Plenary Resolutions: November 2015



NATIONAL VOCATIONS FRAMEWORK

The Bishops' Conference approves the National Vocations Framework 2016 for implementation in its dioceses.

REVISION OF THE STATUTES OF THE VENERABLE ENGLISH COLLEGE, ROME

The Bishops' Conference approves the revision of the Statutes of the Venerable English College, Rome, and asks that they be submitted to the Congregation for Clergy for recognitio.

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF NOSTRA AETATE AND THE GOOD FRIDAY PRAYER

The Bishops' Conference requests that the Pontifical Commission Ecclesia Dei review the prayer Pro Conversione Iudaeorum, in the Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday, in the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite, in the light of the understanding in Nostra Aetate of the relationship between the Catholic Church and Judaism.

DEPARTMENT FOR EVANGELISATION AND CATECHESIS: OUTREACH WORK

The bishops ask the Department for Evangelisation and Catechesis to work in partnership with others in order to gain a more comprehensive profile of the Catholic population, particularly in regard to disaffiliation or conversion. In addition, the Department will look at ways of developing a strategic outreach to those who identify themselves as having no religion, including further reflection and understanding of this large number of people, and the rich and complex reality of their experience.



DAY FOR LIFE

The Bishops' Conference agrees that the Day for Life Fund should, in future, include a small grants fund, specifically to support local projects which are within the scope of the Day for Life collection and have the endorsement of the diocesan bishop. Decisions on all Day for Life grant applications will continue to be made by the Bishops of the Department for Christian Responsibility and Citizenship.

REVISED GRAIL PSALTER

The Bishops' Conference supports the work of the International Commission on English in the Liturgy (ICEL) in preparing a revision of the Liturgy of the Hours. This will include the use of the Revised Grail Psalter (2010) in future editions of the Liturgy of the Hours in England and Wales.

NATIONAL CALENDAR FOR ENGLAND: PROPER TEXTS FOR THE DIVINE OFFICE

The Bishops' Conference asks that further work be done on the Proper Texts in the Liturgy of the Hours for the National Calendar of England.

LECTIONARY

The Bishops' Conference agrees to seek the approval of the Holy See for the use of the Revised Standard Version (2nd Catholic edition 2010) and the Revised Grail Psalter (2010) in the preparation of a Lectionary for use in England and Wales.