

# Media review, Feb 3 @ 9.30 am -Links to news reports on faith, politics and education

# Police were called 2,738 times about domestic abuse over Christmas

The Journal The PSNI received 95 calls related to domestic abuse on Christmas Day. <u>http://www.thejournal.ie/psni-domestic-</u> <u>violence-3216158-Feb2017/</u>

# 'Trump is a bully. And we have to stand up to bullies' - Mary Robinson

The Journal The former Irish president was scathing in her criticism this morning of the American commander-in-chief <u>http://www.thejournal.ie/mary-robinson-</u> <u>trump-3216254-Feb2017/</u>

### Sinn Fein lambasted over Trump invite U turn News Letter

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Sinn Fein's new leader in Northern Ireland has withdrawn the promise of a "warm welcome" for Donald Trump after it emerged her predecessor had invited the new US president to visit the Province.

http://www.newsletter.co.uk/sinn-fein-lambastedover-trump-invite-u-turn-1-7804718

# RHI document had to have Minister Foster's approval

News Letter

A Stormont document which mooted the introduction of cost controls on the botched RHI scheme almost four years ago could not have been published without Arlene Foster's approval, a minister who served in the same Executive as Mrs Foster has said.

http://www.newsletter.co.uk/rhi-scandal-fostershould-have-realised-need-for-cost-controlssays-farry-1-7804442

## DUP claim civil servants failed to guide Minister on RHI

News Letter

Officials failed to make a formal submission to Arlene Foster to introduce RHI cost controls –

despite having proposed that in a public consultation document, the DUP has said. <u>http://www.newsletter.co.uk/dup-civil-servants-</u> did-not-follow-up-on-rhi-cost-controls-1-7804612

TUV calls for direct rule to 'drain Stormont

swamp' Belfast Telegraph

http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/ northern-ireland/tuv-calls-for-direct-rule-todrain-stormont-swamp-35416222.html? utm\_source=ipad\_share&utm\_medium=ipad\_ap p&utm\_campaign=clickbacks

#### **Minister Flanagan on victims legacy**

Belfast Telegraph 'Victims justifiably feel let down... the people of Northern Ireland deserve better'

http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/opinion/newsanalysis/victims-justifiably-feel-let-down-thepeople-of-northern-ireland-deservebetter-35419086.html? utm\_source=ipad\_share&utm\_medium=ipad\_ap p&utm\_campaign=clickbacks

# Troubles legacy cases bias disputed by figures BBC News

Claims that police investigating Troubles killings are disproportionately focused on army killings are challenged.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northernireland-38844453

### 5% drop in Ucas applications by Northern Irish students

BBC News

University applications made by Northern Irish students have fallen by 5%, according to figures from Ucas.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northernireland-38842391



One of Dublin's largest Catholic churches to be demolished

Irish Tmes churchnewsireland@gmail.com Finglas church to be knocked down to make way for a smaller centre

http://www.irishtimes.com/news/social-affairs/ religion-and-beliefs/one-of-dublin-s-largestcatholic-churches-to-be-demolished-1.2961481

# Today's Newspaper headlines: Vegetable 'rationing' and lawyer under attack

BBC News http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/blogs-thepapers-38850445

### Tel/Times/Mail/BBC/Guard/Ch 4

Further reports on Channel 4 News investigation, broadcast last night, about how a former chair of Trustees with the Christian non-denominational charity the Iwerne Trust, used to violently beat boys. *Tel* and *Times* focus on further allegations made against John Smyth when he went to Zimbabwe, while Ch 4 notes police have opened an investigation. *Guard* focuses on response from Winchester College, where some of the survivors had attended. The Archbishop of Canterbury, who was a dormitory leader on the English camps in the 1970s, is quoted issuing an unreserved and unequivocal apology. He was alerted to the allegations in 2013 (see statements above). http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/02/02/ archbishop-canterburys-delightful-friendaccused-killing-teenager/ http://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/welbycolleague-accused-of-abuse-was-charged-withkilling-8ppczrzpj http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/ article-4186360/Archbishop-Canterburyunaware-allegations.html http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-38838113 http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-38847949 (video interview with a daughter of John Smyth) https://www.theguardian.com/society/2017/feb/ 02/public-school-defends-role-in-alleged-coverup-of-abuse-at-christian-camps https:// www.channel4.com/news/police-investigatealleged-brutal-lashings-by-christian-leader

# Archbishop's Statement on Channel 4 news report

http://www.archbishopofcanterbury.org/ articles.php/5833/statement-on-behalf-of-thearchbishop-of-canterbury

# Statement from National Safeguarding Adviser on Channel 4 news report

https://www.churchofengland.org/media-centre/ news/2017/02/statement-from-nationalsafeguarding-adviser.aspx

## Comment

### Tel

Channel 4 reporter Cathy Newman reflects on the investigation. "For the sake of those men who have been haunted by what happened for all of their adult lives, I hope that he stands still long enough to be held to account. That's a hope also expressed by the Church of England." <u>http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/02/02/</u> <u>cathy-newman-channel-4-news-revealed-</u> <u>claims-savage-abuse-archbishops/</u>

#### **Third Sector**

Report that the Charity Commission has said it is in contact with Christian charity the Iwerne Trust, taken over by the Titus Trust, about the allegations of historical physical abuse that allegedly took place at a holiday camp run by the charity.

http://www.thirdsector.co.uk/charitycommission-contacts-christian-charityhistorical-abuse-allegations/governance/article/ 1423003

### Exp

Report on comments by a Brexiteer who called into an LBC phone-in with the Archbishop of Canterbury and Cardinal Vincent Nicholls yesterday. Articles note that Judith from Whitstable said she had stopped going to church because of Justin Welby's decision to side with Remain.

http://www.express.co.uk/news/uk/762273/ Christian-Brexiteer-rages-Archbishop-of-Canterbury-Remain-vote

#### **Scottish Energy News**

Report that he Kirk of Scotland has confirmed that it will not be following the same theological approach to shale gas and fracking in the UK as the Church of England. Article notes comments from the CofE briefing paper published last month.

http://www.scottishenergynews.com/unlikechurch-of-england-kirk-of-scotland-sits-on-thefracking-fence-over-scottish-shale-gas/

#### **Christian Today**

Report on what the 'consequences', outlined at last year's Primates meeting in Canterbury, are in reality for the Episcopal church.

#### **Christian Today**

Report on Bishop of London's final sermon at St Paul's Cathedral before his retirement.

### BBC

Report that retired vicar Graham Gregory has appeared in court in Douglas on the Isle of Man, to face a new indecent assault charge. He is already accused of indecently assaulting a girl under the age of 13 in 1990.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-isleof-man-38842258