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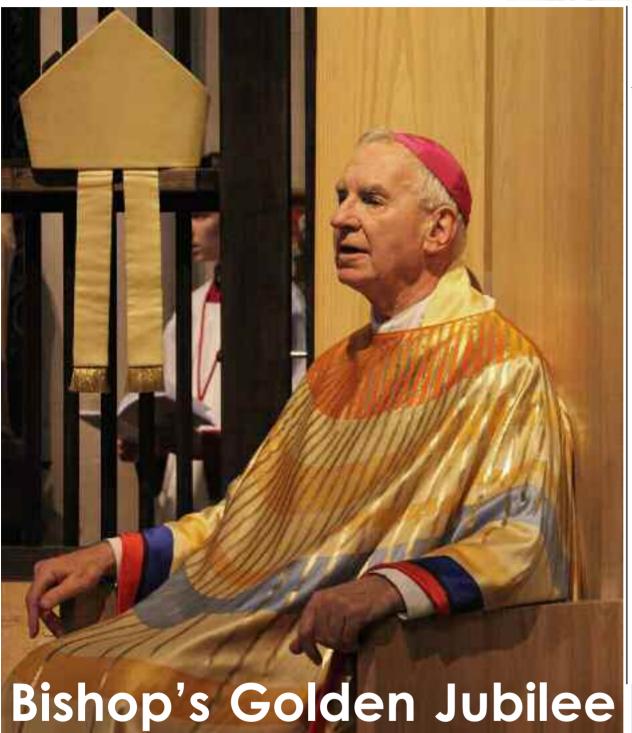
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Bishop Christopher Budd celebrated his Golden Jubilee of Priesthood with a Mass of Thanksgiving in the Cathedral of St Mary and St Boniface, Plymouth on Sunday 8 July, almost 18 months after he celebrated his Silver Jubilee as Bishop of the Diocese of Plymouth.

In contrast to the Silver Jubilee Mass, attended by many bishops and dignitaries, the Bishop had expressed a wish to have his celebration with the parishioners of the 6 p.m. Mass at the Cathedral that evening. But clergy and people from all parts of the Diocese packed the Cathe-

dral in a wonderful expression of support for him and his long ministry.

At the end of the Mass, Bishop Christopher was presented with a painting that represented his life as Bishop of the Diocese. In his speech of thanks he said: "I would like to put on record my sincere gratitude to the priests and deacons, our religious sisters and brothers and all the people of the Diocese of Plymouth for their care, love, support and prayers over many years. This celebration is not about me. The task of the Church goes on and we always rejoice in that."

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Maximilian Kolbe – Aug 14th

Raymond Kolbe was born in Poland in 1894. He joined the Franciscan order in 1907 and took the name that we know him by: Maximilian. Maximilian loved his vocation very much, and he especially loved the Blessed Mother. He used the press to make Mary more widely known. He and his fellow Franciscans published two monthly newsletters that soon went to readers around the world.

He built a large center in Poland called "City of the Immaculate." By 1938, eight hundred Franciscans lived there and worked to make the love of Mary known. Fr Kolbe also started other CitiesNagasaki, Japan and India. In 1938, the Nazis invaded the Polish City of the Immaculate and stopped the wonderful work going on there. In 1941



Fr Kolbe was arrested and sentenced to hard manual labor at Auschwitz. While he was in there the guards chose ten prisoners at random to die in the starvation bunker. One chosen prisoner, a married man with a family, begged and pleaded to be spared for the sake of his children. Fr Kolbe asked if he could take the man's place, as a result he died on August 14, 1941. Pope John Paul II proclaimed him a saint and a martyr in 1982.

Reflection: "Hatred is not a creative force. Only love is a creative power."-St. Maximillian Kolbe



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Queensway Catholic School has recently been awarded the IN-CLUSION QUALITY MARK. Evidence to gain the award had to be provided against ten standards. In January this year the school had a visit from Ron Hall IQM assessor. He spent the whole day talking to children, teachers, teaching assistants, governors, parents and meeting with the Senior Leadership team. The school community is thrilled with

the outcome.

Headteacher Mark Shaw says this of the school's success: "We are very proud to have received this status and one that reflects a lot of hard work by all attached to the school over a long period of time."

