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Congratulations

Pupil Faith Ambassadors from all the catholic schools in Luton joined together with their Head teachers at Northampton Cathedral to celebrate Bishop Peter's 50th anniversary of the priesthood. Mass was celebrated and each school brought a book of prayers and well wishes for Bishop Peter. Refreshments were served afterwards and the children

had the opportunity to have a look around the cathedral with Fr. Mark on hand to offer lots of facts and interesting information. It was a really special day that gave the pupils a chance to reflect on their experiences as faith ambassadors and the role of spiritual leaders in life, and one which pupils and adults alike, thoroughly enjoyed.

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News beyond Northampton

Rome

On the occasion of the canonization of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, Pope Francis decided to offer a pizza lunch to 1,500 poor and needy people cared for by the Missionaries of Charity throughout Italy.

According to a Sept. 4 communique from the Vatican, the guests are "are poor and needy people, above all from the dormitories of the Sisters of Mother Teresa and come from all over Italy," including Milan, Bologna, Florence, Naples and from all the houses in Rome.

They traveled on different buses overnight to make it to the canonization Mass for Mother Teresa of Calcutta, now called Kolkata, and sat in a reserved section near the statue of St. Peter at the front of the square called the "Reperto San Pietro."

After the Mass, the guests headed to the Vatican's Paul VI Hall, to eat a lunch consisting of Neapolitan-style pizza.

The lunch was served by some 250 of Mother Teresa's sisters, as well as 50 Brothers from the male branch of the congregation and some volunteers.

With such a high number of people invited to the lunch, the pizza was prepared by a staff of nearly 20 people who brought three of their own mobile ovens to cook in.

Mother Teresa was canonized by Pope Francis Sept. 4 in St. Peter's Square as the conclusion of a special Sept. 2-4 jubilee for workers and volunteers of mercy, which is part of his wider Jubilee of Mercy.

India

A Catholic priest in India spoke to a Muslim congregation on Friday to thank them for bringing food, water, and medicines for the more than 500 people who sought shelter in his church amid

Severe rains led to flash floods and landslides in Kerala in recent months, with some 400 people killed and more than 1 million displaced from their homes.

Press Trust of India reported that more than 580 people took refuge at Fr. Sanu Puthussery's St. Antony's parish in Achinakom, and the church soon ran out of food and water.

"I straightaway went to the Masjid, apprised the maulvi about our difficulty and requested his help. After the day's prayers, Muslim brothers came to the church with a large quantity of food and water," Fr. Puthussery told PTI.

"Pope Francis had said build bridges, not walls. The devastating floods has now given us an opportunity to destroy the walls and build the bridges of togetherness," Fr. Puthussery told the 250 Muslims Aug. 31 at the Juma Masjid in Vechoor, about 15 miles northwest of Kottayam, during Friday prayers.

"I cannot express my gratitude to them in words," the priest said, for the "help and support they had extended during the time of difficulties."

He said youth of the mosque had also brought medicine to his parish. Fr. Puthussery said he had gone to thank the Muslim <http://catholicherald.co.uk/content/uploads/2018/09/GettyImages-1018178730-800x500.jpg>

Philippines



Millions of devotees joined this year's observance in the Philippines of the devotion to the "Our Lady of Peñafrancia" on Sept. 7.

The wooden statue of the Virgin Mary, supposedly a copy of the original image in Spain, has been venerated in Naga City, in the Philippines' Bicol region since the 1700s.

A Spanish priest supposedly ordered a local artisan to carve an image from a picture he carried with him and started the devotion to Mary, called "Ina" or mother, by the locals.

During this year's celebration, church leaders are urging Catholics to "imitate Mary's humble service" and "find greatness in humility" amid the temptations of material possessions and power.



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Leighton at leisure

Parishioners and friends of Sacred Heart, Leighton Buzzard, enjoyed two sorties this summer – a “secular day” by the sea at Brighton, and a “spiritual day” at Coughton Court.

