

PAX CHRISTI EL PASO NEWSLETTER

February, 2022

Message from Bishop David J. Malloy of Rockford, Illinois. The chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on International Justice and Peace made the comments in a Jan. 25 statement: He noted that **Pope Francis proclaimed Jan. 26 as a day of prayer for peace in Ukraine** "given the growing concerns over the situation in that country and in Europe in general. "Saying he was worried about Ukraine and how a possible Russian-Ukrainian conflict could spread, the pope announced the day of prayer after reciting the Angelus prayer Jan. 23. "I am following with concern the rising tensions that threaten to strike a new blow at peace in Ukraine and put into question the security of the European continent, with even wider repercussions," Pope Francis said. <https://www.ncronline.org/news/politics/us-bishop-urges-dialogue-peacefully-resolve-crisis-over-ukraine>

BORDER PEACE PRESENCE

Pax Christi will be joining Border Peace Presence at the corner of San Antonio and Campbell St downtown, on Friday from noon to 1 pm to raise awareness of the need to protest our foreign policy of militarization, and reliance on war to solve all problems. Join us. We have signs and wear masks! Info: Pat Delgado, 915 740-3962

PAX CHRISTI EL PASO FEBRUARY MEETING

You are invited to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Pax Christi El Paso February Meeting
Time: Feb 1, 2022 07:00 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6168965345>

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Our agenda for the February meeting can include the beginning of our chapter's thoughts on the synod, which can include any topic, but Pax Christi Texas is inviting us to include these issues:

Call for Comments

The Pax Christi Texas Synodal Listening Session

January 2022

Pope Francis has initiated a broad listening session in the Church. While some dioceses and parishes have taken this seriously, others have not. Many in Pax Christi Texas have found that their parishes and dioceses are not really ready to listen, while others believe that peace and justice issues will be de-emphasized if mentioned at all. We are therefore calling upon all friends and members of Pax Christi Texas to participate in a special listening session, the results of which will be sent to the Vatican, likely through Pax Christi USA, and to the media.

So send comments and statements on these and similar topics to Tony Blasi, J6anthonyblasi@yahoo.com:

Making peace
Racism
Fundamentalism within the Catholic church
Option for the poor
Social teachings of the Church in homilies
Mandatory celibacy
Capital punishment
Role of Women in the Church
Sexual orientation
The treaty outlawing nuclear weapons

Please send your thoughts by March 15. Tony will merge them into a draft statement for discussion at the April Pax Christi Texas state conference, will incorporate the discussions into the draft. The Pax Christi Texas Board will then send the resultant report to the Vatican and the media.