

## **A PEACEMAKER'S PRAYER**

- Lillia Langreck, SSND

**O Creative Spirit of God,  
Come, awaken our spirits  
To the call to be ARTISANS OF PEACE!  
Let us dream again!  
Let us hope again!  
Let us discover again  
Courage – Nonviolence – Compassion.  
Let us discover again  
Ways to help the oppressed – the suffering,  
Ways to create PEACE nonviolently.  
O Creative Spirit of God,  
Strengthen our faith,  
Fill us with compassionate love,  
Make us true Artisans of Peace.**

### **Resources for prayer, education and engagement:**

- Catholic Nonviolence Initiative  
<https://nonviolencejustpeace.net/>
- SSND Central Pacific Province Website  
[www.ssndcentralpacific.org/get-involved](http://www.ssndcentralpacific.org/get-involved)
- SSND Central Pacific Province Shalom  
JPIC Office at 262 .787. 1023



**EVERYONE  
can be an  
ARTISAN OF  
PEACE**



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## **Gospel Nonviolence and Just Peace** **CORPORATE STANCE**

As School Sisters of Notre Dame committed to a more just and peaceful world, we are called to take a clear stand for creative and active nonviolence and against all forms of violence. Our commitment to just peace offers a vision and an ethic to build peace as well as to prevent, defuse, and heal the damage of violent conflict. This ethic is essential in order to promote a culture of life and oneness with all creation.

We recognize that peace requires justice and justice requires peacemaking. We are being called to pray, speak out, advocate, educate and take decisive action.

### **We commit to:**

- Integrate Gospel Nonviolence explicitly into our everyday lives;

- Cultivate our own inner peace by developing self-respect and recognition of one's own dignity;
- Recognize and respect the dignity of each person; live and teach love and compassion for all;
- Recognize our interconnectedness with all creation and seek to live in harmony with all of life reflecting this in our prayer, practices, and policies;
- Use education, reflection, prayer and other actions to foster a culture of peace and to eliminate violence in our individual lives, our communities, society, and in our relationship with all of creation;
- Promote peace-building through nonviolent policies, practices and strategies;
- Advocate for the use of diplomacy and dialogue to abolish war and nuclear weapons; challenge the validity and application of the "just war theory".

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