Guaranteeing warmth and sunshine was no problem this July for our annual seaside outing, organised as usual by parishioners Anna Burke and Gillian O’Hara. Two packed coaches enjoyed the delights offered by Brighton – the Pavilion for those who revelled in a bit of culture, The Lanes for the shopaholics, the beach and ice creams for the children, to say nothing of the “big children”, the cafes and restaurants for all, and the inevitable rides on the Pier for our Parish Priest, Father John!

The next day out, arranged by Theresa Short, was to Coughton Court, Warwickshire, the imposing Tudor house, set in beautiful gar-

dens, which has been the family home of the Throckmortons for the last six centuries. The name became notorious due to their opposition to the Crown during the Reformation, for, as practising Catholics, the family provided refuge for Mass, housing a priest hole. The Hall also holds a place in English history for its roles in both the Throckmorton Plot of 1583 and the Gunpowder Plot of 1605, and since the Reformation the Throckmorton family have remained staunchly Catholic. We had a private visit with Magnus Throckmorton himself, beginning with Mass in the Church of St Peter, St Paul and St Elizabeth, which is in the estate. Although in regular use in the past, the church is now only used for special occasions, owing to the fact there are several other churches in the area. After a very interesting escorted tour of the house, the family served us lunch and later we were shown around the grounds by the Head Gardener – an altogether delightful day out.



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Promoting the rosary

The World Apostolate of Fatima (WAF) in England and Wales are organising an October Rosary Campaign as a follow up to the very successful Visitation of the National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, and Relics of Saints Jacinta and Francisco, to many dioceses and cathedrals around the country last year.

Since then, a special Centennial Rosary to match the Centennial Crown for the statue has been donated to WAF by Mr Jorge Leitao, whose jewellery firm were responsible for the original crown for the first Fatima statue.

October is the month of the Rosary, and of course 13 October is the anniversary day of the famous Miracle of the Sun on 13 October 1917, when at least 70,000 people who had gathered at the Cova da Iria in Fatima, at the place where Our Lady appeared to the children, saw a tremendous miracle.

So we would like to celebrate October as the month of the Rosary by inviting parishes, groups, families and individuals in England and Wales to pray the

Rosary during the coming month of October.

Pope Leo XIII (1878 -1903) wrote numerous encyclicals promoting the Rosary, and encouraged the practice of saying it every day in October. Recent Popes, too, including Pius XII, John XXIII, Paul VI, and in particular Pope John Paul II, in his encyclical *Rosarium Virginis Mariae* of October 2002 – as well as Pope Francis – have also strongly promoted the Rosary as a means of deepening one's faith and combatting social evils.

And since Our Lady requested during each of her six apparitions at Fatima that people should pray the Rosary every day for peace in the world, and said of herself on 13 October 1917, "I am the Lady of the Rosary," we know that it is a prayer she particularly favours.

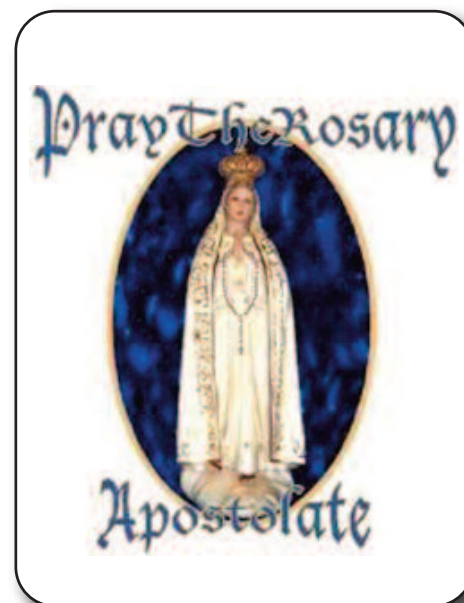
We are also encouraging the saying of the Rosary in parishes and in people's homes, and to this end, we would like to publicise our Rosary Pledge campaign, as a way of encouraging as many people

as possible to pray the Rosary daily, in imitation of what happened in Austria in the 1940s and 1950s. You can read more about this here: <https://worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk/rosary-pledge-campaign/>

We likewise want to emphasise the month of October, because 13 October is the Fatima anniversary date, and also because Our Lady linked the conversion of Russia and the promised era of peace with the saying of the Rosary and the Five First Saturdays devotion, which was fully revealed to Sr Lucia in 1925.

