

Community Church of Boston
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sunday forums

May 2012

Sundays at 11:00a.m.

May 6th -- SERGIO REYES

"The International Nature of Migrant Worker Struggles"

The struggle for worker rights is not limited to the United States, the Belly of the Beast. Workers throughout the Global South are struggling for their rights and fighting neoliberal policies of structural adjustment. Privatization and union busting are alive and well throughout the world and the worker struggle for self determination is under consistent attack. We will discuss the role of migrant worker struggles, their victories and set backs in the global campaign for worker liberation.

Sergio Reyes is a grassroots Boston-based organizer, torture survivor under Pinochet's dictatorship in Chile, and often described as 'a revolutionary that sings.'

May 13th -- Mothers' Day

MARIANNE BULLOCK

"Unshackle Mothers: Realities of Incarcerated Moms"

Governor Patrick has issued a bond to construct two new women's jails and expand the jail in Chicopee Massachusetts, a project of stealing women from their children. 85% of women who are incarcerated are mothers. Pregnant women and mothers in child birth are not protected from the violence of steel shackles here in Massachusetts. It is these realities that we will discuss today.

Marianne Bullock is co-founder of the Prison Birth Project.

May 20th -- JENS RYBO

"Music, Healing, and Joy"

People with mental illness are consistently stigmatized and relegated to certain segments of our society. Even though so many of us are impacted by mental illness, we are told to be ashamed or embarrassed by it. Speakers and musicians from Tunefoolery provide education and facilitate dialogue to work through the stigma of mental illness. Tunefoolery is a musical group composed of and run by consumers (people receiving mental health services) who play and perform music to establish identities based on musical achievement.

May 27th -- Memorial Day Weekend

IRAQ VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR

"Operation Recovery"

Large portions of our military members and veterans are suffering from Military Sexual Trauma (MST), Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), and/or Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) yet their right to heal is violated on a mass scale. Traumatized service members have been forced to deploy against the best interest of their health and well being throughout the Global War on Terror. Now with the return of troops from Iraq, the military is trying to skirt it's responsibilities to care for service members. Members of IVAW will share about these realities and what is needed today.

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