

Restorative Justice: Healing for both Victims and Perpetrators

What could it look like if compassion and responsibility for individuals, communities, and society were a part of the prison system?



Find out at this Panel & Discussion!

Thursday, February 9, 2012, 7:00 - 9:00 PM

in the Lounge upstairs @ Newman Hall/Holy Spirit Parish
2700 Dwight Way, Berkeley, CA 94704, (510) 848-7812
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An outstanding panel: each will speak for 15-20 minutes and there will be time for questions from the audience.

* **Jack Dison** has worked with the Insight Prison Project and people in San Quentin. Jack retired from teaching criminology and now works with the Center for Peace Making. He does victim-offender dialogues in cases of severe violence, and Circles of Support and Accountability to help people adjust when they get out.

* **Sujatha Baliga** has been on a Restorative Justice Task Force. She spent a week with a Catholic couple in FL whose daughter was murdered by her fiancé. These grieving parents were called by their faith to forgive and go through restorative justice. Ms. Baliga will tell that story in detail.

* **Jaimee Karroll** works with the Insight Prison Project. She was abducted when she was 9 and was tortured and raped by three men. She eventually escaped; the men were never found. After years of therapy, she was asked to participate as a surrogate victim in a dialogue with violent offenders. She began to realize that what offenders needed for healing was similar to what victims needed. She now works full time as a mediator of severe and violent crime, and runs 18 programs in San Quentin and six other prisons.

From 6:30 PM to 7:00PM, one case study from the documentary "Beyond Conviction" will be shown.

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"We are still a long way from the time when our conscience can be certain of having done everything possible to prevent crime and to control it effectively so that it no longer does harm and, at the same time, to offer to those who commit crimes a way of redeeming themselves and making a positive return to society... perhaps humanity as a whole could take a great step forward in creating a more serene and peaceful society."

POPE JOHN PAUL II

July 9, 2000, quoted in

"Responsibility, Rehabilitation, and Restoration," a Statement of the Catholic Bishops of the United States