

# Promoting Peace and Justice

Since his return to Xavier, Fr. Ben never stopped working to promote peace and justice on Xavier's campus, and in the world beyond. During his time at Xavier, he ran a radio show on WVXU ("The Faith and Justice Forum") that focused not only on environmental issues, but also peace and justice issues. He continues to be involved in this work, even at the age of 90. He writes to senators about political issues such as the Iran Deal, and he pays close attention to Papal encyclicals. Fr. Ben sees that more needs to be done, and hopes Xavier students will do more. Instead of just visiting soup kitchens, he wants students to ask greater questions such as: "Why are there soup kitchens? Why are there hungry?" Xavier faces a challenge of working endlessly to achieve peace and justice in the world. Fr. Ben's time is almost up, he says, and he needs someone to whom he can pass the torch. "A retired man, older, does not have as much influence as a younger man," he states.

**"I'll do what I can for as long as I can."**

