

## News and Events from the Archdiocese of Birmingham

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## Online opportunities for you and your Parish plus COO vacancy.

### Recruiting for a Chief Operating Officer

The Archdiocese is now recruiting for the above role.

The needs of our communities are changing. While some congregations are shrinking, others are seeing significant growth. Ensuring the Archdiocese manages its resources to enable it to deliver its Mission is vital, and this is the responsibility of our Chief Operating Officer ("COO").

Do you have what it takes?

[Discover the COO role](#)

### Feast of Christ the King and National Youth Sunday

This Sunday, 22 November, is the Feast of Christ the King, the last Sunday of Year A (the Year of St Matthew's Gospel) before we begin the new Church Year and the First Sunday of Advent Year B (the Year of St Mark's Gospel).

The Feast of Christ the King is always marked as National Youth Sunday.

This year's theme for National Youth Sunday is 'Together', reflecting the Pope's recent comments about togetherness in response to COVID-19.

[Find out more about National Youth Sunday](#)

### Angelus for the Pandemic

At the start of the second lockdown, the Bishops' Conference urged Catholics to take part in daily prayer:

"We must sustain each other in our patterns of prayer, joining a national shared moment of prayer each day at 6pm, and observing the Vigil of Christ the King (Nov. 21) as a day of prayer for the ending of this pandemic."

From the Archdiocese of Birmingham, Fr Jeremy Howard, with Mgr Tim Menezes Cathedral Dean, will celebrate the Angelus, which can be viewed online via the Archdiocese website at 12 noon on Saturday 21 November.

### Angelus for the Day of Prayer

## #daretohope2020

This month the Commission for Interreligious Dialogue presents: Dare to Hope.

What gives hope to people of faith and how do they cope with the challenges of the Covid-19 crisis?

These online sessions promote dialogue, listening and sharing among people of different faiths in the West Midlands.

Join in tonight (Thurs) and next week.

### Join the Dare to Hope sessions

## Scholarship opportunity at Maryvale

All applying to join the BA (Hons) Philosophy and the Catholic Tradition programme at Maryvale Institute, starting in January 2021, have the chance to receive 50% off 1st year fees.

Applications, along with a short essay on a relevant topic, are eligible for consideration.

The deadline for scholarship applications is Friday 1 January 2021.

### Explore the scholarship opportunity

## Maryvale hosts Virtual Open Day

Take a tour (from the comfort of your own home) of the Maryvale Institute on Friday 27 November from 1pm to 2.30pm.

This is a great opportunity to find out more about the

facilities and the subjects enrolling for January 2021 that you are interested in, online and via virtual classrooms.

You can meet Programme Directors, find out more about courses, participate in question and answer sessions and discover for yourself the atmosphere of the Institute.

[Register for the Virtual Open Day](#)

## **The Once and Future Parish Conference**

Hosted online by The Centre for Applied Theology next month (Dec).

An ecumenical conference on the role of the parish in Christian ministry, yesterday, today, and tomorrow.

The conference seeks to explore whether or not the parish, as it is traditionally understood among the episcopally-ordered Churches, remains fit-for-purpose.

[Find out more about the conference](#)

## **Alpha Online training to benefit your Parish**

The team at Alpha - Catholic Context UK have developed new training for parishes in the Archdiocese.

This is a unique opportunity to be trained directly by the Alpha UK team to get up and running with Alpha Online.

It takes place on Saturday 28 November, 10am - 1pm.

Alpha Online training will cover: Alpha 101, how to invite people to your Alpha Online, hosting Alpha small groups online, prayer on Alpha Online.

[Take part in Alpha Online training](#)

## **Prison Chaplain Vacancy**

HMP Bullingdon is looking for a Roman Catholic Chaplain. Could this be you? For more information please click the link below:

[Bullingdon Chaplaincy Role](#)

## **Live Masses Online**

Live streaming of Masses continues at St Chad's Cathedral.

If your parish does not offer a live streaming facility please join us.

## Online Masses at St Chad's

### Dates for your Diary

Sunday 22 Nov. [National Youth Sunday](#).

To 10 Dec. [Saints, Scholars and Spiritual Masters](#).

Oct and Nov. [CELEBRATE Back to Basics](#)

Three sessions in Nov. The Commission for Interreligious Dialogue presents: [Dare to Hope](#)

July/August 2021. [Holy Land Pilgrimage hosted by the Young Catholic Adult Network](#)

[Visit our Events page](#)

### Supporting Your Parish

You have asked us how you can continue giving to your parish during the pandemic.

Parishes still greatly need your support, even more so without their weekly congregations and visitors.

We do though recognise that many parishioners may be struggling financially, and there is no expectation to give where you are unable to do so.

You can donate via standing order or single donation.

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