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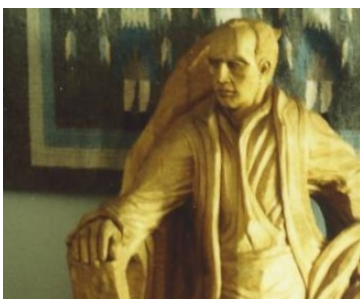
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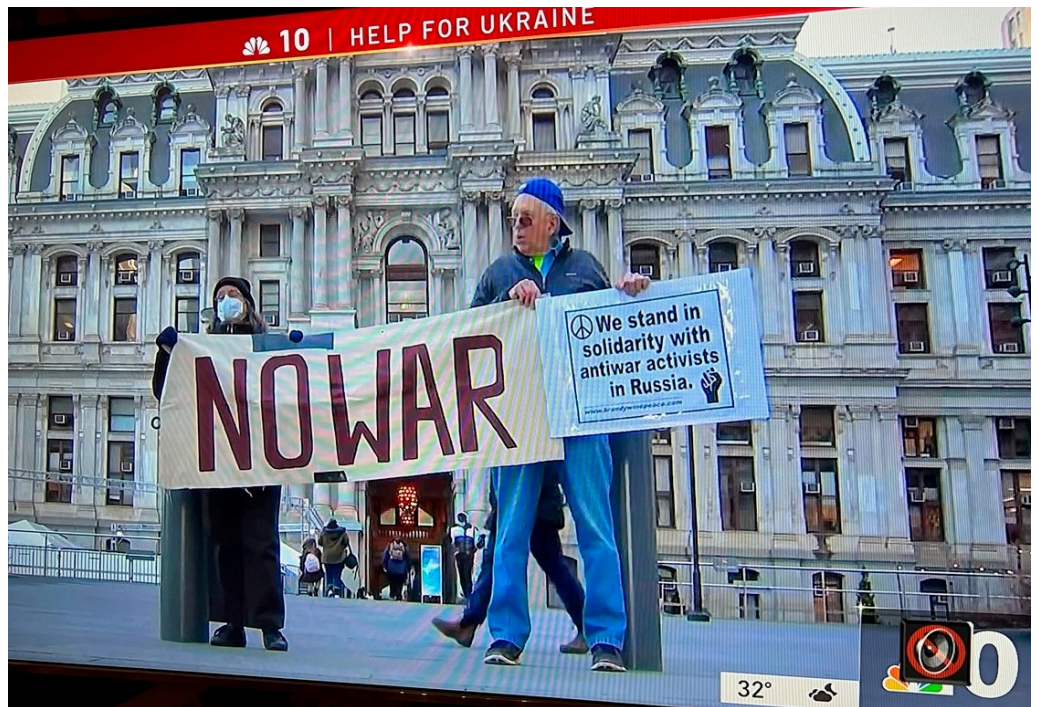
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## **Pax Christi US statement on Russia's invasion of Ukraine:**

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<https://paxchristiusa.org/2022/02/24/pax-christi-usas-statement-on-russians-invasion-of-ukraine/>

Pax Christi USA condemns the Russian invasion and bombardment of cities throughout Ukraine.... As St. John Paul II said in 2003 in response to the build-up and subsequent war in Iraq, "War is always a defeat for humanity." The invasion...is a direct violation of international law... War does not solve the historical and political challenges at the root of this conflict; war is not the vehicle for creating a just peace... [International Campaign Against Nuclear Weapons](#)...

Pax Christi USA urges the international community to stand united against the invasion of Ukraine ... **We urge the United States and NATO to refrain from pursuing military responses and to pursue solutions that address the context and complexity of the root causes which gave rise to the crisis in the first place.** ...in addition to Russian aggression, [the expansion of NATO](#) with the proliferation of bases, the continued manufacturing of weapons of war, and the reliance on security upheld by military power has played a significant role in the events building up to this ...crisis...

... voices within the U.S. Catholic community to refuse to beat the drums of war and to not support efforts to justify U.S. or NATO military action nor increase the flow of arms into the conflict... We encourage our community to publicly vigil in support of peace...

