

Resources for Learning About Peace and Justice

On Line Resources for Educators:

Peace and Social Justice Ministry, Diocese of Joliet

www.paxjoliet.org

This site has many links that should be very helpful – click on “Social Justice/Catholic Social Teaching Resources”, then “Important Justice Education Links”

- [Religious Education Resources](#): Passing on the Gift of Faith – Catholic Social Teaching. Lesson Plans from the Seattle Archdiocese.
- [All the Major Catholic Social Teaching Documents](#). The entire text of each document is available, but they've also garnered the best quotes and organized them for easy access. This site also contains additional resources for teachers. Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis Office of Social Justice
- [CatholicMobile Justice and Peace Page](#) Wonderful site, with links to everything Justice and Catholic
- [Resources for Catholic Educators on the Web](#) - Links, lesson plans, clip art, coloring pages, crossword puzzles, newsletter for Catholic catechists, teachers, DREs, parents and all involved in the education of the faith
- [Issues For Our Times](#) – John Bagley, from St. Thomas the Apostle Parish in Naperville, has compiled this 20 page listing of issues and background information. As he says, “There is much that could be done that it can be overwhelming. We can't do it all, but we need to choose at least one issue and decide to do something.” [This on-line document comes with great links for further research. In addition, you may download this research tool in pdf format for off line study and printing.](#)
- [Parenting for Peace and Justice Network](#) – for parents
- [CyberFaith](#) – Contains a feature called “Witnessing Faith” which examine the content of Catholic social teaching and discusses methods of implementation.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES RECOMMENDED BY JUSTICE AND PEACE OFFICE:

Poverty:

"Poverty Project" (2nd ed.), Linda Hanson, Good Ground Press, Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, St. Paul, MN, 2003.

Peacemaking:

"Peacemakers: The New Generation," Mary Fox , Claire M. Perez, E.T. Nedder Publishing, 2003.

Hunger:

"Hunger No More," Bread for the World with 22 other Catholic and faith-based organizations. Can be ordered from the BFW website (www.bread.org) or downloaded, along with children's activities, supplementary materials and website links at www.hungernomore.org .

Care for the Environment:

"Honoring God's Earth," Joanne E. DeJonge, Shining Star Publications, Carthage, IL, 1994.

"Loving Our Neighbor, the Earth," Christie L. Jenkins, Resource Publications, Inc., San Jose, CA, 1991.

"Planting Spiritual Seeds," Judy Gattis Smith, Abingdon Press, Nashville, TN, 1994.

General Hunger, Poverty and Development Issues:

Annual "Educator's Guide" for Operation Rice Bowl from Catholic Relief Services -- available in the annual ORB kit mailed to all parishes for Lent, and downloadable online at www.catholicrelief.org .

"Education for Justice" monthly column (listing specific lesson plans or resources on various justice issues) at diocesan Peace and Social Justice Ministry website, www.paxjoliet.org/justeach .

MORE WEB RESOURCES :

www.ipj-ppk.org Institute for Peace and Justice - many resources for Catholic teachers, catechists and parents. IPJ is an independent, interfaith, not-for-profit organization that creates resources, provides learning experiences, and advocates publicly for alternatives to violence and injustice at the individual, family, community, institutional and global levels.

www.uscatholic.org/csiline/tline.html - The Busy Christian's Guide to Catholic Social Teaching – This covers all the documents, what was said in them and what social conditions they were reacting to.

www.tolerance.org/storybooks/mouse/index.html Interactive storybook *The Barking Mouse*__Explore the empowering possibilities of communicating in more than one language with your beginning readers. *The Barking Mouse* is a folktale from Cuba, is read in a blend of English and Spanish. (K-3)

www.whatkidscando.org *What Kids Can Do* - Explore projects across the country where teachers and students are allies in campaigns to improve schools. *What Kids Can Do* print and online resources showcase efforts that "combine powerful learning with public purpose" at the intersections of school reform, service learning and community development.

Printed Resources

Reading one of these resources and providing a written report to your principal or director of religious education can be applied to diocesan catechist certification hours in "knowing"

Please contact sources listed for complete information before ordering materials.

To Act Justly: Introducing Catholic Social Teaching to Children with Stories and Activities Explores Christ's Teachings through the stories of saints who lived the beatitudes. Explores the Wisdom of Vatican II Teachings through the stories of neighbors in the modern world. Explores the Principles of Catholic Social Teachings through the stories of people who act justly. Lists about 15 organizations for more information regarding projects. Twenty-Third Publications.

Integrating the Social Teaching of the Church into Catholic Schools – NCEA Publications: SPICE – edited by Carol Cimino, SSJ; Regina M Haney; and Joseph M. O'Keefe, SJ. Successful approaches that are already in use are described in this book, along with presentations by national leaders in the field. This book presents 15 approaches that can be used to present Catholic social teaching to students and to integrate it into the institution's operations. 2001. 179pp. \$17 member/\$22 nonmember ADM-38-1253

The Impossible Will Take a Little While_ (\$15.95) is a collection of writings from peace-workers around the world, some famous some not. A must read for those concerned with local, national and global politics.
Basic Books (212)340-8100 www.basicbooks.com

Making Sense of the Holocaust: Lessons from Classroom Practice_ (\$19.95) is an examination of how different teachers effectively teach about the Holocaust with diverse groups of students. The author highlights strengths and missed opportunities of each case study.
Teachers College Press (800)575-6566 www.tcpres.com

Colormute: Race Talk Dilemmas in an American School (\$29.95). A Harvard anthropologist explores the boundaries and dilemmas of racial dialogue (or lack thereof) in the classroom. Explore the pitfalls and possibilities of everyday race talk.
Princeton University Press (609)258-4900 www.pupress.princeton.edu

In the Shadow of Selma: The Continuing Struggle for Civil Rights in the Rural South_(\$24.95)
Is a fascinating and shocking look at the struggle for freedom in Wilcox County, Alabama
Rowman & Littlefield Publishing (800)462-6420 www.rowmanlittlefield.com

Nonviolent Resistance: A New Approach to Violent and Self-Destructive Children_(\$20) offers a model of family peace-making based on Gandhi's premise of nonviolence. The book argues that typically adults attempt to use verbal persuasion with children, which escalates tension.
Cambridge University Press (212)924-3900 www.cambridge.org

In the Shadow of Slavery: African Americans in New York City 1826-1863 (\$25) was written after the 1991 accidental discovery of an 18th century Negro burial ground in the heart of New York City.
The University of Chicago Press (773)702-7700 www.press.uchicago.edu

With Dignity and Respect promoting multicultural books for children
With Dignity and Respect (815)744-0364

Teaching Tolerance_ is mailed twice a year at no charge to educators. The magazine is published by the Southern Poverty Law Center, a nonprofit legal and education foundation.
www.teachingtolerance.org

Building A New Community: God's Children Overcoming Racism_ Grades 4 – 9 Bible studies, creative activities, worship resources, continuing contemporary story. Teacher Guide (\$8.95) Children's book (\$3.95)
Shalom Education

Teaching Responsibility and Learning to Build Cultural Bridges Authors: Patricia Frisby & Sr. Francis Ault, O.P.
Grades 6-12 Group exercises and critical thinking
Simon Schuster (\$13.50) (800)428-4466

Educators for Social Responsibility Publications Purpose is to help young people develop convictions and skills to shape a safe, sustainable, and just world. Materials for Grades Preschool – 12 Books, posters, classroom kits
Educators for Social Responsibility (617)492-1764

Healing the Hate
The goal of this program is to teach that violence and prejudice are preventable.
National Hate Crime Prevention Project (800)225-4276