



## **Welcome to A&B eNews with National and International News**

We need to continue to nurture vocations to the priesthood and to that end Fr Con Foley, Diocesan Vocations Director has asked that you make your parish aware of the St John Vianney Group he is running. See details below.

Also important is the vocation of marriage and two Guildford parishioners, John and Christina Nichols will appear on this Sunday's Songs of Praise on BBC One at 1.15pm as part of the programme's focus on St Valentine and married love.

Please do share this eNewsletter

Rt Rev Richard Moth, Bishop of  
Arundel & Brighton



## **The information contained in this**

with others and invite people to subscribe by signing up [here](#) - you can unsubscribe at any time. Also a reminder that you can also add parish and other events and courses on the [Diocesan Website](#) at any time.

There are a several job opportunities including a Catholic Parliamentary Internship in the eNewsletter which feel free to advertise and pass on.

Finally, many congratulations to Bishop Robert Byrne, auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham who has been appointed as the new bishop of Hexham & Newcastle and will be installed there in Newcastle Cathedral on 25 March.

With every prayer and blessing,  
*Mark Woods* - Communications  
Officer

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## Vocations to the Priesthood

**St. John Vianney Group:** A group for men, aged 18-45 who wish to explore whether they have a calling to the priesthood. The next meeting takes place from 4-7.30pm on **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb** at St. Dunstan's Church, Shaftesbury Road, Woking, Surrey. GU22 7DT.

For more details contact the Fr. Con Foley - 01932 842643 or email

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## National & International Events

### **International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human**

**Trafficking:** Thursday 8th February is the Feast Day of St Josephine Bakhita - the patron saint of victims of modern slavery and human trafficking. On this day Catholics are encouraged to pray for all those affected by the crimes of modern slavery and human trafficking, and the people that volunteer and work to eradicate this crime. This year the particular focus is on those who are caught up in forced labour and labour exploitation both in the UK and beyond. For information and resources go to [www.santamartagroup.com/santa-marta](http://www.santamartagroup.com/santa-marta)

**NJPN Open Networking Day:** Saturday 9 February 2019 from 10.30 - 1.30 at CAFOD, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB. Phil Kingston, Christian Climate Action:

'With Extinction Rebellion in the November Actions in London' Plus: opportunities to network and get updates from justice and peace activists and national agencies. For more information see

[www.justice-and-peace.org.uk/njpn-meetings](http://www.justice-and-peace.org.uk/njpn-meetings) or contact Geoff at [admin@justice-and-peace.org.uk](mailto:admin@justice-and-peace.org.uk), or Tel: 020 7901 4864.

**Vocations Weekend for young women:** 'Follow your Heart - Discernment and Vocation' from 15 - 17 Feb in Liverpool. The weekend is organised by the sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ).

If you are wondering if God is calling you to religious life and would like to find out more why not come along? You are welcome to stay for the weekend or just come along on Saturday for the day. There will be opportunity for prayer, reflection and input, chance to ask questions and to meet others who are also wondering where God is calling them.

For more information contact Sr Lynne fcJ at [lynnefcj@hotmail.com](mailto:lynnefcj@hotmail.com) or visit our website [www.fcjsisters.org](http://www.fcjsisters.org)

**Racial Justice Sunday:** 17 February marks Racial Justice Sunday, which focuses on the experiences of ethnic communities in England and Wales. It is a day on which we all called to earnestly pray for an end to racism and racial inequality in our country. The theme this year is Dignity of Work, looking at how all people must not be exploited or face discrimination and hatred in their work. For more information and resources go to <http://www.catholicnews.org.uk/racial-justice-sunday-2019>.

**Anglo-Saxon Kingdoms: Art, Word, War:** This exhibition now on at the British Library in London running from October to February includes the beautifully illuminated Lindisfarne Gospels, *Beowulf* and Bede's *Ecclesiastical History*, which sit alongside stunning finds from Sutton Hoo and the Staffordshire Hoard. The world-famous Domesday Book offers its unrivalled depiction of the landscape of late Anglo-Saxon England while Codex Amiatinus, a giant Northumbrian Bible taken to Italy in 716, returns to England for the first time in 1300 years. For more information and to book tickets click [here](#).

**Rural and Catholic Conference:** The next National Conference for Rural Catholics will be held in Sarum College, 19 The Close, Salisbury, SP1 2EE between the **25-27<sup>th</sup> February 2019**. For more information and booking, please go to [www.ruralcatholics.org.uk](http://www.ruralcatholics.org.uk).

