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A Monthly Bulletin for our local parishes, charities and Catholic Agencies



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### 1. CSAN web-based toolkit resource on Ukraine Updated 22 April 2022 <https://www.csan.org.uk/ukraine/>

The main input on 22 April comes under **Homes for Ukraine – Humanitarian Sponsorship Scheme** with a new **Step 2**: Under arrangements being made from April 2022 between the Government, Reset, local authorities and other charities, trained caseworkers and volunteers, led by safeguarding experts, will provide a comprehensive assessment service. They will assess the sponsors' intent, suitability, and availability while checking that the accommodation they are offering is appropriate. Sponsors will also need to complete an online mandatory training programme before the matching process begins. Sponsors who have already registered interest on the UK Government website will need to register on the Reset matching website as well to be considered for a match. The matching team will also carry out assessments of the refugees to understand their personal circumstances and if they have particular ties to a place. The sponsorship scheme will not be right for everyone, especially those suffering from severe trauma. If a match is made, the sponsors and refugees will need to submit a visa application to the Home Office.

### 2. Million Minutes' Celebrating Young People Awards 2022 <https://millionminutes.org/national-awards>

The Catholic youth social action charity Million Minutes is excited to announce that its popular [Celebrating Young People Awards](#) has been launched for 2022. These social action awards comprise six awards recognising children and young people specifically (inspired by each of the values of Catholic Social Teaching), one recognising youth workers, and one new award recognising religious and clergy. Applicants will have until mid May to nominate a young person doing amazing social action work or someone working on behalf of young people, and Award recipients and nominees will be announced at an event held in the Palace of Westminster in July 2022, in an event hosted by Siobhain McDonagh MP with special guests in attendance. Million Minutes is also proud to announce the launch of a new Award, in collaboration with The Jesuits in Britain, which celebrates clergy and religious who are committed to social action and parish transformation in their communities that is inclusive of young people. The [Rutilio Grande & Companions Award](#) will be part of the well-established Celebrating Young People Awards suite. This Awards suite features six awards that specifically recognise the actions of young people in support of Catholic Social Teaching (The [Jimmy Mizen Award](#) for peace, The [Dorothy Day Award](#) for community service, The [Barbara Ward Award](#) for care for creation, the [Josephine Bakhita Award](#) for protecting human dignity, The [Cardinal Hume award](#) for living out the option of the poor, and the [Joseph Cardijn Award](#) for protecting dignity of labour presented with the Young Christian Workers movement), and an additional award, alongside the [Catholic Youth Ministry Federation](#), which recognises exceptional youth ministry. Million Minutes encourages all those who have met inspiring young people or those working with young people, in Catholic settings, to consider submitting an application. Nominees do not need to be Catholic to be nominated and recognised. You can access a [full list of FAQs](#) here. Young nominees will also have the chance to be considered for a [small youth social action grant](#) to continue and strengthen their community work.

### **3. Voluntary sector partners pave the way for supporting women prison leavers**

Pact, together with voluntary sector partners and the Ministry of Justice's Local Leadership and Integration Fund (LLIF), is launching a new project supporting women leaving HMP Eastwood Park in Gloucestershire. Led by Gloucestershire-based charity The Nelson Trust, the One Women's Centre will offer comprehensive support to women in custody and through the gate, encouraging effective rehabilitation and reintegration into the community following release. The centre, which plans to reach at least 400 women during its 12-month pilot, is the first of its kind in England & Wales and will adopt a 'one team' approach to supporting female prison leavers, joining up statutory and voluntary sector services. As acknowledged by [Lord Farmer's 2019 review](#) of the women's estate, female prisoners face very different challenges to their male counterparts and often become involved with the criminal justice system as a result of poverty, homelessness and substance misuse. The majority of women in prison have histories of trauma, abuse and victimisation, with many serving sentences for crimes less severe than those committed against them. Around half of women prisoners are mothers, which can have a devastating long-term effect on the health and wellbeing of their children, leading to intergenerational cycles of trauma, abuse and offending. HMP Eastwood Park houses women from the South West of England and Wales (there is currently no women's prisons in Wales, and so Welsh women are imprisoned in England, more than 100 miles away from their homes and families). The One Women's Centre will support these women by providing a base for family engagement workers, group work facilitators, and coordinators for Pact's [Visiting Mum](#) project, as well as specific provision for improving gateway communications, encouraging more effective ways of enabling family members to share concerns about their loved one's health and wellbeing while they are in custody. The centre will also act as a base for Pact's [Together a Chance](#) initiative for Wales and the Southwest. Funded by the Sylvia Adams Charitable Trust, and in line with Lord Farmer's recommendations to pilot social workers within the women's estate, this will support women in being actively involved in decisions relating to the care of their child, provide advocacy with local authority social workers, and promote a better understanding of the criminal justice system within the local authority. The project will see Pact working with HMPPS and voluntary sector partners including [Pobl](#), [Change Grow Live](#), [Safer Wales](#), [The Peninsula Women's Alliance](#), and [The Wallich](#) to deliver a range of services from housing support and advice to interventions focused on empowering women to lead positive, healthy lives following trauma and addiction.

