



Welcome to this edition of **Flame** our Religious Education and Spirituality newsletter. Please share the contents and links with those who learn and work in your school communities.

Sharing the loaves and fishes,  
You gave us an image of solidarity with the hungry, O Lord.  
Sharing yourself in the bread and wine, You called all to the table, O Lord.  
Give me the hunger to be a part of the feeding and the healing of this world.  
Nourish me with your Grace, so I may work with joy to serve your children.  
Open my eyes and my heart to recognize those in poverty  
And increase my awareness of the structures and systems that need to be changed  
So we may all break bread together.  
In your name we pray for the end of hunger.

*Amen*

<https://www.xavier.edu/jesuitresource/online-resources/prayer-index/prayers-for-the-end-of-hunger1>

## Ukraine Crisis

There is a link on the CSAN website to support Caritas Ukraine, in response to the humanitarian need in Ukraine. <https://www.csan.org.uk/news/response-to-crisis-in-ukraine/>.

Resources for schools can be found on the following websites:

Cafod: [Schools prayer for Ukraine | CAFOD](#)

Jesuits Missions: [Pray for Ukraine - Jesuit Missions](#)

## Commission News

### Bishops' invitation to return to Mass at Pentecost

At the recent Spring Plenary in Cardiff, the Bishops of England and Wales made a resolution to invite the faithful to return to Mass at Pentecost. <https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/news-events/news/bishops-invitation-to-return-to-mass-at-pentecost/>

Archbishop John has written a series of letters to parishioners, parents and those working in Catholic schools inviting all to begin attending Sunday Mass once again.

### Deputy and Assistant Headteachers' Conference 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022 - Called & Gifted

'And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.' Romans 8: 28

The theme of this year's DHT/AHT day conference is 'Catholic Life and Mission in Education'. The day is open to all those who are in post or have been appointed for September 2022. Dr Nancy Walbank, Senior

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Policy Adviser for the CES will be leading a session on 'Catholic Identity and Mission' and Oliver Pawle, Chairman of Korn Ferry Board Services Practices, will lead a session on the 'Importance of Mentorship'. Please [click here](#) to view further details and book your places.

## Adviser Visits Summer 2022 and beyond

We are in the process of booking, in person or virtual visits, for the remainder of the current academic year. If you need advice and support do not hesitate to contact one of us. Staff contact details can be found here: <https://www.rcaoseducation.org.uk/staff/>

## Religious Education Leader Contact Details

Thank you to all who have kept us up to date when a new RE leader is appointed. If you have appointed a new Religious Education Leader in your school, please complete this form:

<https://www.rcaoseducation.org.uk/contact-details-for-the-religious-education-leader/>

## Living and Learning the Liturgical Year

Learning about the Liturgical Year can add an extra rich dimension to the teaching of R.E and to the prayer life of the school. This section is meant to provide some ideas; people and events, which may be incorporated into the lessons and prayer times.

### June 2022

#### ***Pope Francis' prayer request for 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.

The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The first 5 days of June fall in the Easter Season which is represented by the liturgical colour white. The remainder of the month is in the liturgical season of Ordinary Time and is represented by the liturgical colour green.

### The God Who Speaks

This June the focus is on Pentecost wonder.

### Recommended resources for June:

#### Cafod

Cafod have launched their Step up to the Plate Campaign which seeks to ask the UK government to step up to the plate and play their part in ensuring that all have enough to eat. <https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Primary-teaching-resources/Step-up-to-the-plate-primary> . They also have a page dedicated to the Feast of Corpus Christi. <https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Prayer-resources/Corpus-Christi-family-prayers>



## Missio/Mission Together

Mission Together have a package of resources for the Day of Many Colours which is can be celebrated on 29 June to coincide with the Feast of St Peter and St Paul. However, you can have your day when you choose. [Day of Many Colours – Mission Together](#) . They also have resources linked to their most recent work in Malawi.

## Additional resources for June

[https://kids.kiddle.co/Sacred\\_Heart](https://kids.kiddle.co/Sacred_Heart)

<https://www.catholicmom.com/articles/2011/03/05/sacred-heart-of-jesus-lesson-plan>

### Notable Saints Days

2<sup>nd</sup> St Marcellinus and St Peter, Martyrs  
13<sup>th</sup>  
16<sup>th</sup> St Richard of Chichester, Bishop  
25<sup>th</sup> Immaculate Heart of Mary  
27<sup>th</sup> St Cyril of Alexandria, Doctor of the Church  
30<sup>th</sup> The First Martyrs of the Church

### Notable (M)emorials, (F)east & (S)olemnities

1<sup>st</sup> St Justin, Martyr (M)  
3<sup>rd</sup> St Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs (M)  
5<sup>th</sup> Pentecost Sunday  
6<sup>th</sup> Mary, Mother of the Church (M)  
9<sup>th</sup> Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest (F)  
11<sup>th</sup> St Barnabas, Apostle (M)  
12<sup>th</sup> The Most Holy Trinity (S)  
13<sup>th</sup> St Anthony of Padua, Doctor of the Church (M)  
19<sup>th</sup> The Most Holy Blood and Body of the Lord  
21<sup>st</sup> St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious (M)  
22<sup>nd</sup> St John Fisher and St Thomas More (Martyrs) (F)  
23<sup>rd</sup> Nativity of St John the Baptist (S)  
24<sup>th</sup> Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (S)  
28<sup>th</sup> St Irenaeus, Bishop, Martyr (M)  
29<sup>th</sup> St Peter and St Paul, Apostles (S)