**UK Fairtrade Fortnight 2019:** This runs from 25 February-10 March, when we celebrate our connection with those in the developing world who grow and make lots of the things we enjoy. Everyone can help by continuing to buy products with the Fairtrade MARK. This year, and next two years, will focus on cocoa and the crisis that has caused the world market price to plummet. The causes need multiple solutions. Fairtrade has made real progress, but knows that certification alone can't solve all the problems. Choose Fairtrade and together we can do more. Please support the petition in Fairtrade Fortnight at [www.fairtrade.org.uk](http://www.fairtrade.org.uk).

**Flame 2019 - Join 10,000 Catholic Young People at Wembley Arena next**

**March:** Around five hundred people from A&B went to Wembley Arena last March for Flame 2017. The arena was filled, and it was great to be a part of. The good news announced just last week is that it's happening again next March. Specifically Saturday **March 2nd**, once again at Wembley Arena. Tickets are already on sale and unlike last time they can be booked online. Head to [cymfed.org.uk/flame2019](http://cymfed.org.uk/flame2019) for details.

Flame 2019 boasts an impressive line-up of speakers. More names will follow in the months ahead, but Cardinal Nichols, Robert Madu, Guvna B, and Emma B from 'Girl Got Faith' are already on board. Hurry though - there are only ten thousand seats and at least 5,000 tickets have already gone!

**Monastic Experience Weekend at Quarr Abbey:** The Monastic Experience Weekend is designed to give single Catholic men aged 18-35 the opportunity to sample monastic life, as it is led at Quarr Abbey in the Benedictine tradition of the Solesmes Congregation. They will be able to attend the liturgical worship in the church, pursue personal prayer and meditation on the Bible in the prayerful silence of the monastery, and hear talks from the monks about their way of life, their liturgy and the Rule of Saint Benedict which they follow. There will be opportunities to participate in the work of the monks and to ask questions. It will be of particular interest to those wanting to explore the possibility of a vocation. **Friday 8th (evening) - Sunday 10th March 2019.** Contact: [Brother Duncan](#) for more information or see [here](#).

**Lifeline for Marriage:** Are you bored, frustrated, or angry? Are you experiencing conflict and arguments, or have you simply shut down? Does talking about it only make it worse? Perhaps you are both feeling alone, living a Married Singles Lifestyle, already separated or divorced? Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. RETROUVAILLE (pronounced retro-vl) has saved countless marriages and helped couples experiencing marital difficulties at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. The 4 stages of marriage are: (1) Romance, (2) Disillusionment, (3) Misery, and (4) Awakening. Marriages which end in divorce never make it to the 4th Stage of Awakening. Don't give up without learning about this vital stage of Awakening. The Programme provides techniques to enable you to examine areas of your lives in an effective way, heal those wounds and rediscover each other so that love, trust and commitment are re-awakened. There is no group therapy and Retrouvaille is not a spiritual retreat, sensitivity group, seminar or social gathering. For confidential information about Retrouvaille or to register for the next programme – commencing with a residential weekend 8th-10th March 2019 in Welwyn Garden City – please visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk); call or text 07887 296 983 or 07973 38 04 43 or email [info@retrouvaille.org.uk](mailto:info@retrouvaille.org.uk).

**CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day:** On Friday 15 March, CAFOD supporters will hold 'Family Fast Days' in Arundel & Brighton in support of the charity's annual Lent campaign. The money they raise will go to helping people whose lives are being devastated by changing weather, including Mahinur in Bangladesh. Drought, floods and storms are having a devastating impact on our global family. Mahinur makes a living from fishing but a drought last year killed all the fish, leaving her struggling to support her disabled husband and son. Mahinur cooks and cleans in neighbours' homes for a bit of cash but it's never enough. There are days the family have nothing to eat. But Mahinur's experience is just one of many. The changing climate is wreaking havoc on hundreds of thousands of lives around the world. CAFOD's Head of Volunteering, Jo Kitterick, said: "This Lent, it is your generosity which will help ensure no one is beyond reach of the love and care

they need. Thank you.”

Donate to CAFOD's Lent Appeal in your parish or at [cafod.org.uk/lent](http://cafod.org.uk/lent).

