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FAITH

CNI DAILY NEWS for July 3

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www.churchnewsireland.org

**Northern Ireland's same-sex marriage ban
'un-Christian', says church minister**

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/northern-ireland-same-sex-gay-marriage-church-minister-charles-kenny-unchristian-dup-sinn-fein-a7819096.html>

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<https://www.theguardian.com/society/2017/jul/01/northern-ireland-gay-marriage-ban-un-christian-equality>

From Mixed Marriage to Same Sex Marriage

Sluggar O'Toole

The **Church of Ireland** theologian Professor Gregg responded that Protestants "Make the idea of marriage with a Roman Catholic as much out of the ...

Liam Neeson Cites 'Christian Values' in Calling for Gay Marriage Legalization in N. Ireland

Christian Post

"We've had enough of a history in our society in Northern **Ireland** of ... The Presbyterian **Church** in **Ireland** has also said that despite the **Church** of ...

Victims tell of lives destroyed by former Christian Brother

<http://feeds.examiner.ie/~r/ietopstories/~3/Qa7WhdzEX2k/victims-tell-of-lives-destroyed-by-a-christian-brother-453853.html>

€570 is the average amount an Irish child gets for Communion but some get over 1,000

<http://www.thejournal.ie/communion-average-irish-3460484-Jun2017/>

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Victims of farm accidents are remembered at special service

Farming Life

The service was led by **Church of Ireland** Bishop Michael Burrows. Local clergy were in attendance from the Catholic Church and the **Church of ...**

Poignant tributes paid at remembrance service

Agriland

It was led by **Church of Ireland** Bishop Michael Burrows, with Fr. Gerard Ahern, PP, Abbeyleix, and Canon Patrick Harvey, among the officiating clergy.

POLITICAL AND SOCIAL

Belfast march calls for end of SSM ban

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-40468001>

<http://www.irishtimes.com/news/social-affairs/belfast-demonstrators-urge-end-to-same-sex-marriage-ban-1.3140548>

<http://www.rte.ie/news/2017/0701/886963-same-sex/>

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Churches need to ponder why the decline in attendance is so severe - Alf McCreary

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/opinion/columnists/alf-mccreary/churches-need-to-ponder-why-the-decline-in-attendance-is-so-severe-35882443.html>

Historic abuse enquiry chair demands action for victims

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-40463887>

SF can't demand 10 - 0 win, DUP

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-politics-40473238>

Adams - don't restore direct rule

<http://www.thejournal.ie/northern-ireland-direct-rule-3474742-Jul2017/>

DUP's Stalforth calls for end to culture war

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-40463888>

UNITED KINGDOM

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Rural church growth at heart of C of E funding for dioceses

<https://www.churchofengland.org/media-centre/news/2017/2017/06/rural-church-growth-at-the-heart-of-latest-round-of-funding-for-dioceses.aspx>

New call for training in C of E to help identify neighbours and friends in financial distress

<https://www.churchofengland.org/media-centre/news/2017/06/new-call-for-training-to-help-identify-neighbours-and-friends-in-financial-distress.aspx>

Married and ordained together: Why this couple are hopeful for the Church of England

<https://www.christiantoday.com/article/married.and.ordained.together.why.this.couple.are.hopeful.for.the.church.of.England/110323.htm>

Can the Methodist Church pull out of its nose dive? 'We need God to do something,' Conference told

<https://www.christiantoday.com/article/can.the.methodist.church.pull.out.of.its.nose.dive.we.need.god.to.do.something.conference.told/110332.htm>

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News review from Christian Institute

<http://anglicanmainstream.org/ci-news-30-june-2017/>

The C of E Week in Westminster 26 - 30 June

This week eight bishops spoke during the four days of debate on the Queen's Speech, raising issues about Brexit, mental health, character education, vulnerable young people, poverty, domestic violence, farming, the Northern Powerhouse and industrial strategy. The Bishop of St Albans' Marriage Registration Bill was introduced and had its first reading. Bishops also asked questions about North Korea, Syrian refugees, Gaza and religious freedom in Indonesia. A bishop responded to a Government statement on the Grenfell Tower fire. See more at: <https://churchinparliament.org/2017/06/30/week-in-westminster-26th-30th-june-2017/>

Sunday July 1

BBC/S Times/Sun/S Exp/Vanity Fair

Reports that the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge and Prince Harry attended a private service to rededicate the grave of their mother, Diana Princess of Wales. The service at her

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family home of Althorp House, was conducted by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-40470217>

<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/prince-william-and-harry-commemorate-birthdays-an-ocean-apart-royals-diana-canada-charles-15pfm9rs8>