The assessor's report stated that "Queensway Catholic Primary School is a fully inclusive school. Everyone involved in the school is totally committed to the ethos

of full inclusion for all, which is further reinforced by the commitment of the local authority and Church. It has developed a justifiable reputation for successfully working with a range of pupils who have a disability or special educational needs."

Mrs Andrea Rodgers, Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator was presented with award at a ceremony in London at the end of April

Students support "Thirst for Students and Staff from St Cuthbert Mayne

School, Torquay have been making their voices heard over the last few months by supporting the Catholic Aid Agency, CAFOD's 'Thirst for Change' Campaign.

Students wrote messages of support for CAFOD on water droplet cards to send up to London. Torbay MP, Adrian Sanders met them to listen to their voice and to take their messages to Prime Minister David Cameron. Mr Sanders and the students made a 'Human water droplet of support'.

Students and staff have raised nearly a thousand pounds for clean water and safe sanitation for millions of people around the world. The campaign calls for action to tackle the millions of deaths each year in developing countries caused by unclean water and unsafe sanitation. Despite Millennium Development Goals – committing the most powerful countries to halve the number of people without access to clean water and sanitation, 884 million people still do not have access to clean water.



CSW Editor Retires

READERS of Catholic South West (CSW) were surprised when they didn't get their paper in June. This was because of the sudden departure of the editor, Adrian Wardle. He had been planning to leave at the end of March but stayed on while the post was advertised. But then he heard that he was in danger of having a stroke if he didn't have an operation.

When Adrian launched CSW in 1995, he had already been editing the Plymouth Deanery magazine, 'The Link' for about seven years. To start with, CSW was published quarterly, like the deanery magazines. In August 1997 there was the great Diocesan Assembly at Exeter University so then, in common with other diocesan newspapers, CSW was published monthly.

"Looking back," says Adrian, "it has been an astonishing project and a real act of faith. The newspaper has always been self-financing and has never been a burden of cost on our diocese. We have always had just enough in the kitty to keep going and this alone has proved to me that God will always provide what is needed for a consecrated endeavour." Similarly, the magazine which Adrian launched in 1980 for Westminster Cathedral, when on their parish council, is now called 'Oremus' and is still going strong. The first edition was put together on his kitchen table! Adrian had been a boy

charister at Westminster Cathedral in the 1950s.

Adrian's career in publishing has spanned 44 years, the last 25 of which have been dedicated to producing diocesan publica-

tions, not only for our diocese but for others as well. He has worked on a number of medical publications including The Lancet and for ten years, after moving to the South West, he set up and ran a busy public relations and advertising agency in Plymouth.

After his operation, he hopes to get back to work on CSW but this time to help with the advertising. "We have a great opportunity to improve CSW with the help of our new publishers, CathCom Ltd," he explains. "With a new editor and with their expertise and resources, Catholic South West can soon become a real asset to the people, clergy and organisations of the Diocese of Plymouth.

"The aim is for the newspaper to reflect

the true identity of the Diocese," he adds; "and to be a vibrant celebration of our faith, friendliness and fellowship."





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Devloping Catholic South West

As you have probably noticed there have been some changes to this issue of CSW both in design and content. This is partly due to the editorial we had available for this edition and partly to try out a new style. We want to continue the excellent work Adrian has done for so many years to make it an effective communications tool for the Diocese of Plymouth and a good read as well!

To make CSW a success we really do need your help. If you have an article that you feel would be of interest to people across the Diocese, or if you have pictures from an event in

the Church please send them to the editor.

If you would like to get involved with the paper please let us know - we would love to hear from you. An ideal way to make sure your parish is represented in the paper would be to have a parish correspondent to let us know your parish news to promote the paper to parishioners.

Also, if you have any new ideas that CSW could help with let us know because at CathCom we love new projects and if we can help we will.

Please let us know what you think of CSW!

