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FAITH

CNI DAILY NEWS for July 8

Anglican Churches urged to think of seafarers this Sunday

C of I bishop's Sermons on Route 66 will support women's literacy

C of I Historical Society Conference: Reformation 500

Archbishop Eamon Martin to celebrate Mass in Knock to mark the Fatima apparitions

Abbeyleix South School's special day celebrates charity donation and health flag

Former Minister of State to be made deacon

Lord Eames speaks at Lords' Holy Communion service

First female C of E bishop receives honorary degree

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Salvation Army's robot sex warning
www.churchnewsireland.org

What the Twelfth means to us

Fr Martin McGill writes

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/life/features/what-the-twelfth-means-to-us-35907007.html?>

Thinking anew - Irish Times

<http://www.irishtimes.com/news/social-affairs/religion-and-beliefs/thinking-anew-faith-and-the-daily-grind-1.3144449>

Christian Institute criticises BBC slant on social issues

In a letter to The Guardian last week, a reader asked if there was “room in the Guardian world” for people with traditional views on social issues such as marriage, abortion, and euthanasia.

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/christian-institute-the-bbc-is-anything-but-impartial-on-social-issues-1-8043531>

POLITICAL AND SOCIAL

Ex IRA bomber challenges SFs Loughgall commemoration

The IRA's armed struggle was indivisible and it encompassed all the shameful sectarian murders, writes the former bomber Shane Paul O'Doherty. Michelle O'Neill could have avoided celebrating that, but chose

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the path of least integrity in commemorating the
Loughgall terrorists:

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/ex-ira-bomber-o-neill-had-chance-to-write-a-new-chapter-but-instead-chose-to-commemorate-ira-terror-1-8046782>

SF council chairman won't 'go down road of condemning' Enniskillen bombing

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/news/sf-council-chairman-won-t-go-down-road-of-condemning-enniskillen-bombing-1-8045466>

Compulsory Irish has failed in Republic

Sinn Fein's blueprint for a stand-alone Irish language act has parallels with Irish language policies imposed in post-independence Ireland.

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/compulsory-irish-has-failed-in-the-republic-at-huge-cost-to-taxpayers-1-8046764>

Anti-corruption group has concerns over NI party donations

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/news/anti-corruption-group-has-concerns-over-ni-party-donations-1-8045791>

Criminal justice chief calls for devolution to be restored

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/news/criminal-justice-chief-calls-for-devolution-to-be-restored-1-8045782>

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UNITED KINGDOM

Times/Church Times

Reports on the special motion debate at synod yesterday on the state of the nation (see above) "After the General Election, a still small voice of calm"; articles quote the Archbishop of York.

Mail

Report on the Church's work with asylum seekers with ref to a background paper for a debate at synod today on the Church's Presence and Engagement programme. Article quotes Bishop of Wakefield, Tony Robinson.

Christian Today

Report that one of the world's oldest Christian communities is under threat with fears for its survival – and a land dispute in Turkey has underlined its vulnerability.

Times

Bishop Stephen Platten writes on "what St Augustine can teach us about immigration"

Tel

Charles Moore writes on Dame Moira Gibb's review into the Church's handling of the Peter Ball case

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Tel

Feature on fascinating facts about Britain's churches and cathedrals

Christian Today

Bishop Paul Butler: The gospel calls us to welcome refugees. This is how we can do it.

Comment

Christian Today

Why this weekend's General Synod could be a disaster for the Church's witness

INTERNATIONAL

Experts say Hobby Lobby must have known it was illegally importing artifacts

“No dealer in his right mind would have been involved in this,” said Jerome Eisenberg, an antiquities dealer who has specialized in ancient art for more than 60 years.

More from Religion News Service

Hobby Lobby's black-market buys did real damage

If the Museum of the Bible truly wants to distance itself from the illicit antiquities dealings

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of Hobby Lobby, it should make available to the public the full provenance of every item it displays, and of all those that are not visible to the public, write Candida Moss and Joel Baden. More from www.nytimes.com

Reformed churches endorse Catholic-Lutheran accord on key Reformation dispute

Five hundred years after the Reformation, one of Protestantism's leading branches has officially said it now agrees with the Vatican on the main issue at the root of its split from the Roman Catholic Church. More from Religion News Service

Attending church is good for your health. Now what?

Even as the studies pile up and the literature appears close to conclusive, many questions about the association between religious service attendance and health have yet to be answered. More from Religion News Service

Mennonite Church to divest in protest of Israeli policies

The resolution directs managers of a \$3 billion church fund to regularly screen holdings to avoid any economic support for Israeli policies in the occupied territories.

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More from Religion News Service

Native Americans say grizzly bear decision violates religion

They are suing to block the government from removing Yellowstone grizzlies from the endangered and threatened species list, which would allow states to hold grizzly bear hunts.

More from Religion News Service

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