Pact CEO Andy Keen-Downs said: "We are hugely excited to be working with partners to launch the Pact One Women's Centre. The initiative is a fantastic opportunity for us to demonstrate the benefits of a collaborative and holistic approach in ensuring the health, safety, and wellbeing of women in custody and on release. We hope that the project will pave the way for further innovation across the women's estate over the coming months and years."

Further information on Pact's initiatives, including Visiting Mum and Together a Chance, is available at [www.prisonadvice.org.uk](http://www.prisonadvice.org.uk).

### **4. Pact's JustPeople workshops may be for you - <https://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/justpeople-workshops>**

Marie Norbury, Faith in Action Volunteering Manager at Pact, has sent details of: *our online JustPeople workshops - a 2-part online workshop which takes place via Zoom: the first part is 3 hours long and the second part (on a separate day) is 2.5hrs long. In total the workshop consists of 6 sessions with a range of activities which, through reflecting on Scripture, Catholic Social Teaching and listening to the words of those who with lived experience of the criminal justice system, enables participants to become more aware of some of the challenges of imprisonment as well as the many different opportunities to support our work. There are times of prayer throughout the workshop and we pray that the Holy Spirit will open our hearts and minds so that our communities may become places of greater understanding and welcome. Thus far the online workshops have been on consecutive Saturday mornings, starting at 10am, but I can be flexible with when these run and was wondering about trying some weekday sessions. If you're able to promote these with parishes and ask people to contact me if they're interested I will organise the next set of online dates to fit, as much as possible, to match people's availability. I am also happy to work more flexibly with parishes/groups of parishes – basically I'll try to meet the need.*

To find out more and to register your interest, please email [marie.norbury@prisonadvice.org.uk](mailto:marie.norbury@prisonadvice.org.uk) or call Marie at Pact on 07581 194907

## **5. Ask your Member of the Senedd to support a Living Wage in health and social care**

*News from Citizens Cymru Wales:* On 1 April, the Welsh Government started the process of rolling-out the Real Living Wage to all Health and Social Care workers in Wales.

On 3 May we will all come together from members across Citizens Cymru Wales, using our collective power to maximum effect. We will gather at the Senedd in Cardiff Bay to celebrate the commitment made by the Welsh Government, and encourage other health and social care organisations, as well as Local Authorities and Health Boards to do the same for all their staff and to accredit as Living Wage employers.

Before May 3rd and on the day, we will aim to engage as many Members of the Senedd as possible in discussing pay and seeking their commitment to work with us on this and so ensure that many more people in Wales are paid the Real Living Wage. Join us on May 3rd, and even if you can't, you can support this campaign by [writing to your Member of the Senedd](#) today and inviting them to meet with us at the Senedd on the 3rd of May. **Using our simple letter-writing tool it will take you less than 5 minutes.**

The Archdiocese of Cardiff is a Founding Member of Cardiff Citizens and Citizens Cymru Wales. A short video has been created by Citizens UK to share the national significance and impact of the Living Wage and Catholic Social Teaching: <https://youtu.be/E6UuflMioyM>

**6. The Pope's Prayer intentions:** [Visit: <https://thepopevideo.org/> each month for the latest video]

### **May - For faith-filled young people**

*"We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service."*

### **June - For families**

*"We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives."*

**7. The Cycle of Prayer** - <https://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/2022/Ordo-2022.pdf>

**Throughout Easter we are asked to pray for the following intentions:**

[New Members of the Church](#)

[Vocations](#) - especially on World Day of Prayer for Vocations — [4th Sunday of Easter](#)

[Survivors of Sexual Abuse](#) - Tuesday 17 May [Tuesday 5th week of Easter]

[Human Work](#) - especially on St Joseph the Worker — 1 May

[The right use of the Media](#) - especially on World Communications day — [7th Sunday of Easter](#)

[The Church](#) - especially on [Pentecost](#) [5 June]

**Throughout Ordinary Time: Summer we are asked to pray for the following intentions:**

[A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews](#)

[Those Who Suffer Persecution, Oppression and Denial of Human Rights](#) - especially on St John Fisher and St Thomas More (22 June)

[Human Life](#) - especially on Day for Life (3rd Sunday in June)

[Europe](#) - especially of the feasts of St Benedict (11 July), St Bridget of Sweden (23 July), St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (9 August) who with St Cyril and St Methodius (14 February), and St Catherine of Siena (29 April) are Patrons of Europe)

[Seafarers](#) - especially on Sea Sunday (2nd Sunday in July). See also: <https://www.stellamaris.org.uk/>

## **8. Ukraine: Stella Maris brings kindness and compassion**

13 April 2022 <https://www.stellamaris.org.uk/ukraine-stella-maris-brings-kindness-and-compassion/>

Stella Maris chaplains in Great Britain and around Europe are working tirelessly to support the immediate needs of the seafarers and their families, providing support such as SIM cards, food, transport, and temporary accommodation. For many Ukrainian and indeed Russian seafarers arriving at ports in Great Britain, apart from the practical assistance given to them by our chaplains and ship visitors, it's often the small gestures – the friendly smile, the arm around the shoulder and the listening ear – that the seafarers take comfort in. Visit the link to read just some of the many examples where Stella Maris has brought compassion and kindness where they may be anxiety, anger, confusion and chaos.

