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Catholic Church's 'no' to memorial for IRA's Poppy Day bombing

The Times

The Catholic **Church** has rejected plans to build on its land a memorial to victims of the IRA's Poppy Day bombing in Northern **Ireland**. The size and scale posed “insurmountable” access problems, a diocesan trust in Enniskillen, Co Fermanagh, said. A bomb exploded at the town's war memorial in ...

Catholic Church officially rejects Enniskillen bombing memorial

The Irish News

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Catholic Church rejects memorial plan for victims of IRA Enniskillen bomb

News Letter

The Catholic Church has rejected plans to build a memorial to victims of the IRA's Poppy Day bombing in Northern Ireland on its land.

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The sheer size and scale of the proposed construction poses "insurmountable" problems for access at the proposed site, a diocesan trust in Enniskillen in Co Fermanagh said.

https://www.newsletter.co.uk/news/catholic-church-rejects-memorial-plan-for-victims-of-ira-enniskillen-bomb-1-8487110/amp?_twitter_impression=true

'I'm ashamed at my church over Enniskillen memorial refusal'

News Letter

The wife of an Enniskillen Poppy Day bomb survivor says she is "ashamed" at her church's rejection of a permanent memorial to the 12 victims.

The Ely Centre group commissioned a large stone tablet, which lists the names of the 12 people who died as a result of the 1987 IRA blast, with a view to having it on permanent display at the scene of the atrocity. However, St Michael's Diocesan Trust owns the land around the bomb site and has decided to reject the proposal, citing a number of concerns. Monsignor Peter O'Reilly, parish priest of Enniskillen and a Trust director, said the size of the memorial poses "insurmountable" problems for access to the site, and also said there were issues around maintenance and "liability" for insurance purposes.

https://www.newsletter.co.uk/news/crime/i-m-ashamed-at-my-church-over-enniskillen-memorial-refusal-1-8488350/amp?_twitter_impression=true

When will Northern Ireland's 'living resurrection' come about?

The Irish News

When will its partisan communities chiefly divided by **religion** have its living resurrection ... If that is so that is the end of John Hume's agreed **Ireland**.

DUP founder: I'm bewildered that Protestant church leaders would welcome Pope NI visit

Belfast Newsletter

... **church** leaders said they would welcome a papal visit to Northern **Ireland** ... He told the **News** Letter: "I fail to see how it would bring people together.

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[Priests object to referendum campaigners speaking at Mass](#)

Irish Times

The ACP said such a practice would be regarded by some **Church**-going ... The ACP is a voluntary The Association of Catholic Priests (ACP) has called for an end to the practice of allowing referendum campaigners to speak at Mass.

In a statement, the association said it was “concerned” that in the run up to the referendum on the Eighth Amendment, some parishes were allowing their pulpits to be used by campaigners.

The ACP said such a practice would be regarded by some Church-going Catholics as “inappropriate and insensitive” and “an abuse of the Eucharist”.

It said that while it fully endorses “the Catholic teaching that all human life, from beginning to end, is sacred”, it also recognises that “human life is complex, throwing up situations that are more often grey than black and white and that demand from us a sensitive, non-judgemental, pastoral approach.”

[Catholic organisation calls on parishes to stop allowing Eighth Amendment campaigners to speak ...](#)

[Independent.ie](#)

“As there are, among faithful, Church-going Catholics, a great variety of ... Last weekend, the Presbyterian **Church of Ireland** called on ministers and ...

[Free P church: We support Ireland's 8th because abortion is a rebellion against God that can never ...](#)

Belfast Newsletter

Free P **church**: We support **Ireland's** 8th because abortion is a rebellion ... Dr Luke records how Elizabeth rejoiced at the Virgin Mary's **news** and how ...

[Church to oppose sex education changes'](#)

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Archbishop Eamon Martin has sent a strong signal that the Catholic **Church** will oppose ... The Primate of All **Ireland** said the approach should present the "positive, yet ... In one pointed comment, which reflects the **Church's** opposition to ... Lidl and Dunnes issue urgent recalls on food products **Irish News**.

