

## Noticeboard

16th February 2021

Items of interest recently sent to the AMRI office for wider circulation to our members.



MECPATHS (Mercy Efforts for Child Protection Against Trafficking with the Hospitality and Services Sectors) are delighted to receive The Human Trafficking Social Justice Irish Enterprise of the Year Award 2021. The award celebrates “those who remain committed to demonstrating outstanding levels of excellence, customer service and innovation”. MECPATHS work with The Hospitality and Services Sectors in Ireland continues to gain much appreciated support and most recently, Minister Helen McEntee and Maria Walsh M.E.P. met with Ann Mara and JP O’ Sullivan (MECPATHS) to discuss how best they could extend their support to the work. There are a number of new ways of working being explored with The Department of Justice and we look forward to sharing the news as the work unfolds.

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### East Timor Sister living in Ireland

A request has been sent to the AMRI office asking if there are any religious sisters from East Timor currently resident in Ireland. A congregation in the south of the country has an East Timor sister who would love to connect with another sister from her own country. If this is relevant to your Religious congregation please contact [communications@amri.ie](mailto:communications@amri.ie) for more details.



The first of a new series of webinars on the criminal prosecution of human trafficking begins tonight 16th February. This series of three webinars will assess the implementation of this treaty, raise awareness on the need to effectively prosecute traffickers, and promote action at the international, regional and national levels.

CRIMINAL PROSECUTION OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING  
WHERE ARE WE NOW?

Tue, Feb 16, 2021, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Dublin

Duration: 2 hours

If you would like to register for this event, go to the website [www.adlaudatosi.org](http://www.adlaudatosi.org)

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### **Theology of Safeguarding**

A reminder that every month the National Board will place a short video on an aspect of a Theology of Safeguarding on their website. Nine videos have been commissioned from theologians, scripture scholars and ethicists who live and work in Ireland, Italy and the United States. During October 2021, the National Board will host its National Conference on the theme of Towards a Theology of Safeguarding at which the questions posed by the video contributors will be addressed. In February 18th the presentation will be delivered by Sr Nuala Kenny, followed by Dr Ethna Regan in March.

You can find out more about the speakers, the conference and theology of safeguarding by following this link <https://www.safeguarding.ie/national-conference-2021>

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UNANIMA International's side event "**Youth Perspectives on Family Homelessness and Technology**" will primarily give voice to the perspectives of people with lived experience of homelessness/displacement and university students on how family homelessness is affected by technology, including through examination of the role of digital technologies on social development and well-being of all, especially the most marginalized of our world (migrants, refugees, visible and hidden homeless populations.) We invite you to join us at this side event for further engagement of the youth perspective. [The Zoom link is here](#)

The poster features the logos of the United Nations and UNANIMA International at the top. The main title is "Youth Perspectives on Family Homelessness & Technology". Below the title, it states the date and time: "Wednesday, February 17th - 8:30-9:45AM EST(USA)". It is identified as a "United Nations 59th Commission for Social Development - Side Event". A registration link is provided: "REGISTER: https://us02web.zoom.us/join/register/WN\_SExQBYTTR3mh8ojzsdpa2w". The speakers are listed as "Experts with lived experience of homelessness/displacement", "St. John's University Students", and "UNANIMA International". At the bottom, there are icons for the Sustainable Development Goals: 1 (No Poverty), 4 (Quality Education), 5 (Gender Equality), 10 (Reduced Inequalities), and 17 (Partnerships for the Goals).

The banner shows a woman in a yellow top holding a young child. The text "YOUR SUPPORT THIS LENT CHANGES LIVES" is overlaid in large white letters. The Trocaire logo is in the top left, and navigation links (ABOUT US, OUR WORK, GET INVOLVED, WAYS TO HELP) and a DONATE button are in the top right.

