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IRELAND

Prince Philip visits Hillsborough to meet award recipients

The Duke of Edinburgh visits Hillsborough Castle to meet Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award recipients.

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<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-40048592>

High Court case on humanist marriage recognition

Northern Ireland's Attorney General is set to feature in a landmark High Court battle for legal recognition of a celebrity couple's humanist marriage.

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/attorney-general-to-feature-in-humanist-wedding-court-case-1-7979352>

Horse tranquilliser is leaving trail of misery in NI

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/northern-ireland/horse-tranquilliser-is-leaving-trail-of-misery-35757209.html?>

Five acres of Dublin school grounds to be sold by religious order

“It feels like the school’s being stripped back,” one parent said.

<http://www.thejournal.ie/dublin-school-sells-land-3409190-May2017/>

Tusla calls for early years child strategy not just childcare

<http://www.irishtimes.com/news/social-affairs/tusla-calls-for-early-years-strategy-for-children-not-just-childcare-1.3096814>

Nurses 'disappointed and angry' after talks to save Cherry Orchard youth mental health beds collapse

Beds at the child and adolescent mental health services unit at Cherry Orchard Hospital in Dublin have not been refilled due to staff shortages.

<http://www.thejournal.ie/linn-dara-beds-talks-3409196-May2017/>

'€100,000 was spent on pens and medallions for retiring university staff'

The claims came in an RTÉ Investigates show aired last night, which highlighted a number of incidents in the third-level sector.

<http://www.thejournal.ie/university-retirement-rte-investigates-3409257-May2017/>

Kingsmills inquests

The original investigating officer into the Kingsmills massacre has accepted criticism that significant opportunities were missed in his team's attempts to put the gunmen in the dock.

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/kingsmills-inquest-investigating-officer-blames-missed-chances-on-staffing-1-7979407>

The lead investigator into the 1976 murders could not say why suspects and witnesses were not questioned.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-40047047>

GREAT BRITAIN

Church of Scotland moves closer to letting ministers perform gay marriages

The Kirk's governing body backed calls for a study into how same-sex ceremonies in church could be allowed.

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2017/may/25/church-of-scotland-step-towards-conducting-same-sex-marriage>

http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/news_and_events/news/recent/church_a_step_closer_to_conducting_same_sex_marriages

Muslim concern shared at Scots General Assembly

http://www.churchofscotland.org.uk/news_and_events/news/recent/muslim_scholar_shares_concerns_of_dystopian_future_with_assembly

Angela Merkel and Barack Obama send messages of sympathy and solidarity to Manchester

<https://www.facebook.com/archbishopofcanterbury/videos/1323848837669259/>

Archbishop Justin on the launch of Thy Kingdom Come

<http://www.archbishopofcanterbury.org/articles.php/5870/archbishop-justin-on-the-launch-of-thy-kingdom-come>

Thy Kingdom Come (video) #Praise #Pledge2Pray

His Eminence Cardinal Christoph Schonborn,
Archbishop of Vienna

<https://vimeopro.com/thykingdomcomeglobal/thy-kingdom-come-reflections/video/218613491>

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[https://vimeopro.com/thykingdomcomeglobal/
thy-kingdom-come-reflections/video/217821116](https://vimeopro.com/thykingdomcomeglobal/thy-kingdom-come-reflections/video/217821116)

**York Minster hosts beacon event as part of
global wave of prayer**

[http://www.archbishopofyork.org/articles.php/
3651/york-minster-hosts-beacon-event-as-part-
of-global-wave-of-prayer](http://www.archbishopofyork.org/articles.php/3651/york-minster-hosts-beacon-event-as-part-of-global-wave-of-prayer)

**A statement from the Archbishop of York
following the Manchester bombing and the
death of two York residents**

[http://www.archbishopofyork.org/articles.php/
3650/a-statement-from-the-archbishop-of-york-
following-the-manchester-bombing-and-the-
death-of-two-york-r](http://www.archbishopofyork.org/articles.php/3650/a-statement-from-the-archbishop-of-york-following-the-manchester-bombing-and-the-death-of-two-york-r)

