

# PEACE AND JUSTICE



## Article – 1: Introduction

*The following is an excerpt from: <https://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/forming-consciences-for-faithful-citizenship-title>*

St. Ambrose has always strived to serve the poor in many ways through its history. One of the ways the poor suffer tremendously is from discrimination. Cardinal Joseph Bernardin who served as Archbishop of Chicago (1982-1996) coined the expression ***“The Seamless Garment.” Cardinal Bernardin’s philosophy of the “Seamless Garment” illustrates the coherence of Catholic teachings on the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death. It’s meant to underscore that a “consistent ethic of life” requires attention to a spectrum of issues, including not just obvious offenses against life such as abortion and euthanasia, but also capital punishment, unjust war, human trafficking, the plight of the poor, workers’ rights and so on.***

In continuing our tradition of serving the poor, St. Ambrose will be participating in the St. Louis Archdiocesan Peace and Justice Commission. Below is an article from the Peace and Justice Commission recently released on June 20, 2020 on how they are addressing the issue of racism head on.

Jenn Kelly and I will be establishing a program to participate with the Peace and Justice Commission. There will be much more information coming your way as we launch this effort.

In Christ,  
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