

**SHORT FORM REPORT**

**PEACE AND JUSTICE COMMISSION September 12, 2016**

**PRESENT:** Mary Anne Boyd, Kathy Hays, Debbie Otero, Claire Tenhundfeld, Don Weinkam **ABSENT:** Marian Kaiser, Jodi Knollman

**MAINTENANCE:** (Discussion of Introduction and Chapter 1, “*Laudato Si*”) Discussed Pope Francis’ appeal that all peoples and nations must dialogue on how to solve environmental issues and that these solutions must be sustainable. Ch. 1 discussion focused on access to safe drinking water being a basic right. Pope Francis says that climate change is affecting the availability of safe drinking water.

**DECISIONS:** 1) Approved objectives and strategies for 2016/17. Three areas of concentration will be: the environment, faithful citizenship (election), and evangelization. Objectives and Strategies will be forwarded to Pastoral Council and then published in the bulletin.\*(see next column) 2) Faithful Citizenship flyer will be inserted into bulletin for 9/25/16. We assigned greeters, people for voter registration table, and someone to provide light refreshments. 3) Don will contact the League of Women Voters to request their election publication.

**EVALUATION:** Grace Place: IHN is asking us to be part of the program next summer. We have a few concerns/questions to address before committing. We decided to wait to commit until we know what we are committing to. We are extremely pleased at the interest and volunteerism of Little Flower parishioners. **NEXT**

**MEETING:** 10/10/2016