**How churches provide solace in the
aftermath of terror:**

[https://www.facebook.com/notes/church-of-
england/how-churches-provide-solace-in-the-
aftermath-of-terror/10154890390858143/](https://www.facebook.com/notes/church-of-england/how-churches-provide-solace-in-the-aftermath-of-terror/10154890390858143/)

General Synod timetable published:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/media-centre/news/2017/05/general-synod-timetable-published.aspx>

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Reports that the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, has appeared in a video alongside former US President Barack Obama and German Chancellor Angela Merkel sending a message of support to the people of Manchester following the bombing earlier this week at Manchester Arena. The message was recorded at the Kirchentag, Germany's Protestant Church Assembly, meeting in Berlin. (See also News from the Archbishop of Canterbury, above) The Express reports that Greater Manchester Mayor Andy Burnham and the Bishop of Manchester, David Walker, were among the crowds gathered at St Ann's Square in the city yesterday for the minute's silence to remember the 22 dead and many injured in the attack.

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/europe/manchester-bombing-barack-obama-berlin-heartbroken-young-people-us-president-europe-visit-a7755666.html>

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/wires/ap/article-4540990/The-Latest-British-police-army-respond-Manchester-alert.html>

<https://www.premier.org.uk/News/UK/Justin-Welby-joins-Obama-and-Merkel-for-message-to-Manchester>

<http://www.express.co.uk/news/uk/809067/Manchester-bombing-when-is-minutes-silence-today-terror-attack-UK>

Christian Today/Premier

Report that a [video](#) of the Presiding Bishop of the US Episcopal Church Michael Curry, talking about prayer has been released to mark the start of the [Thy Kingdom Come](#) global wave of prayer, being held between Ascension and Pentecost.

Premier reports that hundreds of thousands of people in Britain and across the world are expected to take part in the campaign. (See also News from the Archbishop of Canterbury above).

<https://www.premier.org.uk/News/UK/Hundreds-of-thousands-expected-to-pray-Thy-Kingdom-Come>

BBC/Guard/Times/Pink News

Reports that the Church of Scotland has instructed officials to consider changes to church law that would allow ministers to preside over same sex marriages. The Kirk's General Assembly, meeting in Edinburgh, also called on leaders to "take stock of its history of discrimination at different levels and in different ways against gay people and to apologise

individually and corporately and seek to do better”.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-40036225>

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2017/may/25/church-of-scotland-step-towards-conducting-same-sex-marriage>

<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/kirk-apology-for-prejudice-paves-way-for-gay-church-weddings-wgblnqjvj>

<http://www.pinknews.co.uk/2017/05/25/church-of-scotland-will-apologise-for-treatment-of-gays-move-towards-same-sex-marriage/>

BBC

News article on the anniversary of the sinking of HMS Coventry during the Falklands War with the loss of 19 crew. The article mentions that the memorial plaque bearing the names of the 19 men lost in the ship's destruction is at Holy Trinity Church, in Coventry.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-39965515>

INTERNATIONAL

Vatican stargazers look for divine inspiration

“The observatory exists to show the world that the Catholic Church supports science,” says Brother Guy Consolmagno, an astronomer from Detroit who is also the observatory’s director.
[More from Religion News Service](#)

‘Because she was immoral’: Christian school defends decision to deny pregnant teen graduation ‘walk’

Amid a torrent of criticism, the principal called the punishment an “application of love.” Anti-abortion activists say the move shows a lack of love.

[More from Religion News Service](#)

Martin Luther: Father of protest songs?

The reformer's music forged a path for “We Shall Overcome” and “Give Peace a Chance.”

[More from www.bbc.com](http://www.bbc.com)

How Manchester attacker turned from cannabis-smoking dropout to ISIS suicide bomber

Salman Abedi’s transformation echoes those of Islamist terrorists across Europe. “There is now a perfect fit between these young men and a group that has shed any attempt at serious theological discourse,” said one expert.

More from The Independent

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Why Melania Trump wore a head covering in Rome but not in Saudi Arabia

“I think people are reading into it and misinterpreting it,” said Jane Hampton Cook, a presidential and first lady historian.

More from www.washingtonpost.com

