# **Educate Your Congregation on Drone Warfare!**

# Show a FREE Video in your Congregation and Receive \$100!

In the last decade, **Drone Warfare has rapidly escalated in war zones as well as in areas where war has not been declared.** More than 80 countries, as well as non-state actors such as ISIS, now have drone warfare capability. Great moral, ethical, and theological issues are raised by this development, but to date there has been relatively little public debate on it.

The **Interfaith Network on Drone Warfare** has produced five half hour videos, with military, legal, human rights, policy, and faith leaders discussing the moral, policy, and religious dimensions of this new and troubling development in modern warfare. Study guides accompany these videos. For supplementary materials on the Catholic perspective on drone warfare, go to <a href="http://bit.ly/2EoYdOU">http://bit.ly/2EoYdOU</a>.

These videos are ideal resources for use in your education classes or as a part of a series during a season in your faith tradition, such as Lent. *Moral and Safe?: War, Peace, Drone Warfare and the Religious Community* is described below as is *The Religious Community and Drone Warfare*, a video that goes into more depth on religious views on lethal drones.

Visit **www.interfaithdronenetwork.org** to access the videos. For each film, there is a study guide on the website which congregations are urged to use. There is also a <u>sign-up sheet</u> (<u>www.interfaithdronenetwork.org/images/Sign-Up-Sheet.pdf</u>) for attendees at the screening who want to receive occasional emails from the INDW.

After the screening, the leader of the group or another participant is asked to prepare a review by completing a questionnaire (www.interfaithdronenetwork.org/images/Questionnaire for Reviewing the Videos.doc). The leader then sends to INDW the review and the list of those wishing to receive emails from INDW. Once INDW receives these, INDW will send a check for \$100 to the congregation, to be used as the congregation wishes.

A description of materials for children's education on this topic will be on the website soon.



# Moral and Safe?

### War, Peace, Drone Warfare, and the Religious

This introductory film describes the history, the nature, use and moral challenges posed by drone warfare. It features Col. Lawrence Wilkerson (U.S. Army retired), former Chief of Staff for General Colin Powell; Dr. Mary Ann Cusimano Love, Catholic University; Diane Randall, Friends Committee On National Legislation; Andrea Prasow, Human Rights Watch; and Jamal Jaffer, Columbia University Law School. The challenges facing drone operators are also described. Religious leaders, including a Catholic, Protestants, a Muslim, a Sikh, and a rabbi tell us about their traditions' views of drone warfare.



# The Religious Community and Drone Warfare

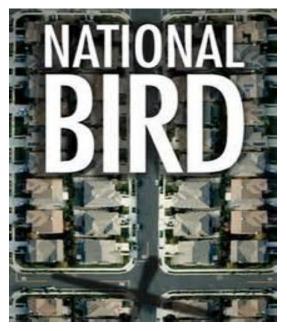
The *Religious Community and Drone Warfare* is for congregations who wish to go into more depth regarding the concerns expressed by denominations, religious organizations and religious leaders, especially after watching *Moral and Safe?:War, Peace, Drone Warfare and the Religious Community*. In this 27 minute video Faith leaders give their moral and theological perspective on a range of issues: the history of drone warfare, the situation of drone operators, the secrecy of the drone program, "killing one terrorist and creating 10 terrorists," civilian deaths, the need for international agreements controlling the use of drones and providing real security for the U.S.





#### By Brave New Films Robert Greenwald, Director 30 min. version– edited for education classes in congregations

Unmanned: America's Drone Wars, investigates the impact of U.S. drone strikes at home and abroad through compelling interviews. A former American drone operator shares what he has witnessed in his own words, Pakistani families mourn loved ones and seek legal redress, investigative journalists pursue the truth, and top military officials warn against retaliation because innocent lives were lost.



#### Directed by Sonia Kennebeck 34 min. version— edited for education classes in congregations

National Bird, a documentary by Sonia Kennebeck, follows the dramatic journey of three whistleblowers that are determined to break the silence about America's drone war. This shortened version of the documentary features two military veterans of drone warfare: Lisa and Heather. Plagued by guilt over participating in the killing of faceless people in foreign countries, they decide to speak out publicly, despite the possible consequences.



#### Directed by Tonje Hessen Schei 30 min. version— edited for education classes in congregations

*Drone* provides an in-depth look at the recruitment of drone operators and changing attitudes towards war. The film examines the role of drone operators, political leaders, and anti-war activists, as well as the morality of targeted killings. Schei also broaches the topics of changing trends in weapons production and the possibility of drone technology being acquired by unfriendly regimes.



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