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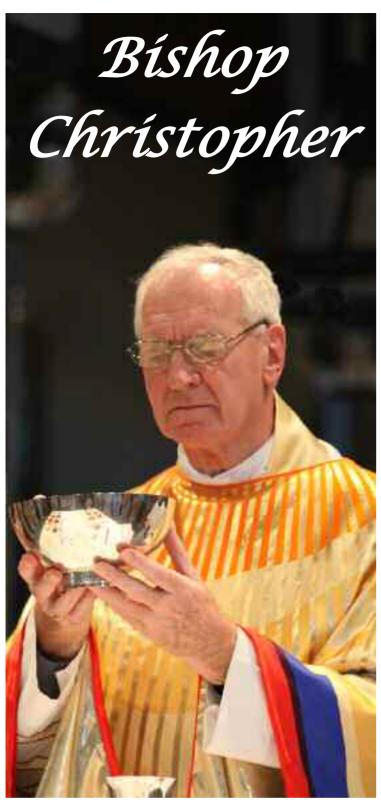
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The Rt Rev Christopher Budd is the eighth Bishop of the Plymouth Diocese. Last year he celebrated his silver jubilee as bishop and now his golden jubilee as a priest.

Born in Essex in 1937, Christopher Budd was educated at Hornchurch, Chertsey and Cotton College, Birmingham, before studying for the priesthood at the English College, Rome, from 1956 to 1962.

Initially a priest of the Brentwood diocese, he was appointed a tutor in Theology at the English College in Rome where he remained until 1971, when he returned to England to take up a post as lecturer in Theology at Newman College, Birmingham. In 1976 he was appointed as full-time head of training at the Catholic Marriage Advisory Council, in London, and held that post until his appointment as Rector of St John's Seminary, Wonersh, in 1979. He was consecrated as Bishop of Plymouth on 15th January 1986 by Bishop Cyril Restieaux, his predecessor.

Addressing the congregation at the Mass, Bishop Christopher thanked all those who had helped to organise the celebration especially Monsignor Bart Nannery, the cathedral dean, and the singers, musicians and altar servers. He also thanked his fellow priests and those from within and beyond the diocese who had come so far to be present that evening, to offer thanks for his fifty years of ministry to the people of God.

After the Golden Jubilee Mass, the guests gathered in the bishop's garden for a buffet supper featuring a variety of dishes showing the cultural diversity of the Cathedral parish. Among the parishioners there are people of many different origins: Chinese, Filipino, Korean, Irish and Indian, to name a few.

All of us in the Diocese of Plymouth are indeed grateful for the exemplary service, ministry and kindnesses we have received from our selfless, cheerful and friendly Bishop Christopher. No doubt we shall keep him in our prayers and in our hearts for many years to come.





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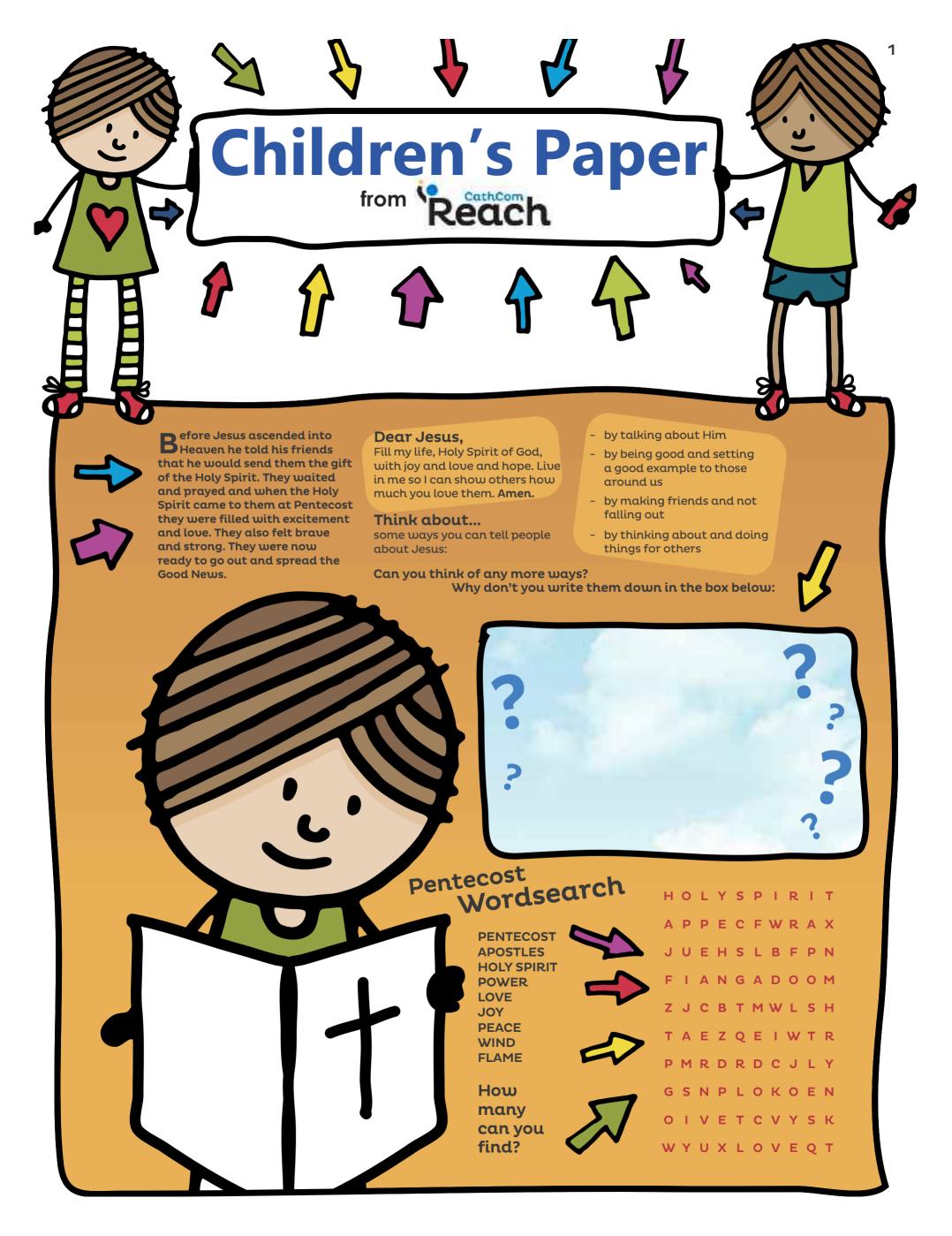
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n 6 February 1952 the modern Elizabethan age commenced. And this year Queen Elizabeth II celebrates 60 years on the throne, her Diamond Jubilee. The only other Monarch to achieve this momentous jubilee was Queen Victoria in 1897.