Our hearts are with all those in Ukraine who tremble in fear at the violence which has overturned their lives. Our hearts break for the losses already experienced, the suffering, displacement and death that cannot be erased. We stand with the people of Ukraine and all who are crying out for peace, and we join our voices to **the plea of Pope Francis, "War, never again!"**

## **86 Nations Sign Nuclear Ban with Big Exceptions**

Last year under the title "Nuclear Weapons are Illegal" the CPF January 2021 Newsletter ([link](#) on page 10) reported on the adoption of the [United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons](#) / (TPNW). This treaty bans the development, testing, possession, and use of all nuclear weapons. Absent from the list of the Eighty-six countries which signed the treaty are the countries which have nuclear weapons: U.S., Russia, China, France, United Kingdom, India, Pakistan, Israel, and North Korea, and five other countries (all NATO), which host US nuclear weapons: Belgium, Germany, Italy, Turkey, and The Netherlands.

Organizations such as the [Federation of American Scientists](#) estimate 13,150 thermal nuclear warheads and each thousands of times more [powerful](#) than the bombs U.S. dropped on Japan. The [International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons](#) (ICAN) (winner of the 2017 Nobel Peace Prize), stated the detonation of 1% of this insane arsenal of 13,150 war heads will destroy ecosystems and could result in famine for 2 billion people. The present escalation in the Ukraine with its potential of nuclear war between the U.S. and Russia could lead to a horrific conflict. A superpower nuclear exchange with its fall-out would kill hundreds of millions in a short time and the resulting nuclear winter would undermine planetary ecology and end human civilization.

# Author, Peace Activist Jim Forest dies at 80

Jim Forest, respected biographer of peace activists Dorothy Day, Thomas Merton, Daniel Berrigan and Thich Nhat Hanh and author of *The Ladder of the Beatitudes* passed away January 13 at the age of 80 in Alkmaar, The Netherlands. Forest was a founding member of The Catholic Peace Fellowship as well as a member of the New York Catholic Worker and the Milwaukee 14 Draft Board Community.

In February 20, 2021, Jim prepared part of a talk for a virtual retreat “Finding Hope in Turbulent Times” for Camden’s Sacred Heart Gathering for Peace and Justice. Because he was in the hospital at the time, his wife Nancy read for those who gathered while Jim listened in (link below and on [www.cpfphila.com](http://www.cpfphila.com)). Also <https://jimandnancyforest.com/>; [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jim\\_Forest](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jim_Forest) <https://www.christiancentury.org/article/people/author-peace-activist-jim-forest-dies-80> <https://www.americamagazine.org/arts-culture/2022/01/25/catholic-book-club-jim-forest-242275> <https://www.americamagazine.org/voices/jim-forest>

“Finding Hope in Turbulent Times” with Kathy Kelly, Nancy and Jim Forest: ([Jan 2021 CPF newsletter](#)) [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9KF1KAFV9fo&feature=share&fbclid=IwAR2nw4wduBqIzRIVPxZGSfCoB5xmHSpCDG9\\_8qnUduGHAy8FFjjABhAu4f4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9KF1KAFV9fo&feature=share&fbclid=IwAR2nw4wduBqIzRIVPxZGSfCoB5xmHSpCDG9_8qnUduGHAy8FFjjABhAu4f4) from 2021 Gathering for Peace and Justice Retreat.

## Way of the Cross through North Philadelphia

Good Friday, April 15, there will be the annual Way of the Cross through North Philadelphia led by Pierre Toussaint Men’s Group and in the past by Fr. Neil Ver’Schneider, S.J. 1931-2021.

Gathering at 12:45 pm at the Church of the Gesu (next to the entrance to St. Joseph Prep), participants at 1 pm will begin to pray and walk through the neighborhoods and conclude at St. Malachy’s in time for the Good Friday Service. CPF members have typically join these Stations of the Cross: see pages 11-15 at [http://www.cpfphila.com/ARTICLES/2021%20january%20pdf/jan\\_2021\\_pdf\\_final.pdf](http://www.cpfphila.com/ARTICLES/2021%20january%20pdf/jan_2021_pdf_final.pdf).