<https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/3928049/prince-george-and-princess-charlotte-attend-http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/emotional-william-kate-take-george-10722565private-ceremony-for-their-grandma-diana-on-what-would-have-been-her-56th-birthday/>

<http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/emotional-william-kate-take-george-10722565private-ceremony-for-their-grandma-diana-on-what-would-have-been-her-56th-birthday/>

<http://www.express.co.uk/news/royal/823573/princess-diana-birthday-prince-william-kate-middleton-prince-harry-latest-news>

<http://www.express.co.uk/news/royal/823573/princess-diana-birthday-prince-william-kate-middleton-prince-harry-latest-news>

<http://www.vanityfair.com/style/2017/07/princess-diana-birthday-grave-rededication>

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Sunday Times

Report on [Private Member's motion](#) to be brought before the General Synod in York next weekend by Jayne Ozanne calling on the General Synod to condemn

gay conversion therapy as ‘unethical, harmful and not supported by evidence.’

<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/edition/news/its-not-a-disorder-church-of-england-urged-to-condemn-gay-conversion-therapy-7dpl0bd6l>

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Sunday Mirror

Report on the Blackburn Diocesan Synod motion, coming to the General Synod meeting, on welcoming transgender people, calling on the House of Bishops to consider whether some nationally commended liturgical materials might be prepared to mark a person's gender transition.

<http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/politics/transgender-worshippers-could-soon-welcomed-10722489>

Mail on Sunday

Report that some traditionalist archbishops could stay away from a gathering of Anglican leaders later this year over differences on same sex marriage.

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-4657668/African-archbishops-plan-snub-October-summit.html>

Premier

Report that Southwark Cathedral was joining the 'We Love London Bridge' event on Saturday past in support of the Red Cross appeal set up following the terrorist attack at London Bridge and Borough Market.

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<https://www.premier.org.uk/News/UK/Southwark-Cathedral-joins-in-with-We-love-London-Bridge-event>

Sunday Times

'Last words' feature, includes the former Bishop in Europe, the late Geoffrey Rowell.

<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/edition/news-review/last-words-michael-bond-and-geoffrey-rowell-5klmgzxp>

Third Force News

Further report on the announcement that Loretta Minghella, Chief Executive of Christian Aid, is to be the next First Church Estates Commissioner.

<http://thirdforcenews.org.uk/features/good-movers-whos-going-where-in-the-third-sector4>

Mirror

Report on gay couple Thomas Clark, 25 and Lee Tams 28, who say they were refused permission to be married by five churches in their area. The couple had hoped to marry in Uttoxeter – Mr Clark's home town. Margaret Sherwin, Rector of St Mary's Parish in Uttoxeter, is quoted.

<http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/gay-couple-hit-out-inequality-10722936#ICID=nsm>

BBC

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Report on a memorial service at St Andrew's Church in Stanley, Derbyshire, for the five crew of a World War Two aircraft who lost their lives after it crashed in a field near the village in July 1942.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-derbyshire-40455693>

BBC

News feature on notable headstones in cemeteries and churchyards

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-39508229>

Letters

Tel

As Brexit gets under way, the country needs to see unity from Parliament.

(Includes graphics detailing the suggestion last week by the Archbishop of Canterbury of a cross-party approach to “draw much of the poison” from the debate over Brexit)

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/opinion/2017/07/01/letters-as-brexit-gets-way-country-needs-see-unity-parliament/>

Saturday June 30

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Christian Today

Report on a new video with the Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby in which he challenges Christians around the world to follow up on the Thy Kingdom Come global wave of prayer. Hundreds of thousands of people across 85 countries took part in the 10 days of prayer between Ascension and Pentecost for more people to come to know Jesus Christ.

Eve Standard

Interview with Mohammed Mahmoud, Imam of the Muslim Welfare House, who in the aftermath of the attack on Muslim worshippers at Finsbury Park, stepped in to protect the suspect from an angry crowd. The article reports that he spoke highly of the Prince of Wales and the Archbishop of Canterbury, who met him following the attack. <http://www.standard.co.uk/lifestyle/london-life/hero-imam-on-finsbury-park-terror-attack-i-felt-no-anger-or-fear-my-reaction-was-instinct-a3577021.html>

BBC/ITV/Sun/Ind/Manchester Evening News/ Liverpool Echo

Reports on the funeral of Manchester Arena bomb attack victim 15-year-old Megan Hurley, held at at St Nicholas Church, Halewood,

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Merseyside. Rev Jane Durham, from St Nicholas Church, is quoted.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-merseyside-40454045>

<http://www.itv.com/news/granada/2017-06-30/funerals-for-manchester-victims-martyn-hett-and-megan-hurley/>