When her father became King in 1937 Princess Margaret, the Queen's younger sister (aged 6), asked Elizabeth "Does that mean you're going to become Queen?" Elizabeth (aged 11) replied "Yes, I suppose it

By 1940, at the age of 14, and the country amidst the horrors of World War II Elizabeth had made her first radio broadcast addressing child evacuees saying to them "We know, every one of us, that in the end all will be well".

Princess Elizabeth married Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten in 1947 and on the morning of their wedding he became known as the Duke of Edinburgh.

Queen Elizabeth II is Head of State of the United Kingdom and of 15 Commonwealth Countries.

Children's Paper in CSW

This pull-out newspaper for children has been taken from our new publication CathCom

Reach. The paper is primarily for parents of primary school children - however, in the centre of CathCom

Reach is a children's pull out paper - and this has been taken from the very first edition.

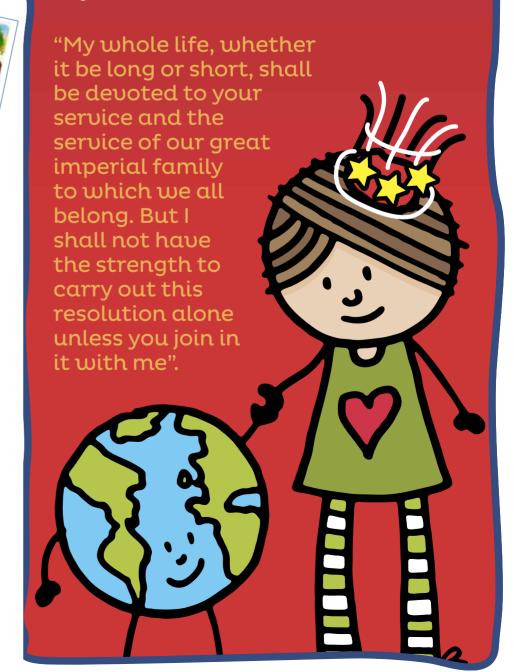
The paper is being made available through Catholic Churches and Schools. Although it was only launched June over 32,000 copies have been sold.

The idea of the paper is to give young parents the opportunity to take a few minutes out of a busy llife to reflect on some Catholic thoughts and teaching. We have deliberately made the paper engaging and vibrant and we hope this would make the Catechesis accessible to both Catholic and non-Catholic parents.