As done for the last two years, those who cannot make the walk can join using Zoom Meeting Link: <https://zoom.us/j/97055451178> or listen in by dialing 929 205 6099, then enter when prompted the Meeting ID: 970 5545 1178 #.

For this year’s walk, the Pierre Toussaint (Gesu-St. Malachy’s) Men’s Group would like to especially remember in addition to Fr. Neil, their recent dear departed brothers: Richard Reed and Men’s Group President, Carl Brown.

Pierre Toussaint Group champions the canonization of Venerable Pierre Toussaint and his wife Juliette Noel, along with Servant of God Sister Thea Bowman, Servant of God Julia Greeley, Servant of God Mother Mary Lange, Venerable Mother Henriette DeLille, and Venerable Father Augustus Tolton: [https://www.miamiarch.org/CatholicDiocese.php?op=Article\\_archdiocese-of-miami-6-black-catholics-on-the-road-to-sainthood](https://www.miamiarch.org/CatholicDiocese.php?op=Article_archdiocese-of-miami-6-black-catholics-on-the-road-to-sainthood).

# Prince of Peace

by Joseph Stoutzenberger

Excerpts from his book "You Are My Friends: Gospel Reflections for Your Spiritual Journey"

*You have heard that it was said, "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." But I say to you, do not resist an evildoer. But if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also; and if anyone wants to sue you and take your coat, give your cloak as well.*

Matthew 5:38-40

World War I was the bloodiest war known to history. Often German and Allied trenches were within shouting distance of each other. Christmas Eve of 1914, the first Christmas of the war, saw an unusual event. First, German soldiers lit candles on Christmas trees, making them possible targets of British bullets. No British soldiers fired their weapons. Next, some men began singing carols, and soldiers from both sides ventured out into the strip of land between their trenches. A Scottish soldier produced a soccer ball, and a game between the two sides ensued. A German barber is reported to have given a British soldier a haircut, and a German juggler performed for the enemy troops. Finally, gifts were exchanged. When generals on both sides heard of this informal Christmas truce, they ordered their soldiers back into their trenches. Steps were taken to prevent such fraternizing by opposing soldiers every Christmas for the remainder of the war. A 2014 picture book, Shooting at the Stars, tells one soldier's account of the event; and a movie was made about it in 2014 called *Joyeux Noel*. The last survivor of the 1914 Christmas truce was a Scottish soldier named Alfred Anderson, who died in 2005 at the age of 109.

Jesus knew of war and the causes of war. He lived in a time of intense conflict. The night before his execution, Jesus rebuked one of his friends for striking an arresting soldier with a sword. Jesus told his friend point-blank: Put away your sword! On the other hand, Jesus did not avoid conflict. For the three years of his active ministry, he led a very public life. He constantly spoke the truth and accrued powerful enemies in the process. Anyone listening to him may have wondered whether he was pro-Roman or pro-Jewish. Jesus cared both for Jews and non-Jews, and even spent time with a Jewish tax collector who worked for the Romans. Jesus focused on the ways people hurt and on what could be done to make their lives better. He did not care about people's nationality; he saw a bigger picture.

The passage from Matthew's gospel about turning the other cheek illustrates how Jesus approached conflict. For many, this statement seems extreme. Nonetheless, there are three implications underlying the words that are worth pondering.

First, the statement is part of a series in which Jesus contrasted the accepted wisdom of the time with his wisdom. In his day, "an eye for an eye" was the accepted position, and it came right from the Bible. By rejecting this principle, Jesus teaches that violence is not sacred. Some people still believe that violence and war are what God wants; and some people hold that, "God is on our side." Jesus did not sanction violence. Do we dare believe that he sanctions violence today! (In his little book, *Jesus and Nonviolence: A Third Way*, Walter Wink explains why Jesus' words are not an endorsement of passivity but a call to active, creative nonviolence.)

