

# ICONS NEWSLETTER

**HELLO AND  
WELCOME TO THE  
MARCH ICONS  
NEWSLETTER!**



**International Cross  
of Nails Schools**

**DON'T FORGET TO CHECK OUT OUR  
SOCIAL MEDIA AND GET INVOLVED**

- Send us any images or news of your activities that we can include and showcase.
- Or contact us so we can share your school pages and updates, etc.



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**Featured:**

- What's been happening?
- St Bart's Presentation Service.
- Mary Gregory
- ICONS Gathering!
- What's coming up?
- New dates for the Summer ICONS Ambassadors and Champions.
- ICONS Resources.



# KEY DATES FOR YOUR SCHOOLS DIARY:

The updated Peace calendar for 2021-22 can be found through this link and is packed with ideas and prompts on how to weave ICONS work and practice into the heart of your schools learning and teaching!

<https://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/wpsite/downloads/significant-dates-for-learning-opportunities/>

## What's been happening?



## St Bart's Presentation

### Service!

On the 10th March we had the pleasure of hosting and celebrating St Bart's presentation service.

Attended by the whole school and parents and supporters we were finally able to celebrate St Bart's ICONS status which was awarded to them in 2020 but due to COVID-19 had been delayed until now.

The theme of St Bart's service was 'little things can make a big difference' and the year groups explored this theme through songs, poems and prayers. On the next page is the lyrics of a song that a group of the children performed that we found especially poignant.

A wonderful time was had by all and we can't wait to see what St Bart's get up to next!

# **My Own Two Hands**

**by Jack Johnson**

**I can change the world, with my own two hands  
Make it a better place, with my own two hands  
Make it a kinder place, with my own two hands  
With my own, with my own two hands**

**I can make peace on earth, with my own two  
hands**

**I can clean up the earth, with my own two hands  
I can reach out to you , with my own two hands  
With my own, with my own two hands**

**I'm going to make it a brighter place, with my  
own two hands**

**I'm going to make it safer place, with my own  
two hands**

**I'm going to help the human race, with my own  
two hands**

**With my own, with my own two hands**



# WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

This month across our Social Media we've been celebrating Women's History Month with our *'Women we think you should know about'* Video Series. Check it out!



**Next up:**

## ONLINE CLUSTER MEETINGS

- Living with difference and celebrating diversity in today's society

**Thurs 26/05/2022 - 2pm-3pm**

- How to build a culture of peace

**Thurs 21/07/2022 - 3pm-4pm**

**More dates are being added for the New School year - when would be best for you?  
Let us know**

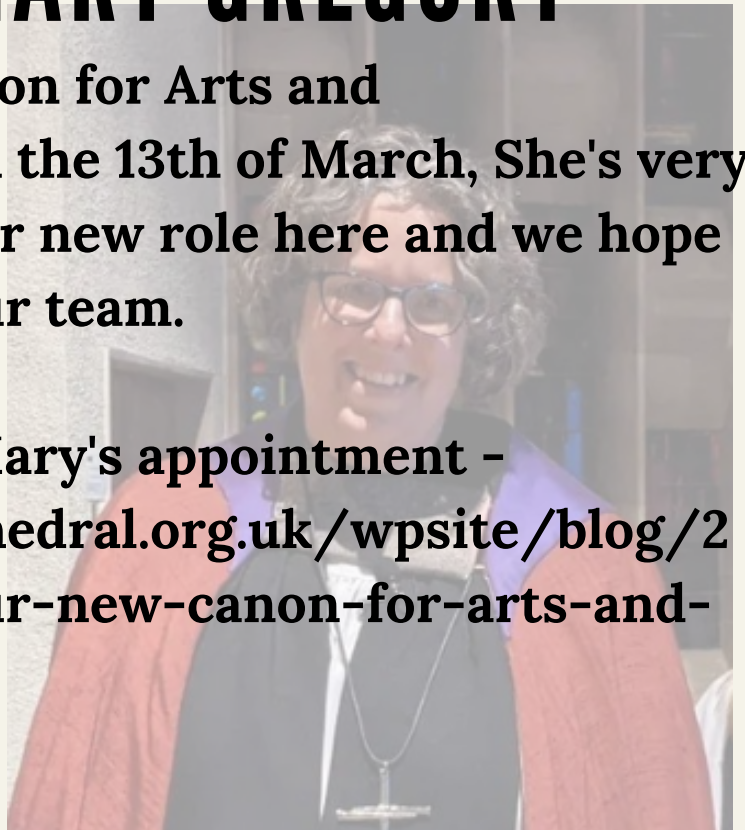
**Open to all,  
these meeting  
will be  
insightful and  
packed with  
useful  
information.  
Perfect for staff  
looking to get  
more involved  
or more clued  
up on ICONS  
resources and  
work.**

