



# Introduction

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“The great task of Christians  
must be to absorb the Spirit of God’s kingdom  
and, with souls filled with the kingdom of God,  
to work on the projects of history.”

Oscar Romero

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This resource pack is intended to be an accessible resource containing the basics needed by individuals or groups to assist them as they try to put their faith into practice in the world today. We have tried to produce a pack which will be attractive, easy to use and simple to update.

The pack contains information on: How do we start, Justice Spirituality, The Pastoral Cycle and Justice & Peace Structure.

To keep the pack small, it has not been possible to treat each subject in depth. If you want to explore the topics further, refer to the suggestions in the further reading section or contact the J&P Administrator (below) for more information.

Although we have tried to include most of the topics a group might need, we are aware that the pack is not exhaustive. If you notice significant omissions, do let us know what else you would have liked us to cover and we will try to respond to your needs. Feedback on the pack is always useful.

We are very grateful to CAFOD for allowing us to adapt the material for the “How to...” pages from CAFOD’s Guidelines for Parish Planners, which formed part of their Renewing the Earth Campaign in 1988. Although the material originally contained a strong ecological focus, the excellent hints and tips are useful in all aspects of justice-and-peace activity.

Thanks also to Brian Davies for permission to reproduce Justice Spirituality and to NJPN for allowing us to use their material.

This pack has been produced by Birmingham Diocesan J&P Commission. Please feel free to reproduce anything which you might find useful. It can also be made available on disk.

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“As apostles of a faith which does justice  
we shall await the future.  
We must put our hands to the work;  
God will complete the project.

Frank Regan, SSC

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