



Pax Christi Call: Please join us to vigil and rally on Saturday, January 15, 2022 at 12:00 noon, to mark the 20th year anniversary of the Guantánamo Bay prison. We will vigil in front of the Augusta National Guard Armory, at the intersection of Route 202 and Armory Street, and then process to the Capitol for the rally with speakers and closing prayer.

Our message is simple: Shutdown Guantánamo. According to the ACLU, since the prison opened in 2002, 779 prisoners have been held there, including 21 children. More than 85% of those prisoners were sold as prisoners to the U.S. for a bounty. Currently, 39 remain imprisoned – 27 held indefinitely without charge in violation of international laws.

Group Photo planned

FMI on Guantanamo, please go to <https://www.closeguantanamo.org>

CLOSE GUANTÁNAMO

Vigil & Rally to close Guantanamo after 20 years
of detention and torture

January 15, 2022 – 12 & 1:15 in Augusta

Masks and social distancing necessary.

Noon - Augusta Armory Vigil at 179 Western Ave. (parking at shopping center across the street)

Those who wish will process to the Capitol from the Armory

1:15 PM - State Capitol Rally and Speakers (free parking public garage)

(at the Peace Plaza between the State House and Cross Office Building)

Program schedule:

Emcee: Mary Ellen Quinn, *Co-Coordinator, Pax Christi Maine*

- Frank Panopoulos, *DETAINEE ATTORNEY*, represents a prisoner, uncharged & held indefinitely
- Mary Kate Small, *Witness Against Torture*
- Dud Hendrick, *ME Veterans For Peace*
- Open mic for those who have lived experience, similar or related

2 PM Closing Prayer

Sponsors: Witness Against Torture, Pax Christi Maine, Amnesty International USA, Peace Action Maine

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<https://peaceactionme.org/events/close-guantanamo-20-years-in-solidarity.html>