**If you are interested in this get in touch by  
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or [jessica.weale@Coventry.Anglican.org](mailto:jessica.weale@Coventry.Anglican.org)**

# THE REVEREND MARY GREGORY

Mary is our brand new Canon for Arts and Reconciliation! Installed on the 13th of March, She's very excited to get stuck into her new role here and we hope she'll enjoy being part of our team.

For more information on Mary's appointment - <https://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/wpsite/blog/2021/12/08/welcome-to-our-new-canon-for-arts-and-reconciliation/>

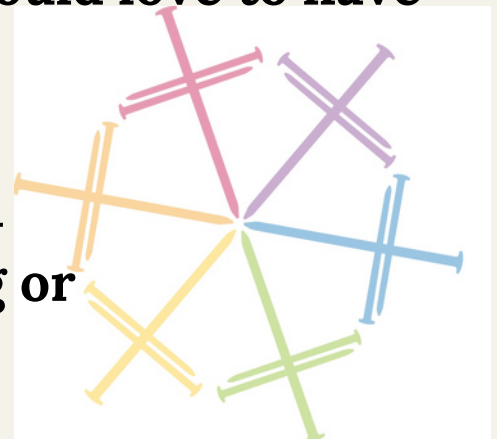


## ICONS GATHERING

Join us for an exciting day full of fun and ICONS themed activities! Beginning with a Service to give thanks and celebrate all of our ICONS Partners, we'll then go onto some fun workshops and relish the joy of coming together for the first time in 9 years!

If you are interested in any part of the day let us know and we can cater to your needs! We would love to have you with us in whatever way possible.

Get in touch via Social Media or Email [emma.griffiths@coventry.anglican.org](mailto:emma.griffiths@coventry.anglican.org) or [jessica.weale@Coventry.Anglican.org](mailto:jessica.weale@Coventry.Anglican.org)





# ICONS GATHERING

**COME AND CELEBRATE  
OUR ANNIVERSARY  
WITH A SPECIAL  
SERVICE AND  
WORKSHOPS FOR ALL  
AGES AND YEAR  
GROUPS!**

**OUR FIRST  
IN PERSON  
GATHERING  
SINCE 2013!**

**COME AN  
JOIN US  
FOR A FREE  
AND FUN  
DAY FOR  
ALL.**



**MAY  
24TH  
2022**

**COVENTRY  
CATHEDRAL**

Priory St, Coventry CV1 5AB

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# ICONS AMBASSADORS

**DO YOU THINK THAT YOUR PUPILS COULD BECOME ICONS AMBASSADORS? IF SO WE OFFER AN EDUCATION SCHEME AND TRAINING DAYS AT THE CATHEDRAL TO EQUIP YOUR STUDENTS WITH PEACEMAKING SKILLS FOR THE CLASSROOM.**

ICONS Ambassadors is a leadership programme for children and young people which will develop their understanding of the following:

