

2017 REV. WILLIAM A. TOOHEY, C.S.C., AWARD FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

This year's recipient of the Rev. William A. Toohey, C.S.C., Award for Social Justice knew Fr. Toohey personally when he was an undergraduate student at Notre Dame. He graduated from Notre Dame in 1980 and then spent a year as a community organizer in Chicago before heading to law school and embarking on a career in public interest law. In 2002, he returned to Notre Dame to direct the Legal Aid Clinic in the Law School. More recently, he has taught in a wide variety of the school's experiential learning programs, including GALILEE, an immersion experience through which law students learn about legal problems of the urban poor and how they can incorporate pro bono service into any legal career. He has also worked to reinvigorate Public Interest Week, coordinated the Small Business Pro Bono Project, and chaired the Law School's Loan Repayment Assistance Program to support graduates who are beginning legal careers in public interest and public service positions. His work consistently reflects the University's Catholic mission, and his example calls our graduates to use their legal educations for the public good.

The University of Notre Dame is proud to present the
2017 Rev. William A. Toohey, C.S.C., Award for Social Justice to

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