



Archdiocese of St. Andrews & Edinburgh

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A WORD FROM THE CARDINAL

My Dear Friends,

At this present time, we are concluding our Lenten celebrations in preparation for the great Feast of Easter. It has been a privilege meeting with so many of our Elect and members of our Deaneries who are actively involved 'in service' in our Archdiocese in some way or another. I was focusing the minds of our priests at deanery meetings during Lent on the 'New Evangelisation', following on the in-service course of the Bishops' Conference with Archbishop Rino Fisichella, the first President of the Pontifical Council for Promoting the New Evangelisation when we were in the Royal Scots College in Salamanca in January.

I remind you all of the importance of the Sacred Triduum – and, of course, of the annual Chrism Mass in our Cathedral on Tuesday 19 April 2011 at 7.00 pm.

Much has and will be happening in our Archdiocese at this present time and up until summer. I mention various things:

- The CIC Review Group is going very well and at the April meeting the focus was on the Preparatory Rites in the Sacramental Journey of Children. Various recommendations were made – and at the next group meeting the focus will be on the Ages and Stages of formation for the completion of Christian Initiation – prior to a Final Report being given.
- Monsignor Regan, the Director of Liturgy in our Archdiocese is keeping us informed about the New Mass Texts. There will be a Gathering of the Priests of the Archdiocese in June to orientate them – this will be led by Father Andrew Cameron Mowat SJ – and these will be followed by Deanery formation days for parishioners after the summer break in conjunction with the Pastoral Resources Department.
- The resourcing and formation of catechists continues as we move into the 4th module in the Theology for Catechesis series entitled the Reign of God where the focus is strongly on what helps us to actively respond to the call to live justly.
- On Saturday 11 June 2011, there will be a Diocesan day for 'Celebrating Service'. This is the feast of St. Barnabas the Encourager – and the diocesan agencies are holding this day of celebration to thank all those who serve their parish communities all the year round in a voluntary capacity. The day will run from 2pm until 6pm, ending with Mass at 5pm, with myself as principal concelebrant".

Every blessing to you all at this important time in our Church's year

Yours sincerely in Christ,

+ Bill Bird



Adult Faith Formation

THEOLOGY FOR CATECHESIS SERIES CONTINUES:

Five deaneries have participated in the series. The workshops are continuing in the following places:

Reign of God - Workshop No.4

This 2 hour workshop is the fourth in the series of Theology for Catechesis for Catechists and Teachers, exploring the Catholic approach to moral life and how we are called to affirm the human dignity of every person. This is explored in relation to the themes of freedom, conscience and the law of love. The Beatitudes teach us the final end to which God calls us: the kingdom, the vision of God and participation in the divine nature. This workshop will be led by **Miriam McHardy: Archdiocesan Justice & Peace Coordinator.**

Deanery	Date	Place	Time
St. Marys	Monday 9 th May	St. Peters, Livingston	7-9pm
St. Giles	Monday 16 th May	Gillis Centre	7-9pm
St. Mungo and St. Ninian	Monday 23 rd May	St. Francis Xavier, Falkirk	7-9pm
St. David	Monday 6 th June	St. Gabriel's, Prestonpans	7.30pm - 9.30pm

Bookings are now being taken, please e-mail yvonne.fleming@staned.org.uk to register or call 0131 623 8903. [Click here](#) for a registration form.



POPE2YOU is a great website which offers an 'App' for your I-phone or a way to link using your Facebook account. You can read Pope Benedict's Lenten message and share pictures and news with others. Click on the Icon to take you to the site.



Social Care

EVERY IDEA IS A RESPONSIBILITY:

Bereavement Befriending - Wednesday 4th May - 2-4pm Gillis Centre

These workshops are for those providing pastoral support in parishes, will explore a range of possible practical responses to social needs. All involved in pastoral care in parishes are most welcome. They are held on the first Wednesday of the month and are chaired by Archie MacLulich. To register e-mail yvonne.fleming@staned.org.uk or call 0131 623 8903.

DEMENTIA & SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE

25th May 2011, 10am - 4pm at the Lauriston Jesuit Centre, Edinburgh. [Click here to get directions.](#)

This conference is aimed at all those living with or supporting in any way people who live with Dementia. The number of people with Dementia is growing as our population ages and the need to support them with love and dignity is becoming increasingly apparent.

The conference will provide clinical information on the condition, practical strategies for coping with some of the difficulties which can arise, and spiritual nourishment for carers and those with Dementia. Input will be given by health specialists, dementia support groups and voluntary agencies providing practical and spiritual support. Contributors include: Professor Alasdair MacLulich, Geriatric Medicine, Edinburgh; Frank Gibson - former Director of Social Work, Church of Scotland; Mary Moffat - Faith in Older People.

The cost is £25 for professionals and £10 for individuals. To register e-mail yvonne.fleming@staned.org.uk or call 0131 623 8903.

For more information on any of the above contact: Maureen McEvoy on maureen.mcevoy@staned.org.uk or 0131 623 8915.



