

Racial Justice Resource Guide

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• Prayerfully reflect on and discuss the issue of racism, including its individual and societal manifestations, by utilizing key resources such as:

USCCB Backgrounder on Racism

USCCB Special Task Force to Promote Peace in Our Communities: Report and Recommendations (2016) and U.S. Bishops Establish New Ad Hoc Committee on Racism (2017)

U.S. Bishops' Pastoral Letter on Racism, Brothers and Sisters to Us

Additional resources are at USCCB.org/Racism

- Advocate for police brutality accountability. Campaign Zero is a great place to learn more about legislative issues. U.S. Representative Justin Amash, a conservative independent from Michigan, won support from a Minneapolis Democrat on Monday for his "Ending Qualified Immunity Act."
- The National Bail Fund Network has a full directory of bail funds by state, and ActBlue has also set up a secure donation link that will let you simultaneously send money to up to 37 nationwide bail funds.
- Support a black-led social justice organization. Here is a list.
- Join SURJ DC, a chapter of Showing Up for Racial Justice (SURJ), a national network of groups and individuals organizing white people for racial justice. Members of the HT Migrant Team have been collaborating with SURG on immigration issues. We can do more.
- Participate in the Washington Interfaith Network Freedom School Fridays. In the spirit of Freedom
 Schools during the Civil Rights Movement, the WIN Freedom School Fridays, offer a deep public inquiry
 in the form of weekly one-hour sessions at 12pm.
- If you have the desire to join protest, be safe. Wear a mask, bring hand sanitizer, and water. Don't feel safe protesting? Drop off a supply of water and snacks.

LEARN

- Attend a dialogue with Archbishop Gregory on Racism in Our Streets and Structures. A Test of Faith, a
 Crisis for Our Nation. on June 5 at 12pm. RSVP required.
- In December of 2018, Dr. Marsha Chatelain spoke at Holy Trinity as part of the Toolbox for Justice series. I had the benefit of attending, and the experience was challenging and transformative. If you missed it or even if you attended, it is worth revisiting the video.
- Talk to your children about racism. Guidelines for parents. Listen to Kojo For Kids: Young Adult author
 Jason Reynolds Talks About Racism and the Protests

READ

- After George Floyd's Suffocation: A Litany for Oxygen From a Black Jesuit by Patrick Saint-Jean, S.J.
- To fight racism, Catholics must hunger for justice like we do for the Eucharist America Magazine
- How Can Catholics Help Lead the Fight Against Racism by Olga Segura. Fr. John of the Church of Saint Francis Xavier New York also shared a powerful homily yesterday (begins at 27:21).
- The Assumptions of White Privilege and What We Can Do About It by Fr Bryan N. Massingale, professor theology at Fordham University
- 31 Children's Books to Support Conversations on race, racism and resistance
- More suggestions for books, movies and more.
- Anti-Racism Resources