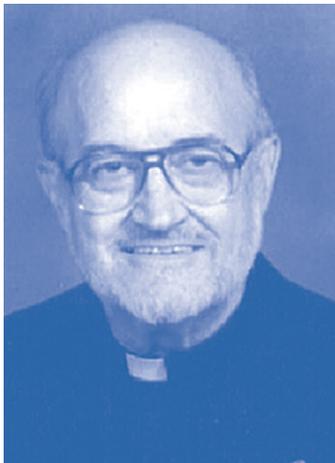


PACEM IN TERRIS  
PEACE  
AND FREEDOM  
AWARD

*Sunday, October 19, 2008*

StAmbrose  
University

DAVENPORT, IOWA



**Msgr. Marvin Mottet**

When asked what inspired his life of social justice, Msgr. Marvin Mottet credited his roots on a farm near Ottumwa, Iowa, where his parents practiced social justice during the Great Depression. Since then, Msgr. Mottet has taken to heart the words of St. Francis of Assisi: “Preach the Gospel at all times, and when necessary, use words.”

As a result, throughout the past 40 years Msgr. Mottet has led by example, becoming one of the first diocesan social action directors in the country. From 1978–85, he led the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). During that time he developed the concept of “Two Feet of Social Ministry,” which calls people to do works of charity and service as well as work for social justice through systemic change, that has been adopted nationally.

He was instrumental in launching many local programs such as CASI, HELP Legal Aid, Quad City Interfaith and the Café on Vine. Davenport officials have noted that, as pastor of Sacred Heart Cathedral, Msgr. Mottet changed the area in ten years from the most dangerous central city neighborhood to the safest.

He even came out of “retirement” to serve as pastor for St. Mary’s, another inner-city parish, making it into a true multi-cultural church.

Graduating from St. Ambrose University in 1952, Msgr. Mottet completed his theology studies at Mt. St. Bernard Seminary in Dubuque, Iowa, and his master’s degree in social work from the University of Iowa.

Msgr. Marvin Mottet’s lifelong commitment to social justice and the lives of the inner-city poor inspired virtually everyone active in social justice in our diocese and many more around the country.

## 2008 PACEM IN TERRIS PEACE AND FREEDOM AWARD

The Pacem in Terris Peace and Freedom Award was created in 1964 by the Davenport Catholic Interracial Council. Since 1976, the award has been presented by the Quad City Pacem in Terris Coalition. The award honors Pope John XXIII and commemorates his 1963 encyclical letter, *Pacem in Terris (Peace on Earth)*, which called on all people to secure peace among all nations.

### **THE 2008 PACEM IN TERRIS PLANNING COMMITTEE AND CONTRIBUTORS**

- The Diocese of Davenport
- St. Ambrose University
- Augustana College
- Congregation of the Humility of Mary
- Churches United of the Quad City Area
- The Catholic Messenger
- Pax Christi Quad Cities
- Bridges of Faith
- Muslim Community of the Quad Cities
- Sisters of St. Benedict
- Quad Cities Interfaith

*“If you want  
peace,  
work for  
justice.”*

— PAUL VI

2008  
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is presented to

**Msgr. Marvin Mottet**

by

Bishop Martin Amos  
on behalf of the  
Quad City Pacem in Terris Coalition

In recognition of a lifetime of ministry  
on behalf of the marginalized—the workers,  
the minorities, the homeless, the elderly,  
the poor, and those seeking healing.

Through founding the Social Action Department  
of the Diocese of Davenport and directing  
the Catholic Campaign for Human Development,  
you put into practice the Gospel's preference  
for the poor, not only as an advocate  
but as an example. You lived the simple life  
so that others might simply live, your front lawn  
vegetable garden a model for the neighborhood.

In your many years of work for peace and justice,  
you have come to embody the words of  
Pope John XXIII in his encyclical *Pacem in Terris*  
as a “spark of light, a center of love, a vivifying  
leaven.” Your “Two Feet of Social Ministry,”  
that of pairing long-term systemic change with  
direct service, is the epitome of Pope Paul VI's words  
“Development is the new word for Peace!”

As one of the founders of this award in the years of  
the Quad City Catholic Interracial Council,  
it is most fitting that the Pacem in Terris Peace and  
Freedom Award come back to you.

Given on this 19th day of October 2008,  
in Davenport, Iowa USA.

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PROGRAM

**MUSICAL PRELUDE**

Rita Cameron, PBVM

**INTRODUCTION**

Kai Swanson

**WELCOME**

Lisa Wiggers

Student Government Association  
Campus Ministry Liaison

**OPENING PRAYER**

Rev. William Dawson

**HISTORY OF AWARD**

Loxi Hopkins

**LITANY HONORING PAST RECIPIENTS**

Kim Armstrong                      John Kiley  
Sheila Deluhery                      Julian Gutierrez

