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IRELAND

St Patrick's Day events around the world

BBC News NI

Streets in cities across the globe are awash with green as St Patrick's Day is marked in style.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-39301891>

Photographs of Downpatrick St. Patrick's Day celebrations

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Newsletter

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/news/in-pictures-downpatrick-st-patrick-s-day-celebrations-1-7872004>

Kenny and May united: Direct rule not an option if talks end in failure

Belfast Telegraph

http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/northern-ireland/kenny-and-may-united-direct-rule-not-an-option-if-talks-end-in-failure-35542421.html?utm_source=ipad_share&utm_medium=ipad_app&utm_campaign=clickbacks

Commissioner criticises school on haircut punishment

BBC News

NI Children's Commissioner criticises the policy of isolating pupils after a boy is punished over a haircut.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-39301894>

Belfast mural graffiti treated as 'hate crime'

BBC News

Police are treating as a hate crime the defacement of a Belfast memorial to an Irish Zionist who fought in WW1.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-39306423>

NI Weekly newspapers: Fake cocaine and Ed Sheeran feature

BBC News

Lethal substances, pop sensations and sledgehammer-wielding vandals feature in the weekly papers.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-39264247>

RHI disclosure identifies churches involved

Belfast Telegraph

Five churches - three Church of Ireland and two Presbyterian - as well as Ballinderry Church of Ireland Parish Hall in Lisburn benefited from the RHI scheme. In total they claimed £144,522. Hebron Free Presbyterian Church in Ballymoney has two boilers, bringing in £58,938.

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/northern-ireland/rhi-from-hotels-to-motor-dealers-to-golf-clubs-the-businesses-in-the-scheme-35539277.html>

We must confront mother-baby home scandals, says Cork bishop

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Irish Times

<http://www.irishtimes.com/news/social-affairs/religion-and-beliefs/we-must-confront-mother-baby-home-scandals-says-cork-bishop-1.3015000>

Kenny hints he will stay as Taoiseach until NI executive is formed

Irish Times

<http://www.irishtimes.com/news/politics/kenny-hints-he-will-stay-as-taoiseach-until-ni-executive-is-formed-1.3015022>

GB & UK

UK troops in Estonia to deter 'Russian aggression'

BBC News

The biggest UK deployment to Europe since the Cold War ended is a bid to deter "Russian aggression".

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-39311670>

Gordon Brown: 'Holyrood should gain Brexit powers'

BBC News

Ex-prime minister Gordon Brown is calling for Holyrood to be handed a raft of new powers after Brexit.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-scotland-politics-39309133>

Newspaper headlines: Dismay and derision at Osborne job

BBC News

George Osborne's appointment as editor of the Evening Standard gets plenty of reaction in the papers.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/blogs-the-papers-39311882>

INTERNATIONAL

Dutch Muslims are relieved, but divisions highlighted by election remain

Dutch Muslims are breathing a sigh of relief after the worse-than-expected performance of an anti-Islam populist in this week's election. But religious leaders worry that the divisions he exploited remain.

[More from Religion News Service](#)

Islamophobia is most worrying in Europe – not Trump’s America

U.S. courts and civil society have robustly defended Muslims from blatant discrimination. The same cannot be said of their European counterparts, writes Muneer I Ahmad.

[More from \[www.theguardian.com\]\(http://www.theguardian.com\)](#)

Sanctuary for the undocumented comes with legal consequences

And that has some religious leaders preaching caution rather than participation to their members.

[More from Religion News Service](#)

US denies carrying out Syria mosque air strike near Aleppo that killed at least 42 people

More than 300 people were gathered for evening prayers on Thursday when the attack occurred, the U.K. based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said.

[More from \[The Independent\]\(http://TheIndependent.com\)](#)

St. Patrick's Day facts reveal truth about this Irish holiday

He may responsible for converting the Irish to Christianity, but he was not Irish born.

[More from WPMT FOX43](#)