The success of the Rosary on the Coast initiative last April is a sign that people are interested in Marian devotion, do want to pray the Rosary, and realise its importance. The organisers estimate that some 45,000 people took part in around 400 locations, and it was supported by all the Bishops of England, Wales and Scotland.

And likewise, The Dowry of Mary Pilgrimage, from 2018 to 2020, when there will be visitations to the cathedrals of



England of the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham, is another very important initiative, which will lead up to our Bishops renewing the dedication of the country to Our Lady as her Dowry.

So WAF England and Wales wants to play its part in this Marian renewal by focusing on October as the month of the Rosary.

If a Rosary campaign is something you can start, with your parish priest's permission, in your parish this coming October, please let us know via: info@worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk.

But even if a parish-based Rosary campaign isn't possible, there's nothing stopping anyone organising the praying of the Rosary in their family, or with their friends or neighbours.



Bishop Peter's big Dublin day

It was a good day for team England and Wales at the World Meeting of Families. Starting with a workshop and ending with a book launch, the delegation were truly able to showcase all the fantastic marriage and family life ministry that takes place in England and Wales.

Caroline Dollard, of the Marriage and Family Life Office at the Bishops' Conference hosted a workshop with Bishop Peter Doyle. The theme of the workshop was "Marriage Preparation and the Parish in the Light of *Amoris Laetitia*". She focused on the importance of welcome in marriage preparation and the role that the parish plays in that welcome. She said, "nothing can prepare us for this lifelong journey, but we can take each step of the adventure with the support of those around us." Bishop Richard Moth, of Arundel and Brighton Diocese was inspired by this message, suggesting that he will return to the diocese "ready to explore further the role of the parish mentor in accompanying those preparing for and living their vocation to marriage".

Following this theme, Cardinal Vincent Nichols gave the day's keynote address on "support and preparation for marriage in the light of *Amoris Laetitia*". He addressed the growing idea in our culture that marriage is a private thing. He encouraged the role of the parish and asked them to "embrace this moment with couples and help [the couple] to see the wider richness of the sacrament". The Cardinal closed his address with a challenge. "Be intentionally welcoming. There is no such thing as a nor-

mal marriage. Parish support is crucial in everyone's journey." The English and Welsh delegates were particularly moved by the Cardinal's personal approach. "We really loved the importance of our hands in the Cardinal's speech. Right from in the womb until we join hands in the marriage ceremony, our hands are so part of our every day lives, but also part of our faith lives too".

The day was rounded off with a celebration to launch a new pastoral resource, 'Seeking God Together' - a companion to support the pastoral accompaniment of families, from cradle to grave, and through all walks of life. The guide is comprised of nine "seasons" of family life, and gives those working in ministry in parishes and schools (as well as at home) an opportunity to accompany families, whatever their circumstances. The book is steeped in the guidance of *Amoris Laetitia* and encourages parishes to take responsibility for caring for those around them. Bishop Peter Doyle and Cardinal Nichols congratulated those who had been part of the book's production and celebrated the success of Marriage and Family Life ministry in England and Wales. Cardinal Nichols spoke warmly of the contribution from both national and diocesan teams to the World Meeting of Families.

The delegation were also able to celebrate Bishop Peter's golden jubilee of ordination, for which he gave thanks for the many blessings in his ministry, including much of the work of those present at the event.



From Notting Hill to Beaconsfield The Chesterton Pilgrims

The last G.K. Chesterton Pilgrimage before Canon Udris hands in his report to Bishop Doyle of Northampton, on the feasibility of opening the cause for the Beatification of Gilbert Keith Chesterton, took place on Saturday 28th July 2018.

