

**J and P Agenda
October 20th, 2009**

Venue: Julie S

Present: Kirsty, Liam, Christine, Bishop Tripp, Cathie, Julie, Teresa

Apologies: Julie K, Tom, Barbara, Beryl, John, Sandra, Carol

Website: www.sjf-justiceandpeace.org.uk

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Informing Ourselves		
Meditation		Bishop Tripp
		Kirsty welcomed Teresa Pollard to the meeting and the group. Cathie mentioned that Helen Parmiter is interested in joining us when we meet in the evening. Cathie also reminded us that the minute taker needs to put minutes on our notice board. Discussion carried over to next month
Ethical Activities		<p><u>October</u>: drive smoothly, avoid sharp acceleration and heavy braking</p> <p><u>November</u>: don't waste fuel by running engine</p> <p><u>December</u>: save used stamps for charity collection- can someone please make enquiries about Christian stamps</p> <p>We discussed activities for Jan/Feb/March to go in next Talkabout – deadline 1st Nov.; possibly plan vegetable garden in January, buy fairtrade fruit in Feb., start sowing/planting ? in March. Please email any further suggestions to Julie by 1st November.</p>
Informing Others		
Charity of the year		<p><u>Charity to support from October 2009</u>:</p> <p>Christian Concern for our Nation http://www.ccfon.org/ - If you look at their website you can subscribe to weekly emails. Christine has written a most informative piece for the current Talkabout about this organisation, and has informed them that we will be supporting them. They are delighted. John suggested we invite other parish groups to join us in supporting our charity. We might do this via the Parish AGM, mentioning this in Kirsty's report, which she could highlight at the meeting. We could also have a small display at the AGM and possibly recirculate Christine's article to parish council members before the meeting.</p>
Art and craft exhibition	Spring 2010	We talked about organising a Parish arts and crafts exhibition to raise awareness and funds for ccfon. The weekend of 8/9 May was suggested. Kirsty to discuss with Canon Acton. If agreed she will write a piece for Talkabout, encouraging parishioners to start making items. We might also involve the school and/or the uniformed groups. We would need a co-ordinator/organiser, Beryl's niece might be asked to help. Everyone to think of talented people they know and encourage them.

POC – Christmas cards	Prisoner’s Sunday – 15 th November	<p>Weekend of 14th/15th November. Barbara, Cathie & Julie have met and made a suggested list of prisoners and a note on what to write etc., Cathie has bought cards. Kirsty/Steve and family will address envelopes, and print out information sheets. Julie to provide information to Kirsty. Scouts also interested in POC’s and may be able to help though they have several other activities that weekend. Kirsty will put information in newsletter the week before and request a bidding prayer for Prisoner Sunday and a mention of the cards in the notices.</p> <p>2 volunteers for each mass 6 pm Liam & Teresa, 8.00 Cathie & Kirsty 9.30 Kirsty & Liam 11.00 Julie & 6.30 Julie & Sandra ? Please let Kirsty know if you can help.</p>
Racial Justice	Saturday 7 th Nov. 2009	National day at Westminster Cathedral to celebrate 25 years of CARJ Mass at 2 pm See attached flyer
New Year Peace Service	Friday 1 st January 2010	Bishop Tripp has agreed to conduct the service. As it is the beginning of the year he might focus on resolutions for the new year. He will draft a service before the next meeting, which he will not be able to attend. Tom to be asked if more publicity could be given to the service in the Merton Park Churches Christmas leaflet , ie put an “invitation “ in.
Any other business	Retreat The Wave – Stop Climate Chaos	Cathie suggested the possibility of going to a Justice & Peace retreat at Worth Abbey at the end of July. She circulated information. Interest was expressed. A day of peaceful protest is being organised by various Christian groups on 5 th December. Cathie will put the notice on the board. More information at http://the-wave.org.uk/ http://www.stopclimatechaos.org/the-wave

Treasurer Report: £112.09

Final Prayer

Next Meeting: Tuesday 17th November, 2009, Minutes: John, Meditation: Liam, Venue: 143 Monkleigh Road