## ST DUNSTAN AND ST JUDE JUSTICE AND PEACE OUTREACH GROUP KINGS HEATH BIRMINGHAM



We are a small group who usually meet on the  $4^{th}$  Monday of the month. We are an umbrella group for our members who have the following varied interests:

- The Holy Land: We support the work for Peace with Justice for all in the Holy Land by meeting for the Sabeel Prayer every Thursday at noon in the church, by holding an ecumenical prayer vigil during the World Week for Peace for Palestine Israel and supporting Friends of the Holy Land. We raise awareness about the problems in the Holy Land at a stall in our monthly farmer's market where we display information and sell Palestine goods. We are a Kairos Parish. One member has been taking "Silent Voices" [an exhibition of photos by children from a Palestine village showing their everyday life], to various venues to raise awareness.
- **Asylum Seekers:** There is a monthly collection of goods for St Chad's Sanctuary
- Fairtrade: Traidcraft Stall after Sunday mass and an annual "Open Day". We are working on becoming a Fairtrade Parish, tea, coffee and sugar in our conference room are Fairtrade. We have given talks to explain what Fairtrade is. This is ongoing as people bring in tea / coffee to "help out".
- CAFOD: We try to make sure CAFOD Fast days are well publicised and we had a talk from a Gap Year volunteer about CAFOD's projects in Sierra Leone.
- Amnesty International: We do the annual Amnesty Christmas card signing.
- Campaigns: We circulate each other to sign petitions and contact our MPs. One member has alerted us to the "Labour Behind the Label" latest campaign to ask where have our shoes have been made?
- The idea of being a "live simply parish" is on the "to do list"

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