

Environment matters, leaving a legacy and more: Archdiocese of Birmingham

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Environment matters, leaving a legacy and new events to get involved in



Diocesan Climate Action Meeting

Thursday 16 September 7-9pm (online)

Join us in combatting climate change.

We have great strength and passion in our network, and we want to ask you to help us find ways to address the climate emergency together and to respond to Pope Francis' call for an ecological conversion.

The Archdiocese is increasing its use of green energy, and has committed to ethical investment.

Parishes and schools have taken part in CAFOD Live Simply Awards. We are proud of this work, but we want to do more and to reach more people.

You are invited to join our initial open meeting, via Zoom, in which we will talk about the work we have done and what we wish to do, and where we will invite you to feedback, share your stories or simply add your support.

Climate Action



The Diocesan Vision: Unfolding God's Plan

We are all invited to pray the Diocesan Vision Prayer daily with Archbishop Bernard.

How can you, your parish and school communities, be part of the Diocesan Vision: Unfolding God's Plan?

Pray with His Grace



Climate Sunday Masses at St Chad's Cathedral

Two Climate Sunday Masses, with a focus on praying for God's Creation, will be held at St Chad's Cathedral at 9.30am and 11.30am on Sunday 5 September.

Fr Jim Fleming (Columban Missionaries) will concelebrate and deliver the Homily.

[Join the Climate Sunday Masses](#)



Season of Creation now underway

All our Catholic family - parishes, schools, communities and individuals - are invited to join in prayer to mark the Season of Creation, which started on Wednesday and runs until October 4.

The Birmingham Justice and Peace Commission have pulled together a wealth of resources for all to use.

[Season of Creation](#)



Remember your parish in your Legacy

Death, making a Will, planning your funeral, outlining your legacy.

All of these things come under the spotlight in this year's 'Remember a Charity Week', which runs from Monday 6 to Sunday 12 September. The dedicated week raises the profile of charitable gifts in Wills and leaving a legacy.

The Archdiocese of Birmingham, which includes your parish, is a charitable organisation and one you can consider leaving a gift to.

[Find out more about Legacy](#)



Life in the Spirit series - register now!

The Charis Diocesan Renewal group would like to invite everyone to an online series of Life in the Spirit.

We have a talented group of musicians and speakers who will guide us through the eight-week seminar series, which starts on Wednesday 22 September.

Life in the Spirit very often brings the blessings of:

- a personal refreshment of faith
- an improved prayer life where we can hear more clearly from God
- a renewed relationship with the Word of God
- a better understanding of how we are all gifted in various ways to serve one another
- a more lively journey of faith and a deeper understanding of God's purpose for our lives.

Sign up for Life in the Spirit



Harvington Pilgrimage

The 2021 Harvington Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday 12 September. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop David Evans at 3pm.

Given the ongoing Covid-19 situation this year's Pilgrimage has been significantly reduced in scale, with **only** parishes from the Deaneries of Kidderminster, Dudley and Worcester invited to attend in person.

However, all are welcome to watch the pilgrimage via livestream.

Harvington Pilgrimage



FLORILEGIUM: A festival of Scripture, Art and Flowers - tickets now available!

The Archdiocese is hosting a unique festival next month to celebrate the Word of God.

FLORILEGIUM: A festival of Scripture, Art and Flowers will be held at Carrs Lane Centre and St Michael's Catholic Church, Birmingham, between Thursday 23 and Saturday 25 September.

More details and tickets are now available via the Archdiocese website.

Discover FLORILEGIUM



CAFOD Faith in Action Day 2021

All welcome to join online on Saturday 11 September 11am – 4pm.

A day of talk and prayer to learn more about this year's climate talks, Pope Francis's call to action and how people in the Amazon region are leading the fight to care for our common home.

Sign up for Faith in Action

Dates for your diary: the month ahead

Sat 4 Sept. [Season of Creation Study Day](#)

Sun 5 Sept. [Climate Sunday Masses, St Chad's Cathedral](#)

Tues 7 Sept. [Webinar - Welcome Home](#)

Starts 8 Sept. [Spiritual Direction Programme](#)

Sat 11 Sept. [Charity abseil](#)

Sat 11 Sept. [JBMS Centenary Pilgrimage Walk](#)

Sat 11 Sept. [CAFOD Faith in Action Day](#)

Sun 12 Sept. [Harvington Pilgrimage](#)

Thurs 16 Sept. [Diocesan Climate Action Meeting](#)

Thurs 16 Sept. [St Chad's Primary School presents Go Green assembly](#)

20-22 Sept. [John Henry Newman online symposium](#)

20-22 Sept. [Interreligious Dialogue: End of Summer School](#)

Wed 22 Sept. [Life in the Spirit series starts](#)

23-25 Sept. [FLORILEGIUM: A festival of Scripture, Art and Flowers](#)

24-26 Sept. [YOU CAN Family Retreat for Catholic families](#)

Sat 25 Sept. [National Mass for the Guild of Saint Stephen](#)

Sat 25 Sept. [JBMS Centenary Celebration Concert](#)

Sun 26 Sept. [Clergy Training Fund Mass of Thanksgiving](#)

Starts Wed 29 Sept. [The Bible Timeline Course](#)

Starts Thu 30 Sept. [Taking Liturgy Seriously Study Course](#)

Starts Sat 2 Oct. [Manresa Link Prayer Guide basic training course](#)

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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.

Support your Parish



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



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