

Parish of the Immaculate Conception, Maryhill, Glasgow

Feedback from CST Session 2: Option for the Poor

Local

Individuals must play to their strengths and identify what they want to do or can do.

Just *be* there.

Find your group – you don't have to reinvent the wheel.

Locally involved in warm hubs and credit unions.

Watch out for the dignity of the poor in giving 'hand-outs' to the food bank

Through the breakfast club, contact the local MSP/MP

Build community and solidarity – Asda reaches out to the community.

Try to ensure people are paid a working wage

Build local resources

Improve local transport

Encourage volunteering

Supporting pupils in local secondary schools

National

Letter writing

Pax Christi Scotland.

Write to MPs to increase salaries

Give pupils money to stay on at school to make them more self-sufficient

Support national campaigns

Ensure people have an adequate income

Improve housing strategies so that people don't live in homes unfit for purpose

Pilot universal basic income

Support the Scottish Justice and Peace Commission

Spend less at Christmas

International

Work for peace in countries like Yemen and in all conflict areas

Challenge the rich and their tax havens

Support SCIAF's work