

Social Justice: March

Dates Worthy of Note:

- 1 International Day for Abolition of the Death Penalty
- 8 United Nations Day for the Women's Rights and International Peace
- 21 International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
- 22 World Water Day



Monthly Focus:
Human Rights &
Racial Healing



Suggested Actions:

Take a trip to Baltimore and join Sisters Jeannine O'Kane and Donna Kelley in a four day exploration of race and diversity 6/13-6/16, see the *March Angelus* for further information.

Keep alert to issues involving race in the media. Be aware of the language you use. Challenge yourself and your sisters when you hear language that is racial insensitive or inappropriate.

Sign-up for "Teaching Tolerance", free Educational Materials provided by the Southern Poverty Law Center designed to promote positive, diverse school communities. <http://www.tolerance.org/>

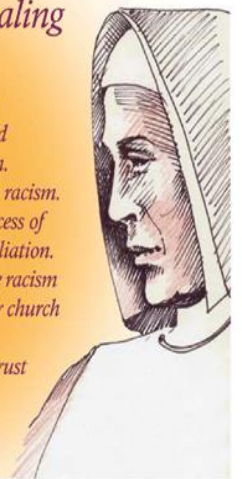
Evaluate your efforts to conserve water and recommit yourself to being vigilant and careful in water usage.

Attend the Catholic Coalition for Justice and Peace 3/18 event on "Water" at Merion Sisters of Mercy see INFO ALERT for details.



A Prayer for Racial Healing

Loving God,
we desire to embrace the dignity
of each human person as revealed
by the mystery of the Incarnation.
Help us to live our commitment to undo racism.
Empower us to participate in the process of
right relationships, healing and reconciliation.
Strengthen us in our resolve to eradicate racism
within ourselves, our congregations, our church
and our global community.
We offer this prayer in a spirit of trust
and hope in your providence.
Amen.



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