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[Church defends role of religious ethos in sex education - Independent.ie](#)

Coveney: 'Sex education isn't about religion. The State must ensure young people get the facts'

[Journal.ie](#)

He said young people today are exposed to much more explicit forms of pornography and sexual content than any generation before them.

<http://www.thejournal.ie/sex-education-simon-coveney-3996274-May2018/>

[Alf McCreary: Why the rank and file of Churches don't take much notice of yearly gatherings](#)

Belfast Telegraph

The annual season of major conferences kicks off next week when the **Church of Ireland** holds its general synod in Armagh from Thursday until ...

[Rising number of people speaking from 'beyond the grave' by writing their own eulogies](#)

Dublin Live

A rising number of Irish people are speaking from beyond the grave by penning their own funeral eulogies before they die. There has been an increase in non-**religious** and humanist funerals in **Ireland** in recent years as people opt for secular over traditional **religious** goodbyes for their loved ones.

[Former north Belfast church believed to have been acquired by controversial Nigerian sect](#)

The Irish News

However, the sign outside the former **Church of Ireland** building, located near Belfast's Shankill Road, suggests it is preparing to open its first church here. It states: "Church acquired for Living Faith Global, Belfast, Northern Ireland. Coming soon". The church building has lain derelict for a number of years ...

[Gardaí try to verify images of sex act on church altar Independent.ie](#)

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The concerning images will be investigated during a year when the Catholic **Church** in **Ireland** is facing challenges including the upcoming abortion ...

Irish church altar 'desecrated' by gay sex act, now people are calling for an exorcism

PinkNews

The Irish Catholic **Church** has asked the Garda – the Republic of **Ireland's** state police – to investigate after explicit pictures emerged of a gay sex act taking place on a **church** altar. The pictures show a man wearing priest vestments performing sex acts with another man, as well as suggestive poses, on ...

Irish Church Scandal: 'Priest' Desecrates Altar With Gay Sex Acts

Church Militant

Kildorrey, Ireland (ChurchMilitant.com) - The latest scandal to rock the Irish Church involves the desecration of a **church** by a "priest" engaging in gay sex on the high altar. The recent incident happened in St. Bartholomew's **Church** in Kildorrery, **Ireland**. Images obtained by **Church** Militant show a ...

<http://catholicherald.co.uk/issues/may-4th-2018/irelands-young-pro-lifers-are-confounding-stereotypes/?platform=hootsuite>

Border Force hiring stance changed due to too many Protestants in security forces

News Letter

MLA Jim Allister – whose detailed reading of the job application criteria brought the issue to the fore in the first place – said the situation is “outrageous”, and “cannot be allowed to go unchallenged”.

The matter first emerged at the start of the week, when Mr Allister noticed that the hiring criteria for the 16 Border Force officer jobs now open in the Province is different to the criteria in Great Britain.

https://www.newsletter.co.uk/news/border-force-hiring-stance-changed-due-to-too-many-protestants-in-security-forces-1-8487884/amp?_twitter_impression=true

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Millennial pilgrimage boom prompts Church of England to send chaplains to Spain

Telegraph.co.uk

But growing numbers of of then are following a trend for pilgrimage - prompting the **Church of England** to send chaplains to fulfil their spiritual needs. For the first time Anglican priests from England as well as sister churches in Canada and Australia will minister to people who have completed the Camino ...

Church of England launches French service for London's 300000 Francophones

ChristianToday

Different estimates put the French population in London as between 300,000 and 500,000, meaning **the British** capital is between the third and the sixth biggest 'French' city. Despite this there are just a handful of French **churches** services in central London, including the Eglise Protestante Francaise de ...

Investors press Shell for tougher carbon emissions cuts

Financial Times

Investors with £28bn of assets under management, including pension funds of the **Church of England** and the UK Environment Agency, have declared support for a shareholder resolution that would force Royal Dutch Shell to adopt tougher targets for reducing carbon emissions. Shell's board has urged ...

