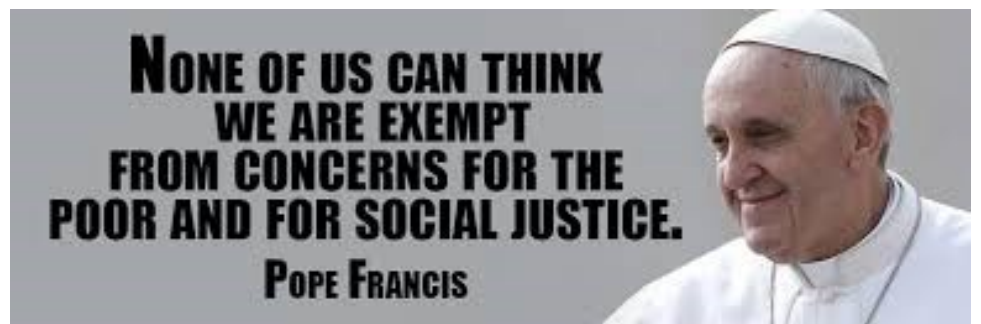


Xavier Social Justice Network

Justice through advocacy and volunteering



The Xavier Social Justice Network (XSJN) aims, through its actions, to bring about change in the world. The XSJN came about because of the desire of a group of like-minded Xavier parents & staff to do something about the injustice they saw in our world & to model to their children action in response to injustice.

XSJN seeks to engage the wider Xavier College community in becoming compassionate and reflective men & women who are committed to serving those in need through direct service & through raising awareness of social justice issues.

Volunteering

XSJN invites the Xavier College community to engage in volunteer work with social services agencies which support vulnerable people. The agencies are chosen carefully to ensure that they operate in line with our XSJN mission & values.



XSJN partner agencies & their volunteer programs include:

- **Jesuit Social Services**—we respond as needed to the diverse programs offered by JSS
- **Sacred Heart Mission** – Preparing & serving meals in the Dining Room. Offering friendship to women attending the Women’s House
- **St Vincent de Paul Society** – Preparing & serving meals on the Soup Van Program or at the Friday Night BBQ
- **Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project** – Offering friendship & support to refugees & asylum seekers through the English Teaching Program
- **River Nile School** – Supporting disadvantaged refugee & asylum seeker women enrolled in the English Language Program
- **Education First Youth Foyers** – Provide mentoring to young people at risk of homelessness
- **Free to Feed** – Cooking School Assistant with Asylum Seekers
- **St Mary’s House of Welcome** - Preparing & serving meals to vulnerable people attending the Dining Hall
- **AMEP** — Tutoring CALD adults through the Volunteer Tutor Scheme
- **Refugee Legal** — Migration Agents & Paralegal Support
- **The Haven** — Providing friendship & support to residents through the Companionship Program
- **Wellspring for Women**—Providing support to programs for vulnerable & isolated women

Advocacy

The XSJN seeks to help change the structures that keep people in poverty & social isolation. Therefore, the XSJN holds several advocacy events each year to raise awareness on important & social justice issues & to challenge our understanding of them. The XSJN invites participation in these advocacy events from the Xavier College community & the wider public.



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Dare to be Different 2020

LOCKED DOWN AND LOCKED IN

How can the COVID-19 pandemic help us
reflect more deeply on the experience
of imprisonment?

XSJN Advocacy events for 2021 include:

- XSJN Dinner in support of *Jesuit Refugee Services* - 10 June 2021
- Dare to be Different Forum—2 September 2021



XSJN eNewsletter

The XSJN Newsletter serves to inform members of current issues, shares stories and offers ways for people to get involved to work towards positive solutions.

Get Involved

If you would like to be involved as a volunteer with one of our partner agencies, or to find out more about our advocacy events or the Network, or to subscribe to our eNewsletter, then please contact;

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Xavier Social Justice Network works within the spiritual tradition of the Jesuits. This tradition calls us to live a faith within which, social justice is the heart. Our inspiration is Jesus Christ, the model of a fulfilled life.

