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## **MEDIA REVIEW - April 12 at 10.00**

### **IRELAND**

#### **Major exhibition on Reformation**

News Letter - A major exhibition marking the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation has officially opened at the Museum of Orange Heritage in Belfast.

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/legacy-of-protestant-reformation-celebrated-at-new-exhibition-1-7909572>

#### **Stormont talks to restore power-sharing look to have been put on hold until after Easter.**

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/talks-to-pause-over-easter-with-still-no-sign-of-any-agreement-1-7911510>

#### **Stormont sleepwalking?**

Belfast Telegraph - Elis O'Hanlon: Are we sleepwalking our way into biggest ever crisis at Stormont?

[http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/opinion/news-analysis/are-we-sleepwalking-our-way-into-biggest-ever-crisis-at-stormont-35615056.html?utm\\_source=ipad\\_share&utm\\_medium=ipad\\_app&utm\\_campaign=clickbacks](http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/opinion/news-analysis/are-we-sleepwalking-our-way-into-biggest-ever-crisis-at-stormont-35615056.html?utm_source=ipad_share&utm_medium=ipad_app&utm_campaign=clickbacks)

### **IRA infiltrators saved lives**

News Letter - Intelligence from IRA infiltrators has saved thousands of people in Northern Ireland, including senior members of Sinn Féin, a former PSNI deputy chief constable has said.

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/senior-sf-members-among-thousands-of-lives-saved-by-troubles-agents-former-officer-1-7911420>

### **Ireland is the first country to carry out a national LGBT youth strategy**

The Journal - Minister Katherine Zappone is launching an online consultation today.

<http://www.thejournal.ie/lgbt-strategy-3336083-Apr2017/>

## **GB**

### **BBC Newspaper review**

The papers continue to lead on the fall-out from the Syrian crisis.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/blogs-the-papers-39573626>

### **Christian Today**

Report that the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, made a plea for Christian unity when speaking at Spring Harvest at the weekend, saying he hopes the Church can show the world that it is possible to 'love even when you disagree passionately.'

### **BBC/TES**

Report that another 131 free schools have been approved to open in England, creating about 69,000 places. The BBC article mentions that St Bede's Inter-Church School a secondary school in Cambridgeshire supported by both Anglican and Catholic dioceses is among the new schools.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-39570548>

<https://www.tes.com/news/school-news/breaking-news/approval-granted-131-more-free-schools>

### **Eve Standard/Christian Today**

Report that sculptor Mark Wallinger's *Ecce Homo*, a life sized figure of Jesus Christ, has been placed on display on the steps of St Paul's

Cathedral in London. The article notes that the statue, showing Christ with his hands bound behind his back and wearing a crown of barbed wire, has been installed in a collaboration between St Paul's and Amnesty International. (See Stories Worth Sharing, below)

<http://www.standard.co.uk/goingout/arts/mark-wallingers-fourth-plinth-statue-finds-a-home-at-st-paul-s-a3512331.html>

### **Eve Standard**

Report that Rev Christopher Rogers, of All Hallows Church, Bow, in east London, offered the hand of friendship to a bike thief after catching him trying to break into his garden shed. The priest's actions were revealed at a court hearing where the thief was jailed for stealing 24 bicycles last year worth £15,000. Rev Rogers told the Evening Standard: "Yes, I was scared when I found him on our property. But I choose to not allow fear to drive me but the hope that something could change for him."

<http://www.standard.co.uk/news/london/star-wars-fan-vicar-offers-burglar-the-hand-of-friendship-a3512396.html>

### **BBC/Sun/Mirror**

Reports that one of two bodies discovered at a house in Lincolnshire is believed to be that of a woman who went missing more than two weeks

ago. Bernice Williams, 50, a teacher and a churchwarden from Lutton, was last seen on March 25.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-lincolnshire-39563477>

<http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/mum-two-primary-school-teacher-10199882>

<https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/3311923/cops-fear-husband-killed-mum-of-two-in-murder-suicide-after-both-bodies-found-in-family-home/>

## **ITV**

Further coverage following the publication yesterday of full details of the Cathedrals Working Group, ordered by both Archbishops, looking into the way cathedrals are governed.

<http://www.itv.com/news/anglia/2017-04-11/peterborough-cathedrals-financial-woes-lead-to-church-wide-review/>

## **Express/Christian Today/Metro**

News features on Maundy Thursday and on Easter traditions throughout the world

<http://www.express.co.uk/life-style/life/790669/Maundy-Thursday-when-is-Easter-meaning>

<http://metro.co.uk/2017/04/11/easter-traditions-from-around-the-world-that-make-egg-hunts-seem-tame-6565412/>

## **Mirror**

News report on a list of the 'top 50' free attractions in the UK to visit over the Easter Holidays - includes Worcester, Wells and Rochester Cathedrals

<http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/top-50-uk-attractions-visit-10202970#ICID=nsm>

## **PR Week**

Report that Rev Arun Arora, the Church of England's Director of Communications has stepped down to become a vicar in Durham Diocese

<http://www.prweek.com/article/1430128/cofe-comms-director-arun-arora-steps-down-become-vicar>

## **Mail**

News report on claims by a mother-of-two that she captured ghosts on camera at Lincoln Cathedral.

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-4401028/Woman-snaps-photo-spooky-figures-inside-cathedral.html>

## **Mail**

Diary item (scroll down) which mentions that the new Bishop of Sheffield Dr Pete Wilcox has a 'mildly obsessive interest in all ball

sports' according to his appointment announcement from Number 10.

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/debate/article-4403588/EPHRAIM-HARDCASTLE-PC-Palmer-s-funeral.html>

## **Comment**

### **Spectator**

Matthew Parris: 'Why I admire the Church of England'

<https://www.spectator.co.uk/2017/04/why-i-admire-the-church-of-england/>

### **Spectator**

Rod Dreher: The Benedict Option

<https://www.spectator.co.uk/2017/04/the-benedict-option/>

## **INTERNATIONAL**

### **In unusual omission, no Trump-Pope meeting planned during Italy G7**

Trump, who Francis suggested was "not Christian" if he wanted a wall on the Mexican border, is due in Sicily on May 26-27 for a meeting of the heads of the world's richest nations. [More from Religion News Service](#)

## **Faithful storm out of Mass in Italy after priest criticizes Pope Francis**

The congregation reportedly shouted “Shame, shame!” at the Rev. Edward Pushparaj when he said the pontiff had only been “bad” for the Catholic Church. The priest has been placed on leave. [More from Religion News Service](#)

## **New Bishop of Sheffield: It’s an ‘enormous privilege’ to proof-read my wife’s raunchy Church of England novels**

He’s a popular evangelical who enjoys checking his wife's unusually graphic Anglican-themed novels. [More from The Telegraph](#)

## **Endangered Anglican cathedrals prompt Church of England review**

The maintenance and repair of these ancient buildings are causing much of the cathedrals’ financial problems. [More from Religion News Service](#)

## **Exhibit shows how Passover was artistically reinvented through the years**

These haggadot – books retelling the Exodus story – run from the 14th to the 21st

## **Marine Le Pen: France ‘not responsible’ for deporting Jews during Holocaust**



The views on France's past held by the far-right National Front leader and presidential candidate could spill over into this month's election. [More from www.washingtonpost.com](http://www.washingtonpost.com)