

## Additional Newsletter items for 7<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

**CATHOLIC VOICES – SHARING THE FAITH WITH CHARITY AND CLARITY - Saturday November 13<sup>th</sup>. 11.30am – 1pm. (via Zoom) Vicariate of Evangelisation and Catechesis.** Do you worry about sharing your Faith in case you meet hostility? Or you might get asked a difficult question? Perhaps the most challenging people are those in your own family and it grieves you that their ears and hearts seem closed. Perhaps you studiously avoid Faith conversations, just in case.....? Catholic Voices have worldwide experience in helping Catholics to dismantle hostility and share the Faith clearly and always from a loving standpoint. Please register for this FREE event using the following link and you will receive an invitation to join on Zoom

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/catholic-voices-sharing-the-faith-with-charity-and-clarity-tickets-195088945287>

**Fr Robbie Low** some excellent tips presented to our diocese on how we can evangelise. If you missed it live, the recording is now available: Topic: EVANGELISM FOR THE SHY, THE HESITANT AND THE INCOMPETENT - Fr Robbie Low Date: Oct 14th 2021 06:36 PM London.

A Recording of his talk is still available on the Plymouth Diocese website.

### World Day of the Poor 2021

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2021 is the fifth World Day of the Poor, initiated by Pope Francis in 2017. The theme for this year's World Day of the Poor is "for the poor you have always with you" from the words of Jesus at the Anointing in Bethany just before his Passion. We are called to follow the example of Jesus in loving God and neighbour, especially the most vulnerable. Pope Francis reminds us, "*If we truly wish to encounter Christ, we have to touch his body in the suffering bodies of the poor.*"

There are more resource including a link to the Pope's message and a reflection from Bishop Mark on our website <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/worlddayreport/>.

There is also a lovely Novena created by Caritas Social Action Network <https://www.csan.org.uk/worlddayofthepoor/> which will be shared each day from 5<sup>th</sup> November on our Diocesan Facebook page.

**Heading Together - Diocese of Plymouth Synodal Journey.** All are invited to an online event on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 7.00pm where Austen Ivereigh will explore the topic; "Behind the global synod; why Pope Francis wants you to speak boldly and listen carefully." The link to register for this free online talk is <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/behind-the-global-synod-a-talk-by-austen-ivereigh-tickets-196421952347>. Austen Ivereigh is a UK-based writer, journalist and commentator best known for his books on and with Pope Francis, and for his role in the media explaining the convictions of the Catholic Church. He is a Fellow in Contemporary Church History at Campion Hall, Oxford and a regular contributor to The Tablet, America magazine and Commonweal, among others. **Evangelisation** – the presentation given by Maria Heath to our Diocese called "Made for Mission", can be viewed on YouTube <https://youtu.be/IODyt30DRoo>. The talk can also be viewed via the diocesan website [www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/](http://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/) to be found in the "Latest News" section.

**JOURNEY TO 2030 - 'The Earth, our home, is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth,'** Pope Francis Laudato Si'. The Diocesan Education Service, CAFOD and Caritas recently held an event looking at how individuals, schools and parishes can respond to Pope Francis' call to put Laudato Si', into action to help our communities thrive, at the same time as tackling huge world issues on the Journey to 2030. The issues can feel daunting but small steps are so important - the little things do add up! There is a new website <https://journeyto2030.org/> which offers a parish guide to Laudato Si' and an our online encyclopaedia for individuals and parishes trying to respond to the Pope's teaching on care for our common home, pulling together inspiring stories and practical actions, wisdom and goals in one place. There are also lots of resources on our Diocesan website <https://www.plymouth-diocese.org.uk/the-diocese/how-we-work/environment/>. If you would like any more information on environmental issues please contact [caritas@prcdtr.org.uk](mailto:caritas@prcdtr.org.uk)