The Pilgrimage started as always outside St George's Anglican Church in Notting Hill, where Pilgrims read the opening paragraph from Chesterton's Autobiography and said the GKC prayer at 7.30am. We then walked along the Uxbridge Rd to Ealing, where we would normally stop and pray outside the abortion centre there. Because of the draconian PSPO (Buffer Zone) brought in by Ealing Council in April, which criminalises pro-life prayers, we can no longer do this, so we stopped briefly at Ealing Town Hall instead, where we were greeted by an elderly Polish woman who had come to wish us well. We then walked on to Hanwell, where we joined the canal. After walking for 5 hours, we stopped in the Malt Shovel Pub, for a quick drink and a packet of crisps, before leaving the canal to walk through the countryside and past Pinewood Studios to the Bridgettine Convent in Iver. Fr O' Donohue was waiting there to say Mass in thanksgiving for Chesterton's conversion.

Mass ended with us singing Chesterton's Hymn, "O God of Earth and Altar". There were about 40 people in attendance for the Mass, which considering the lack of public transport, was very good. 23 of these were walking Pilgrims. After a brief lunch, we set off walking again, through Fulmer, where we stopped at the Black Horse pub and then on to Beaconsfield where GKC is buried. For the last few miles Malcolm, who has now walked the full Pilgrimage four times, and has thus clocked up over 100 miles, was leading the way. We gathered, said the GKC prayer, before staggering into The White Hart Pub, which was Chesterton's local public house.

As usual large numbers of people submitted hundreds of prayer intentions for the Pilgrims to pray for along their route.

As we approached Beaconsfield, he stopped at the corner of Candlemas Lane to ensure that nobody missed the last turning into Shep-

herd's Lane, where the cemetery is located (a turning that we did miss on the first walking pilgrimage!) After a few brief words at the graveside, those followers of the cult of G.K. Chesterton who had attended previously and had walked the first half of the Pilgrimage 2 years ago with her husband. She returned with her son this year and completed the Pilgrimage in thanksgiving to Chesterton for his role in converting her husband.

The huge diversity of those taking part on this 8th Annual G.K. Chesterton Pilgrimage was again in evidence. There were people aged from 7 to 70, a number of different races, more than a dozen nationalities, with people travelling to the Pilgrimage from Reading, Maidenhead, Berkhamsted, Northampton, Hertford, Bedford as well as from all over London.

Special thanks to Ken for driving the support minibus this year and arriving at the cemetery first, where he placed a note upon the gate (See photo) as a joke! It read "Notice to all Walkers, Sorry, closed today. Please come back another day."

The Chesterton Library contacted us to inform us that Chesterton Manor, a new property development in Beaconsfield was having it's Open Day on the same day as the Pilgrimage and that the property had been named in Chesterton's honour.

Stuart walked the Pilgrimage in part to raise funds for The Good Counsel Network you can donate [here](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/gk-chestertonpilgrimage18); <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/gk-chestertonpilgrimage18>







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Celebration '18

Thirty teenagers from four Milton Keynes parishes learned a new language over the August Bank holiday weekend. They were staying at Thornton College for Celebration, which has taken place every year since 1978. Ann McGrath, a teacher of deaf children, came in to teach them the very basics of sign language. They started with the alphabet and then learned to sign their name. They lapped up the experience, and even learned a greeting for the parents who arrived for the final Mass. The parents were puzzled, but Ann McGrath was delighted. 'I thought they were brilliant and it was a pleasure to talk to such an enthusiastic group of young people, she said.

The theme for Celebration '18 was the gospel of St. Mark. The youngsters looked carefully at Mark himself. Who was he; why did he write the gospel, when and where did he do it? They then explored some of the titles Mark gives to Jesus, especially Lord, son of man and Messiah. They asked why the Jewish people have not become Christian and looked at the persecution of Christians around the world today. And of course they explored the healing miracles. What is it like to be blind or deaf.

