

PACEM
IN TERRIS
PEACE
AND
FREEDOM
AWARD

October 3, 2002



Davenport, Iowa

2002 PACEM IN TERRIS PEACE AND FREEDOM AWARD



“This is what we are about.”

“We plant the seeds that one day will grow. We water the seeds already planted, knowing that they hold future promise. We lay foundations that will need further development. We provide yeast that produces effects far beyond our capabilities...”

“We may never see the results, but that is the difference between the Master Builder and the worker. We are workers, not Master Builders. We are ministers, not messiahs.”

“We are prophets of a future not our own.”

— Archbishop Oscar Romero

PROGRAM

MUSICAL PRELUDE

Spirit, Inc.

MASTER OF CEREMONIES

Jerri Leinen

OPENING PRAYER

Sr. Mary Bea Snyder, CHM

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Chris Inerra

HISTORY OF AWARD

Msgr. Marvin Mottet

HONORING PAST RECIPIENTS

Rev. Ron Quay and Sr. Dorothy Heiderscheit, OSF

REMEMBERING SR. MIRIAM HENNESSEY, OSF

Barb Gross

REMEMBERING FR. RON HENNESSEY

Sr. Kay Forkenbrock, OSF

BIOGRAPHY OF THE RECIPIENTS

DeAnn Stone Ebener

AWARD PRESENTATION

Bishop William Franklin

REMARKS

Sr. Dorothy Marie Hennessey, OSF and

Sr. Gwen Hennessey, OSF

CLOSING PRAYER

Rev. Katherine Mulhern

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- John F. Kennedy**, 35th President of the United States, awakened in us a hope that no problem was too great to conquer — race relations, violence or poverty — when citizens work together. (1964, posthumous presentation)
- John Howard Griffin's** powerful book, *Black Like Me*, showed us how we are too often judged not by the content of our character but by the color of our skin. (1964)
- Martin Luther King Jr.**, challenged us to dream of a world transformed through non-violent civil rights activism. (1965)
- Sargent Shriver**, first director of the Peace Corps, taught us that one person can indeed make a difference. (1966)
- A. Philip Randolph's** work in organizing railway employees convinced us that the dignity of work must be rewarded with a just wage. (1967)
- Father James Groppi** was a radical spirit whose work in Milwaukee awoke people to the injustice of unfair housing and racial prejudice. (1968)
- Saul David Alinsky's** book, *Reveille for Radicals*, taught people how to act together in promoting justice in society. (1969)
- Dorothy Day**, founder of the Catholic Worker Movement, reminded us to look for ourselves in the faces of the poor. (1972)
- Senator Harold Hughes** brought the spirit of the Gospel to his efforts on behalf of the peace movement, equal education, civil rights, the elderly, and capital punishment opposition. (1974)
- Dom Helder Camara**, gentle shepherd of the poor of northwestern Brazil, embraced the impoverished and gave sharp prophecy to the wealthy. (1975)
- Mother Teresa of Calcutta** lived a radical Christianity which gave hope to the despairing and offered light to those living in the dark world of abject poverty. (1976)
- Bishop Thomas Gumbleton**, a quiet yet firm advocate of peace, challenged Church leadership to embrace peaceful means of settling disputes. (1979)
- Crystal Lee Sutton's** leadership in organized labor underscored the powerful role of women in the workplace, reminding us that equal work demands equal pay. (1980)
- Bishop Ernest Unterkoefler's** advocacy for the rights of workers helped to buoy the labor movement among the poor in Appalachia. (1980)
- George Kennan**, statesman and diplomat, realized that the only hope for solving the world's problems lies in abandoning violence. (1982)

- Helen M. Caldicott's** work as a physician and peace advocate gave her a powerful voice which spoke on behalf of the world's children in the face of possible nuclear holocaust. (1983)
- Cardinal Joseph Bernardin** taught us through his notion of the "seamless garment" that all life is God-given, and therefore precious. (1985)
- Bishop Maurice Dingman's** activism in peace, justice and rural issues embodied his love for the land, reminding all of us of our roots in the soil. (1986)
- Archbishop Desmond Tutu** helped free South Africa from the yoke of apartheid, teaching the entire world that racial injustice is sacrilege. (1987)
- Eileen Egan's** work with the organization Pax Christi provided witness to the many contributions of women in addressing the world's problems through creative non-violence. (1989)
- Mairead Corrigan Maguire's** work in Ireland became a global protest against violence toward children in the name of religion, politics and economics. (1990)
- Maria Julia Hernandez** directed the Human Rights Committee in El Salvador, which worked to record and publicize the atrocities committed in that nation's long civil war. (1991)
- Cesar Chavez** led the United Farm Workers to become a strident voice for workers who had long been disenfranchised. (1992)
- Father Daniel Berrigan** — poet, prophet and priest — offered powerful witness on behalf of peace and justice during and since the Vietnam War years. (1993)
- Jim Wallis**, founder of the Sojourner Christian community, brought people to faith and to action in espousing radical social engagement. (1995)
- Bishop Samuel Ruiz** lent great courage to his fight against violence and injustice inflicted against the poor and oppressed of Mexico's Chiapas region. (1996)
- Jim and Shelley Douglass** — the only married couple to receive the award — have been steadfast in their efforts to build a world of peace based on justice. (1997)
- Sister Helen Prejean's** loving presence on death row has fostered reconciliation and spiritual healing to those too often considered beyond the bounds of humanity. (1998)
- Adolfo Pérez Esquivel** has inspired the world with his Gospel-rooted work on behalf of Argentina's "disappeared ones." (1999)
- Monsignor George Higgins** has woven together communities of faith and organized labor to support economic justice with strength that is both political and spiritual. (2000)
- Lech Walesa's** heroic efforts to defend the rights of workers in the face of Communist repression in Poland made him a global leader for freedom and democracy. (2001)

THE 2002
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is presented to

Sister Dorothy Marie
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AND

Sister Gwen Hennessey, OSF

by

The Diocese of Davenport, Iowa
St. Ambrose University
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Churches United of the Quad City Area
Project Renewal
Miriam House / JLCS
Sisters Council

We honor you for
your enduring efforts to serve God
by working for peace and justice.
Through your leadership,
people are encouraged to
believe in the power of God's love
in resolving human conflict.

Your willingness to dedicate
your lives for the oppressed and to risk
your freedom to confront violent
institutions is an inspiration to us all.

You exemplify how people in
Iowa can significantly impact local,
national and world events.

You truly embody the words of
Pope John XXIII in his encyclical
Pacem in Terris as a "spark of light,
a center of love, a vivifying leaven"
to your sisters and brothers
around the world.

Given this third day of October, 2002,
in Davenport, Iowa, USA

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The Pacem in Terris
Peace and Freedom Award
was created in 1964 by the
Davenport Catholic Interracial Council.
Since 1976, the award
has been presented by the
Quad Cities Pacem in Terris Coalition.
The award honors Pope John XXIII
and commemorates his
1963 encyclical letter,
Pacem in Terris (Peace on Earth),
which called on all people to secure
peace among all nations.

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