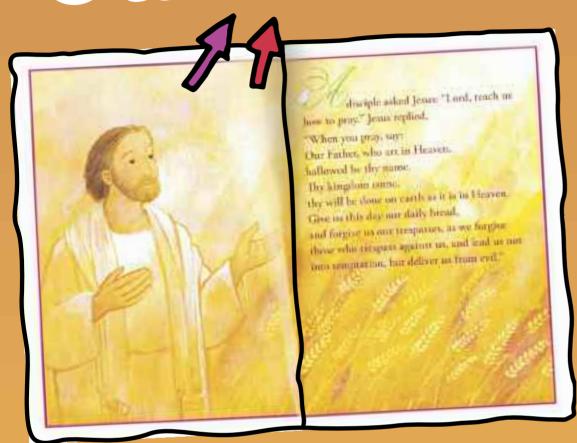
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Praying the Our Father



ur Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be

When we say this prayer we are speaking to our Father in heaven. He knows each one of us and wants us to love Him and those around us.

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

We ask our Father in heaven to help us to live as He would want us to.

Give us this day our daily bread.

We all need food and water to live but lots of children around the world suffer dreadful famine. We pray that we will always be prepared to share what we have with others.

And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.

We say sorry to God for the times we have misbehaved and ask Him to help us to make up with anyone we have fallen out with

And lead us not into temptation.

We ask God to help us to be good and the help to say No if we are tempted to do something that we know is wrong

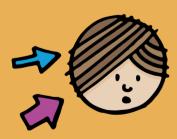
But deliver us from evil.

We ask God to always protect us from anything that is bad and to help us grow in His love for us.

Amen

Courtesy of The Beautiful Story of the Bible by Maïte Roche.

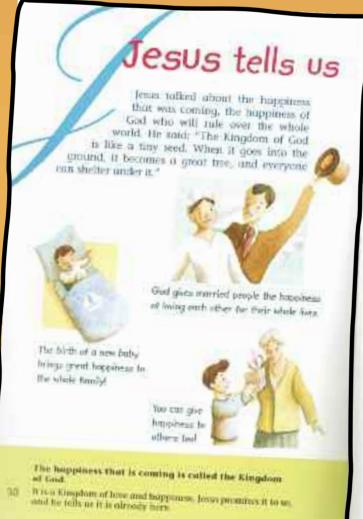
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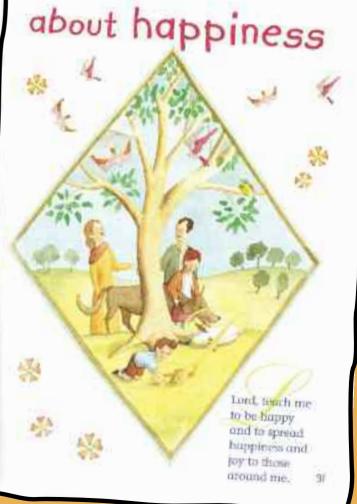




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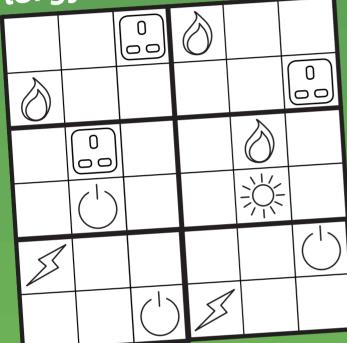
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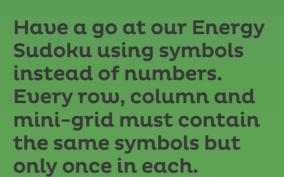




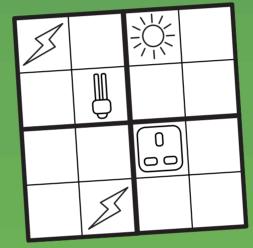
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Teaser Time



Don't guess - use logic!



- 1. What part of your body has the most rhythm?
- 2. What did the beach say when the tide came in?
- 3. How do rabbits fly?
- 4. Forward I am heavy, backwards I am not. What am I?
- 5. What object has keys that open no locks, space but no room, and you can enter but not go in?
- 6. What can run but never walks; Has a mouth but never talks; Has a head but never weeps; Has a bed but never sleeps?



See how many of the following energy words you can find. Words can be forwards, backwards, up, down and even diagonal!

