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Scotland Parish Newsletter



Hello,

Welcome to our first ACN in Scotland Parish Newsletter! We hope you and your parish communities are well.

We have been working on a number of initiatives in which you and your parish can work with ACN to support the suffering Church this Lent. We've come up with some virtual ways to generate prayer, pass on information about the work of ACN and fundraise as well. Thank you all for everything that you are doing to support the work of ACN in Scotland.



ACN LENT RESOURCES

We hope that our Lent Resources will allow you and your parish community to reflect on Jesus' Passion, but also provide an opportunity to pray for those around the world who are discriminated against and persecuted for their faith.

We also have a school suite of Lenten School resources for you to share with any teachers that you know!

Resource Includes:

- **Video Recording of ACN's Stations of the Cross - Ault/Secondary School & Primary School version.** Presented by our very own ACN Schools team.
 - **PDF & PPT Copy of ACN'S Stations of the Cross & Teachers Notes - Ault/Secondary & Primary School version.**
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- **The Mobile Phone Challenge Resource.** A way for pupils to incorporate prayer, fasting and almsgiving by being sponsored for giving up their mobile phone for one day.

[CHECK OUT OUR SUITE OF LENT RESOURCES HERE](#)



VIRTUAL LENTEN LUNCH

What if you could provide a hot meal for a desperate Christian family in Lebanon while you enjoy your Sunday lunch at home? We would like to invite your parish community to join our ACN Benefactors across the UK for a **virtual Sunday Lunch in aid of the St John the Merciful Table**, a fantastic initiative that serves daily meals to over 1,500 Christians in and around the city of Zahle,

Lebanon.

We've been working to put together a full line-up of prayer, videos, music, a live-streamed interview with Archbishop John Darwish who initiated the St John the Merciful Kitchen and even a Lebanese cookery demonstration!

The event will stream live on YouTube from 1:00pm on Sunday 21 March.

Entrance is free, and **no advance registration is necessary.**

Just get your Sunday lunch in the oven and click the link below to join us!

FIND OUT MORE HERE

PLEASE share this information and link with your parish community.

We would be so grateful if you could include the 'blurb' below be in your parish newsletter, placed on the parish website, shared on parish social media platforms and/or mentioned at Mass. The more individuals, families and parishes that take part, the bigger an impact we can make and the more help we can offer.

Parish newsletter blurb:

(Please copy and paste into your parish newsletter).

Wondering how you can make a difference this Lent? You are invited to join ACN benefactors and parishes all across the UK for a virtual Sunday Lunch, on 21 March 2021, 1pm, in aid of the St John the Merciful Table, a fantastic initiative that serves daily meals to over 1,500 struggling Christians in Lebanon. All you need to attend this event is an internet connection and a device on which you can access YouTube. Be prepared to enjoy a full line-up

of prayer, videos, music and more! For more info, visit <https://acnuk.org/event/acn-virtual-sunday-lunch/> See you there!



Developed for Primary Schools and Children's Liturgy Groups. This suite of resources is based on '**God Speaks to his Children**', the **ACN Child's Bible**. This little red book contains 99 chapters of paraphrased stories from the Old and New Testaments that our Schools Team have brought to life as an online resource. It's ideal to dip into as a tool to use throughout the liturgical seasons and in preparation for First Holy Communion or Confirmation.

Resource Includes:

- **A video of someone reading a chapter aloud** (Bishops, priests, sisters, educators and prominent Catholic lay people have taken part).
 - **A short child-friendly reflection** on the chapter and a few talking points to encourage further discussion at home.
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- **A themed activity** (a worksheet, puzzle, game, challenge, craft, drama, etc.)
- **FOR LENT ACTIVITIES CHECK OUT Chapters 79 – 92 – Died- Buried - Risen.**

[CHECK OUT ACN CHILD'S BIBLE RESOURCE HERE](#)



VIRTUAL PARISH ACN TALKS

We have missed visiting our parishes and facilitating talks in person, however we invite you to get in touch and book a virtual presentation on the work of ACN in Scotland or click the link below and share our virtual show-reel with your parish community.

[CHECK OUT OUR VIRTUAL SHOWREEL HERE](#)



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Thank you for supporting the work of ACN in Scotland!

Best wishes

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