

**St. Francis of Assisi JPIC Meeting**  
**Tuesday, Feb. 7, 2017, 1:30-2:30 p.m. at Mike's home**

**Present:** Mike Cassidy (Chair), Charlie McDonald, Marion Marshall,  
Maureen Goodick, Garry Doiron  
(Everyone welcomed Maureen to our JPIC team)

1. **Opening prayer, reading & reflection** was led by Mike (John 14:2 and "The Delight of Diversity" by Richard Rohr).
2. **Minutes of November 29 meeting & business arising:** Since there was no regular fraternity meeting in December or January, our JPIC Moment and its intended theme for December will be used at the February meeting..
3. **JPIC Moments for February 12 and March 12 fraternity meetings:** The Diocese of Charlottetown had published a pamphlet for Renew 2000 entitled "Principles of Catholic Social Teaching." It highlights the difference between 'Charity' responses and 'Justice' responses when we are confronted with social justice issues. We have decided to use this as a JPIC resource for some of the JPIC Moments over the next few months. For the February 12 fraternity meeting, we are consolidating two sections of the pamphlet (Rights & responsibilities and Option for the Poor and Vulnerable) for the JPIC Moment. Mike has prepared a script and Powerpoint presentation for us to use, as well as a handout for fraternity members. We will ask fraternity members to submit written 'Justice' responses at the March 12 fraternity meeting (see below).
4. **JPIC articles for the fraternity newsletter** will feature the actions from our JPIC Moments.
5. **Brainstorming: Resources for themes of social justice:** Each of us will be on the alert for writings and events that we can use. For the April 9 fraternity meeting, the theme of our JPIC Moment will be "Dignity for All" and we will use two sections from "Principles of Catholic Social Teaching" as a resource.
6. **Next Meeting:** date to be determined.
7. **Meeting adjourned** at 2:30 p.m. with a prayer.

Minutes submitted by Mike Cassidy

**JPIC Actions for February, 2017: "Charity vs Justice Responses"**

CHARITY responses alleviate some symptoms of a social issue.

JUSTICE responses address the underlying causes of the issue.

**HOW** can we address some of the underlying causes of social issues?

**We are asking you to ponder the following 2 questions over the next month.**

1. How can we build community awareness of the problems of
  - poverty
  - lack of nutrition
  - illiteracy
  - unemployment and underemployment
2. How can we educate people on these issues?

**For our fraternity meeting in March, we are asking you to submit your suggestions in writing and we will collect these for publication in our fraternity newsletter.**