Second, Jesus urges us to look at the world through the eyes of our enemies. Narrow-minded religionists who resort to violence do so because they cannot get into the skin of their enemies. A key insight from Gandhi was that when we experience conflict, we need to search for

whatever truth exists in our opponent's perspective. Our tendency in wartime is to demonize our enemies rather than see them as people who care for loved ones and have some moral sense—no matter how distorted.

Third, Jesus urges us to be creative. "An eye for an eye" is not a very creative way to resolve a conflict. It can result in the conflict simmering so that the injured parties on both sides move on to the "tooth for a tooth" phase, and on and on. Rejecting violence means using our imagination and searching for innovative ways to address the conflicts that we face. (John Paul Lederach writes about his own exploration into creative peacemaking in [The Moral Imagination: The Art and Soul of Building Peace](#).) Violence does not move us toward the world God wants for us; only difficult, painstaking nonviolent strategies do. Is there any question but that the World War I soccer match reflected the spirit of Christ and Christmas more than the generals' call to arms?

## **Democracy in Peril: How Do People of Faith Respond?**

**A Virtual Webinar: Saturday, April 2, 2022 from 10 am – 12 pm**

The Annual Gathering for Peace and Justice of CFPA Affiliate Sacred Heart Peace Community, Camden, NJ. Speakers for this event will be: Eileen Flanagan and Father Ken Hallahan.

Pre-registration required to participate: [PeaceCoalition.org](https://peacecoalition.org);

<https://peacecoalition.org/events/1271-test-event-for-bob-sacred-heart-for-peace-and-justice-4-2-2022.html>

**Eileen Flanagan**, a graduate of Duke and Yale, is the award-winning author of three books and scores of articles. In addition to helping people to make their activism more effective through her online courses, she speaks to grounded and effective climate justice movement. For five years she served as board chair of Earth Quaker Action Team, 'a scrappy little group' which success fully pressured one of the largest banks in the US to stop financing mountaintop removal coal mining. Ahead of the 2020 election, she became the Trainings Coordinator of Choose Democracy, which trained nearly 10,000 in nonviolent strategies to prevent a coup.

**Father Ken Hallahan**, studied in Rome at Academia Alfonsiana and earned a doctorate in theology at Catholic University of America in Washington, DC. He was ordained on July 1975 and was pastor of several parishes in the Camden Area. Fr. Hallahan was involved with the Camden Diocese's Parenting for Peace and Justice program and served as local coordinator for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

## **Patrick O'Neill and Mary Rider shared at January CPF meeting**

by Bill Hartman, *longtime member of Catholic Peace Fellowship*

Patrick O'Neill and Mary Rider, married and the parents of 8 children joined CPF Phila on Sunday January 9th, and shared with CPF members the trials and tribulations of the last 3+ years in Federal Custody. They shared stories that the latest Plowshares Disarmament Action had created on the Fiftieth Anniversary, April 4th, of Martin Luther King's Assassination in Memphis, Tennessee. Their Wednesday night entrance into the Trident Submarine Base was a rekindling of Doctor King's voice to call out the evils of the triplets of Racism, Militarism and Extreme Materialism. The Kings Bay Submarine Base is considered a top lethal kill zone in the world. The following is Patrick's Christmas message to CPF Phila:

"May you all have a Merry Christmas and Blessed New Year. Love, Patrick"

## Happy Birthday to the Prince of Peace

Dear Friends,

Christmas is upon us, and I'm delighted to be at home again with my family. Most of 2021 I spent apart from my loved ones while I served a prison sentence at Federal Correctional Institution Elkton (Ohio). I'm happy to report that all of my Kings Bay plowshares codefendants have now completed their prison sentences.

While my time in jail, in prison, in a halfway house and under house arrest and home confinement were difficult, it was my wife, Mary, who had the toughest job caring for our 8 children, working as a home health social worker, keeping up with the Catholic Worker House, and being a wonderful supporter to me.