Youth Ministry

SPANISH STEPS - WORLD YOUTH DAY SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE

Wednesday 15th June @ Gillis Centre, Edinburgh

For S5 students and WYD pilgrims, delegates from each of our secondary schools will participate. The focus of the day will be about getting to know the spirituality of the Spanish saints and how they can help us on our journey of faith. Speakers include Sr. Marie Helen OCD and Fr. Peter Scally SJ. If you wish to register e-mail Yvonne.fleming@staned.org.uk or call 0131 623 8903. The registration fee is £5 per person.

YOUTH MINISTRY TRAINING COURSE: September 2011 - 2014

Anne McEvoy the Youth Ministry Co-ordinator will be meeting Deanery Councils and parish groups over the next few weeks to present to them this excellent course.

This course is a must for those involved in leading Youth Ministry and also Catholic Teachers. This three year training course will equip you with a renewed vision, empowered to facilitate evangelisation and outreach to and with the young people in your community. You will learn the principles of pastoral care, prayer, worship and valuable skills for Christian leadership.

If you would like an information pack on the course, these are available from Anne or Yvonne on anne.mcevoy@staned.org.uk or yvonne.fleming@staned.org.uk Or you can call 0131 623 8903 to request one.

WORLD YOUTH DAY: MADRID 11 - 23 August 2011

Please pray for the group of 50+ young people from the Archdiocese who will travel to this great event to celebrate their faith with young people from all over the world in the presence of Pope Benedict XVI. A number of fundraising events will be taking place over the diocese, please support these and support the young people in your Parishes attending this event.

We have now prepared a booklet to accompany the young people as they prepare for this event and we hope that you will use it too, to pray with our young people and follow this event. [Click here](#) for a copy.

FUNDRAISING CEILIDH - Falkirk, St. Francis Xavier's Church - 30th April, 7.30pm. Tickets £4. Contact Roisin_King1391@hotmail.com.





YOUTH FOR LOURDES 2011 PILGRIMAGE 8TH - 15TH JULY 2011

If you are interested in this pilgrimage contact youthforlourdes@hotmail.com Click on the Facebook logo to link to the FB page. For more information about any Youth Ministry activities contact Anne on 0131 623 8917 or e-mail anne.mcevoy@staned.org.uk



Justice & Peace

JUST CHURCH TRAINING

Just Church enables people to reflect on faith and justice from different perspectives and looks at how to integrate action for justice into prayer, worship and daily life. Just Church is spread over 4, 2 hour workshops. For more information on the course contact miriam.mchardy@staned.org.uk or telephone 0131 623 8922. Just Church will be running in Musselburgh in September/October, further details will follow. **Places on the Just Church course are limited and popular so booking in advance is required.**

Deanery	Dates	Place	Time	Application
St. Andrew's & St. Margaret's Deanery	3.5.11 10.5.11 17.5.11 24.5.11	St. Marie's, Dunnikier Road, Kirkcaldy, KY1 2SA	7.30pm - 9.15pm	Click here for an application <i>For Kirkcaldy: Please forward booking forms and payment to:</i> <i>Iain Hirschfeld, 77 Strathallan Drive, Kirkcaldy, Fife, KY2 5YP asap.</i>



Make your vote count on May 5th. Click on the Churches Vote logo to visit the website for more information.



FAIRTRADE DIOCESE STEERING GROUP

The diocesan Fairtrade steering group needs you! Are you enthusiastic about Fairtrade and want more people to know about it? Are you in a Fairtrade parish, or are you trying to make your parish Fairtrade? Would you like to help our diocese highlight and promote Fairtrade issues? If this applies to you, and you are willing and able to give a few evenings a year to help make it happen, then we want to hear from you! Contact Miriam if you would like more information Miriam.mchardy@staned.org.uk or call 0131 623 8922.

Around the Diocese.....



Dignity of the Human Person: Foundation of Catholic Bioethics **6th May at 7.30pm – St. Mary's Cathedral Hall (next to Café Camino), Edinburgh**

Fr. Robert Gay OP, Dominican and scientist will explore the thinking behind the Church's views on all life issues. There will be an opportunity to discuss afterwards with Fr. Robert, both in the hall and the Café later over a drink or coffee.

A Vocation Mass is held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month.
St. Joseph's House, 43 Gilmore Place, Edinburgh (Little Sisters of the Poor) at 7.30pm.
Parking is available and light refreshments are offered afterwards. ALL WELCOME.



New Dawn Catholic Family Conference 2011 (and Youth Festival)
4th - 8th July, Madras College, St. Andrews
For more information on this event: www.newdawninscotland.com

'Dear friends, it is clear that, through Baptism, the mysterious words spoken by Jesus at the Last Supper become present for you once more.
In Baptism, the Lord enters your life through the door of your heart.
We no longer stand alongside or in opposition to one another.
He passes through all these doors.
This is the reality of Baptism: he, the Risen One, comes;
he comes to you and joins his life with yours,
drawing you into the open fire of his love.'

Pope Benedict Holy Saturday 2008

NEXT E-bulletin:

If you have any forthcoming items about pastoral events in the Archdiocese and would like them in the next e-bulletin please send them by email to patricia.carroll@staned.org.uk or Yvonne.fleming@staned.org.uk by

FRIDAY 6th MAY 2011