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Save
Energy
Turn Off
Resource
Heat
Unplug
Switch
Stand By
Oil

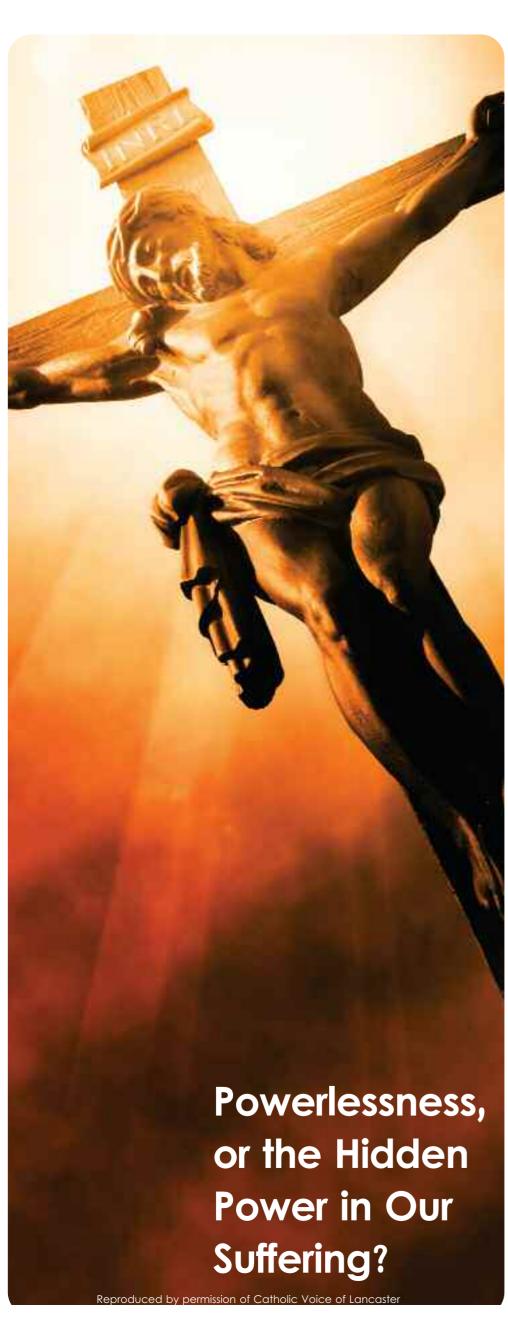
Gas
Start
Earth
Power
Circuit
Battery
Fuel
Solar
Waste



Answers: 1. Eardrums 2. Long time no sea 3. By hareplane! 4. TON! When spelled backwards it does become NOT 5. A keyboard 6. A river







Making sense of Bioethics

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Journal of the American Medical Association, patients with serious illness were asked to identify what was most important to them during the dying process. Many indicated they wanted to achieve a "sense of control." This is understandable. Most of us fear our powerlessness in the face of illness and death. We would like to retain an element of control, even though we realise that dying often involves the very opposite: a total loss of control, over our muscles, our emotions, our minds, our bowels and our very lives, as our human framework succumbs to powerful disintegrative forces.

Even when those disintegrative forces become extreme and our suffering may seem overwhelming, however, a singularly important spiritual journey always remains open for us. This path is a "road less traveled," a path that, unexpectedly, enables us to achieve genuine control in the face of death. The hallmark of this path is the personal decision to accept our sufferings, actively laying down our life on behalf of others by embracing the particular kind of death God has ordained for us, patterning our choice on the choice consciously made by Jesus Christ.

When asked about the "why" of human suffering, Pope John Paul II once stated, with piercing simplicity, that the answer has "been given by God to man in the cross of Jesus Christ." He stressed that Jesus went toward his own suffering, "aware of its saving power." The Pope also observed that in some way, each of us is called to "share in that suffering through which the Redemption was accomplished." He concluded that through his only-begotten Son, God "has confirmed His desire to act especially through suffering, which is man's weakness and emptying of self, and He wishes to make His power known precisely in this weakness and emptying of self." The Holy Father echoes St. Paul's famous passage: "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."