I also had an opportunity while in prison to live with those who Jesus calls the "least of these." In Elkton my status was essentially "Just Visiting" as it says on the Monopoly game board. The men I lived with at Elkton are all victims of the filthy rotten system of mass incarceration. Many have been or will be separated from their families for 10 years or more. Some have lost loved ones to death and were not allowed to attend funerals -- even for parents and children. I saw cruel and arbitrary punishment, often perpetuated by staff and guards who saw "offenders" as sub-human.

Rather than redemption or rehabilitation, prison is solely a warehouse for humans to be demeaned and broken. And the consequences are even worse for the parents, spouses and children left behind.

Before I left Elkton for a halfway house in late August, I promised my brothers I would work for the abolition of prisons; I plan to keep my promise.

Throughout the month of December, I have been part of a 32-day "Vigil for Freedom and Racial Justice" sponsored by the N.C. ACLU. Each day, I have joined many others to walk and run laps around the North Carolina Governor's mansion in downtown Raleigh. I have been averaging more than 6 miles a day as we call on the governor to free prisoners and pardon the innocent.

While Covid and incarceration were big parts of my life in 2021, in 2022 I plan to speak and write about the plight of those imprisoned and oppressed by the federal Bureau of Prisons -- especially my Elkton brothers. As Martin Luther King, Jr. said "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." So I will also be addressing other threats to justice: white supremacy, nuclear weapons, war, police violence, the persecution of Latinos and Muslims and the climate crisis to name a few.

So, let's work together in 2022 to devote our lives to the pursuit of nonviolence, justice and decarceration by being People of Love. Remember the words of Prof. Morrie Schwartz: "Love is the only rational act." Yes, it is we who believe in the Power of Love who are rational.

Peace and Blessings, Patrick O'Neill

LINK to RECOMMENDED ARTICLES by CPF Phila MEMBERS: <http://freemelissalucio.org/>  
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/nation/2022/02/21/stand-your-ground-research-homicides/>

# Yielding to My Black Brothers

by Patrick O'Neill

*Patrick O'Neill is the co-founder of the Fr. Charlie Mulholland Catholic Worker, in Garner, North Carolina, and is one of the Kings Bay Plowshares 7 activists in prison for their nonviolent witness against nuclear weapons.*

As the new kid on the (cell) block at Federal Correctional Institution Elkton I still have a lot to learn, especially about race. I am in for an anti-nuclear war protest. My white privilege is quite real. I was prosecuted and went to prison, but that is where comparisons end. I had a team of about a dozen pro-bono lawyers that gave me "privileged" and superior representation in my case. I had and still have access to the media and great public support via Facebook and Twitter.

At Elkton I receive by far the most mail of anyone in here. It is not unusual for me to get ten or more letters and postcards in a day's mail haul, while many guys in here do not get a letter for many years. Some men leave here homeless. I have a home to live in, can afford to pay my bills and have computer access in my home, not something available to many of my Elkton Brothers of Color.

Today, I took my breakfast tray of bran flakes, milk, and a banana into the large all-purpose TV room and sat down at a steel table to eat. Seconds later an African American man of considerable size hit his knuckles hard on my tabletop and said with authority: "You got to move." There are 27 tables in the room, and most of them have reserved seating that remains empty unless the person who has reserved the seat is in the room. I dutifully moved from the reserved table to another that was further away from the television. As it turns out, most reserved tables are claimed by Black inmates, many of whom have been in this Hellhole for many years. So, respectfully, without objection, I yield to my Black brothers, so they have better seats for viewing the TVs, and I remain standing for basketball games I want to watch.

In my cellblock white men are in the majority, but it is the Black men who make the unwritten rules. Keep in mind, none of these men throw their weight around; they are not disrespectful of me as an old white guy, and I have enjoyed getting to know them. In fact, I have been welcomed into the Black men's nightly prayer circle.

Inside, life is a flutter with noise and constant movement. Social distancing is impossible, privacy nonexistent. After three months here, I have still not received the COVID-19 vaccine. I am 65 years old. As a Black Lives Matter activist, I am aware of the horrific legacy of slavery, racism, and white supremacy in these United States. I have read and learned about how my Black sisters and brothers have been—and still are—abused, mistreated, beaten and killed in this so-called "Land of the Free." And, I know these conditions remain in place, clearly seen in our jails and prisons, where Black men and women are disproportionately incarcerated.

