JUBILEE YEAR

Questions to explore

Wednesday, November 1st, 2023 @ 4:52 pm

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- 1. What do you see as the main benefits of a Jubilee year?
- 2. What would be the main challenges in carrying out the Jubilee principles?
- 3. What are the differences between God's answers to the key issues below and the world's answers?

Pick one issue per session or give small groups one issue each to discuss:

- Care for creation
- Food poverty
- Modern slavery
- Managing debt
- Forgiveness
- Rest

Action Points to explore:

- Plan how you might respond to Jubilee living in the coming year.
- What issue will you focus on?
- What will you do as individuals and as a parish?
- What will success look like?
- How will you inspire each other in prayer and action?
- Make some dates to meet again to take this forward.
- Closing Reflection:

• ²⁶ For just as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is also dead.

James 2:26

Our open hands

• Our open hands give confidence.

They choose to value life.

Our open hands share with the poor and the oppressed.

They care for those who are hurt and in need.

Our open hands invite conversation and understanding.

They take responsibility for creation.

Our open hands are a gesture of love and friendship.

They are a symbol of affection for each other.

Our open hands inspire healing and forgiveness.

They remove barriers and chase away fears.

Our open hands are raised in prayer.

They build justice and peace between God and his people.

Let us open our hands in this Jubilee Year.

Amen.