The weather wasn't on the side of Celebration but they still had plenty of time for games in the sports hall. The annual ritual flouring was a great success. It caught the group by surprise, and the



half dozen older teenagers who were helping made it a moment to remember. Celebration this year was a great success, commented Fr. Paul Hardy, coordinator and chaplain. That was due to the commitment of the adult leaders and, of course, to the Religious of Jesus and Mary who have generously been loaning us their building for forty years'.





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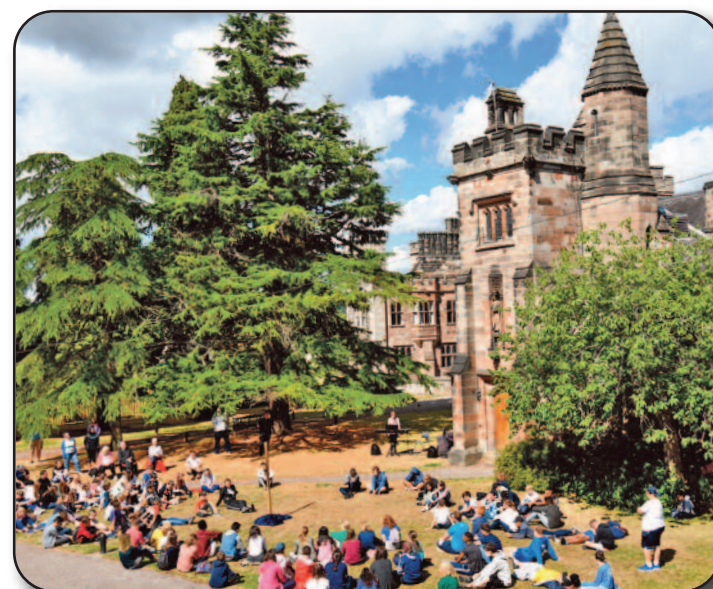


Life in the castle

The annual LifeTeen summer camp for young people continued to grow this year as more youngsters travelled to Alton Castle in Staffordshire for a week of adventure. Joining young people from the Archdiocese of Birmingham and the dioceses of Salford and Leeds

NYMO were well represented. Three diocesan oriests, Fr Simon Penhalagan, Fr Brendan Seery and Canon Michael Harrison joined the group.

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A bishop in disguise

The English Catholic History Association will be presenting a lecture at The Hinsley Room, Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 20th October 2018 at 2:30

The subject of the lecture will be “Bishop Richard Challoner an Unsung Hero” and it will be presented by John Whitbourn.

Richard Challoner (1691 – 1781) was born in Lewes, East Sussex. His father was Presbyterian. Following the death of Richard’s father, his mother took up the position of housekeeper to a Catholic family. He was about thirteen years old however, when he was received into the Catholic Church. This was at Warkworth, in Northamptonshire.

In 1705 he won a place at Douai College in France and ended up staying there for 25 years. First as a scholar then as a professor. He was ordained in 1716. He had long desired to leave the college and to take up the harder work of the mission, and in 1730 he was at last allowed to return to London where he threw himself into the laborious work of the ministry.

Although the penal laws were no longer enforced with extreme severity, the life of the Catholic Priest was still a hard one. Disguised as a layman Dr. Challoner ministered to the small number of Catholics, celebrating Mass secretly in obscure places. ale-houses, cockpits, and wherever small gatherings could assemble without