So, I am happy to yield to my Black brothers here at Elkton. In my discrimination-free, charmed "white life," I have never been asked to sit in the back of a bus or movie theatre. I have never been refused service at a restaurant. I have never been demeaned or abused because of the color of my skin. My body shows no scars from the lash. Here at Elkton federal prison, there is a little bit of affirmative action going on. My Black brothers, most of whom have long sentences related to drugs, are saying: "In this house of horrors, we call the shots." And, I have no hard feelings or anger about my lot here. Why should I have agency? Sure, some of my white

brothers do not like the arrangement, but I argue that we whites can use a bit of affirmative action to learn empathy.

What we have here is an ironic reversal of fortune of Biblical proportions in which the descendants of slaves have wrested power from the descendants of slaveholders. Biblically speaking, what we have here at FCI Elkton is the last have become first and the first are now last. When my Black brothers walk out through Elkton's gate, they do not become free men, because they are immediately met by a second gate that slams behind them. That gate leads to another prison—white America—where injustice rears its ugly head again; where my Black brothers are subsequently disempowered and taken back into the custody of the racist, oppressive society from whence they came.

What I strive for is the day when racism is abolished, a day when Black Lives Matter, a day when white supremacy is crushed, and a day when the song of the Civil Rights movement is realized and indeed: "We shall overcome."

## **Abortion: a Sin, a Crime?**

by Frank McGinty, *longtime member of Catholic Peace Fellowship*

For the most part, pro-life and pro-choice Catholics agree that abortion is a violation of the moral law, a sin. However, the pro-choice crowd thinks it should not be made a crime in civil law. Pro-life folks urge the repeal of Roe v Wade to enable Caesar's clout to deter abortions. If the Supreme Court criminalizes the sin of abortion, it will be a victory probably pyrrhic, because of the likely return of illegal abortions in back alleys. Additionally, for many Catholics the courtroom will seem more important than the confessional. Refusing to criminalize has good historical precedent. Saints Augustine and Thomas Aquinas each said that prostitution, evil though it was, should not be criminalized. Aquinas said: "In doing this the wise legislator is imitating God who, though all powerful and supremely good, tolerates certain evils lest greater evils ensue."

Both groups of Catholics should unite on their area of agreement, abortion as a moral evil, and abandon the Rowe v Wade brouhaha where they do not agree. Joining all people of like mind, Catholics, with God's help, should renew efforts to provide women all the necessary aid and guidance they require to choose the joy of motherhood. Equally important, we must support programs that help mothers provide childcare.

The poet Seamus Heaney is relevant: "So hope for a great sea change/ On the far side of revenge. / Believe that a further shore is reachable from here. / Believe in miracles / And cures and healing wells.

## **A Listening Church?**

Phil Berryman once compared the recent popes' teachings; Benedict – theological and Francis-Spiritual. When I first heard him, I probably shook my head in agreement but now I ask myself, what did Phil particularly mean by "spiritual" and especially in a Papal context.

As I recall CPF's last two retreats and Pope Francis homilies, speeches, weekly audiences and the Sunday Angelus messages, what comes to mind is Pope Francis frequent reflections on



‘the Style of God’ in the liturgical readings. He seems to suggest we can connect our faith and how we conduct ourselves in the world today through contemplating ‘the Style of God’. Maybe this is part of what Phil was referring to in this context. The spirituality of Pope Francis is to try to get all of us to listen and be open to hearing God’s style. In my understanding, this would be contemplating the possibility of Hope, not as a feeling but actions done in ‘the Style of God’.

In Synodality, I think Pope Francis wants the Church to be open to hearing the Holy Spirit in all of us. The Hope of a ‘Listening Church’ is through our dialogue that we can take this contemplative journey together. We are being asked to share our thoughts, prayers, joys, hurts, brokenness and suffering. Through our sharing, we may discern the ‘Style of God’ in each person and this recognition will enable us as Church to be a welcoming inclusive Church.

