

Dear Fathers, Dear Deacons,

I pass on this information from Cardinal Vincent Nichols' Office:

Cardinal Nichols has recorded a special radio programme for the BBC on Easter Sunday. This will be broadcast at 0800 on all 39 BBC local radio stations. It will not be broadcast on BBC Radio 4, which will be broadcasting its usual Sunday Worship Service at that time.

The local radio service is a unique programme and the BBC are promoting it heavily, including in the Daily Telegraph and with a video recorded by the Cardinal.

Apologies for any confusion over the scheduling and I am aware that information has gone out that it would be broadcast on Radio 4. If this could be corrected and you were able to pass on that the Cardinal's Easter Sunday programme will be broadcast on local radio at 0800 to priests and all in the dioceses and parishes, that would be great both for Catholics and others across the country but also in demonstrating to the BBC the appetite for Catholic services on radio.

Additionally, over the Triduum, the Cardinal will be giving the following interviews:

Good Friday

0745 BBC Radio Berkshire

0830 BBC Radio 4 Today Programme

1030 Sky News – Adam Boulton Easter Sunday

Easter Sunday

0710 BBC Radio 4 Sunday Programme

0730 BBC Radio 2

0930 BBC Radio London

1300 BBC Radio 4 The World This Weekend

Additionally, the Daily Telegraph is publishing a reflection by the Cardinal on Good Friday. And the BBC will be covering Pope Francis' Urbi et Orbi on Easter Sunday on its news bulletins.

With prayers for a Holy Triduum and Easter

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