

Key Practices

Nonviolent Communication
Conflict Transformation
Restorative Justice
Trauma-Healing
Unarmed Civilian Protection
Nonviolent Resistance
Nonviolent Civilian-Based Defense

Appeal to Catholic Church 2016 Re-Commit to the Centrality of Gospel Nonviolence

- Reading the Signs of the Times
- Jesus and Nonviolence
- Living Gospel Nonviolence and Just Peace
 - 1) Ask Pope Francis for an Encyclical on NV
 - 2) Integrate NV into the Life of the church
 - 3) Promote key NV Practices
 - 4) Global Dialogue forming Partnerships across ethical traditions within/beyond Catholicism
 - 5) Focus on a Just Peace Ethic; pivot away from justifying war

Endorsers: Japan and Belgium Catholic Conferences of Bishops; hundreds of religious orders, thousands of Catholics. See our Catholic Nonviolence Initiative Action Guide.

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NONVIOLENCE and JUST PEACE

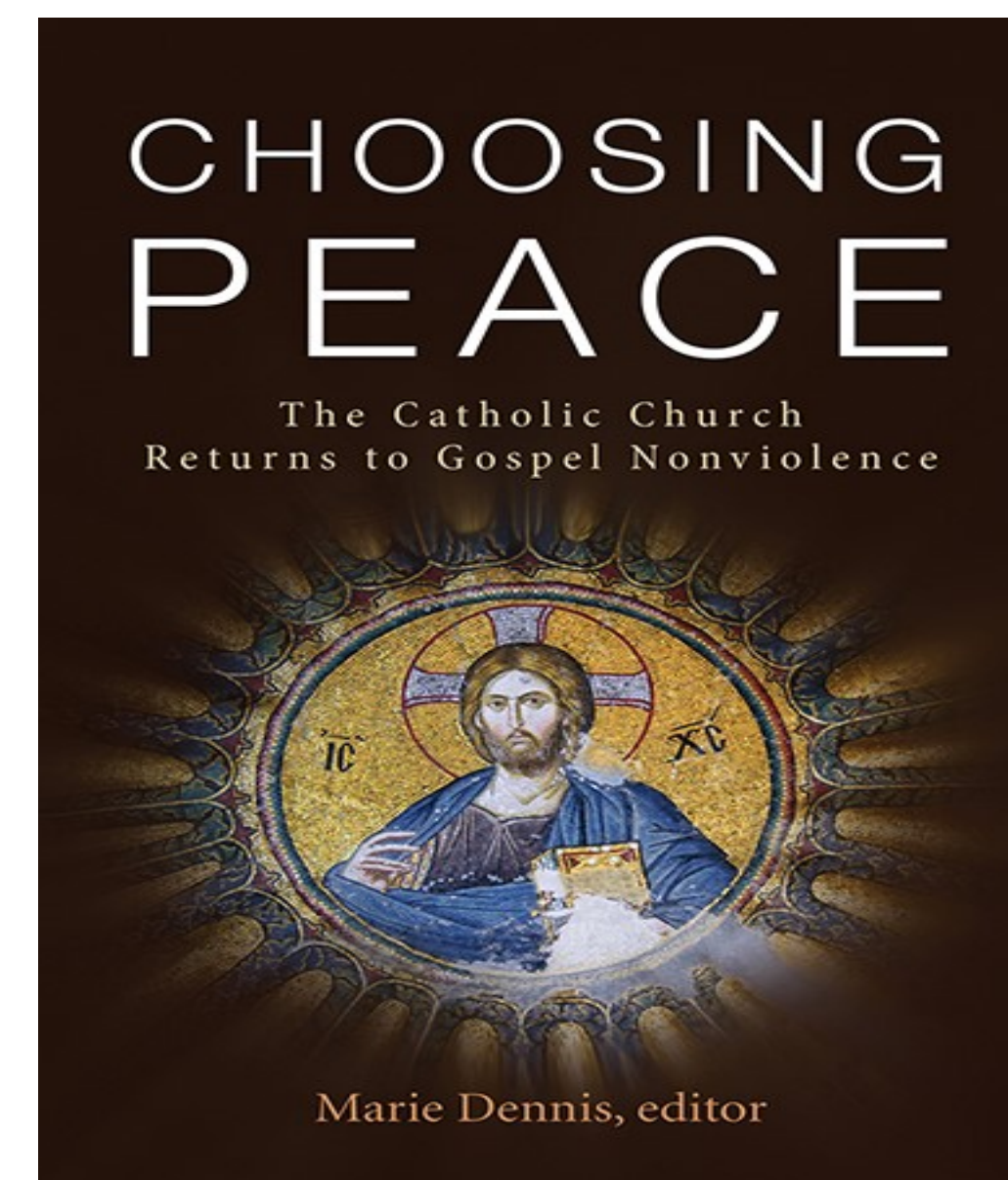
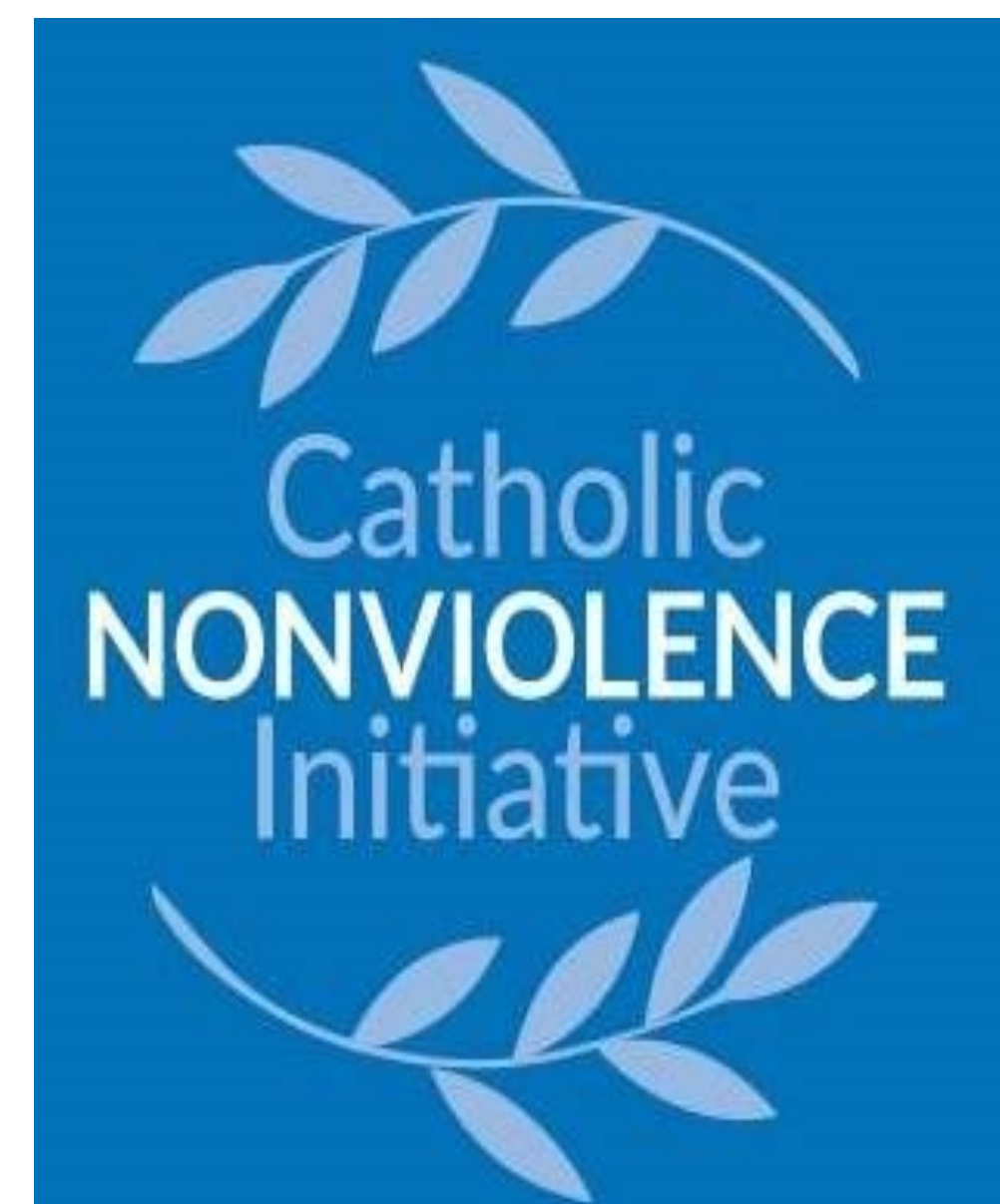