**Woman to Woman Conference 2019:** This will take place on 30 March organised by Premier and Harvester Ministries at Methodist Central Hall Westminster. The conference is hosted by Maria Rodrigues from this Diocese and a presenter of Woman to Woman on Premier Christian Radio. Early Bird tickets are still available until 31 January. Hear stories of struggles and victories, learn strategies to foster vision and dreams for your future with God, and rejoice in the company of your fellow sisters in Christ. Day session 10am – 5pm - Evening 7pm – 9pm. You can come for the whole conference, just the day session or the evening. For more information and to book tickets click [here](#).

**March for Life UK - Saturday 11 May 2019, London:** The day will start at 9.30am-1.30pm with an indoor festival called LifeFest19 which takes place this year over two venues: Venue 1 is The Emmanuel Centre, 9-23 Marsham St, Westminster, London, SW1P 3DW. Venue 2 is Church House, Deans Yard, Westminster, London SW1P 3NZ. These will comprise of workshops, children's activities, education stalls, speakers and prayer. Because there is limited space at these venues and a lot of proliferators, you will need to book your place beforehand. It only costs £3 per adult (2 for £5), youth £1 (6-17yrs), children (under 6yrs) FREE. Your ticket will enable you to attend either venue on a first come first served basis. The March itself will run from 2pm - 4.30pm starting from the back entrance of Westminster Church House 25 Great Smith Street, Westminster, London SW1P 3BN. It will end with Christian prayer and keynote speeches. For more information and to book your tickets for the morning events, please visit [www.marchforlife.co.uk](http://www.marchforlife.co.uk)

**Veterans Wanted as Pilgrims:** If you're an ex serviceman or woman, we need you! Every year there is the International Military Pilgrimage in Lourdes. HCPT Group 507 takes disabled and sick ex servicemen and women or dependents of those who have served. We stay in Hosanna House at a wonderful location just outside Lourdes. We need helpers and VIPs, our term

for those we are caring for, to join us on this year's Pilgrimage. This year's dates are from May the 16th to May 24th.

To receive more detailed information contact Brendan McWilliams by sending an email to [brendan.mcwilliams@icloud.com](mailto:brendan.mcwilliams@icloud.com).

If you can't come this year , we could take you next year

**Mothers Prayers Retreat:** Peace is my gift to you – Do not let your hearts be Troubled or Afraid (John 14 v 27). The retreat will take place at The Briery Retreat Centre, 38 Victoria Avenue, Ilkley, West Yorkshire, LS29 9BW. It will take from Friday 24th May – Sunday 26th May 2019 (After 4.00pm on Friday – After lunch on Sunday) To book contact [retreat@mothersprayers.org](mailto:retreat@mothersprayers.org) or tel: Liz: 01959 532505 for information. Cost - £170. Please note that booking for this Retreat is closed two weeks before the event. In the case of overbooking, priority will be given to those who have not been before.

**Annual Justice & Peace Conference:** This year this will take place on 19—21 July 2019 at The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick, Derbyshire. The theme is 'Forgotten People, Forgotten Places: Being Church on the Margins'. You can find more information on the [National Justice & Peace website](#).

**Rise Theatre Summer School:** Professional Christian Theatre: Summer Theatre School for 13-18 year olds 'Kingdom Colour' – Explore what it means to bring God's kingdom to earth, all whilst gaining new creative skills in drama, music and art. £265 inc. Venue St Cassians's Centre, Kintbury, Berkshire. More info. At [www.risetheatre.co.uk](http://www.risetheatre.co.uk)

**Visit of Our Lady of Walsingham statue:** Next year, on 25th March 2020, the Feast of the Annunciation, England is going to be rededicated as the 'Dowry of Mary' and in preparation for this the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham will be visiting Arundel Cathedral in the autumn, from 28th to 30th November. The title "Dowry of Mary" goes back to St. Edward the Confessor (d. 1066). It was in 1381 that our country was 'officially' dedicated to Her by King Richard II. The aim of the rededication in 2020 is to seek the help of the Mother of God in building a strong spiritual foundation for the New Evangelisation. We call upon

Our Lady to guide and protect our country in the years to come, that our people may work together to face the challenges of our times, as we work to build a Common Good.