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The greatest possibility we have for achieving control, then, is to align ourselves in our suffering and weakness with God and his redemptive designs. This oblation of radically embracing our particular path to death, actively offered on behalf of others and in union with Christ, manifests our concern for the spiritual welfare of others, especially our friends and those closest to us. We are inwardly marked by a profound need to sacrifice and give of ourselves, a need that manifests our inner capacity to love and be loved.

As no one had ever done before, Jesus charted the path of love-driven sacrifice, choosing to lay down his life for his friends.

He was no mere victim in the sense of being a passive and unwilling participant in his own suffering and death. He was in control. He emphasised, with otherworldly authority, that, "nobody takes my life from me: I lay it down, and I take it up again."

Yet we see that his life was, in fact, taken from him by those various individuals and groups who plotted his death and sought his execution. His life was taken from him by evil men, even though, paradoxically, nobody took his life from him, because nobody had power over his being, unless granted from above.

We experience a similar paradox in our own deaths: while it may seem that our life is being taken from us through the evil of a particular ailment or the ravages of a particular disease, we can reply that nothing takes away our life, because nothing has power over our being, except what is ordained from above. In his providence and omniscience, years before the fact, God already knows and foresees that unique confluence of events that will constitute our death, whether it be by stroke or cardiac arrest, liver failure or Alzheimers, or any other means. By spiritually embracing in God that specific path to death, our freedom is elevated to new heights; indeed, we "achieve control" in the most important way possible, through willed surrender and radical gift in our innermost depths.

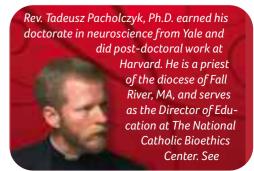
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Jesus foresaw that his greatest work lay ahead as he ascended Calvary to embrace his own powerlessness and self-emptying. Although we may feel condemned to our powerlessness as we receive help from others in our sickness, and although we may feel supremely useless as we are "nailed" to our hospital bed, our active, inward embrace of the cross unleashes important graces for ourselves and others, and reveals a refulgent light beyond the obscurity of every suffering. Jesus' radical embracing of his Passion - and our radical embracing of our own - marks the supreme moment of a person who achieves control over his or her destiny through immersion into the hopefilled and redemptive designs of God.



Picking up the baton – finding and crea

'How can we bring a pause in the endless cycle of war and violence that has plagued this land?'

You might think that this is very much a modern question being asked by the UK's political leaders, especially after the rioting on Britain's streets last summer. And yet this question was asked by an elderly Greek king called Iphitos some 3,000 years ago in his desperate search for a legacy of peace for the generations after him. The answer that the king received was to: 'conceive of an event which would allow for men to pause from fighting temporarily without appearing weak or losing face [where they] see their opponents as fellow human beings with families and shared hopes, fears and dreams. Conceive of such an event, then a pause for a purpose would show that peace was possible.'

And so the Ancient Olympic
Games were born. The Games
were to be held in the Temple of
Zeus, the holiest of places in the
Ancient world, consisting of
competitions every bit as 'manly'
as war. Participants competed
together as Olympians and their
prize was served not in the blood
of their opponents, but in the respect of their achievement. Surrounding the Ancient Games

was the declaration of a Sacred Truce which would permit not only the competitors themselves but also spectators, statesmen, priests, artists and judges to travel to and from the Games in safety, and every four years for over a thousand years the Truce was observed.

The Modern Olympiad is now seen as being more symbolic than sacred. In just over one hundred years they have been cancelled three times due to war, been the subject of mass boycotts on five occasions, terrorist attacks twice and the modern Olympic Truce has been violated on virtually every single occasion. So, can we as a global society rediscover what the Ancient Greeks practised some 3000 years ago and see even a brief pause from warfare realised in our time? Many believe we can. Since 1993 the United Nations General Assembly have made an effort to take the Olympic Truce seriously by making it a Resolution. The Assembly requires all signatories to the Truce – 193 member states in total – to 'pursue initiatives for peace and reconciliation in the spirit of the Ancient Games.' A fresh Resolution is proposed to the General Assembly of the



United Nations for every Olympic and Paralympic Games, both summer and winter, and it has always been signed enthusiastically by each member state. However, in reality, there is no evidence of any member state ever taking any serious initiative to implement the Resolution. In October 2011 all 193 member states did in fact sign UN resolution A/RES/48/11 promising to 'abide by the Truce, individually and collectively, and to pursue . . . the peaceful settlement of all international conflicts'.

