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Season of Creation, Harvington Pilgrimage, join the online launch of '*Gathered*'

Welcome the Season of Creation, starts Thursday 1 September

We invite all our Catholic family - parishes, schools, communities and individuals to join in prayer to mark the Season of Creation from 1 September to 4 October - the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi.

The theme for this year is 'Listen to the Voice of Creation' and this year's symbol is the burning bush.

Visit our dedicated webpage to access prayers, resources, information and a message from Pope Francis.

[Season of Creation](#)

Join us next weekend for this year's Harvington Pilgrimage

Canon Richard Walker will celebrate a special Mass to commemorate the English Martyrs in the beautiful grounds of Harvington Hall in Worcestershire, **Sunday 4 September**.

A house which holds many secrets, Harvington contains seven priest hides. Humphrey Pakington, who inherited the estate in 1578 was a staunch Catholic and thus subject to the harsh penal laws of the Elizabethan age.

Newcomers are welcome, and the pilgrimage includes free tours of the Hall itself. Bring a picnic for a wonderful reflective day out.

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

[Harvington Pilgrimage](#)

Calling all parish youth leaders and prospective youth leaders!

You are invited to join the online launch of '*Gathered*' on **Thursday 22 September**.

Gathered is the new Diocesan Parish Youth Leaders Network, being developed by the Kenelm Youth Trust (KYT) in partnership with the Archdiocese.

This networking opportunity includes: meeting other youth leaders, sharing good practice, sharing resources and funding opportunities, praying together and exploring the KYT events calendar.

All volunteers engaged in youth ministry, and those who want to find out more, are welcome.

[Join 'Gathered' launch](#)

Join us in prayer on Prisoners' Sunday

Taking place on Sunday 9 October with the theme: A Fresh Start.

This Prisoners' Sunday please support the work of Pact, the major Catholic prisons charity.

Support and resources available for parish use.

[Prisoners' Sunday](#)

Vacancy: Support Worker at Father Hudson's Care

Do you have a passion and commitment to working for a charitable organisation that supports people in need in the care sector to improve their quality of life?

If so, this will be a great opportunity for you that will give you a true sense of job satisfaction.

[Visit Jobs page](#)

March for Life UK

Support this year's March for Life UK on **Saturday 3 September** in London.

After morning events and Mass, the March starts at 2pm from The Emmanuel Centre. Ends at Parliament Square at 4.30pm.

The theme for this year's event is '10 Million Too Many' as this year we reach the figure of 10,000,000 for the amount of children whose lives have been legally ended by abortion since the Abortion act was passed in 1967.

[March for Life UK 2022](#)

Dates for your diary: the month ahead

Fri 26 - Mon 29 Aug: [Youth 2000 Summer Festival](#)

Fri 26 - Mon 29 Aug: [Summer Course: The Search for Happiness](#)

Thu 1 Sep: [World Day of Prayer for the Season of Creation](#)

Thu 1 Sep: [Thursday Live Organ Recital, September, with Daniel Cook](#)

Fri 2 - Sun 4 Sep: [National Deacon Assembly](#)

Sat 3 Sep: [March for Life UK](#)

Sat 3 - Tues 6 Sep: [Ethnic Chaplaincy Pilgrimage to Knock](#)

Sun 4 Sep: [Harvington Pilgrimage](#)

Tues 6 Sep: [Reflections and Prayer with the Holy Trinity Laudato Si Group \(Newcastle-under-Lyme\)](#)

Fri 9 Sep: [YouCAN on Fire! Conference](#)

Sat 10 Sep: [Refresher Day for Parish Liturgical Ministers](#)

Sun 11 Sep: [Celebrating Education Sunday](#)

Sat 17 Sep: [Sharing the Church's Story with Bishop Robert Barron \(London\)](#)

Sun 18 Sep: [Evangelii Gaudium Sunday](#)

Mon 19 Sep: [Justice and Peace Comission Annual Assembly Session 1](#)

Tue 20 Sep: [Green Christian Host Deep Waters Online Course](#)

Wed 21 Sep: [Ecumenical Service on UN International Day of Peace, Coventry](#)

Thu 22 Sep: [Conference: Why End of Life Companionship Matters](#)

Thu 22 Sep: [Online launch of 'Gathered' - Diocesan Parish Youth Leaders Network](#)

Thu 22 Sep: [Online event hosted by Divine Renovation: What's next after Alpha?](#)

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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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