

Meet the Commission Members...



Very Rev Canon Brian Gowans

Acting Vicar Episcopal for Caritas, Justice and Peace

Canon Gowans has the responsibility for leading the Caritas, Justice & Peace Commission. He is parish priest at St Serf's Parish in Kirkcaldy. He can be contacted at VEcaritas@staned.org.uk or on 01592 592 111.



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.



Roisin Timms

St Mary's, Bo'ness

Roisin is a primary school teacher in Falkirk who has extensive experience in youth ministry. With responsibility for the Pope Francis Faith Award and her school's Mini Vinnies group, she has built strong links with the Society of St Vincent de Paul locally.



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.



Meet the Commission Members...(cont.)



Dr Rosalyn Mauchline St Kentigern's Parish, Edinburgh

Rosalyn is a retired hospice doctor and has a long-standing involvement with issues around gospel non-violence. She is a member of the Executive Committee of Pax Christi Scotland, a Laudato Si animator and a member of ICAHD (Israeli Committee against House Demolitions) following a visit to Palestine several years ago.



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.



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.



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.



Sr Aelred Timmins

St Catharine's Convent, Edinburgh

Sr Aelred is a religious sister of Mercy of the union of Great Britain. Sr Aelred is currently the Director of the Sisters of Mercy Homeless Project at St Catharine's Convent.



Callum Timms

St Mary's, Bo'ness

Callum is a teacher of Religious Education and is the Commission's Communications Lead. 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.