



AOTEAROA



No to the Treaty Principles Bill

Pax Christi Aotearoa New Zealand is preparing a submission against the intended introduction of the Treaty Principles Bill to the NZ Parliamentary Select Committee concerning the Treaty of Waitangi. This [bill will undermine years of work](#) to rebuild the treaty relationship between the Crown and Māori.

JAPAN



Protesting militarisation

Japan committed to [doubling its defense spending](#), which would make it the world's third largest military power. The Catholic Council for Justice and Peace, with other interfaith organizations, is actively involved in protest actions against militarization in light of Article 9 of Japan's peace constitution.

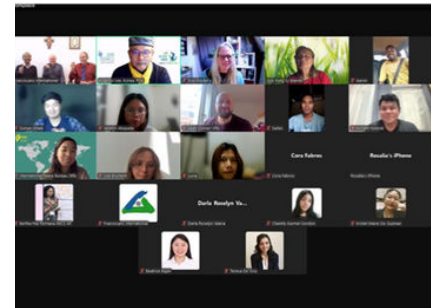
AUSTRALIA



National Conference 2024

On 31st August, Pax Christi Australia held its annual conference on: "Unrelenting Colonisation - The threads that link Australia and Palestine". Watch the welcome session and introduction [by Fr Claude Mostowik](#) and the presentation [by Rev. Dr \(Hon\) Ray Minniecon](#). More information about the speakers below the videos.

KOREA



Geneva Appeal for Peace

After the Catholic Peace Forum of Nagasaki on 10 August and the one in Rome on 19th September, the third Pax Catholica Forum took place in Geneva and online on 25th October. From the forum emerged a [Geneva Appeal for Peace](#), focusing on disarmament for a just and sustainable world.

PHILIPPINES



IWPS Conference in Manila

Pax Christi Pilipinas members from Generation Peace Youth Network (GenPeace) and the Global Network of Women Peacebuilders (GNWP) actively participated in the recently concluded [International Women, Peace, and Security \(IWPS\) Conference](#) in Manila (28th-30th October 2024).

SRI LANKA



Positivity ahead of elections

After the presidential elections of 21st September, Sri Lanka is holding parliamentary elections next week. Sri Lankans are heading to the polls with [more confidence](#) when thinking about the direction of the country - a sign the results of the presidential elections were good news for many.



STATEMENT:

Pax Christi Asia-Pacific issued a [statement](#) on the impact of the Ukraine-Russia conflict and rising Tensions in the Asia-Pacific region: **"Resist Militarisation, Embrace Diplomacy for Regional Stability and Peace-building"**.