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Remembrance, Training Courses, Pilgrimages and Talks

Remembrance and Thanksgiving: A commemoration of our shared Covid Experience.

On **Sunday 26 June from 2.30-3.30pm** there is to be a public event of Remembrance and Thanksgiving: A commemoration of our shared Covid Experience. This free event is taking place in the Peace Garden on Bath Row, Birmingham, B15 1LZ.

There is no requirement to book in advance. Seating is unavailable, but guests can bring their own if they wish. The event is organised by the office of Cllr John Cotton and the Birmingham Faith Leaders' Group.

Remembrance and Thanksgiving

Get a taste of Lourdes at the Hednesford Pilgrimage Sunday 3 July.

Annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Diocesan Shrine of our Lady of Lourdes at Hednesford, Staffordshire is Sunday 3 July.

1 pm refreshments available
2.15 - 3.45 Confessions
3 pm Rosary
4 pm Mass with Anointing - Celebrant Bishop David Evans.

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Hednesford Pilgrimage 2022

Bethsaida - Parish Youth Ministry

Training Course

An exciting opportunity has arisen for parishes to take part in a FREE training course. This course is the training programme, created by the Kenelm Youth Trust and certificated by the Archdiocese is designed to enable volunteers to gain the tools and knowledge to engage in, and grow parish youth ministry in their community. It is for anybody and everybody, so you are really encouraged to take a leap and learn something new.

We are completing the course over these dates:

Wed 29 June - 7pm-9pm (on Zoom)

Wed 6 July - 7pm-9pm (on Zoom)

Sat 9 July - 10am - 2pm (in person Christ the King, Kingstanding)

Wed 13 July - 7-9pm (on Zoom)

This course is totally free, has been really popular in other parishes, and will be provided by experienced professionals in the field of parish ministry. We would love to see some faces from your parish. To get involved, or for more information email Freya at:

freya.scott@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk

Parish Youth Ministry Course

Stephanie Block. A tribute to Alice Von Hildebrand life and works.

25 June 8-10pm, SS Gregory and Augustine, Oxford.
Come and join Catholic Mothers Oxford for an exclusive talk to celebrate Catholic Philosopher Alice Von Hildebrand's life and work.

Talk given by Stephanie Block, Von Hildebrand's student and goddaughter who brings to the UK the memory of Alice Von Hildebrand and her wonderful teachings on man and woman in a series of talks, all the way from the US.

Alice Von Hildebrand Talk

Faith Alliance Summit

Wed 30 July, 9:30-14:00 . Coventry Cathedral.

The Faith Alliance is a multi-faith network, supported by the West Midlands Violence Reduction Partnership (WM VRP), that exists to enable, equip and empower communities of all faiths and none in the West Midlands to better understand and prevent serious youth violence.

The Faith Alliance Summit is the first ever gathering of faith leaders and communities from across the West Midlands with a pledge to end youth violence.

They will be joined at the majestic Coventry Cathedral by keynote speakers and inspirational young people sharing messages of hope, action and building flourishing futures for our communities.

Catholic Union Summer Gathering

All are welcome to join the Catholic Union of Great Britain for their Summer Gathering on Saturday 23 July at St Mary's College, Oscott.

You will hear about the Catholic Union's work to provide a strong lay Catholic voice in society as well as seeing the beautiful Pugin chapel and other treasures of Oscott.

Tickets are £28 per person, which includes lunch, refreshments and a tour. The day starts with Mass in the Chapel at 11 am and finishes at 5pm.

[Catholic Union Summer Gathering](#)

Fundraising Co-Ordinator sought for the Venerable English College Heritage Collections

The Venerable English College (VEC) in Rome is a Catholic seminary established by the Holy See in 1579 and has historic collections of international significance dating back to 1362 which include a collection of some 15,000 rare books and numerous works of art.

The College is seeking a fundraising co-ordinator to raise additional funding from a variety of sources and to help shape the ongoing fundraising strategy.

This is a self-employed consultancy position for an anticipated twelve-month period.

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Sea Sunday - 10 July

Sea Sunday will be held this year on 10th July. Please kindly remember seafarers and fishers in your prayers. Many parishes will hold a second collection for Catholic charity Stella Maris (formerly called Apostleship of the Sea).

This organisation provides pastoral and spiritual support to seafarers and fishers. The war in Ukraine is once again highlighting the importance of seafarers to the world economy.

Stella Maris is providing practical and pastoral support to seafarers and fishers in the UK and around the world, including those affected by the war in Ukraine. Your prayers and support are greatly needed.

[Sea Sunday](#)

The Harvington Pilgrimage will return on Sunday 4 September

Canon Richard Walker will celebrate a special Mass to commemorate the English Martyrs in the beautiful grounds of Harvington Hall in Worcestershire.

A house which holds many secrets, Harvington contains seven priest hides.

The annual pilgrimage to Harvington offers you a chance to reflect on our own faith and the persecution, and often martyrdom, of Catholics during the English Reformation.

Guided tours of the house are free on the day of the pilgrimage.

Doors open 1pm, Confessions from 1.45 pm – 2.30 pm, Mass at 3.00 pm

Harvington Pilgrimage 2022

Dates for your diary: the month ahead

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

Sat 25 June: [A Tribute to Alive Von Hildebrand Life and Works](#)

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

Sun 26 June: [Remembrance and Thanksgiving](#)

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](#)

Sun 10 July: [Sea Sunday](#)

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

Wed 13 July: [Faith Alliance Summit](#)

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

Fri 22 - Sun 24 July: [Annual Justice and Peace Conference](#)

Thu 23 July: [Catholic Union Summer Gathering](#)

Sun 24 July: [Second World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly](#)

Sun 24 July: [Service of Praise: The churches of Birmingham welcome the Commonwealth Games](#)

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Supporting your parish

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

Parishes still greatly need your support.

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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