<https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/3918965/manchester-bombing-victim-megan-hurley-funeral-ariana-grande-one-last-time/>

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/manchester-victims-funerals-stockport-and-merseyside-martyn-hett-coronation-street-megan-hurley-a7817841.html>

<http://www.manchestereveningnews.co.uk/news/greater-manchester-news/megan-hurley-15-who-died-13264287>

<http://www.liverpoolecho.co.uk/news/liverpool-news/hundreds-line-streets-halewood-emotional-13264342>

Times

News feature on the experience of arriving in Parliament as a new MP. The article mentions the service to mark the start of Parliament held at St Margaret's Church, Westminster where the Archbishop of Canterbury preached the sermon.

<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/edition/news/matt-chorley-new-mp-hang-your-sword-up-here-ztxplltgv>

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Premier

Further report on a speech in the House of Lords by the Bishop of Peterborough, Donald Allister, on mental health, in which he said it was ‘perplexing’ that there is no mental health Bill in the Queen’s Speech.

<https://www.premier.org.uk/News/UK/Bishop-demands-more-help-for-mental-health-during-Queen-s-Speech-debate>

Christian Today

Report on married couple Mark and Emily Hudghton who are being ordained as deacons tomorrow by the Bishop of Durham, Paul Butler, at the same ceremony in Durham Cathedral. (For more on Petertide ordinations see Stories Worth Sharing, below)

Christian Today/Premier

Reports that Rev Canon Andy Lines was being consecrated as Gafcon’s new ‘missionary bishop for Europe’ at a conference in Wheaton College, Illinois.

<https://www.premier.org.uk/News/UK/GAFCON-consecrates-missionary-bishop>

Professional Pensions

Full list of finalists and winners in the Pension Scheme of the Year awards. Includes the

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Church of England Pensions Board in the finalists for the Best DB Scheme Innovation category.

<https://www.professionalpensions.com/professional-pensions/news/3012939/pension-scheme-of-the-year-awards-2017-the-winners>

Letters

FT

Just come to church and leave your money at home

https://www.ft.com/content/a40127d4-56a6-11e7-9fed-c19e2700005f?FTCamp=engage/CAPI/webapp/Channel_Moreover//B2B

How the Church brought in the modern age

https://www.ft.com/content/a41ba528-56a6-11e7-9fed-c19e2700005f?FTCamp=engage/CAPI/webapp/Channel_Moreover//B2B

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How the Church brought in the modern age

Comment

Times

Bishop of Kensington, Graham Tomlin: ‘Church filled gap when state failed Grenfell survivors’

<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/church-filled-gap-when-state-failed-grenfell-survivors-k26dkpwqz>

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INTERNATIONAL

German bishops regret SSM vote

<http://www.catholicherald.co.uk/news/2017/07/01/german-bishops-regret-same-sex-marriage-vote/>

Pope names Jesuit as Vatican doctrine lead

<http://www.catholicherald.co.uk/news/2017/07/01/pope-names-jesuit-as-successor-to-vatican-doctrinal-chief-cardinal-muller/>

<http://www.thejournal.ie/pope-francis-sacks-head-of-doctrine-3473681-Jul2017/>

'The Pope replaces conservative defender of the faith in shake-up'

[>> Click here to read.](#)

Latest edition of Anglican World : Archbishop Thabo reflects on ministering to Madiba

<http://www.anglicannews.org/news/2017/06/latest-edition-of-anglican-world-archbishop-thabo-reflects-on-ministering-to-madiba.aspx>

Televangelist who claimed \$1.5m condo and Ferraris as business expenses indicted on tax fraud

<https://www.christiantoday.com/article/televangelist.who.claimed.1.5m.condo.and.ferraris.as.business.expenses.indicted.on.tax.fraud.charges/110355.htm>

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- **Kimberly Winston** jumped in to explain the Blaine-type Amendments that prevent some states from giving money to religious institutions, as was the case in *Trinity Lutheran v. Comer*.
[Read the story](#)
- **Melissa Rogers**, a former director of the White House Office of Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships, penned six observations about that ruling.
[Read the story](#)
- **Josephine McKenna** in Rome reached out to her sources to explain how the charges against Cardinal George Pell tarnish the pope's record on the sex abuse scandal.
[Read the story](#)
- **S. Brent Rodriguez Plate** wrote about the bicentennial of the Erie Canal and how “one thronged street, from Buffalo to Albany,” reshaped the American religious landscape.
[Read the story](#)
- **Michele Chabin** in Jerusalem wrote about the challenges U.S. Jews face in fighting

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the Orthodox establishment's stranglehold
on the Western Wall.

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