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World Mission Sunday, a new Homelessness Project, George Weigel Lecture at Oscott

This Sunday, 23 October, is World Mission Sunday

World Mission Sunday – the one day in the year when the entire global Church comes together in support of mission.

Coordinated by Missio, the Pope's charity for world mission, World Mission Sunday is an opportunity to support every mission diocese and faith community which need our help.

It is one of only three annual Papal collections and has been especially chosen by the Holy Father to support the mission of our Church via Missio.

World Mission Sunday

Homeless Project will find new home at St Catherine's Church, Birmingham

A leading homeless project in Birmingham will open a brand new location at St Catherine of Sienna Church in the new year.

Tabor Living, which runs two Digbeth-based accommodation projects for rough sleepers in partnership with Father Hudson's Care will see its capacity doubled with further support for the city's homeless community introduced.

Tabor Living currently runs an eight-bedroom shelter and three-bedroom move-on facility. As the organisation

reaches its fifth anniversary this autumn, it is set to relocate its emergency accommodation into part of the city centre parish church.

Tabor Living, alongside Father Hudson's Care, will be working with St Catherine of Sienna Church, leasing part of the site to relocate and expand its services. This will include emergency and move-on accommodation for up to 18 rough sleepers in need of support off the streets and people who have experienced or are at risk of homelessness. New community, activity and meetings areas are being created as part of this exciting new project.

[Read More: Birmingham Homeless Project](#)

George Weigel Lecture- To Sanctify the World: The Vital Legacy of Vatican II

Friday 4 November 7.30 - 9.30pm.

George Weigel, Catholic theologian and one of America's leading public intellectuals, will be giving a public lecture at St Mary's College, Oscott on his latest (soon to be released) publication, *To Sanctify the World: The Vital Legacy of Vatican II* as part of a UK tour.

Weigel argues that, as the civilizational crisis that the Council addressed continues today, Vatican II's proposals for an authentic humanism remain crucial for the renewal of world culture and critical to the Church's mission to sanctify the world.

[Book George Weigel Lecture](#)

2022 RISING Global Peace Forum - Coventry

RISING is a unique three way partnership between Coventry University, Coventry Cathedral and the City Council.

This year the theme of the FREE Forum between **9-11 November** is 'Digital Peace', although the breadth of speakers will also be looking at issues in Ukraine, China, Rwanda, Cameroon and in the UK.

There'll be a live videolink interview with Volodymyr Groysman, former Prime Minister of Ukraine, and keynote addresses from:

- Lord Peter Hain (former UK Northern Ireland Secretary of State),
- Tom Fletcher (former UK Ambassador to Lebanon),
- Richard Ratcliffe (husband of Nazanin Zaghari Ratcliffe who was detained in Iran for six years),
- David Porter (Chief of Staff to Archbishop Justin Welby at Lambeth Palace)
- Professor Kumar Ramakrishna (Professor of National Security Studies, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore)
- UK Director of Twitter Katy Minshall.

Final call to sign up! An Introduction to GDPR and Working Safely

Thank you to those who have already signed up to join an online session with Debbie Jones, our Diocesan Data Compliance Manager, on handling data in your parish and the potential pitfalls to avoid.

There are still places available, please do take part.

Debbie will be hosting online sessions on **Thursday 27 October and Friday 28 October** at 10.30am.

The sessions will run for approximately 45 minutes, including time for questions, and will provide guidance on data breaches, GDPR resources and much more.

They are ideal for **parish secretaries, new parish staff members, parish safeguarding reps and all others who handle personal data in our parishes.**

If you would like to sign up to a session please contact Debbie on 0121 230 6271 or via email:

debbie.jones@rcaob.org.uk

Marriage Encounter Weekend Coventry

Novotel Coventry, 18-20 November. Worldwide Marriage Encounter is a Movement which aims to give couples who are married, or in long-standing relationships and commitment the opportunity to enrich and refresh their relationships.

Marriage Encounter Weekends offer married couples a unique way to spend quality time together focusing on their relationship and family and bringing the love of our Holy Father into their lives.

Beginning on a Friday evening, this experience offers a relaxed atmosphere where you will be able to engage in the sessions and develop your relationship with your spouse. All meals and accommodation are included, allowing you to focus on enjoying time away. The Weekend finishes late Sunday afternoon.

Marriage Encounter Booking

Book now for 'Faithful Companions' Performance Tour

RISE Theatre - a Christian theatre company run by practising Catholics - will be touring its latest original production 'Faithful Companions' in churches next **February and March 2023.**

Churches are invited to book performances of this inspirational and true story about the life of Marie Madeleine d'Houët - the foundress of the International

Faithful Companions Tour

Experts by Experience

Newman University Birmingham, based in Bartley Green, is developing nursing and physiotherapy programmes to commence in September 2023.

The School of Nursing and Allied Health is looking for members of the public who have used or currently use healthcare services or family members and carers who support others who access services to contribute to the development and delivery of the programmes.

Do you want to help to ensure that the future Nursing and Physiotherapy and other Health and Social Care professionals are the finest they can be?

Do you feel that you would be able to share your views and experiences, work with others and contribute to the education of health and social care students?

If so, Newman University Birmingham needs you to join its Experts by Experience (EBE) Group. You do not need any background in nursing or physiotherapy to contribute to the EBE group.

For more information and contact details please click the link below.

[Experts by Experience Poster](#)

Job opportunities across the Archdiocese of Birmingham area

Looking for a new challenge? Eager to make a difference in the charity sector?

Take a look at the vacancies currently available across our Archdiocese area:

- Communications and Marketing Officer at Father Hudson's Care
- Resources Coordinator at Brushstrokes Community Project
- Operations Manager at Brushstrokes Community Project
- Refugee Integration Project Coordinator, Brushstrokes Community Project
- Employment Support Worker, Brushstrokes Community Project
- Fundraising, Marketing and Communications Administrator at Father Hudson's Care
- Secretary/PA to the Vicar General, Archdiocese of Birmingham
- Registry Assistant at Maryvale Institute

[Visit the Jobs & Volunteering page](#)

Dates for your diary: the month ahead

Sat 22 Oct: [ACTA 9th Annual Conference](#)

Sun 23 Oct: [World Mission Sunday](#)

Thu 3 Nov: ['Neighbours without borders' evening lecture 1](#)

Fri 4 Nov: [George Weigel Lecture, Oscott](#)

Sat 5 Nov: [The Blessing of Graves at Oscott Cemetery](#)

Wed 9 - Fri 11 Nov: [2022 RISING Global Peace Forum](#)

Thu 10 Nov: ['Neighbours without borders' evening lecture 2](#)

Wed 16 Nov: [Lunchtime discussion - 'Should we baptise E.T.?'](#)

Wed 16 Nov: [Science and Faith in the Second City: event 6](#)

Thurs 17 Nov: ['Neighbours without borders' evening lecture 3](#)

Fri 18 Nov: [Webinar hosted by Divine Renovation and Alpha](#)

Fri 18 - Sun 20 Nov: [Marriage Encounter Weekend Coventry](#)

Sat 19 Nov: ['Where are you Christians' - Day of Reflection](#)

More Events

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.

You can donate via standing order or single donation.

Support your Parish

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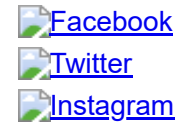
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