## Special Days in June 2022

1<sup>st</sup> World Milk Day <https://worldmilkday.org/>

2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee Weekend <https://www.royal.uk/platinum-jubilee-central-weekend>

5<sup>th</sup> World Environment Day <https://www.worldenvironmentday.global/?x=11>

6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Bike Week <https://www.cyclinguk.org/bikeweek>

8<sup>th</sup> World Ocean's Day <https://worldoceanday.org/>

19<sup>th</sup> Father's Day

21<sup>st</sup> Make Music Day <https://makemusicday.co.uk/>

21<sup>st</sup> Summer Begins

21<sup>st</sup> World Giraffe Day <https://giraffeconservation.org/world-giraffe-day/>

23<sup>rd</sup> National Writing Day <https://firststory.org.uk/writeday/>

## Catholic Life

### Aylesford Priory

Aylesford Priory have produced Leaders Guides which support teachers in planning a Pilgrimage day at the Priory. [The Friars - Group Visits](#)

### At the Foot of the Cross podcast

'At the Foot of the Cross' is a monthly podcast from the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. Rev Canon Christopher Thomas gives us an update on the work that has taken place at the conference over the last month and there is a special feature on the dignity of Human Life. Listen to it at [Dignity of Human Life | Episode 3 - Catholic Bishops' Conference \(cbcew.org.uk\)](#)

### New Book Resource

#### A Little Book of British Saints

Aimed at younger readers with lovely illustrations by Michelle Pitt. This is a book of stories. True stories. Stories about remarkable saints who want to be your friends in heaven. Here you will find a peace-loving Viking and a saint who was captured by pirates. You will meet a horse dealer who was really a priest and a queen who became a nun. You can even read about a young saint who had lots of pets and played games on his computer. Details at <https://www.isaiahbooks.co.uk/product-page/a-little-book-of-british-saints>

## Professional Development and Personal Formation

### Inclusive Judaism: Online Teachers' CPD

*What does it actually mean to be Jewish? Is Judaism a religion, culture or ethnicity? How do I teach Judaism holistically, whilst giving space to the different intersectional communities?*

Join the Virtual Teachers CPD that explores what does it actually mean to be Jewish? Is Judaism a religion,

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culture or ethnicity? How do I teach Judaism holistically, whilst giving space to the different intersectional communities?. This CPD is open to both Primary and Secondary School Teachers.

Date: 6 July 2022, 4-5:30pm

Where: Zoom (the link will be sent once booked)

Tickets: £10

<https://jewishmuseum.org.uk/event/inclusive-judaism-online-teachers-cpd/>

## Theology & Religious Studies in Higher Education (TRS-UK)

TRS-UK serves, represents, supports, and promotes the academic study of religion and theology in UK higher education institutions. They have produced a great series of videos by T&RS graduates talking about their degrees and the careers they have entered. <https://trs.ac.uk/studying-trs/graduate-videos/>

## MA in Education: Religious Education

This programme is designed for anyone who is involved in the teaching of Religious Education (specialist and non-specialists), to support practitioners in all phases of schooling, whatever their location. The course seeks to develop knowledge, understanding and research skills in order to generate insights that transform professional practice in Religious Education. This MA is offered as a two-year part-time course, or a full time one year course. Modules are taught at St Mary's monthly on a Saturday (online is available). More information: <https://www.stmarys.ac.uk/postgraduate-courses-london/religious-education>

## Religion Media Centre

The RMC has become an authoritative resource for news, fact sheets and commentators in the field of Religion and Belief. It is independent and non-confessional: simply there to improve religious literacy in society. Visit their new website <https://religionmediacentre.org.uk/>

## Courses for Religious Education & Catholic Life

\*\* The Education Commission's 'Continuing Professional Development Programme 2022-2023' has been sent to schools and can be accessed on the Events & Training page of the website. \*\*

The Education Commission is offering a hybrid mix of online and in person courses. To see the full offer and to register please visit the website at [rcaoseducation.org.uk/et/](https://rcaoseducation.org.uk/et/) Delegates will be sent joining details in their booking confirmation email and course materials will also be sent to the delegate email address used on the booking form.

**Please always check your junk and spam folders if you have registered for a course and not received confirmation. We have found that often the automatic responses are sent to these folders.**

## Summer 2022

If you would like a bespoke course, virtually or in person, delivered in your school please contact a member of the R.E. Advisory Team. The cost will be per school; £100 for 1 session of up to 2hrs; £175 for 2 sessions up to 4hrs in total; £250 3 sessions up to 6hrs in total. You can choose to have the sessions over the course of one or several days. We can also provide any of our main offer R.E. and Catholic Life CPD courses in this manner.



## **Deputy & Assistant Headteachers Conference**

30th June 2022 9am-4.15pm

Amigo Hall £125

[Book](#)

## **Learning from Pilot Inspections**

5th July 2022 3.30pm-5pm

£25 Zoom

For: Headteachers, Chairs of Governors and Religious Education Subject Leaders

[Book](#)

## **Moderation Sessions**

Tuesday 5th July 2022 2pm-4pm

Wednesday 6th July 2022 2pm-4pm

Free, St Peter & St Paul Catholic Primary Academy, St Pauls Wood Hill, Orpington, BR5 2SR.

[Book](#)

## **Chaplaincy Day**

Wednesday 13th July 2022

Worth Abbey, Paddockhurst Road, Turners Hill, Crawley, RH10 4SB

£40 Including lunch

[Book](#)

If you would like to book onto any of the above courses please visit:

<https://www.rcaoseducation.org.uk/et/>

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