

News and Events from the Archdiocese of Birmingham

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In this edition: Lots to get take part in online to benefit you and your parish



Take a gap year and volunteer with KYT

Young adults aged 18-25 are invited to consider spending a gap year with the Kenelm Youth Trust (KYT).

Applications are now being taken for the Mission Team for the new academic year, starting in September 2021.

This great opportunity is aimed at those who may be about to finish their studies at sixth form/college or university.

[Find out more about taking a gap year](#)



Church Buildings and post Covid World

Recognising that post Covid-19 things are going to be different, this free ecumenical event across three online sessions, over three consecutive weeks, will be a mix of useful presentations, lively discussions, funders and Q&A panels.

Thursday 22 April 2021. 9:45am - 12pm The Post Covid Church

Thursday 29 April 2021. 9:45am - 12pm The Post Covid Church Heritage & Tourism

Thursday 6 May 2021. 9:45am - 12pm The Post Covid Church & Funding

[Sign up to free sessions](#)



Webinar: The Future of Christianity in the Middle East with Cardinal Sako

Saturday 24 April, 10 am

The Catholic foundation, Fellowship and Aid to the Christians of the East (FACE) is hosting a webinar with His Beatitude Louis Raphaël Cardinal Sako, Patriarch of Babylon of the Chaldeans and head of the Chaldean Catholic Church and His Eminence Cardinal Michael Fitzgerald M.Afr., Patron of FACE, discussing the future of Christianity in the Middle East.

The event will also be attended by Archbishop Bernard Longley, and the Archdiocese will join in an annual Day of Prayer for Eastern Christians on the Sixth Sunday of Easter (Sunday, 9th May 2021).

[Find out more and Book](#)



Take a virtual tour of St Chad's Cathedral at any time, from any place

All are welcome to visit our diocesan Mother Church from the comfort of their own homes.

For the first time ever you can take a virtual 360 degree tour of this Pugin-designed building.

Featuring welcome videos from Archbishop Bernard Longley and the three area Bishops.

[Find out more about the virtual tour](#)



Spirituality Summit

Taking place online on Saturday 1 May at 2pm and hosted by the Carmelite Friars.

Saint Joseph as a Model of Courage and a Beacon of Hope.

During this year's Summit, you will have the opportunity to get to know St Joseph from a Carmelite perspective and you will start to see St Joseph in a new light.

St Teresa teaches that we should turn to St Joseph for any need and that he never let her down.

[Find out more and sign up](#)

Divine Renovation webinar: Parish Reboot



The latest online event hosted by Divine Renovation, Parish Reboot - helping people find the way back.

The team will be digging into some big questions: What if people don't come back? How do we plan to re-engage the many that have wandered away?

Join on Wednesday 28 April, 5 - 6pm BST.

[Register for webinar](#)



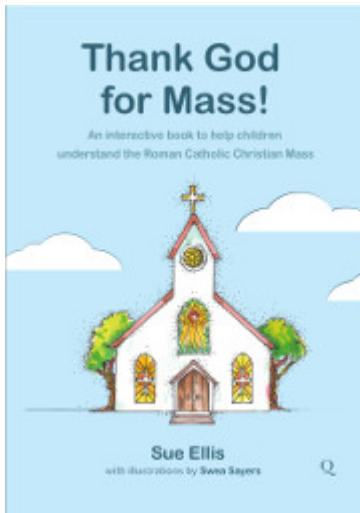
Covid-19 impact survey

Please share your experience of faith during the pandemic.

We want to hear from all across the Archdiocese about the impact the last 12 months has had, and how we can learn from it and move forward.

The survey takes around 10 minutes to complete.

[Complete survey](#)



Thank God for Mass!

A new book by Sue Ellis, of the Diocese of Middlesbrough.

An interactive book to help children, aged five to 10, understand Mass.

A proportion of the profits from sales will go to the SVP Society (England & Wales) to help them with the great work they do with Youth SVP and Mini-Vinnies.

If you would like to buy this book or require more information please contact the author via email: sueellisbooks@btinternet.com

Radio Maria England: Latest highlights

Exploring the Faith (New Programme); Women Together (New Season); Music for Eastertide; Road to Emmaus: The Cross and the Upper Room.

Discover all this and more on the website:

[Radio Maria](#)

Dates for your diary

Sun 25 April. [Vocations Sunday](#)

Thurs 29 April. Every second Thursday. [The Logos & Literature: Elaborating the Divine](#)

Tues 4 May. [Virtual Pilgrimage: Our Lady of Evesham](#)

Fri 14 May. [Session three of the Exploring the Directory for Catechesis conference](#)

10/11 July. [Online Scripture & Spirituality Conference](#)

July/August. [Holy Land Pilgrimage hosted by the Young Catholic Adult Network](#)

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Live Masses online

Live streaming of Masses continues at St Chad's Cathedral.

If your parish does not offer a live streaming facility please join us.

Online Masses at St Chad's



Supporting your parish

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

Parishes still greatly need your support, even more so without their weekly congregations and visitors.

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 our Work



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