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## CNI WWW News review

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**FAITH**

### **CNI DAILY NEWS for July 11**

C of E General Synod approves clergy well-being report

Faith leaders at National Day of Commemoration

Fijians from NI join Fijian choir's premiere at GB Methodist Conference

Five peaks and 2,000 miles for Christian Aid Ireland

Catholic Church to hold All-Ireland collection for East Africa

Christian Aid assists 400,000 Indians left homeless by monsoon rains

[www.churchnewsireland.org](http://www.churchnewsireland.org)

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**Paramilitaries behind building of unsafe pyres, claims pastor**

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/northern-ireland/paramilitaries-behind-building-of-unsafe-pyres-claims-pastor-35915956.html?>

**Pallets added to Belfast bonfire despite court ruling**

<http://www.irishtimes.com/news/ireland/irish-news/pallets-added-to-belfast-twelfth-bonfire-despite-court-ban-1.3149870>

**Catholic bishops appeal for funds for E Africa famine**

<http://www.irishtimes.com/news/social-affairs/religion-and-beliefs/catholic-bishops-appeal-for-east-africa-famine-donations-1.3149854>

**Martin says Church stubbornly reluctant to cede control of schools**

Irish Times

Dr Martin said the **Irish religious** education establishment “is fixated on questions of ownership and management and too little on the purpose of the ...

[Church has 'stubborn reluctance' on school divestment, Martin says - Irish Times](#)

[Catholic sectarianism frustrated 1916 ideals, says](#)

[Diarmuid Martin - Irish Times](#)

[Martin will face push-back from his peers - Independent.ie](#)

**POLITICAL AND SOCIAL**

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### **IRA bomb suspects apology is worthless - victims sister**

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/uk/ira-suspects-apology-is-worthless-says-sister-of-birmingham-bomb-victim-35916569.html>

<http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/uk/exira-man-accepts-collective-responsibility-for-birmingham-pub-bombs-35915870.html>

<http://www.independent.ie/irish-news/crime/dont-insult-us-furious-families-of-blast-victims-reject-ira-bombers-apology-35916850.html>

<http://www.irishtimes.com/news/ireland/irish-news/dublin-man-says-he-was-part-of-ira-gang-behind-birmingham-bombings-1.3149922>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-40553803>

<http://www.rte.ie/news/2017/0710/889186-birmingham-bombing-apology/>

### **Irish Universities face severe criticism over misuse of public funds**

<http://www.irishtimes.com/news/education/universities-face-severe-criticism-over-use-of-public-funds-1.3150051>

<http://feeds.examiner.ie/~r/ietopstories/~3/HBOKUOhAHCc/university-audits-touted-over-lack-of-clarity-454536.html>

### **Up to 50% of GPs in rural Ireland to retire**

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<http://www.independent.ie/irish-news/health/rural-ireland-losing-another-lifeline-as-up-to-50pc-of-gps-to-retire-35916635.html>

**42% of adult Irish homeless are women**

<http://www.rte.ie/news/2017/0711/889266-homeless/>

**Largest school building gets underway at Maynooth**

<http://www.irishtimes.com/news/education/largest-single-school-building-project-gets-under-way-1.3149827>

**SF accused of cultural war over 12th by DUP and PUP**

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-40556732>

## UNITED KINGDOM

**Newspaper headlines: Conservative MP's 'N-word shame'**

Racist language used by a Conservative MP and the decision to cap teachers' pay feature on the front pages.

**'Give us our daily threads: clergy are now allowed to wear jeans'**

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

**Rainbow flag does not represent our whole nation**

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The Christian Institute has criticised a decision to display the rainbow flag above the UK Parliament “as if it represents the views of everybody”.

<http://www.newsletter.co.uk/rainbow-flag-does-not-represent-our-whole-nation-christian-institute-1-8049563>

## **Times/Mail/Church Times**

Reports on debate at the General Synod in York where members heard that charges levied on adults and children applying for British citizenship are too high, unfair and risk undoing the work of integration. The General Synod gave unanimous backing to a motion brought by Birmingham Diocesan Synod highlighting the charges and asking bishops in the House of Lords to raise the issue in debates. (See News from the Church of England, above)

<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/cut-staggering-cost-of-citizenship-says-synod-h66jlvf2v>

[http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-4683814/Church-England-wants-citizenship-cost-cut-migrants.html?](http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-4683814/Church-England-wants-citizenship-cost-cut-migrants.html?ITO=1490&ns_mchannel=rss&ns_campaign=1490)

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<https://www.churchtimes.co.uk/articles/2017/14-july/news/uk/synod-voices-dismay-at-high-cost-of-citizenship>

## **Mail**

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Press Association news agency report that Prime Minister Theresa May, the Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull and Met Police Commissioner Cressida Dick were at Southwark Cathedral yesterday speaking to emergency services who responded to the London Bridge and Borough Market attacks.

