



LIFE, DEATH AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

SISTER HELEN PREJEAN, CSJ

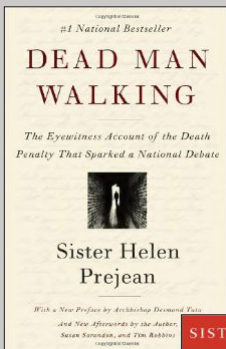
Author of *Dead Man Walking* and *The Death of Innocents*

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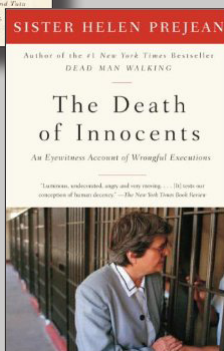
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A free will donation will be collected to benefit
Sr. Helen's non-profit, *Ministry Against the Death Penalty*



Sister Helen Prejean has been instrumental in sparking national dialogue on the death penalty and helping to shape the Catholic Church's newly vigorous opposition to state executions. In the early 1980s, she was asked to correspond with death row inmate, Patrick Sonnier. She agreed and became his spiritual adviser. After witnessing his execution, she wrote a book about the experience. The result was *Dead Man Walking: An Eyewitness Account of the Death Penalty in the United States*.



Since 1984, Sister Helen has divided her time between educating citizens about the death penalty and counseling individual death row prisoners. She has accompanied six men to their deaths. In doing so, she began to suspect that some of those executed were not guilty. This realization inspired her second book, *The Death of Innocents: An Eyewitness Account of Wrongful Executions*.



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