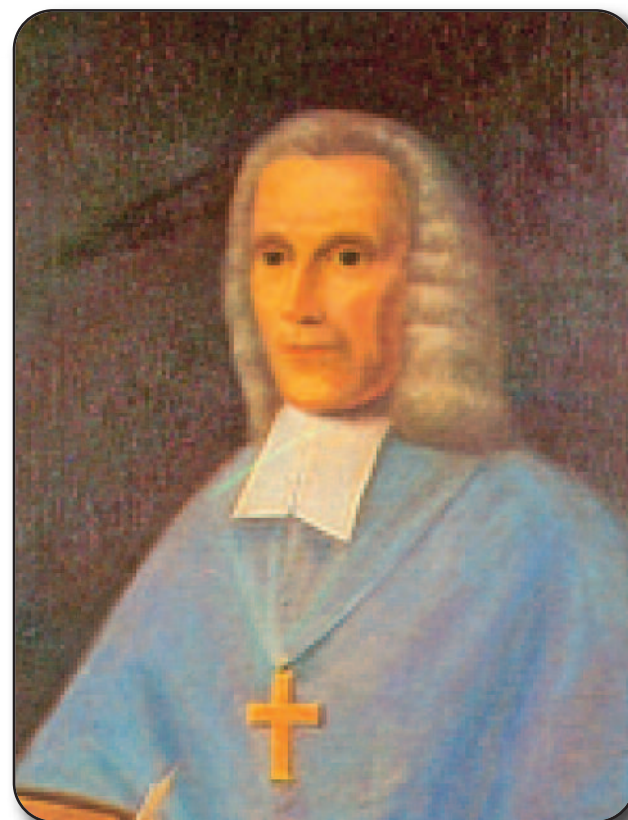
being noticed. He was an untiring worker, and in the poorest quarters of the town, in the prisons and the sponging-houses, he sought out souls to save. In his spare time he gave himself to study and writing, and was thus able to produce many notable works which included a revision of the English bible.

It was hoped that the harassment of Catholic priests might come to an end with the Catholic Relief Act in 1778 by which priests were no longer liable to imprisonment for life.

This concession speedily aroused religious dispute, and two years later the Gordon Riots broke out with rioters attacking any London building that was associated with Catholicism or owned by Catholics. From his hiding-place the bishop, now nearly ninety years of age, could hear the mob who were searching for him with the intention of dragging him through the streets. They failed to find his refuge, and on the following day he escaped to Finchley, where he remained till the London riots came to an end. His rescuer was one William Mawhood a woollen draper of Smithfield who was a close friend of Bishop Challoner and who owned a country estate in Finchley.

(Mrs Sheila Mawhood, the Northampton Diocesan representative of the ECHA adds that William Mawhood was a family ancestor.)

The aged Bishop never fully recovered from the shock



of the riots. Six months later he was seized with paralysis and he died on 12 January 1781, aged 89. He was buried at Milton, Oxfordshire in the family vault of his friend Bryant Barrett in the Church of England parish church. In 1946

Bishop Challoner’s body was reinterred in Westminster Cathedral.

Tickets £5 (including refreshments), payable at the door. There will be an opportunity to visit Bishop Challoner’s grave in the Cathedral after the lecture. The Saturday vigil Mass is at 6:00pm following Evening Prayer at 5:30pm.

For more information see www.echa.org.uk

Obituaries

Joan Mary Bollins

Born and bred in Northampton, and known in the diocese for many years as the secretary to the Treasurer, Joan BOLLINS passed away peacefully at home on 19th August 2018, aged 101. A staunch member of the Church, Joan moved from St Gregory’s parish on her marriage to Bill in 1952 and settled in Great Billing for the rest of her long and active life.

Just before Christmas 1969, and when her two daughters were old enough, parish priest Fr Dennis Roberts asked her to take on the role of secretary to his new duty as Diocesan Treasurer. On his sudden and sad death only weeks later, Joan was thrust into the daunting task of holding the fort until the appointment of Fr Moorcraft as Treasurer. Joan became something of an institution in the Treasurer’s office at Bishop’s House – she applied her



natural thoroughness and dedication to her work there, staying well beyond her normal hours on many days and working well beyond retirement age in her supporting role.

Despite diminished faculties during the last year, Joan continued to inspire those who met her with her smile and humour. A true Christian.

May she rest in peace.

Teresa Hadley

The parish of St. Bernardine of Siena, Buckingham, said goodbye and thank you at the requiem Mass for Teresa Hadley who has died at the age of 87.

