

An Introduction to the Commission's Members...



Very Rev. Brian Gowans, VE

Vicar Episcopal for Caritas, Justice and Peace

Fr Brian is the Vicar Episcopal with responsibility for the Commission. With extensive experience as a prison chaplain which led him to serve as President of the International Commission of Catholic Prison Pastoral Care, he brings a wealth of knowledge to this role.



Mary Davey

St Albert the Great, Edinburgh

Mary is a retired community dentist. She is a member of the parish Justice and Peace group and has been involved in justice and peace groups for many years. She is particularly interested in food sustainability, poverty and health issues.



Agatha Kai Kai

St Columba's, Edinburgh

Agatha Kai Kai is a Trustee of the Refugee Survival Trust (RST) whose mission is to minimise destitution among refugees and asylum seekers in Scotland. She is a member of the St Columba's Justice and Peace group and represents the parish in the Newington Churches Together Committee.



Fr Tony Lappin

St Joseph's, Peebles & Innerleithen

Fr Tony is a priest member of the Commission. He has 25 years professional experience of working with vulnerable children, young people and adults in the fields of social work, education, counselling and psychotherapy.



Nancy MacGillivray

St Peter's, Livingston

Previously a member of the Justice and Peace Archdiocesan Core Group, Nancy is very involved with credit unions locally as well as Scottish and UK wide. She also convenes the Poverty and Inequality Working Group of the Commission.



Dr Rosalyn Mauchline

St Kentigern's, Edinburgh

Rosalyn is a retired hospice doctor and has long-standing involvement with issues around gospel non-violence. She is a member of Executive Committee of Pax Christ Scotland and is a member of the Parish Pastoral Council for Livingston cluster.



Mike Mineter

St Catherine's, Gracemount, Edinburgh

Mike has been active in Justice and Peace groups for years, now mainly focusing on groups seeking ecological justice, working for a just future for all in Palestine/Israel and campaigning for morally responsible investment. He is a member of the Iona Community and works as the computing expert in a climate research group at the University of Edinburgh.



Kathy Onori St Anthony's, Rumford

After a long career in General Practice, retirement has enabled Kathy to pursue voluntary roles with SCIAF and her parish community. She was a climate ambassador for SCIAF until lockdowns when she became interested in the Laudato Si' movement becoming a Laudato Si' animator and more recently with Christian Climate Action.



John Riederer

St Columba's, Edinburgh

After many years' experience in hotel management, John runs a small independent business offering procurement consultancy and management for the industry. His main interests are reducing food waste and food poverty, improving food sustainability and ethnicity, promoting ethical supply routes and fighting against food fraud.



Anne Marie Stephen

St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh

For 18 years Anne Marie Stephen has been a volunteer for Stella Maris, the Church's maritime welfare agency. She is primarily a ship visitor but seeks to raise awareness of the agency's wider work in promoting fair treatment of seafarers.



Angela Thomson

Ss Ninian and Triduana, Edinburgh

Angela has been involved in parish Justice and Peace groups for more than 40 years, working as a member of the group and as Chairperson and Secretary. She is also a parish contact for SCIAF. During this time she has been involved in raising awareness of issues at home and in other parts of the world and participating in fundraising for particular projects.



Callum Timms

St Mary of the Assumption, Bo'ness

Callum trained as a teacher of Religious Education and is now Principal Teacher of Guidance in a Catholic secondary school within the Archdiocese. He is passionate about Catholic education and is heavily involved in the pastoral life of his parish in Bo'ness. His interest in the Church's social teaching grew while studying at the University of Glasgow and while working in politics before entering teaching.



Roisin Timms

St Mary of the Assumption, Bo'ness

Roisin is a primary school teacher in Falkirk who with extensive experience in youth ministry and school chaplaincy. Having worked on a range of projects from Laudato Si' Schools to Mini Vinnies, Roisin has a demonstrable passion for social justice education.



Margaret Wilson

Parish of the Most Holy Trinity, Fife

Margaret's interest in justice and peace was inspired while teaching in a mission school in South Africa in the 1970s where she saw the damage done through oppression and racism. Much of her working life was spent in the voluntary sector, and she now volunteers with SSVP in her local area.