

Peace & Justice Commission Origins

In 2015 the Archbishop asked each parish to complete a Parish Viability Profile, which was completed by a Commission of Sacred Heart parishioners and the parish council.

One of the most significant deficits for the parish resulting from this survey was "parishioners support peace and justice efforts."

Also in 2015, Pope Francis declared a "Holy Year of Mercy", to begin on 12/8/15.

In his "Bull of Indiction", Pope Francis wrote that, "At times we are called to gaze even more attentively on mercy so that we may become a more effective sign of the Father's action in our lives... a time when the witness of believers might grow stronger and more effective."

Further motivated by the words of Pope Paul VI, 'If you want peace, work for justice,' the Peace and Justice Commission was established in April 2016 with the approval of the pastor and the affirmation of the Parish Council.