

a book called 'The Garden Awakening.' Mary has presented TV programmes, given talks and workshops on garden design, She likes to campaign against pesticides, herbicides and GMO's but values most time spent with her two children.



Nellie McLaughlin BA, M Divinity, is a native of Co. Donegal and a member of the Sisters of Mercy, Northern Province, Ireland. She currently works in the areas of Creation Spirituality, Cosmology, Ecology and Sustainable Living. She is a founding member of Green Sod Land Trust, Ireland and author of "Out of Wonder" – the evolving story of the universe and "Life's Delicate Balance" – a response to 'Laudato Si'.



Paul Vallely: Is a director of The Tablet and has a weekly column in the Church Times. Visiting Professor in Public Ethics at the University of Chester and a Senior Research Fellow at the Global Development Institute, University of Manchester, he is the author of the best-selling biography *Pope Francis – Untying the Knots*. Its sequel *Pope Francis – the Struggle for the Soul of Catholicism* covers the first years of the current papacy.



Justin Kilcullen: Born in Dublin, a qualified architect, he began his career in Tanzania working on low cost housing, and subsequently with UNHCR in Thailand/Cambodia constructing refugee camps. He joined Trócaire in 1981, and was appointed Executive Director in 1993, a post he held for twenty years. He now works as a mentor with senior managers in the voluntary/community sector. He is a board member of a number of not-for-profit organisations and Chair of Social Justice Ireland.



Rev. Ivan Steen: He grew up close to Dromantine Co Down and qualified as a Dentist at Queens University, Belfast. A keen sportsman he played hockey for Newry and for Ireland. Later he followed his call to Guatemala as a dental missionary and then returned to Ireland for ministry selection. Ministering at Windsor Presbyterian Church on the Lisburn Road, Belfast, he is a passionate advocate of the Gospel lived out across the many borders that too often separate and define us. He is Married to Gemma with two children Lucia and Jasper



Attendance must be booked in advance as places are limited.

All inclusive cost £145 or €170

For those wishing to attend part of the Summer School the following costs apply.

- £5.00 admission fee on Friday, July 7th
- £10.00 admission fee on Saturday 8th
- £10.00 admission fee on Sunday 9th

Lunch is available at a cost of £15 (€20),
Supper: £10 Please indicate when booking and pay on arrival.

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Facilitator: Fr Seán Healy SMA

PROGRAMME

Friday 7th July

- 4.30pm Keynote Speaker
Justin Kilcullen
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS: A FAITH RESPONSE.
- 6.00pm Supper
- 7.15pm Mary Reynolds' FILM:
"DARE TO BE WILD."

Saturday 8th July

- 8.00am Mass
- 8.30am Breakfast
- 9.45am Workshops
a) Mary Reynolds
REMEMBERING OUR ROLES AS GUARDIANS OF THE EARTH.
b) Sr Nellie McLaughlin RSM
LAUDATO SI' AND THE CALL TO CONVERSION - IMPOSSIBLE CHALLENGE FOR THE MODERN WORLD?.
- 11.00am Tea/Coffee
- 11.30am Keynote Speaker
Paul Vallely
CAN POPE FRANCIS RESOLVE THE TENSIONS AND DIFFERENCES WITHIN THE CHURCH AND INFLUENCE OTHERS BEYOND IT?
- 1.00pm Lunch

- 2.30pm Workshops
a) Dr Bryan McMahon
THE REALITY OF DIRECT PROVISION AND THE CHRISTIAN DUTY TO DEMAND CHANGE.

b) Rev Ivan Steen
AN INCLUSIVE PARISH: A CHRISTIAN IMPERATIVE OR OPTIONAL EXTRA?

4.00pm Tea/Coffee

6.00pm Supper

Sunday 9th July

8.30am Breakfast

10.00am Keynote Speaker
Dr Fáinche Ryan
IMBALANCED LEADERSHIP WITHIN THE CHURCH: THE CHALLENGES AND THE CONSEQUENCES.

12.00pm **EUCHARIST**
Fr Gerry O'Hanlon SJ

1.00pm Lunch

2.30pm Workshops
a) Dr Jessie Rodgers
A WOMAN'S VOICE IN THE CHURCH: BIBLICAL AND NEWCOMER PERSPECTIVES.

b) Fr Gerry O'Hanlon SJ
THE PEOPLE ON THE MARGINS: A FAITH RESPONSE IN A SECULAR SOCIETY.

4.00pm Closing Remarks.

SPEAKERS



Dr. Bryan McMahon: A graduate of UCD and a fellow of Harvard Law School, he was Professor of Law at University College Cork for 20 years and appointed to the bench in 1999. He retired from the High Court in 2011. Awarded an honorary doctorate (LLD) by UCD in 2012. He was Chair of the Working Group established to recommend improvements to the Protection Process, including Direct Provision. It reported to the Government in June 2015.



Dr. Fáinche Ryan: Current Director Loyola Institute, TCD, she was awarded a doctorate in Systematic Theology at the Pontifical University of St Thomas Aquinas (*Angelicum*) in 2006 and appointed Director of Studies at the Margaret Beaufort Institute of Theology, Cambridge. Prior to her appointment at Trinity College Dublin, Fáinche was a lecturer in Theology at the Mater Dei Institute, Dublin.



Gerry O'Hanlon SJ: Gerry O'Hanlon is a Jesuit priest and theologian who has written extensively about faith and culture, faith and justice, the place of religion in the public square and church reform and renewal. Until recently a staff member of the Jesuit Centre for Faith and Justice, he is currently Adjunct Professor in the Loyola Institute at TCD. Among his publications are *Theology in the Irish Public Square* (2010) and *A New Vision for the Catholic Church* (2011).



Dr. Jessie Rodgers: A native of South Africa, Jessie is a biblical scholar, "Godly Play" Trainer and Spiritual Director. While her academic work focuses on Old Testament Wisdom Literature, her passion is to make Scripture accessible to ordinary people. She is a lecturer in Sacred Scripture in St Patrick's College, Maynooth, and lives with her husband and three daughters in Hospital, County Limerick.



Mary Reynolds: After a few years designing gardens Mary moved to nature rather than human centred design. She entered the Chelsea Flower Show, winning a Gold Medal and gaining a cult following. Another move led to design in harmony with nature and