goods Sale
August	Summer break
September	Book Discussion**
October	Angel Action Winter Clothing Drive
November	Habitat for Humanity Gift Basket
December	Virgin of Guadeloupe Mass & Reception* Giving Tree (Angel Action & All Babies Cherished)

* done in collaboration with Community Life Committee

** The book discussion group takes place in Spring and Fall. The group selects titles that address issues of peace and social justice. Discussion is informal. Recent topics include Brother Benno's Oceanside Soup Kitchen, Father Bob McCahill, the Bicycle Disciple, turning oppression into opportunity for women throughout the world, the homeless in the US, and the dangers facing Central American children who try to immigrate.