During the course of 2018 to 2020 as part of the preparation for the re-dedication, the statue of Our Lady from the Slipper Chapel at the Catholic National Shrine in Walsingham is being taken to every Cathedral in England for a three-day triduum of prayer. Each visit takes place between a Thursday and Saturday. Here in the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton, the Statue will be at the Cathedral from 28th to 30th November. For more information see [here](#).

**Taizé European Meeting 2019-20:** The next European youth meeting will take place in Poland, in the city of Wrocław , from December 28, 2019 to January 1, 2020. This will be the third time that this gathering of European Christian youth of all faiths will take place in Wrocław (after 1989 and 1995) and the fifth time in Poland (after Warsaw 1999 and Poznan 2009).For more information go to [Taizé website](#).

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## Job Vacancies

**Faith in Politics, the Catholic Parliamentary and Public Affairs Internship Scheme:** This began in 2003, and provides up to eight recently graduated Catholics with intensive experience of political and social action in a spiritual context.. Interns are placed with Christian MPs at Westminster and in public policy and social action roles at the Catholic Education Service (CES), CAFOD, and CSAN. All the internships also involve individually guided retreats and spiritual guidance throughout the year. Each intern will take part in the first year of a part-time Master's Degree in Catholic Social Teaching at St Mary's University, Twickenham, at the end of which they will gain a Postgraduate Certificate, with the option of completing the second year. Additionally, the interns explore the political landscape and the Church's

involvement in social action through a series of events and trips abroad, including a week in Rome. The group will live at More House in Kensington, and at the end of the year will become part of a network of over 100 intern alumni.

For more information and application forms go to [www.faithinpolitics.org.uk](http://www.faithinpolitics.org.uk).

***Deadline for applications: Thursday 28 February 2019***

**Chief Operating Officer Portsmouth Diocese:** They need to recruit a Chief Operating Officer who will be responsible for all business and administrative aspects of the Diocese in order to help enact this vision. We are looking for a committed Christian who shares our values and drive towards fulfilment of the Charity's Mission at an exciting time when we have much to contribute to the wider society in terms of ethical and spiritual values.

The successful candidate will be a collaborative leader who can work strategically and operationally, with a proven track record of broad commercial experience in senior management gained in a multi-site organisation. Exceptional interpersonal skills are essential, along with the ability to communicate and influence at all levels. They will be an experienced leader of people – inspiring, motivating and supportive to a committed and dedicated professional team.

If you are interested in applying for this role, or know someone who should, please see [here](#) for more information.

**Job Opportunity - Research Assistant:** An opportunity has arisen for a Research Assistant to work with the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales supporting the work of the Social Justice team. It is a role which would suit an individual seeking to develop their already proven research skills and increase their understanding of the social justice contribution of the Catholic Church. This is a varied role within a committed and professional team, working in the office of the Catholic Bishops' Conference, 39 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1BX, a short walk from Victoria Station in Central London.

The successful candidate will require an understanding of the Catholic Church. Salary: c£25,000. Closing date for applications: 15 February 2019. **For a job description and for further information please contact:**

[HR@cbcew.org.uk](mailto:HR@cbcew.org.uk) or visit [www.cbcew.org.uk](http://www.cbcew.org.uk).

Applicants must confirm their right to work in the UK and forward a full CV and covering letter illustrating their skills and motivation for this role to:

[HR@cbcew.org.uk](mailto:HR@cbcew.org.uk)

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## National and International Appeals and Programmes

**'Settled Status' - scrapping of application fee for EU Citizens living in the UK:** Bishop Paul McAleenan of Westminster has welcomed Prime Minister Theresa May's announcement that EU citizens applying for 'settled status' to remain in the UK after Brexit will no longer be expected to pay an application fee of £65 each.

Applicants must have lived in the UK for five years to be eligible for 'Settled Status'.

Lead bishop for migration and asylum for the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, Bishop McAleenan said: "The Church stands in solidarity with all EU citizens who have made their home here and we will continue to engage with the government as the scheme is implemented."

See <http://catholicnews.org.uk/eu-citizens-settled-status-210119> for more information.

**Celebrating Young People Awards:** Nominations are now open for the fourth Celebrating Young People Awards. The awards –powered by Catholic charity Million Minutes – honour the achievements of young people across the country who make our communities a better place. There are eight award categories, which take their names from Catholic social teaching and recognise the enormous, often unseen, social action of young people. Parishes, schools and

individuals in Arundal and Brighton Diocese are being invited to nominate young people. If you know an unsung hero or heroine or a group that have worked together to help their community put them forward for an award now at [www.millionminutes.org/awards](http://www.millionminutes.org/awards). The award nominees will be invited to attend a special ceremony in London's West End in July. Cardinal Vincent Nichols will be the guest of honour and present the Pope Francis Award to one lucky young person.

