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MEDIA REVIEW - April 20 @ 09.30

News from Ireland, GB and global sources.

IRELAND

Sinn Fein is not doing enough on Catholics in police

Sinn Fein is not doing enough to promote the idea that Catholics can become police officers, the chief constable has indicated.

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/psni-chief-constable-sf-must-urge-catholics-to-join-police-1-7922775>

Pact talks could see unionism do a deal in up to six constituencies

http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/northern-ireland/pact-talks-could-see-unionism-do-a-deal-in-up-to-six-constituencies-35637230.html?utm_source=ipad_share&utm_medium=ipad_app&utm_campaign=clickbacks

Eastwood should come clean on pacts - Donaldson

Colum Eastwood should “come clean with the people of Northern Ireland” and “admit that what he’s talking about is a pact with Sinn Fein,” the DUP’s Sir Jeffrey Donaldson has said.

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/donaldson-eastwood-should-come-clean-over-anti-brex-it-pact-1-7923246>

Brian Feeney: This will be mother of all sectarian headcounts

"Arlene Foster will treat it as the unionist equivalent of a border poll. On past evidence she knows no other way to fight an election"

<http://www.irishnews.com/paywall/tsb/irishnews/irishnews/irishnews//news/2017/04/19/news/brian-feeney-election-means-nothingness-will-continue-in-the-north-1000626/content.html>

Alex Kane: This will be a particularly bruising poll for the north

"Nothing is set in stone yet, but I'm pretty sure that the DUP/UUP will opt for an electoral pact"

<http://www.irishnews.com/paywall/tsb/irishnews/irishnews/irishnews//news/2017/04/19/news/alex-kane-a-necessary-if-not->

[particularly-helpful-election-1000569/content.html](#)

Census finds 2000 devotees to Star Wars 'Jedi' religion

Census finds 2,000 devotees to Star Wars 'Jedi' religion ... The Roman Catholic Church, however, is still the leading religion in Ireland ...

<http://www.independent.ie/irish-news/census-finds-2000-devotees-to-star-wars-jedi-religion-35634436.html>

GREAT BRITAIN

BBC Newspaper review - Election battles begin

The UK's surprise election continues to dominate the front pages, with some focusing on manifesto pledges.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/blogs-the-papers-39649310>

Bill gates urges UK to protect foreign aid

Theresa May is refusing to say if she will retain the spending pledge in her election manifesto.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-39650012>

Premier/Dorset Echo

Reports on further tributes to the former Bishop of Gloucester, Michael Perham, who has died aged 69. The articles quote a tribute to Bishop Michael from the current Bishop of Gloucester, Rachel Treweek, and the Bishop of Salisbury, Nicholas Holtam. (See also Telegraph obituary, below)

<https://www.premier.org.uk/News/UK/Tributes-paid-to-former-Bishop>

BBC (scroll down)

Further report on the appointment of Jersey's new Dean, Rev Mike Keirle. He is currently the Vice Dean in Guernsey and Rector of St Martin's Parish Church.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/live/world-europe-jersey-39580869>

CorpComms magazine

In depth interview with Adrian Harris, the Church of England's head of digital communications, on the range of ways that the Church of England is reconnecting with a wider community through digital and social media including digital evangelism campaigns for Christmas, Lent and Easter.

<https://corpcommsmagazine.co.uk/features-and-analysis/view/how-the-church-of-england-is-extending-its-congregation>

Eve Standard

Report that a lodger who stole £1,750 from a vicar's Christmas charity box has been spared jail.

<http://www.standard.co.uk/news/crime/lodger-who-stole-1750-from-vicars-christmas-charity-box-spared-jail-a3518311.html>

Mail

Further report on the story behind a grave of a four month old girl in the churchyard of the Old Church of St James, Stanstead Abbots.

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-4423982/Mystery-unmarked-grave-belonged-baby-died-1987.html>

Obituary

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The Rt Rev Michael Perham, Bishop of Gloucester.

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/obituaries/2017/04/19/right-reverend-michael-perham-bishop-gloucester-obituary/>

INTERNATIONAL

Gunmen kill policeman in attack near Egypt's St. Catherine's Monastery

The Islamic State group claimed responsibility for Tuesday's (April 18) attack on a police checkpoint near the entrance to the 6th-century monastery at the foot of Mount Sinai.

[More from Religion News Service](#)

Georgetown University apologizes for role in slave trade

"We have greatly sinned," the Rev. Timothy Kesicki, president of the Jesuit Conference of Canada and the United States told the descendants of slaves sold to benefit the school.

[More from Religion News Service](#)

Embattled Baylor University picks new president

Linda Livingstone, a management professor at George Washington University, will be the Baptist university's first woman president, stepping in after a sexual assault scandal, lawsuits and high profile departures.

[More from Houston Chronicle](#)

The conservative agenda for Gorsuch's first week

The new justice will immediately have a chance to make his mark with a case that involves one of the top priorities for the conservative movement: lowering the barriers between church and state.

[More from The New Yorker](#)

It was an honor to know you, Joe Crowley

Boston Globe Spotlight reporter Sacha Pfeiffer pays tribute to clergy sex abuse victim Joe Crowley, who died on Easter Sunday.

[More from BostonGlobe.com](#)