"To be true followers of Jesus today also includes embracing his teaching about nonviolence." (Pope Francis, World Day of Peace Message, "Nonviolence: A Style of Politics for Peace, 2017)

Nonviolence:

- Power of Love in action and Path to fuller Truth
- Spirituality, Way of Life, distinct Virtue
- Constructive Force and Effective Method for transforming conflict, addressing all forms of violence, protecting all people and the earth, and building sustainable peace

"Especially in situations of conflict, let us respect this, our 'deepest dignity,' and make active nonviolence our way of life." (Pope Francis, WDP, 2017)



Impact

Nonviolent Resistance is 2x's more effective than violent resistance
Nonviolent Resistance is 10x's more likely to lead to durable democracy
Unarmed Civilian Protection reduces shootings from 40-75% and significantly reduces sexual assaults of women in violent conflict zones

New Moral Framework 2018

Just Peace Norms

Keeping means and ends consistent (reflexivity), this ethic has three distinct categories of just peace norms, which can overlap in time and space:

- 1) Developing spirituality, virtues, and skillsets to engage conflict constructively
- 2) Breaking cycles of destructive conflict and violence
- 3) Building Sustainable Peace

Five *Global Roundtable Discussions* will present to the Vatican in early 2019 with hope for an Encyclical and collective Catholic action!

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