At the 2017 awards 4 young people from St Edwards and St Luke's Parish, Keymer, West Sussex received the Cardinal Hume – Living out the option of the poor Award. More details can be found at [www.millionminutes.org/awards](http://www.millionminutes.org/awards). Nominations close on 24 May 2019.

**Real Easter Egg Launched for 2019:** These Easter Eggs are unique because each Egg includes a copy of the Easter story in the box, is Fairtrade and supports charitable causes. To allow us to continue to make The Real Easter Egg, we need people to continue to give Real Easter eggs. So we need a champion (maybe you) to collect orders and encourage people to buy directly from us. Last year hundreds of churches placed orders directly with us in quantities ranging from 12-1,000 eggs. Direct sales are very important for our company to trade. So we hope you will join the campaign and encourage people to buy directly from us. If you need marketing packs sent out to you, please email [philip@meaningfulchocolate.co.uk](mailto:philip@meaningfulchocolate.co.uk).

**Online Survey on Transmission of the Catholic Faith:** As part of PhD research for St Mary's University people are asked to complete a survey about transmission of the Catholic faith in families. The survey is totally anonymous and respondents are not required to provide personal data such as name, address or parish. To take part please click [here](#).

**The Catholic Universe Digital Edition for Free:** The newspaper is offering to anyone a free subscription for a period of two months. To register to receive your free online copy click [here](#).

**Columbans Schools Journalism Competition 2019:** The Columbans have launched a 2019 competition with the title: 'The Challenge of Climate Change'. Students aged 15-18 inclusive are invited to write an article or make a video report that informs and raises important issues on the topic. Closing date for entries: 8 February 2019. The winning articles and videos will be announced in Columban media on 15 March 2018, and some will feature in the Columban Far East Magazine. All details about the Schools Journalism Competition at: [www.columbancompetition.com](http://www.columbancompetition.com).

**The Wall of Answered Prayer:** It's a project to build an national monument in the UK with a million bricks, with each brick representing an answered prayer and there will be a way to access and read these. They have the land, next to a motorway in the Midlands, and now they are trying to raise funds and answered prayers. Please add any testimonies that you feel able to share with the nation you might be interested. These testimonies would then be available for the generations to come to hear of God's love, mercy and faithfulness. Please look on their website [www.thewall.org.uk](http://www.thewall.org.uk) to find out more.

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## National and International - Regular Items

**Archives of the Venerable English College, Rome:** A new website for the historic archives of the Venerable English College is now online. The College has been on the same spot in Rome since 14th century. It has been used by the Catholic Church in England from then to the present day.

**RISE Theatre DVD - 'Romero - Heartbeat of El Salvador':** This toured the UK in 2017-18. Produced in association with the Archbishop Romero Trust, we see a moving and truthful presentation of Saint Oscar Romero's life and martyrdom.

Rated PG by the BBFC. Available to buy at [www.risetheatre.co.uk/shop](http://www.risetheatre.co.uk/shop) - also a great resource for schools and churches.

**All or Nothing: Sr. Clare Crockett:** This documentary on DVD tells the life of Sr. Clare from the perspective of over eighty people who knew and dealt with her during the different stages of her life: from her childhood years in troubled Northern Ireland, her dreams of one day becoming a famous world renowned actress, her first professional achievements to her conversion at the age of seventeen through an experience she had before the cross during Good Friday in the year 2000, which caused her to exclaim: *“He died for me. He loves me!... Why has no one ever told me that before?”* Following that experience, she made the difficult decision between two worlds which led her to give her life completely to Jesus Christ in the Servant Sisters of the Home of the Mother. She died during an earthquake in Ecuador in 2016. The DVD can be purchased from [EUK Mamie Foundation website](http://EUK Mamie Foundation website).