CPF Phila Media Committee is interested in your thoughts, opinions, and discernments that you shared or would share on the Church in the context of the world in general and on the Synod with its major themes of “Communion, Participation and Mission.” We hope to re-share what you send through our social media and, as space allows, in later editions of the newsletter.

Also, we are hoping to join with other groups to organize a retreat in a similar format as the last two CPF co-sponsored retreats on the Papal Encyclicals. We welcome your responses; please email to [cpfphila@gmail.com](mailto:cpfphila@gmail.com) or post directly on [www.facebook.com/CatholicPeaceFellowship.Phila](http://www.facebook.com/CatholicPeaceFellowship.Phila).

The following is more information on “the people of God walking together” through the Synod process: <https://archphila.org/synod/> and on CPF’s FB Group Page: [PDFSynod Packet.pdf](#).

“The Catholic Church is inviting everyone to participate in the Synod on Synodality ... in listening sessions across Philadelphia in Spring of 2022. The Archbishop of Philadelphia explains the process and invites everyone to share their voice and listen to one another and the Holy Spirit.” The major themes of the Synod are Communion, Participation and Mission.

The Archdioceses identified two avenues for participation. We are requested to participate in both the Engagement Listening Sessions and the Disciple Maker Index Survey. The Engagement Sessions: <https://www.catholicleaders.org/archphila-synod-sessions>.

Anyone can register at the link above to attend one of the in-person session or virtual zoom session. One of the regional in person session is scheduled at St. Malachy on Saturday, April 2, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm St. Malachy Parish Synod will be after the 10:00 am Sunday Mass on May 15.

The Disciple Maker Index Survey, available until April 4, <https://www.catholicleaders.org/phila-dmi> was developed by the Catholic Leadership Institute. The results from the survey will provide baseline feedback and will supplement the feedback from the Engagement Sessions.

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and please feel free to respectfully post your thoughts and opinions on newsletter articles at: <https://www.facebook.com/cpfnewsletter/> and post on either, your Synodality responses.

Our next online and in-person meeting will be Palm Sunday April 10 and because the Mass might go longer; please expect the virtual meeting to start a little later than 11:30 am. For Zoom Meeting Link or Phone Dial-in Meeting ID please email us at [CPFphila@gmail.com](mailto:CPFphila@gmail.com) Using any phone, dial 929 205 6099 then, enter when prompted, the Meeting ID.

## **"Fratelli Tutti" - Examen      CPF Retreat on Pope Francis Encyclical**

Link to view CPF's Retreat on papal encyclical 'Fratelli Tutti' (Sisters and Brothers All).

The entire retreat was recorded and can be viewed using the Link below, on www.CPFphila.com and CPF Facebook page:

[https://us06web.zoom.us/rec/share/W-ltvbKgbXWPkj9m-9a-Hxh2xKNW3Omr5aZ4PZfNyrXO2FEOd3Y6m7UgkY3sfZsj.rnk5omSR\\_cOtw1pC](https://us06web.zoom.us/rec/share/W-ltvbKgbXWPkj9m-9a-Hxh2xKNW3Omr5aZ4PZfNyrXO2FEOd3Y6m7UgkY3sfZsj.rnk5omSR_cOtw1pC)

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We hope we can take the legacy of CPF into the future and as such we are re-organizing the Newsletter and Editorial Board with a more flexible publication time frame to follow the liturgical calendar. If you would like to submit an article for inclusion in future issues (or be a subscriber), please send to [CPFnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:CPFnewsletter@gmail.com). Articles should be limited to 1,000 words and please include a brief one-line bio. Photographs and/ or graphics submissions can only be used with clear copyright compliant permission.

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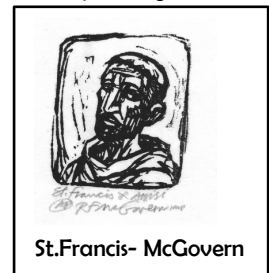
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