

THE PEACE AND JUSTICE INSTITUTE PRESENTS

SOCIAL JUSTICE SPIRITUALITY—ACTION FLOWING FROM PRAYER

October 9, 2008
St. Charles Pastoral Center
Romeoville, IL
9:00am—3:00pm

This workshop will address spirituality in the context of working for justice. The primary focus will be on recognizing the sacredness of what is often called the secular arena. Emphasis will be placed on prayer, of course, but we will also look at other virtues required for those committed to working for social justice, such as trust, visioning, anger, compassion, and ambition in its relationship to achieving success. Resources brought to bear will include the Benedictine unity of work and prayer; the Franciscan commitment to poverty and simplicity; the Ignatian emphasis on the active contemplative; John Paul II's encyclical, "On Work"; Karl Rahner's call for universal mysticism; Mother Theresa's letters in her book "*Come Be My Light*"; the creed of The National Center for the Laity.

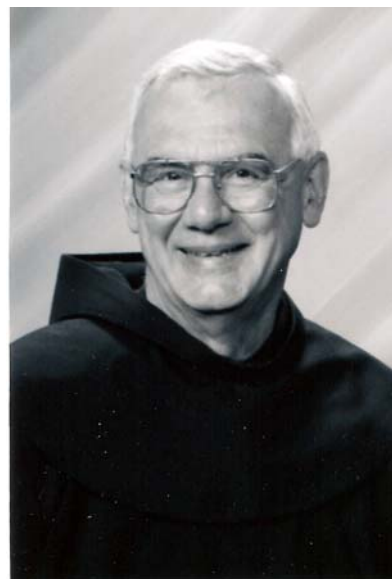
"Action on behalf of justice and participation in the transformation of the world fully appear to us as a constitutive dimension of the preaching of the Gospel, or, in other words, of the Church's mission for the redemption of the human race..."*
Justice in the World, Synod of Bishops, 1971

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Father Jonathan speaks from a background rich with theological teaching. Exceedingly well-read, he shares his depth of knowledge, along with his philosophy of our spiritual journey with God. A published author and poet, he is sought-after spiritual director who has been appointed by Cardinal George as a spiritual director for the Chicago Diaconate program.

Jonathan Foster is a priest of the Franciscan Province of the Sacred Heart. He received his Master's degree in Pastoral Studies from Loyola University of Chicago, and his PH.D. in Adult Formation from the University of Chicago. From 1975 to 1983 he was co-director of the Franciscan Office of Justice and Peace, and Chair of the National Franciscan Justice and Peace Conferences. From 1981 to 1991, he was the Director of St. Francis Retreat House at Mayslake in Oak Brook, IL. He is the founder of Mayslake Ministries, an adult spiritual formation ministry based in Westmont, IL which specializes in retreats, spiritual direction and personal spiritual renewal.

Visit the ministry website at mayslakeministries.org to learn more about Father Jonathan and experience his writings.



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