Teresa was an active member of the parish for over forty years, supporting the Franciscans and subsequent parish priests in the various roles she performed. The most important of these was the setting up of Saturday catechism classes which began in the mid 1970s and which continue to thrive in the parish today. She and Lady Rima Scott, together with a young seminarian, Kevin McGinnell, established a programme of Sacramental preparation and catechesis, with up to seventy children attending every week in term time.

She was born in Birmingham and her first school was St. Mary’s, Harborne, where her father was the headmaster. She moved on to St. Paul’s High school and then Birmingham College of Technology where she studied chemistry. She married Bernard in 1955 and they had five children. She considered her family to be her greatest achievement and she was immensely proud of them.

After fifteen years of organising the catechism classes, Teresa was awarded the Bene Merenti medal. Typically humble, she felt she wasn’t worthy of such an accolade. She continued her work for an-



other ten years and Bishop Peter came to the parish to celebrate Mass for her retirement.

Teresa attended daily Mass for many years and she followed her interests in gardening, choral singing, nature watching and travelling. Teresa was active to the last and she was surrounded by her family during her last days. Bernard survives her.

Monsignor Kevin McGinnell celebrated Teresa’s Requiem Mass which was attended by parishioners past and present.

Thank you, Teresa.

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This Harvest, with your help, we would like to continue to empower more communities

Water brings strength and hope in Uganda For twenty-eight years, Longora has lived in the same rural community close to Moroto Town in Uganda. Every morning, she fetches water from the borehole to make porridge for herself and her family.

Before the borehole was built in her village, Longora would collect water from the river which was unclean and carried diseases. Many people in Longora's home suffered with frequent sickness because this.

For a while after the borehole was installed, the village were able to access clean water easily. But when the borehole became faulty, this stopped as no one knew how to fix it. Longora was pregnant and had no choice but to drink and cook with water from the river once again. Unsurprisingly she fell ill with eyesight problems and dietary issues. She gave birth while she was still sick. Due to the water, her baby was also born seriously ill. She said: "Ten people died from drinking river water. My baby died too."

It took a long time for Longora to recover but with the help of CAFOD partner Caritas Moroto she is now able to access clean water throughout the year. Caritas Moroto fixed the borehole and offered training to ensure that if it ever breaks again, the local community are now equipped with the skills needed to repair it.

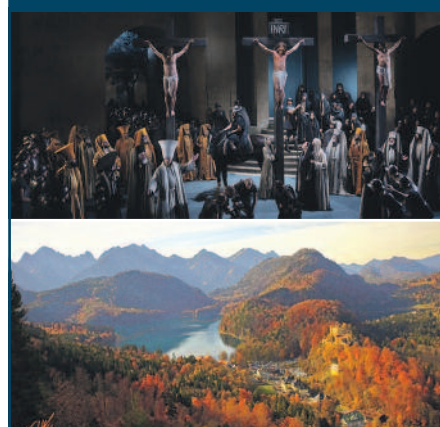
The help provided by Caritas Moroto's project, funded by CAFOD supporters in England and Wales, is making a huge difference to the lives of Longora and her family: "We are healthier and feel better. We have pit latrines and no longer defecate in the river. The knowledge we have of making pit latrines was given to us by Caritas Moroto. We have embraced it and put it into practice."

This Harvest, you can help by praying for Longora and our sisters and brothers across the world. By donating to CAFOD's Harvest appeal, you can empower communities overseas to live with dignity and equip families with the skills they need to support each other.

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To Kitzbühel

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After breakfast, travel by coach to Krimml Waterfalls, thought to be one of the highest waterfalls in Europe. After exploring, descend by coach to Mittersill where you board the Pinzgaubahn Railway to the picturesque lake town of Zell am See.

