

# CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK ENGLAND AND WALES

## World Communications Day 2010

World Communications Day is a day dedicated to prayer for the work of communications professionals across the world.

The Catholic Communications Network (CCN) provides support for the Bishops of England and Wales in promoting the Gospel in the media.

The CCN depends on your generosity. There will be a second collection to support its work.



### Papal Message for World Communications Day: "The Priest and Pastoral Ministry in a Digital World: New Media at the Service of the Word."

Pope Benedict XVI calls for priests to discover new digital possibilities to proclaim the Word of God and carry out their ministry.

**"Using new communication technologies, priests can introduce people to the life of the Church and help our contemporaries to discover the face of Christ. They will best achieve this aim if they learn, from the time of their formation, how to use these technologies in a competent and appropriate way, shaped by sound theological insights and reflecting a strong priestly spirituality grounded in constant dialogue with the Lord."**

World Communications Day 2010 is celebrated on 16 May.

## Communications Sunday Prayer

O God,  
Whose word is truth  
And in whose light we see light,  
Guide those who tell the story  
Of our times  
Through word and image.  
Make them seekers after truth  
And advocates of human dignity.  
Grant discernment to all  
Who rely on their labours,  
And, as we confront the pain  
And promise of this world,  
Awaken in us a sense of wonder  
At your presence  
And of longing for your peace.

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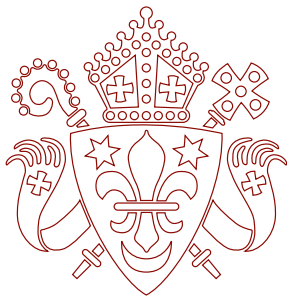
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Please keep Pope Benedict XVI  
and the Bishops of England, Wales  
and Scotland in your prayers as  
they prepare for the first State  
Visit by a Pope to the UK.

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### Faith Today

**Faith Today is a new magazine in a joint venture between Alive Publishing and the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales.**

'The launch of Faith Today is an important moment in the life of the Catholic Church in England and Wales. I warmly commend it to you and ask you to promote this important means of communication among your friends and neighbours. I trust that it will grow to have an important place in the lives of all of us.' Archbishop Vincent Nichols

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### New Home Mission Desk

**In recognition of the ways in which the Media can be used as a tool of evangelisation, a newly created Home Mission Desk now sits within the CCN's office.**

The Desk is manned by the Home Mission Advisor who serves as a point of reference for evangelisation in dioceses, movements and organisations in the Catholic Church in England and Wales. The Desk also exists to support the running and development of the Catholic Enquiry Office and, with partners, to develop evangelistic initiatives as directed by the Bishops of England and Wales.

Since the Desk was started in January 2010 a snapshot of the work includes: supporting secular documentary makers seeking clarity about possible Catholic content; advising groups wanting to evangelise through the visual arts; contributing Catholic content to websites, podcasts and newspapers to encourage people to engage in Home Mission; signposting and advising parishes about outreach strategy and resources. For more information please call: **020 7901 4818**; email: [homemission@cbcew.org.uk](mailto:homemission@cbcew.org.uk)



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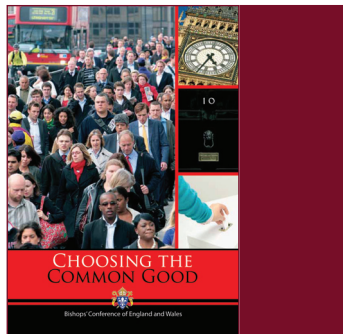


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