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Sacred Heart Novena, Corpus Christi procession, Day for Life

Starts tonight: Join the Sacred Heart Novena

All are welcome to attend the Sacred Heart Chapel, Maryvale for the Annual Novena preparing for the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Friday 24 June 2022.

Mass and Novena Prayers in Maryvale Chapel each evening at 7pm from Thursday 16 to Friday 24 June.

There will be a different celebrant each evening. Includes visits to the Shrine (England's oldest public Chapel of the Sacred Heart).

Corpus Christi Novena

This Sunday: Corpus Christi Procession, Birmingham

All are welcome to join this year's Corpus Christi procession on Sunday 19 June.

On the Feast of Corpus Christi join us for Mass at 1pm at St Michael's on Moor Street.

The procession leaves at 2pm arriving at St Chad's Cathedral around 2.30/2.45pm where there will be a small service with Benediction.

Corpus Christi

This Sunday: Day for Life

'Day for Life' is the day in our calendar set aside to celebrate life from conception to natural death. This year our focus is on caring for and valuing the elderly.

The Bishops' Conference has produced a number of resources to use including a message from Pope Francis.

Day for Life

Save the dates! Relics of St Bernadette coming to the Archdiocese

A pilgrimage of the relics of Saint Bernadette of Lourdes, Bernadette Soubirous, is coming to the Archdiocese of Birmingham this October.

The relics will be visiting St Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham, Our Lady of Lourdes in Hednesford and the Immaculate Conception in Bicester over the weekend of 7 - 10 October.

Relics Tour

All welcome at ACTA meeting

A Call to Action (ACTA) Birmingham is hosting its next meeting on 'Anglican Perspectives on Synodality'.

This is a great opportunity to hear from those who already have experience of a greater role and greater responsibility for the laity.

Sunday 26 June with guest speaker the Very Reverend Canon Dr Mark Pryce.

ACTA meeting

Annual Justice & Peace Conference

Book now for the 44th Annual Conference hosted by the National Justice & Peace Network.

22-24 July 2022 in Swanwick, Derbyshire.

After months of sadness and uncertainty the National Justice & Peace Network Conference 'Hope! a verb with its sleeves rolled up' aims to inspire us to look for signs of hope in our communities and in our wider world.

Our hope is that, following the Conference we will all return to our communities with enthusiasm and increased commitment to work for a more just and peaceful world for all God's creation.

Justice & Peace conference

Urgent call for food donations

The St Chad's Sanctuary welcome project for refugees and asylum seekers in Birmingham city centre is running out of tinned food, pasta, soap, shampoo and

toothpaste.

Our schools and parishes have been so generous at providing these items over the years. Recognising these to be difficult times for so many people, demand for these basic items is exceeding supply.

Please consider a school or parish collection of the following items:

- Shampoo
- Shower gel
- Rice
- Tinned tomatoes
- Pasta

Please try to bring them to St Chad's Sanctuary during opening hours, or you may drop them off at St Chad's Cathedral during daytime office hours.

Thank you for your continuing generosity. These are not luxury items but they could be all that is put in a person's hand when they arrive in our city with nothing.

Support St Chad's Sanctuary

Book now for ecumenical 'Service of Praise' to welcome the Games

The Commonwealth Games will be staged at venues across our Archdiocese area from Thursday 28 July to Monday 8 August.

Hundreds of thousands of people will be heading to our region this summer and we extend a very warm welcome to all.

To assist those who wish to visit a Catholic church during their time in the area we have listed all the Catholic churches within the vicinity of the region's Commonwealth Games venues.

An ecumenical 'Service of Praise: The churches of Birmingham welcome the Commonwealth Games' will be held at St Chad's Cathedral at 3pm on Sunday 24 July. Booking now open.

Commonwealth Games in the Diocese

Fundraising Manager - Fr Hudson's Care

Do you enjoy the strategic challenge of setting the Fundraising direction for an organisation? Do you get satisfaction from direct involvement in effective fundraising? Does managing and forming an effective team and supporting the development of creative individuals motivate you?

Do you want to make a difference to the lives of those in great need of support, who are seeking to build their futures and overcome their challenges?

If you are looking to work for an organisation that seeks to support individuals and families in great need, connected to living with dementia, disability, family

separation, homelessness, seeking asylum, then Father Hudson's is such an organisation, and in many ways unique in its range of services.

Archdiocese Jobs

Sign up now for summer events

A host of summer events are taking place over the coming months. Take a look, share in your parish and book your place today!

July: [Together Festival 22](#)

July: [KYT Summer Camp](#)

Late July: [Jesuits in Britain retreat](#)

Late July: [YouCAN Pilgrimage to the Holy Land](#)

Late July: [Encounter Festival](#)

August: [Society of Saint Gregory - Summer School](#)

August: ['Encounter' Weekend](#)

August: [Youth 2000 Summer Festival](#)

Dates for your diary: the month ahead

Starts Thurs 16 June: [Annual Novena preparing for the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus](#)

Sat 18 June: [Celebrating St Chad at Altar Dedication](#)

Sat 18 June: [Refresher Day for Parish Liturgical Ministers](#)

Sun 19 June: [Corpus Christi Procession](#)

Sun 19 June: [Day for Life](#)

Starts Sun 19 June: [The Daughters of Teresa Series](#)

Mon 20 June: [Ignatian Spirituality - A Deep Dive, session 2](#)

Tues 21 June: [Lecture: How the Arts & Crafts brought God down to earth](#)

Wed 22 June: [Fit 4 Function event](#)

Wed 22 - Sun 26 June: [World Meeting of Families 2022](#)

Sat 25 Jun - Fri 1 July: [Ancient Byzantine Iconography Course](#)

Sun 26 June: [ACTA meeting - 'Anglican Perspectives on Synodality'](#)

Mon 27 June: [Ignatian Spirituality - A Deep Dive, session 3](#)

Thurs 30 June: [Sunday Experience: Revitalising Music Ministry in your Parish](#)

Sat 2 July: [Divine Renovation Connect, Nottingham](#)

Sun 3 July: [Annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Lourdes Hednesford](#)

Mon 4 July: [Ignatian Spirituality - A Deep Dive, session 4](#)

Fri 8 - Sun 10 July: [Scripture and Spirituality Conference 2022](#)

Sat 9 July: [Together Festival 22](#)

Mon 11 July: [Ignatian Spirituality - A Deep Dive, session 5](#)

Sat 16 July: [Kenelm Charity Gala](#)

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Supporting your parish

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

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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.

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