**Global Healing - Faith and Building a Common Home:** This is a new tv-quality filmed resource for parishes, groups, schools & individuals helping us to engage practically with Pope Francis’ passionate challenge for us to shape the future of our planet. It is a free film featuring well known experts, testimonies and beautiful UK locations with full web support produced by CaFE (Catholic Faith Exploration) and commissioned by the Bishops of England & Wales. The film can either be shown in a single evening with a shared 'sustainable supper' or over several sessions that could form a short Advent course. Launch date is Creation Day 2018 (September 1st). For details and short trailer please see [www.ourcommonhome.co.uk](http://www.ourcommonhome.co.uk).

**Safe Car Wash App:** The campaign 'Safe Car Wash App' was launched by the Church of England and the Catholic Church in England and Wales amid growing concerns that some of the estimated 18,000 hand car washes operating around the country are exploiting workers. The app lets drivers punch in their location when arriving at a car wash then flick through a series of

slavery indicators such as whether the car wash only accepts cash, evidence of workers living on site or whether the workers seem fearful. If the answers indicate a high likelihood of slavery, users will be directed to a modern slavery helpline. You can download the app for Android and Apple phones. Clergy in particular are asked to raise awareness of the app and the campaign against slavery.

**Parish Rosary Programme:** The Parish Rosary Programme is so simple it only takes one dedicated person to Our Lady per parish to run it. It is just a matter of downloading, photocopying, and distributing small tear-away calendars to parishioners for them to tally the number of rosaries prayed each two weeks and drop the results in the collection basket. Weekly, year-to-date, and grand totals are published each week in the parish bulletin to remind and encourage everyone to pray the rosary. For more information [www.parishprojects.com](http://www.parishprojects.com) or email [phirzel2003@yahoo.com](mailto:phirzel2003@yahoo.com)

**Click-to-pray app:** The Jesuits in the UK have produced this very useful app which you can use to download a daily reflection for use in your prayer life. It is especially helpful for commuters. You can find it on [www.clicktopray.org](http://www.clicktopray.org).

**Radio Immaculata - Pro-Life Holy Hour:** A religious community based in Gosport is launching a weekly international “pro-life Holy Hour” on Thursdays from 7-8pm to pray for the ending of abortion. The hour will be live-streamed globally on [Radio Immaculata](http://Radio Immaculata).

**New Resource from NBCW A Guide to the Annulment Process (4th Edition):** The National Board of Catholic Women (NBCW) recently published a revised 4th Edition of A Guide to the Annulment Process, supported by the Marriage and Family Life Office at CBCEW. First issued in 1998, the Guide seeks to de-mystify the annulment process, making it easier to understand, and hopefully less stressful. The 4th Edition also takes into account *Mitis Iudex Dominus Iesus*, ‘The Gentle Judge, our Lord Jesus, the Shepherd of Souls’, the document published by Pope Francis in 2015 which gives a more streamlined

and readily accessible way of proceeding in cases concerning the declaration of the nullity of a marriage. To find out more and order a copy look [here](#).

**New App from National Office for Vocations - God Calls:** This free App is designed to help you explore your ultimate purpose, and discover your unique path to heaven. To find out more and download the App go to [www.godcalls.co.uk](http://www.godcalls.co.uk)

**Funeral Planning for parishioners:** Help parishioners to ensure that their wishes for their funeral are known by friends, family and the parish using the form provided by the Pastoral Care Project. See their [website](#) for more information.

**Papal Blessings** for weddings, anniversaries etc - These are available not only from the Vatican @ [www.elemosineria.va](http://www.elemosineria.va) but also within the UK from the Apostolic Nunciature, 54 Parkside, London SW19 5NE or email: [nuntius@globalnet.co.uk](mailto:nuntius@globalnet.co.uk). The latter is the quickest way to obtain a Papal Blessing.

**Boarbank Hall**, Cumbria run by Augustinian Canonesses offers courses throughout the year. They have recently published their programme for 2018. See their [website](#) for full details.

**The Art of Dying Well** website has received a media award for its podcasts. Based in the Catholic tradition but open to all, it features real-life stories about dealing with the final journey. Please add a link to your site – [www.artofdyingwell.org](http://www.artofdyingwell.org) – Adding the link will boost how the Art of Dying Well website ranks in Google searches for terms related to death and dying, thereby helping people to easily find the site when they are searching for help with these issues.

