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Book a speaker for World Youth Sunday, take part in a Walk of Witness for COP27

World Youth Sunday 2022

Later this month, **Sunday 20 November**, we will celebrate World Youth Sunday.

Parishes are invited to contact the Kenelm Youth Trust (KYT) if they would like a speaker to visit and talk at Masses over the weekend of 19/20 November.

Or, if you are a young person willing to speak at Mass, please also contact KYT.

Resources are also available for parish use.

[World Youth Sunday](#)

Date for your Diary: Divine Renovation webinar featuring Diocesan parish priest

Fr Gary Buckby, parish priest at Our Lady and St Rose of Lima in Weoley Castle, Birmingham, is a guest speaker at next month's Divine Renovation webinar.

You can now register for *'My Parish Isn't Missional!': How to Lead When You're Not in Charge*.

The online event takes place from 7pm on **Thursday 8 December** and is aimed at parish leaders.

[Register for Event](#)

Welcoming St Chad to Lichfield

Cathedral

On **Tuesday 8 November** a truly historic moment will see Lichfield Cathedral reinstate a shrine of St Chad in the location of the original mediaeval shrine.

A relic of St Chad is being translated from St Chad's Roman Catholic Cathedral in Birmingham to Lichfield Cathedral as a mark of unity within the Christian Church.

Archbishop Bernard Longley will be in attendance.

Ecumenical Service

Book now: A Day of Reflection at Harvington Hall

All are invited to join a new Diocesan event at Harvington Hall with Aid to the Church in Need, for the charity's Red Wednesday campaign.

'Where are you Christians' will take place on **Saturday 19 November**, 10am - 5.30pm.

A day of reflection with talks on Hidden Catholicism by Jan Graffius from Stonyhurst and the persecution of Christians in the present day by Dr Caroline Hull, National Director of Aid to the Church in Need.

Enjoy private tours of the Hall and an opportunity to see recusant items from Stonyhurst as well as items from areas of current persecution of Christians.

The day will finish with a procession of the Blessed Sacrament from the Hall to the church and Mass celebrated by Bishop David Evans.

Book now for Day of Reflection

Online Wednesday Workshops hosted by the Society of St Gregory

The Society of St Gregory is the national society for liturgy and music in the Roman Catholic Church in the British Isles.

The theme for this series of Wednesday Workshops is *With Hearts, Minds and Voices – Spirituality | Proclamation | Music*.

Evening workshops scheduled for **9 November, 23 November, 7 December**.

Book Wednesday Workshops

COP27 starts this weekend in Egypt

The 2022 United Nations Climate Change Conference, more commonly referred to as COP27, will be the 27th such conference, to be held from **Sunday 6 to Friday 18 November** 2022 in Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt.

Full details of the conference can be found on the event's official website (click button below).

If you'd like to know more about what the Archdiocese is doing in response to the climate crisis please visit our [Environment Page](#).

COP27

Responding to the Call of Creation

The Archdiocese has started a monthly newsletter for parishes with some information and tips around Laudato Si' and responding to the Call of Creation. Please print for a noticeboard or share electronically in your parish to help encourage us all to live more simply and sustainably.

Responding to the Call of Creation

Worcester Walk of Witness for COP27

Saturday 12 November. All are welcome to join an ecumenical Walk of Witness through Worcester on the National Day of Action for COP27 with readings, prayers and reflections for the Climate Emergency.

10.30 St George's RC Church

11.00 The Granary

11.15 St Andrew's Pump Street

12.10 St Helens' on the High Street

12.30 Worcester Cathedral grounds

Worcester Walk of Witness

Recruitment opportunities

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:

- SVP Centre Manager
- Communications and Marketing Officer at Father Hudson's Care
- Operations Manager at Brushstrokes Community Project

Visit the [Jobs & Volunteering page](#)

Join online School of Prayer

Hosted by the Jesuits in Britain.

Saturday 12 November or **Tuesday 13 December**.
10am to 4pm.

This event is an ideal introduction to various types of prayer suitable for Catholics wishing to deepen their prayer life.

Sign up for School of Prayer

Dates for your diary: the month ahead

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](#)

Sun 6 - Fri 18 Nov: [COP27](#)

Wed 9 Nov: [Wednesday Workshop - Advent and Christmas](#)

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

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

Sat 12 Nov: [Worcester Walk of Witness for COP27](#)

Sat 12 Nov: [Online School of Prayer, November session](#)

Sun 13 Nov: [World Day of the Poor 2022](#)

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

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

Thu 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](#)

Sun 20 Nov: [World Youth Sunday 2022](#)

Tues 22 Nov: [50th Anniversary Mass of Thanksgiving](#)

Wed 23 Nov: [Wednesday Workshop - Children and Christmas](#)

Thu 24 Nov: ['Neighbours without borders' evening lecture 4](#)

Mon 28 Nov: [Craigmyle Lecture hosted by Catholic Union](#)

Thu 1 Dec: [Live organ recital at St Chad's Cathedral](#)

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.

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