**BIOGRAPHY OF THE RECIPIENT**

Barb Arland-Fye

**AWARD PRESENTATION**

Most Rev. Martin Amos, DD  
Bishop, Diocese of Davenport

**REMARKS**

Msgr. Marvin Mottet

**CLOSING PRAYER**

Mary Rehmann, CHM  
President, Congregation of the Humility of Mary

*Please join us for a public reception  
immediately after the ceremony*

## PACEM IN TERRIS PEACE AND FREEDOM AWARD

**John F. Kennedy**, 35th President of the United States, awakened in us a hope that no problem was too great to conquer—race relations, violence or poverty—when citizens work together. (1964, posthumous presentation)

**John Howard Griffin's** powerful book, *Black Like Me*, showed us how we are too often judged not by the content of our character but by the color of our skin. (1964)

**Martin Luther King, Jr.**, challenged us to dream of a world transformed through non-violent civil rights activism. (1965)

**R. Sargent Shriver**, first director of the Peace Corps, taught us that one person can indeed make a difference. (1966)

**A. Philip Randolph's** work in organizing railway employees convinced us that the dignity of work must be rewarded with a just wage. (1967)

**Father James Groppi** was a radical spirit whose work in Milwaukee awoke people to the injustice of unfair housing and racial prejudice. (1968)

**Saul Alinsky's** book, *Reveille for Radicals*, taught people how to act together in promoting justice in society. (1969)

**Dorothy Day**, founder of the Catholic Worker Movement, reminded us to look for ourselves in the faces of the poor. (1972)

**Senator Harold Hughes** brought the spirit of the Gospel to his efforts on behalf of the peace movement, equal education, civil rights, the elderly and capital punishment opposition. (1974)

**Dom Helder Camara**, gentle shepherd of the poor of northwestern Brazil, embraced the impoverished and gave sharp prophecy to the wealthy. (1975)

**Mother Teresa of Calcutta** lived a radical Christianity which gave hope to the despairing and offered light to those living in the dark world of abject poverty. (1976)

**Bishop Thomas Gumbleton**, a quiet yet firm advocate of peace, challenged Church leadership to embrace peaceful means of settling disputes. (1979)

**Crystal Lee Sutton's** leadership in organized labor underscored the powerful role of women in the workplace, reminding us that equal work demands equal pay. (1980)

**Bishop Ernest Unterkoefler's** advocacy for the rights of workers helped to buoy the labor movement among the poor in Appalachia. (1980)

**George Kennan**, statesman and diplomat, realized that the only hope for solving the world's problems lies in abandoning violence. (1982)

**Helen M. Caldicott's** work as a physician and peace advocate gave her a powerful voice which spoke on behalf of the world's children in the face of possible nuclear holocaust. (1983)

**Cardinal Joseph Bernardin** taught us through his notion of the "seamless garment" that all life is God-given and therefore precious. (1985)

**Bishop Maurice Dingman's** activism in peace, justice and rural issues embodied his love for the land, reminding all of us of our roots in the soil. (1986)

**Archbishop Desmond Tutu** helped free South Africa from the yoke of apartheid, teaching the entire world that racial injustice is sacrilege. (1987)

**Eileen Egan's** work with the organization Pax Christi provided witness to the many contributions of women in addressing the world's problems through creative non-violence. (1989)

**Mairead Corrigan Maguire's** work in Ireland became a global protest against violence toward children in the name of religion, politics and economics. (1990)

**Maria Julia Hernandez** directed the Human Rights Committee in El Salvador, which worked to record and publicize the atrocities committed in that nation's long civil war. (1991)

**Cesar Chavez** led the United Farm Workers to become a strident voice for workers who had long been disenfranchised. (1992)

**Father Daniel Berrigan**—poet, prophet and priest—offered powerful witness on behalf of peace and justice during and since the Vietnam War years. (1993)

**Jim Wallis**, founder of the Sojourner Christian community, brought people to faith and to action in espousing radical social engagement. (1995)

**Bishop Samuel Ruiz** lent great courage to his fight against violence and injustice inflicted against the poor and oppressed of Mexico's Chiapas region. (1996)

**Jim and Shelley Douglass**—the only married couple to receive the award—have been steadfast in their efforts to build a world of peace based on justice. (1997)

**Sister Helen Prejean's** loving presence on death row has fostered reconciliation and spiritual healing to those too often considered beyond the bounds of humanity. (1998)

**Adolfo Pérez Esquivel** has inspired the world with his Gospel-rooted work on behalf of Argentina's "disappeared ones." (1999)

**Monsignor George Higgins** has woven together communities of faith and organized labor to support economic justice with strength that is both political and spiritual. (2000)

**Lech Walesa's** heroic efforts to defend the rights of workers in the face of Communist repression in Poland made him a global leader for freedom and democracy. (2001)

**Sisters Dorothy Marie and Gwen Hennessey** sibling sisters and Dubuque Franciscans, have devoted their lives and ministry to local activism on global issues of peace and justice. (2002)

**Arthur Simon**, founder of Bread for the World, showed how one person can make a difference alleviating world hunger. (2004)

**Don Mosley** of Jubilee Partners has served others by offering hospitality to refugees, housing for the homeless and mediation to situations of war. (2005)

**Bishop Salim Ghazaal** worked with Muslims and Christians to promote reconciliation, peace and hope for young people and others displaced by Lebanon's civil war. (2007)