- Coventry Cathedral's story and the lasting, global legacy of peace and reconciliation that has grown out of it
- The 3 themes of ICONS: 1) Healing the wounds of history, 2) Living with difference and celebrating diversity, 3) Building a culture of peace
- Theory behind ideas of prejudice, conflict transformation, forgiveness and reconciliation and how to apply their understanding to schools contexts
- Skills and values of peace-makers and reconcilers and how to plan for change within the school context

**The ICONS Ambassadors Programme is most suitable for pupils in Y4-Y6 and involves attendance of sessions run at Coventry Cathedral.**

**Each ICON School can send 6 pupils**

**These Training days will take place on the 16th and 23rd of May, the 6th of June and the 8th of July. See Below for more details**

Day	Sessions
ICONS Ambassadors: Day 1	1. Coventry's Story & ICON Schools 2. Bridge Builder 3. <u>Includer</u>
ICONS Ambassadors: Day 2	4. Interrupter 5. Listener 6. <u>Dignifier</u> 7. Forgiver
ICONS Ambassadors: Day 3	8. Repairer 9. Reconciler 10. Instigator of Change
Celebration Event	a) Sharing event b) Celebration picnic

**If you would like to send your pupils on this course please email [Jessica.Weale@Coventry.Anglican.org](mailto:Jessica.Weale@Coventry.Anglican.org) or [emma.griffiths@coventry.anglican.org](mailto:emma.griffiths@coventry.anglican.org) and we will send you an application form - please be aware that this course costs around £20 per student, which can be discussed with the cathedral if this is a fiscal difficulty.**



# ICONS CHAMPIONS

**WE ALSO OFFER ICONS CHAMPIONS TRAINING TO STAFF TO EQUIP YOU WITH THE CLASSROOM SKILLS THAT FURTHER RECONCILIATION CENTRED LEARNING AND PEACEFUL PRACTICE IN THE CLASSROOM.**

## **What is an ICONS Champion?**

**An ICON Champion is someone on the staff who is passionate about the concept of ICON Schools and understands the story of Coventry Cathedral and the Cross of Nails as a symbol of peace and reconciliation. This person will drive forward peace-building and reconciliation initiatives and encourage children and staff to engage with the school's work in this area.**

**This training is for staff in ICON Schools who are intending to take a lead on embedding their ICONS status so that there is ownership across the school community.**

**Smaller ICON schools may wish to send only one member of staff but larger primaries and secondary ICONS are encouraged to send more than one member of staff, especially if they want to spread impact across several key stages or different departments.**

**Over time, many members of staff from the same school may attend the training each time it is run to foster the greatest level of ownership.**

**7th June 2022**

**Session One 1:00pm – 3:30pm**

**14th June 2022**

**Session Two 1:00pm – 3:30pm**

**21st June 2022**

**Session Three 1:00pm – 3:30pm**

**If you would like to attend this course please email [Jessica.Weale@Coventry.Anglican.org.uk](mailto:Jessica.Weale@Coventry.Anglican.org.uk) or [emma.griffiths@coventry.anglican.org](mailto:emma.griffiths@coventry.anglican.org) and we will send you an application form - please be aware that this course costs £90 for all three sessions, which can be discussed with the cathedral if this is a fiscal difficulty.**



**PLEASE KEEP CHECKING OUR WEB-PAGE FOR RESOURCES AS  
WE'LL BE POSTING NEW ICONS TEACHING RESOURCES EVERY  
FEW WEEKS.**

**IF YOU ARE HAVING DIFFICULTY ACCESSING THESE PLEASE  
LET  
US KNOW.**

**[HTTPS://WWW.COVENTRYCATHEDRAL.ORG.UK/WPSITE/TEAC  
HER-RESOURCES-2/](https://www.coventrycathedral.org.uk/wpsite/teacher-resources-2/)**

**THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR READING AND INTERACTING WITH  
THIS NEWSLETTER.**

**DON'T FORGET TO FOLLOW OUR SOCIAL MEDIAS AND GET IN  
TOUCH WITH US ABOUT ALL OUR EXCITING ACTIVITIES.**

**WARMEST REGARDS,  
THE ICONS TEAM.**