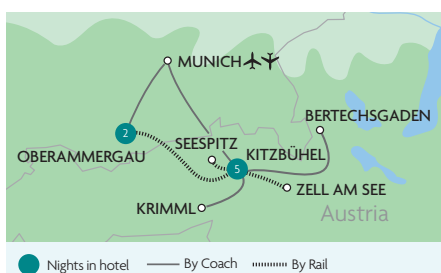
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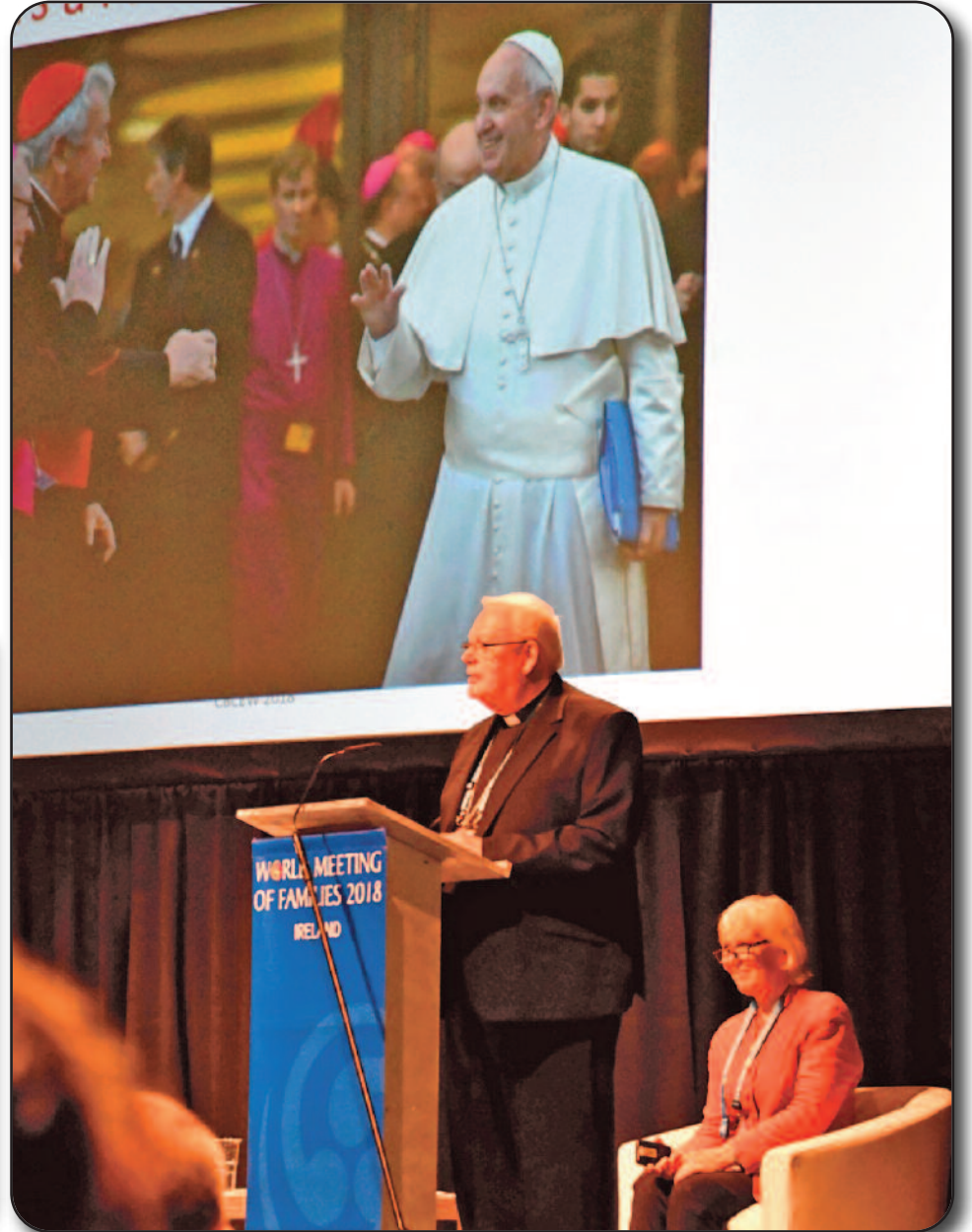


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