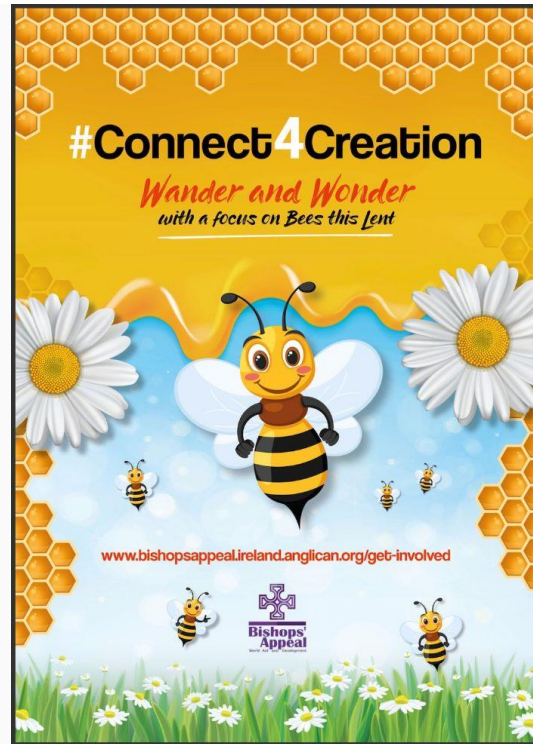
As we journey towards Lent, Trocaire have launched their annual Lenten Campaign for 2021. This year tells of the stories from parish communities that Trocaire works with in South Sudan and of the suffering of people who have lost their homes and loved ones to war. It tells of the rebuilding of their lives through love, friendship and solidarity. The website has many resources and ways to get involved in this years campaign. Please go to <https://www.trocaire.org/lent-appeal> for more details


## **Eco-Congregation**

**Ireland** are working alongside The Church of Ireland's Bishops' Lenten Appeal for 2021 developing the resource "**Connect4Creation**". The focus is on bees.

### **Ways to get involved:**


- People are encouraged to get out for a walk and spot some of the many species of bees in Ireland as spring begins to arrive;
  - To encourage bees and other pollinators through planting pollinator friendly flowers, and making bee hotels;
  - To raise funds for a Christian Aid project in Zimbabwe which provides beehives for farmers and for reforestation
- **Full details please [click here](#)**



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The MA in Applied Spirituality is a twelve month, three semester, Level 9 taught postgraduate programme which aims to develop contemplative and critically informed spirituality guides, reflective practitioners and skilled researchers on contemporary spiritual issues, and the journey of life in its spiritual dimension and connection.

[www.wit.ie/wd590](http://www.wit.ie/wd590) Please see over [www.pac.ie](http://www.pac.ie)

The MA in Applied Spirituality programme, which takes place at Milltown Park, Milltown Road, Dublin 6, has been a popular programme for religious who would be going into formation and leadership roles in their congregations or moving from those roles.

Applications are now open for this programme in 2021-22, but places are limited. For more information about the programme, please see <http://spiritualityinstitute.ie/ma-applied-spirituality/> and contact Dr Michael O'Sullivan, SJ at [mosullivan@spiritualityinstitute.ie](mailto:mosullivan@spiritualityinstitute.ie) or Prof Bernadette Flanagan, PBVM at [bflanagan@wit.ie](mailto:bflanagan@wit.ie)

## Continuous Rosary in Ireland for Peace and Charity

Beginning Ash Wednesday, 17th February 2021. A Continuous Rosary will be offered up every minute of every day for PEACE and CHARITY in Ireland. Every Parish in Ireland has a date and time allocated, the same for every year. Please see the website

[www.continuousrosary.com](http://www.continuousrosary.com)

### The Centre for Catholic Studies: Study Series 2020-21

A series of online discussions on Catholic theology and Catholic studies. All welcome!



#### Hidden Histories

On recovering the importance of the archives of religious congregations, from the break with Rome to the present day

Two parts: 5-7pm GMT on 24 and 25 March 2021

Free of charge



#### Faith and Thought: Exploring 'The Art of Attention'

Exploring the nature and role of 'attention' in the arts, spirituality, and theology

Three parts: 5-7pm BST on 5, 12, and 19 May 2021

Co-hosted by the Centre for Catholic Studies at Durham University and the London Jesuit Centre

Voluntary donations invited. Suggested donation £15.