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/wires/pa/article-4681990/Australian-PM-praises-emergency-services-London-Bridge-terror-attack.html>

### **Guard/Times/Tel**

Reports on final approval given by the General Synod meeting in York to changes in church law on vesture for clergy. The Times and the Tel also report on final approval given by the General Synod to changes in church law on funeral services for people who have taken their life and for people who are unbaptised, bringing the law into line with common practice. The Bishop of St Albans, Alan Smith, who introduced both items at the General Synod, is quoted in all reports. (See also Times Diary item and Comment, below)

[https://www.theguardian.com/world/2017/jul/10/clergy-to-ditch-robos-church-england-dress-down-britain?CMP=share\\_btn\\_tw](https://www.theguardian.com/world/2017/jul/10/clergy-to-ditch-robos-church-england-dress-down-britain?CMP=share_btn_tw)

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<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/dress-down-sundays-for-clergy-freed-from-their-robess-vvr8gnrg9>

<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/07/10/clergy-can-dress-church-votes-let-ditch-vestments/>

<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/edition/news/church-ends-ban-on-full-burial-after-suicide-j5bxsd72t>

## **Times**

Diary item on vesture debate

<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/about-turn-for-rooney-wrmq98wc>

## **Guard**

Further coverage of the debate this weekend at the General Synod on clergy well being including contribution from the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby.

<https://www.theguardian.com/uk-news/2017/jul/10/being-parish-priest-was-my-most-stressful-job-says-justin-welby>

## **Times**

Report on a letter written by Rev Dr Malcolm Brown, Director of Mission and Public Affairs for the Archbishops' Council, to the designer Dame Vivienne Westwood, who is leading a campaign

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against fracking. The article refers to the briefing paper published in January by the Church of England on shale gas and fracking.

<https://www.thetimes.co.uk/article/fashion-dame-vivienne-westwood-meets-her-match-over-fracking-tests-s3999d5w7>

## **BBC**

Further report on the motion passed at the weekend by the General Synod on welcoming transgender people. Members of Synod, meeting in York, supported a call for the House of Bishops to consider preparing nationally commended liturgical materials to mark a person's gender transition

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsbeat/article/40554772/the-church-has-really-said-welcome-to-all-transfolk>

## **Ind**

Further coverage of the General Synod decision at the weekend to back a motion moved by General Synod member Jayne Ozanne calling for a ban on the practice of conversion therapy aimed at altering sexual orientation

<http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/home-news/church-of-england-synod-debate-calls-on-government-ban-gay-cure-therapies-conversion-therapy-a7834216.html>

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## **Guard**

Further coverage of opposition by Wellesbourne Allotment Association near Stratford on Avon in Warwicks to plans under consideration by the Diocese of Coventry to sell allotment land to make way for homes. A spokesperson for Coventry Diocese is quoted.  
<https://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/2017/jul/11/church-of-england-sell-off-wellesbourne-allotment-warwickshire>

## **Sun**

Feature on Unesco World Heritage Sites in Britain including Canterbury Cathedral, Durham Castle and Cathedral and the Palace of Westminster and Westminster Abbey  
<https://www.thesun.co.uk/living/3983646/unesco-world-heritage-sites-uk-lake-district-stonehenge/>

## **Tel**

Travel feature on Britain's churches and cathedrals  
<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/travel/destinations/europe/united-kingdom/galleries/fascinating-facts-about-uk-churches-and-cathedrals/>

## **Tel**

News article on St Swithin's Day

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<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/0/st-swithins-day-what-is-it-and-will-it-rain-for-40-days/>

## **Comment**

### **Christian Today**

Ruth Gledhill “Does this vote by the Church of England mean the end for the Bishop’s Mitre?”

## **INTERNATIONAL**

### **Muslim activist Linda Sarsour’s reference to ‘jihad’ draws conservative wrath**

Conservative media outlets have accused the activist of urging Muslims to wage a holy war against the Trump administration.

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

### **Cardinal returns to Australia to face sexual assault charges**

The most senior Vatican cleric to ever be charged in the Roman Catholic Church sex abuse scandal returned to Australia on Monday to stand trial. [More from Religion News Service](#)

### **Nuns build chapel on pipeline’s path**

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A group of Susquehanna Valley nuns is taking on the company that wants to put a natural gas pipeline through their property. [More from WGAL](#)

**[John R. Quinn, archbishop and liberal voice in church, dies at 88](#)**

As the archbishop of San Francisco in the 1980s and 1990s, Quinn was a leading spokesman on social and political issues and resolutely addressed the AIDS crisis.

[More from mobile.nytimes.com](#)

**What a Mormon doing Buddhist meditation has to do with the future of faith**

An active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints who is also trained in Buddhist mindfulness is pushing the boundaries of traditional religious practice.

[More from DeseretNews.com](#)

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