

St John Fisher Justice and Peace Group
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Tuesday 11th March 2025 at 9.30 am
In the Presbytery

Minutes

Chair: Teresa
Apologies: Tom
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Meditation: Finding God in a Leaf – Meditation 2, p.18-19

We all felt we had experienced “The Caress of God” in the last few days of spring sunshine and flowers.

Informing Ourselves: Called to be Peacemakers – Part 2, pages, 13-17 The Church’s Call for General and Complete Disarmament

We regret that the government is taking money from Foreign Aid to fund more weapons and are thankful that the Church, and Popes over the decades have stressed the need for “mutual progressive reduction of armaments”. We discussed how we might “promote the principles laid out in Mensuram Bonam relating to investment in the arms industry”. Christine will ask Mark Lobo what he knows of ethical investment funds that avoid investment in arms.

Reports:

Food Collections: Christine delivered the collection to Faith in Action, who as always were extremely grateful. The next three collections will be:

5/6 April	Foodbank
3/4 May	Christian Care
7/8 June	Faith in Action

World Day of Prayer, Friday 7th March, this went very well and was attended by a dozen parishioners. Julie will ask Fr Francis if we can host the service in 2026.

Planning:

Charity of the Year: Tom has been in touch with Kurt Sullivan at Depaul Trust. He will send some posters for our noticeboard and magazines and publicity. When we have a date for Talkabout, Kurt will write an article about Depaul UK for us.

Treasurer’s report: £170.02 - we will discuss whether we might use some of our funds to make a donation to Depaul UK

Any other business:

Jubilee Masses:

Fr Francis asked for intentions for the Jubilee Masses to be said on Fridays at 7pm. We made the following proposals:

March	14th	Pope's intention
	21st	Peace in Ukraine and Russia
	28th	Peace in the Holy Land
April	4th	First Friday
	11th	The Persecuted Church
	18th	Good Friday
	25th	The Starving throughout the world

Time and Place of next meeting: Tuesday 8th April

Chair: Barbara