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IRELAND

Terrorists are not "psychopaths" or "mindless" they are calculating killers

News Letter

A leading psychiatrist has dismissed the idea terrorists are "psychopaths" or "mindless" or any such terms that are often applied to them, saying that they are in fact calculating killers. http://www.newsletter.co.uk/top-psychiatrist-the-ira-were-not-psychopaths-but-calculating-killers-1-7893731

Over-zealous traffic wardens accused of £13m parking fine 'blitz' on NI motorists Belfast Telegraph

http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/news/northern-ireland/overzealous-traffic-wardens-accused-of-13m-parking-fine-blitz-on-motorists-35583741.html?

Shocked and disturbed, but glad they went... NI pupils on their emotional day in Auschwitz

Belfast Telegraph

http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk/life/features/shocked-and-disturbed-but-glad-they-went-ni-pupils-on-their-emotional-day-in-auschwitz-35580477.html?

Public services ombudsman can probe NI school complaints

BBC News

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-39449714

NI Weekly newspaper review: Bulgarian booze-binge and Irish immigrants BBC

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-northern-ireland-39415834

GB & UK

Newspaper headlines: EU's Gibraltar 'ambush' and Prince Charles tries to 'halt' a war BBC News http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/blogs-the-papers-39462340

Do Scots really back Sturgeon over Brexit? Polls suggest not

Guardian

https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/ 2017/mar/30/scots-back-sturgeon-brexit-polls? CMP=share btn fb

FT

Report that next week, the Heritage Lottery Fund will announce that it is scrapping its £25m Grants for Places of Worship fund as of 2018. The HLF said church organisations would still be able to apply for funding for repairs and it would "target" a similar amount of spending for churches and other religious buildings. Becky Clark, secretary of the CofE's Church Buildings Council, is quoted saying that previous funding levels were no longer guaranteed and that because of the demands of the application process the changes would hit "those churches with little or no community and churches which are under-resourced, in particular in poorer inner-city areas and very rural locations". https://www.ft.com/content/ c9c1621e-1613-11e7-80f4-13e067d5072c

Christian Today

Report on publication yesterday of a <u>progress</u> <u>report</u> on the Elliott Review, and how the CofE is implementing the safeguarding recommendations made a year ago particularly in areas of handling disclosures of abuse and accountability. Article includes comment from Bishop of Crediton, Sarah Mullally, who received the original report on behalf of the survivor 'Joe'.

Tel

Report that the Chancellor for the Diocese of Rochester John Gallagher said there was "no theological basis" for the retention of pews and overruled the objections of conservationists who objected to plans at St Margaret's Church in Rainham to install stainless steel chairs. Article notes the chairs would be upholstered with blue fabric, a plan which is popular among the congregation.

http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/2017/03/31/ having-comfy-chairs-church-importantpreserving-pews-cofe-court/

BBC

Report that The Church in Wales has dismissed three complaints following allegations of homophobia after a gay clergyman was rejected for a role as the new Bishop of Llandaff. Article notes that Dr Jeffrey John, Dean of St Albans, is understood to have received over half the votes, but not the two-thirds required for the role. The separate complaints came from church electoral college members, members of Llandaff diocesan's standing committee and a group of area deans.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/39453200

Mail

Report that the Anglican Archbishop of Sydney, Glenn Davies has accused same-sex marriage campaigners of 'swamping the public debate' by denying free speech to those that are against it. Writing a column in *The Australian*, the Archbishop argued that if asked in a vote the majority of Australians would oppose same-sex marriage.

http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/ article-4370172/Anglican-Archbishop-criticisessex-marriage-activists.html

BBC

Report that retired vicar, Graham Gregory, 81, has appeared in court to face charges of indecently assaulting a girl under the age of 13 in 1975 and 1977. Mr Gregory from York, who also faces two similar charges, appeared at Douglas

courthouse on Thursday and was bailed until 27 April . All of the offences are alleged to have taken place on the Isle of Man.

http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-europe-isle-of-man-39454938

Comment

Yorkshire Post

Bishop James Jones who preached who preached at York Minster this week to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the York Minster Fund. http://www.yorkshirepost.co.uk/news/opinion/james-jones-house-of-god-opens-a-door-to-the-divine-1-8469981

INTERNATIONAL

Judge maintains broad block on Trump travel ban

U.S. District Court Judge Derrick Watson of Hawaii said the revised travel ban still appeared to be driven by anti-Muslim sentiment and so he made the hold on the ban indefinite.

More from POLITICO

Survey: Evangelical leaders really don't want to endorse politicians

A new survey of evangelical leaders — mainly pastors whose flocks were crucial to Trump's victory in November — shows that close to 90 percent opposed the idea of clergy endorsing politicians from the pulpit.

More from Religion News Service

The 'Splainer: Why won't Mike Pence eat alone with a woman who is not his wife?

The vice president adheres to the so-called Billy Graham Rule developed when the 98-year-old evangelist was a 25-year-old newlywed and wanted to be sure his budding ministry wasn't derailed by sexual scandal.

More from Religion News Service

Pence breaks tie in Senate vote targeting Planned Parenthood funding

The bill repeals a rule proposed by the Obama administration that bans states from blocking family planning grants to Planned Parenthood and other health care providers that offer abortion.

More from POLITICO

How a folk saint of death took off among transgender women in Mexico

Unlike official church figures such as Our Lady of Guadalupe whose images are ethereal, Santa

Muerte appeals to those with practical problems and passions living on the country's margins.

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