#### Heeding the Spirit: New Horizons in Receptive Ecumenism

Discussing the transformation of churches through learning from each other

12noon-4pm BST on 17 June 2021

Co-hosted by the Centre for Catholic Studies at Durham University, the Christian Council of Sweden, University College Stockholm, and the Sigtuna Foundation

Voluntary donations invited. Suggested donation £15.

All welcome! To participate, you will need Zoom details—  
to receive them please register at  
<https://centreforcatholicstudies.eventbrite.com>



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Second image: The Red Room, Oil on Linen, 205x170cm, by Tim Patrick (detail).



# LUMEN

## DOMINICAN CENTRE

Spring term modules are now available online. You can view the courses being offered on the website

[www.lumenop.ie](http://www.lumenop.ie)

If you wish to register just follow the link from our home page.

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## **Sion Centre Dialogue Encounter SPRING PROGRAMME 2021**

*All sessions will be on Zoom. If you would like a link please send an email to [sioncentrefordialogue@gmail.com](mailto:sioncentrefordialogue@gmail.com)*

*Each event will be from 14.00-15.30 (UK time), apart from Saturday March 13<sup>th</sup>, which will be from 14.00-16.00 (UK time)*

### **Wednesday February 24<sup>th</sup> Dr Murray Watson Translation for Transformation: André Chouraqui and His Revolutionary Contributions to Jewish-Christian Dialogue**

André Chouraqui (1917-2007) was an Algerian-born Jewish scholar, politician and interreligious pioneer. Among his many interfaith initiatives, perhaps his greatest accomplishment was La Bible Chouraqui, a ground-breaking translation of the Bible (both Testaments) into French which sought to bring Jews and Christians together in shared study and discussion. Chouraqui's life—and his unorthodox way of translating the Bible—made him one of the most intriguing

figures in modern interfaith dialogue, and we will explore his contributions and personality together.

**Wednesday March 3<sup>rd</sup> Rabbi Jeff Berger Purim & the Book of Esther**

The Jewish Festival of Purim commemorates events occurring in the 5th century BCE as recorded in the Book of Esther. This talk will attempt to present a brief historical background, a deeper look into the Scriptural text and some interpretations, and a description of how the Festival is celebrated today. Unique to the Book of Esther within the Hebrew Bible is the complete absence of the name of God.

**Saturday March 13<sup>th</sup> Sr Teresa Brittain nds Called to live in Peace**

Reflections for Lent

**Wednesday March 17<sup>th</sup> Rabbi Alexandra Wright The Curse of Ham**

What was the meaning of race and colour in biblical and early rabbinic texts?

**Tuesday March 23<sup>rd</sup> Fr Adrian Graffy What is Man? A Journey through Biblical Anthropology**

A survey of the recently released document of the Pontifical Biblical Commission, published by Darton, Longman and Todd.

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**Upcoming Events**  
**Mount St Anne's Retreat and Conference Centre,**  
**Killenard, Portarlinton, Co. Laois.**

See our Website and FB for updates and more information.  
[www.mountstannes.com](http://www.mountstannes.com) 0578626153

**SPRING COURSES ONLINE: All Courses are at 19.00-21.00 (UTC) on ZOOM**

**Evolution and Spirituality in the 21st Century**  
**March 2,9,16,23 (Diarmuid O' Murchu)**

Our churches and religions are struggling to keep pace with the evolutionary changes of our time. A global emergency like Covid 19 opens up new ways of understanding evolution. How to integrate these newly expanded horizons of meaning may well be the greatest challenge for contemporary spirituality.

**"Has God spoken only through Moses?" (Num 12:2) Travelling the Easter story with the women of scripture**  
**March 3,10,17,24 (Gráinne Doherty)**

A series of four talks explores the meaning and significance of the Easter story by examining and engaging with the prophetic witness of women in the scriptural accounts of both the Exodus story and the Passion narrative.

**€100 for each course.**  
**To book a place email [secretary@mountstannes.com](mailto:secretary@mountstannes.com)**