The President’s Peace Commission

The purpose of the President’s Peace Commission is to foster ethical commitment to participate in the establishment of world peace. That purpose recognizes that a respect for human rights and the dignity of all people is essential to any such commitment. The Commission serves to create within the St. Mary’s University Community an awareness of the Roman Catholic perspective as a foundation for directing the dialogue among the broad and varied human and religious enterprises, themselves directed toward peace. It especially takes direction from the United States Catholic Conference and the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities.

The Peace Commission, founded in 1984, is comprised of at least 15 members: five students, five staff, and five faculty, or more, all with equal status.

If you would like more information about the President’s Peace Commission, please contact any one of its members:

Students: Claudia Chavez, Camilo Gómez, Michael Powell, JoAnn Quintanilla, Sussanne Taylor
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Wednesday, March 20 -- The Brass Lamp

9:20 a.m. WHAT ARE THE JEWISH AND MOSLEM CONCEPTS OF PEACE?
Host: Michael Powell, Student, PPC
Imam Omar Shakir, S.A. Moslem Temple
Julia Danan, Religious Program Director, Beth Am Congregation

10:20 a.m. WHAT ARE THE WAR'S ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL COSTS?
Host: Sr. Ann Semel, English, PPC
Dr. Steven Neiholzel, Political Science, StMU
Dr. Alejandro Vélez, Economics, StMU

11:20 a.m. HOW DOES THE WEST SEE ARABS? HOW DO ARABS SEE THE WEST?
Host: Dr. Richard S. Pressman, English, PPC
Mohsen Jouini, Director, S.A. American Anti-Arab Discrimination Committee

12:20 p.m. CLEARED BY THE CENSORS: DID WE GET THE WHOLE TRUTH?
Host: Prof. Mary Ann Kleine, English, PPC
Dr. Douglas Kellner, UT-Austin, Philosophy
Lynell Burkett, Editorials Editor, S.A. Light

Thursday, March 21 -- Treadaway Auditorium

9:45 a.m. "JUST WAR? NO." A film presentation by Bishop Thomas Gumbleton, Detroit
Discussant: Dr. Greg Walters, Theology, StMU

11:10 a.m. FROM THE INDIAN WARS TO VIETNAM TO THE GULF: ARE AMERICA'S WARS JUSTIFIED?
Host: Fr. John Manahan, SM, Campus Ministry, PPC
Dr. Ray Leal, Chair, Public Justice, StMU
Thomas Wetzler, President, S.A. Vietnam Veterans Against the War

12:35 p.m. HOW EXTENSIVE HAS BEEN THE CULTURAL AND ECOLOGICAL DEVASTATION OF THE PERSIAN GULF AREA?
Host: Dr. Lucien Manchester, Biology, PPC
Dr. Gene Lene, Earth Sciences, StMU
Fr. Charles Miller, SM, Dean, Humanities & Social Sciences