**The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network:** Please share the Monthly Intention of the Holy Father [www.thepopevideo.org](http://www.thepopevideo.org) and his new, "Urgent Action" intentions announced each month; there will also be, in some dioceses, a local

intention too. There's no cost to join, but there are lots of resources, online and printed – see [www.popesglobalprayer.net](http://www.popesglobalprayer.net) where you'll also find a reflection on each month's Intentions that can be used in parish bulletins and websites. Fr. David Stewart SJ is ready to visit parishes and Chaplaincies to promote the network in your Catholic community – just ask him: [dstewart@jesuit.org.uk](mailto:dstewart@jesuit.org.uk) @jesuitsinbritain

**LIFE** is unique in the UK, combining positive alternatives to abortion with pro-life advocacy work.

**Pregnancy Matters™** - supports anyone facing an unexpected pregnancy, pregnancy loss or after abortion. #pregnancymatters – If you or someone you know needs help please send them to our website – [lifecharity.org.uk](http://lifecharity.org.uk)

**Life Matters®** - inspiring and informing the next generation to value all human life from beginning to end. #lifematters (Media, campaigns and education programmes) – please show your support on our Facebook page /lifecharity

**Churchmarketplace** is a national collaborative buying group, a not-for-profit organisation, created by the Catholic Church to help our community. They have negotiated contracts you can trust, saving you time and money on all your purchasing needs. To find out more, please visit the website [www.churchmarketplace.org.uk](http://www.churchmarketplace.org.uk)

**Cinnamon Network** aims to make it as easy as possible for local churches to transform their communities by reaching out to those in greatest need. They help churches respond by providing a menu of best-practice Cinnamon Recognised Projects that can easily be replicated. Alongside the projects **they offer advice, funding, support and leadership training**. For more information go to their [website](#).

**National Churches Trust:** The National Churches Trust have launched an initiative. It is the new maintenance grant. This is a fantastic grant that can/will help those who are in the planning stages of a project to get access to some hard found start up funds. More [here](#) on this and other funding.

**Marriage Matters** is an online collection of 60-word snippets, adapted from the Sunday Mass Scripture Reading reflections found in *I Am With You Year A*. These can be placed in a newsletter, bulletin, website or blog. The idea is to support, encourage, inspire, challenge and motivate couples to deepen their relationship with one another and with God. See [website](#).

**Million Minutes** - a Catholic Youth organisation inspired by Catholic Social Teaching is offering **small grants** for projects which support youth-led activities linked to Catholic Social Teaching. See their [website](#) for more details and information.

**The Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors** now has its own [website](#) for you to view. You may also be interested in **The Centre for Child Protection** which is part of the Pontifical Gregorian University which also has a [website](#).

**Do support and help promote** '[We're all Equal](#)' and '[Don't Screen Us Out](#)' two important campaigns; one to remove disability as a ground for abortion and the other to ensure Down's syndrome babies are not screened out by a new test.

This **Worldpriest website** has one overarching aim – to unite priests and laity so that everyone can come into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. They want [www.worldpriest.com](http://www.worldpriest.com) to be a place where you receive answers to questions of faith, where you can find information on church teaching, resources to support our priests, prayers for all occasions and where you can discover the truth of our faith – that God loves us and provides for us on a daily basis, in every situation. You can also sign up for their regular newsletters.

The **Ephatta website** puts in touch people looking for a temporary accommodation with other people willing to open their door and welcome them. Members can list a couch, a private room or an entire home. Hospitality can be provided for any event: holidays, pilgrimages, gatherings, professional trips... They created the [Ephatta website](#) because welcoming and travelling are unique ways to make meaningful encounters and strengthen our faith. As [Ephatta](#)

means “be opened”, the website gathers those who want to open to others, whoever they are.

**Maryvale Institute:** The Institute offers various long-distance formation courses especially in evangelisation and catechetics from ongoing education courses to undergraduate and post graduate degrees including an Ecclesiastical Licence in Catechetics recognised by the Holy See. For more information on all their courses visit their [website](#).

**Interreligious Newsletter from the Catholic Bishops' Conference;** You can subscribe at <http://eepurl.com/cavnJ9>, It is a newsletter aimed at Catholics who are interested in interreligious matters, and their friends.

**Readings in different languages** - Handy downloadable (pdf) Sunday readings in about a dozen European languages, for those who have different language groups in their parish. Download [here](#).

**Sarum College** Courses and Events in Coming Months. [See their website](#). They now have a new brochure for the academic year 2017-18 which you can see [here](#).

**Ammerdown Retreat Centre** - Various events and retreats. [See their website](#).

