

**Justice & Peace Link**  
**August 2022**

**NJPN Publications** The latest NJPN [eBulletin](#) is now available, with a selection of interesting articles and ideas for action.

**NJPN Conference 2022** This year's title was 'Hope! A verb with its sleeves rolled up'. You'll find a report of the Conference and videos of the main speakers [here](#)

**Events**

Monday, 1 August

Join with many other Christians from around the world with the monthly **Pray and Fast for the Climate** Movement on the first of each month. Prayer points for August will be on the [website](#).

Wednesday, 3 August 6.15 – 7.45pm ONLINE

**UK nuclear policies: proliferation not disarmament.** A CND Webinar. With guest speakers Ambassador Aidan Liddle, UK government Permanent Representative to the Conference on Disarmament; Jenny Jones, House of Lords member, former Deputy Mayor of London and long-time member of Mayors for Peace; and Dr. Rebecca Johnson, CND Vice-President, director of Acronym Inst for Disarmament Diplomacy (AIDD). Register [here](#)

Thursday 4 August 6.00 pm ONLINE

**Proposals to Reform the Human Rights Act** One of the seven Workshops organised by The Catholic Association for Racial Justice on recent developments in Public Policy. The Workshops will reflect on how policy and practice may promote diversity, equality and community in UK society. Each will last one hour with one or two Speakers and ample time for questions and discussion. All are welcome. There is no charge. Please register with the CARJ Administrator at [info@carj.org.uk](mailto:info@carj.org.uk). A zoom link will be sent to you a few days before the event

Saturday, 6 to Tuesday, 9 August

**Commemoration of the Bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki** Current concerns over the possibility for storing US nuclear weapons at RAF Lakenheath and the war in Ukraine/Russia add extra impetus to this year's commemoration. There are events taking place around the country (see below for the event in Bristol). If you can't get to one of these, Pax Christi are asking us to spend time in prayer, to speak of the anniversary to a friend or ask your parish priest to put a notice in the bulletin. For resources see the Pax Christi [website](#). Bishop Declan Lang, Chair of the Catholic Bishops' Conference Department for International Affairs, called for our prayers on the anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima (2021). See his statement [here](#)

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See programme for times

Castle Park, Bristol BS1 3XB

**Remembering the atomic bombs dropped on Japan in 1945** killing more than quarter of a million civilians. Peace Groups are running a four-day Peace Gathering in Castle Park behind the ruined church & mid-way along the footpath & cycleway overlooking the Harbour/Finzels Reach. Die-ins are planned remembering exact times of the atomic bombs on Hiroshima at 8.15am on Saturday 6th August and on Nagasaki at 11.02am on Tuesday 9th August. There will be a range of workshops and music. The full timetable of workshops will be available on XR Peace Bristol facebook page and Bristol CND website [here](#)

Saturday, 6 August 8.00pm ONLINE

**Hiroshima Day** online vigil. Hosted by Anglican Peacemakers and Christian CND, 8pm. Register [here](#)

Monday, 8 August 7.00pm ONLINE

**Music, Poems & Prose for Peace and Love** A Hiroshima & Nagasaki Memorial Event. With guest speaker (to be arranged), Jason N Smith and guest poets, Rick Ford and guest musicians. Bring your

poem, song or prose to read or perform! For Zoom log-in details contact [scanscnd@gmail.com](mailto:scanscnd@gmail.com) or find SCANS CND on Facebook.

Tuesday, 9 August

**Commemoration of the life and witness of the Blessed Franz Jägerstätter.** Read a short [biography](#) of this Austrian conscientious objector during World War II who was sentenced to death and executed for his refusal to fight for Nazi Germany.

Saturday 20 August 10.00 am ONLINE

**Report on the Historical Roots of the Windrush Scandal (Nationality and Borders Act)**

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Saturday, 20 to Saturday, 27 August

**#StopJackdaw Week of Action** On June 1st, the UK approved the Jackdaw gas field in spite of warnings from international experts about the need to leave fossil fuels in the ground. When the latest climate assessment by the UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) was released this summer, UN chief, António Guterres, called it a “code red for humanity” that should “sound a death knell for fossil fuels”. Join thousands of people around the UK campaigning to ensure that the Jackdaw and the development of further gas and oil fields are stopped. Ideas for action including putting up posters, attending events and emailing your MP are available on the #StopJackdaw page of the Action Network [website](#)

Friday, 26 to Monday, 29 August

Boughton House (near Kettering) NN14 1BJ

**Greenbelt Festival:** *‘We’re somewhere artistry meets activism, the secular meets the spiritual, politics meets positivity. We’re somewhere to come together once a year, where we’re just as likely to dream up a better world as we are to dance and debate, to pray and to party (ideally all of those things at the same time).’* This year’s theme is ‘Wake Up’. To find out more click [here](#)

Wednesday, 31 August, 7pm-8pm ONLINE

**Are you new to Christian Climate Action?** Heard about us but not sure if you’d like to get involved. This Zoom call is for you. Grab a drink and get comfy. Hear about what we do, how we do it and why. Ask us all your questions and find out different ways you might get involved. [Register in advance](#)

**Advance notice**

Thursday, 1 September **World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation** Click [here](#) for Pope Francis’ message introducing this year’s theme “Listen to the voice of creation” for the Season of Creation.

1 September to 4 September **Season of Creation.** The Season of Creation Celebration guide can be downloaded [here](#). You might also like to explore a range of resources on the Journey to 2030 [website](#) including a Caring Community Activity Poster [Pack](#). This could be used during the Season of Creation as a starting point for your school or parish to address our ecological and social crises. Watch out also for material on the Clifton Diocesan website.

If you would like to publicise an event, please send details to the Secretary, Clifton Diocese Justice and Peace Commission [justiceandpeace@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:justiceandpeace@cliftondiocese.com). The items above are included as they may be of interest because of their relevance to peace and justice issues. Views expressed are not necessarily those of the Justice and Peace Commission.