## **9. Appointment of the Prefect, Secretary and Under-Secretary of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development**

<https://www.humandevlopment.va/en/news/2022/nomina-prefetto-e-segretario-del-dicastero.html>

The Holy Father has entrusted them with the task of leading the Dicastery for a five-year term

The Holy Father has [appointed](#) Card. Michael Czerny S.J. for a five-year term as Prefect of the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development and Sr. Alessandra Smerilli F.M.A. as Secretary of the same Dicastery, until now respectively Prefect and Secretary *ad interim*. The Pontiff also appointed Fr. Fabio Baggio C.S. as Under-Secretary of the same Dicastery, with responsibility for the Migrants and Refugees Section and for special projects. The Superiors are called to lead the Dicastery in the crucial mission of "promoting the human person and his God-given dignity" (*Praedicate Evangelium*, art. 163) in all areas of public and social life, as well as to implement the recommendations produced by the Evaluation Commission, established by the Holy Father in mid-2021 and led by Card. Blase Cupich, Archbishop of Chicago.

Card. Michael Czerny S.J., Prefect of the Dicastery, Sister Alessandra Smerilli F.M.A., Secretary, and Fr. Fabio Baggio C.S., Under-Secretary, have issued the following joint statement:

*"We thank the Holy Father for the confidence he has shown in us and in our capacities. We thank all those who have cooperated with us during this interim period in carrying out the mission of the Dicastery. Our gratitude also extends to Cardinal Peter K.A. Turkson and those who were Superiors in the Dicastery until the end of 2021.*

*We commit ourselves to the service of the Holy Father and of the Church throughout the world. We seek to assist the Church in promoting the integral development of each person and the care of our common home. "The manifestation of God in Christ — including his gestures of healing, of liberation, of reconciliation and of peace that today we are called to propose anew to the many wounded on the roadside — points out the path and the way of service that the Church intends to offer the world."* [\[1\]](#)

*We also explicitly commit to implementing the recommendations made by the mid-2021 Evaluation Commission established by the Holy Father and chaired by Cardinal Blase Cupich.*

*The whole dicastery's congratulations and best wishes go to Card. Peter K.A. Turkson, called by the Holy Father to serve as Chancellor of the Pontifical Academies of Sciences and of Social Sciences".*

[\[1\]](#) Address Of The Holy Father Francis To The Participants At The Conference Promoted By The Dicastery For Promoting Integral Human Development, On The 50<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary Of The Encyclical *Populorum Progressio* (4 April 2017).

### **10. Resignation and appointment of metropolitan archbishop of Cardiff, Wales, appointment of bishop of Menevia, and union *in persona Episcopi* of the two sees**

<https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2022/04/27/220427b.html>

The Holy Father has accepted the resignation from the pastoral care of the metropolitan archdiocese of Cardiff, Wales, presented by Archbishop George Stack.

The Holy Father has appointed Bishop Mark O'Toole of Plymouth, England, as metropolitan archbishop of Cardiff and bishop of Menevia, Wales, uniting the two sees *in persona Episcopi*.

#### ***Curriculum vitae***

Archbishop-elect Mark O'Toole was born in London on 22 June 1963. After secondary school he obtained a bachelor's degree in geography from the University of Leicester, and in theology from Heythrop College, London. He was subsequently awarded a degree in philosophy from Campion Hall in Oxford, and in theology from the Pontifical University of Leuven.

He was ordained a priest on 9 June 1990 for the metropolitan archdiocese of Westminster.

He has served as deputy priest of Willesden Green, dean of studies of the Allen Hall Seminary (1996-2002), and since 2008, rector.

In 2002 he was appointed as personal secretary to Cardinal Cormac Murphy O'Connor.

He has served as a member of the Ethical Committee of Saint John and Saint Elizabeth Hospital, and is advisor to the Faculty of Theology at Heythrop College, London.

On 9 November 2013 he was appointed as bishop of Plymouth, receiving episcopal consecration on 28 January 2014.

Within the Episcopal Conference of England and Wales, he is president of the Department of Evangelization and Catechesis. He is also a member of the Pontifical Council for Promoting New Evangelization.

More details are available at <https://rcadc.org/new-archbishop/> *Ad Multo Annos!*

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