The word 'truce' in the minds of many may be seen as weakness. However, it is not. It is something profoundly courageous and requires its supporters to take enormous risks. If men and women would apply their minds to ideas for peace with the same resource and ingenuity that they



apply to war, then the Truce and the Olympic and Paralympic Games could again become a power for greater good across the world.

As the host nation of the 30th Olympiad, the British government proposed the Resolution for the London 2012 Olympic & Paralympic Games to the United Nations General Assembly last October. With British troops deployed in direct warfare in different pockets of the globe, and with knife and gun crime ever





ting peace in our world by James Parker, Catholic Coordinator for the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic games



present on our cities' streets, London and our major cities become the ideal places, and now the ideal time, where and when our politicians rediscover the original meaning of the Olympic Truce.

Of course, a truce cannot be unilateral. It takes at least two to be involved. There is, therefore, no point in the Resolution suggesting that only one side in a conflict lay down their arms. It does suggest that the offer for a pause in the conflict be made in



good faith. Even if a pause in conflict were possible, then we prove that peace is possible. If we all do whatever we can to bring this Resolution into reality we will leave a significant and long-awaited legacy, which will not be measured in medals won or records broken, but in lives healed and hope at least partially restored. That is the type of Olympic achievement that benefits everybody.

For many, actively engaging in building a community of peace around them might seem something quite intangible. However, everyone can play a part. When asked what legacy they would want from the 2012 Games, a group of Inner London secondary school students replied 'peace on our streets, in our homes and in our hearts'. The legacy they dream of must

begin within the deeper places of each one of us as individuals. According to a thought attributed to St Ignatius of Loyola: 'If you seek peace and tranquillity, you will certainly not find them so long as you have a cause for disturbance and turmoil within yourself.'

If the forthcoming Olympic and Paralympic Games present us with any particular challenge then it is this: we need each to examine our own hearts and to face the places where peace does not dwell – we need to look towards our individual selves, towards our neighbour and towards God. Only in this way, when our hearts welcome and experience peace, can our homes and indeed our streets be places of true peace.

The Olympic and Paralympic Games are the global sporting bonanza, bringing together athletes who have trodden an intensive journey of arduous training for a prize that is made of fine metal. However, the Games will only make any real difference if we as a nation prepare in the same manner as for the original Olympiad, focused on our own training programme to end war and violence. Surely, there is no better gift the British

nation could offer the world through the 2012 Games than a blueprint for future host nations to continue to build a world of peace.

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Mayor & Mayoress of Ivybridge, Gary Streeter MP, Bob and Cathy Butler, Catenian Association

St. Austin's Priory in Ivybridge has an enviable history providing refuge to those in need, is the message given by the Bishop of Plymouth, Rt. Rev. Christopher Budd, addressing the congregation including Mr. Gary Streeter NP, Mr. Trevor Parsons, Mayor of lyybridge as well as other distinguished members of the community and churches, at the recent Centenary Celebration Mass.

The past hundred years have witnessed major political upheaval and conflict throughout the world and two European religious Orders have found sanctuary in lybridge where the present Catholic Parish Church was built in 1912,

"My fellow friars and I are aware that we are the successors of all the wonderful Augustinian Recollects who have served and received the affection of this community for more than eight decades", Says Fr. Sean, Parish Priest. "St. Austin's continues to be blessed as a source of renewal and hope".

Confirmations in Exmouth

11 smartly dressed young Catholics were confirmed in Exmouth in front of their closest friends and family. For these young people, this would only enhance their relationship with God, becoming adult members of the Catholic Church.

The Confirmation journey in fact began 7 months ago, giving the young people the chance to get to know each other and make friends for life with several trips including the Flame Conference at Wembley Arena, surrounded by thousands of other young Catholics and many inspirational speakers.

The experiences gathered would lead them on their Confirmation journey to the celebration day where the service itself was influenced majorly by their ideas. Beside the usual readings and the well sung hymns (well done Alice!), the young people performed an interpretive dance which summed up nicely their whole experiences and their futures to come within the Catholic Church. Even the design of the Bishop's Chasuble was made by the young people, expressing messages and symbols, relevant to the service.



As someone who was lucky enough to be involved first hand as a server with the Bishop, I and the other servers felt somewhat humbled to be a part of and also feel proud and happy to see the candidates confirmed.



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