**Special dates/weeks 2019-20**

There are many designated yearly dates which people celebrate which have little to do with the work of the SR team. However, among the many offerings (some of them frankly wacky!) there are some serious items, and some which the Church, more generally, likes to support.

As a diocese we hope to encourage prayer around these and to point people to resources and ideas for events.

**2019**

**Creation tide *(September 1st – October 4th*)** Contact Andrew Quigley

<https://creationtide.wordpress.com/> CoE link to resources

<https://ecochurch.arocha.org.uk/>

<http://www.christian-ecology.org.uk/creationtime.htm>

**Education Sunday *8th September*** Theme is Form and flourish to re-form contact ?Carolyn Lewis

<https://www.cte.org.uk/Group/Group.aspx?ID=325728>

**Homeless Sunday** ***(6th October***-NB change of date from Jan) (awaiting resources for 2019) Contact Alison Adams

<https://www.housingjustice.org.uk/news/news> links to resources here

**Prisons week** moved from Nov to October- starts 2nd Sunday in ***October 13th -19th*** Contact Alison Adams

<http://prisonsweek.org/> Theme- What does freedom mean to you?

**Anti Slavery Day** ***18th October*** Contact Margaret Rouse

<https://www.theclewerinitiative.org/news/2018/12/14/how-to-raise-awareness-of-modern-slavery-in-2019>

<https://freedomsundayglobal.org/christian-2/> Christian resources for anti-trafficking day

**One World Week** (***20th- – 27th October***) including United Nations day on 24th October. Contact Peter Yates

<https://www.oneworldweek.org/>

<https://globaldimension.org.uk/event/united-nations-day/2019-10-24/>

Link with World Aids day ***December 1st***Contact? Karen Rooms

<https://www.awarenessdays.com/awareness-days-calendar/world-aids-day-2019/>

**2020**

**Fair Trade Fortnight (*24th Feb – 8th March*)** (awaiting resources for 2020) Contact Vicky Gilbert Christina Mottram

<http://www.fairtrade.org.uk/Get-Involved/Current-campaigns/Fairtrade-Fortnight>

<http://justfairtrade.com/>

**World Day of Prayer (*Friday 6th March***) Contact Mothers Union Julie Foulds mailto:MU.Lec@LecCofE.org

<http://www.wwdp.org.uk/> (awaiting resources for 2020) Focus on Zimbabwe

**Poverty Sunday** ( ***Sunday February 23rd)*** Church Action on Poverty) <http://www.church-poverty.org.uk/sunday> (awaiting resources for 2020) Contact: Sian Rigby

**Deaf Awareness Week** **(*4-10th May tbc***) (awaiting resources for 2020) contact Karen Sly

<http://www.ndcs.org.uk/family_support/communication/deaf_awareness/deaf_awareness_info.html?gclid=CM2YkNHszMoCFQoOwwodfKQMhw>

<http://deafcouncil.org.uk/>

<http://deafchurch.co.uk/index.php/162-churches-sp-724/midlands/697-leicester-church-of-the-good-shepherd-deaf-church>

[**Christian**](https://www.christianaid.org.uk/christian-aid-week) **Aid Week *10th-16th May*** (awaiting resources for 2020) contact Peter Yates

<https://www.christianaid.org.uk/Christian-Aid-Week>

**Mental Health Awareness week (*11th-17th May*)** Contact- Alison Adams/ Sian Rigby

<https://www.awarenessdays.com/awareness-days-calendar/mental-health-awareness-week-2019/>

**Dementia Awareness Week *15th- 21st May*** contact Alison Adams

<http://www.whathealth.com/awareness/event/dementiaawarenessweek.html>

**World Environment day** (***5th June*** –UN, may be celebrated on Sunday 7th June) - but focus will be on Creationtide) Contact Andrew Quigley

<https://www.awarenessdays.com/awareness-days-calendar/world-environment-day-2019/>

**Refugee Week** (***15th – 21st June***) (awaiting resources for 2020) Contact tbc Karen Rooms

<http://refugeeweek.org.uk/>

<http://www.redcross.org.uk/What-we-do/Refugee-support>

<http://www.redcross.org.uk/Where-we-work/In-the-UK/Northern-England/Lincolnshire-Leicestershire-and-Rutland-and-Northamptonshire/LocalServices/Refugee-support?dpid=fef16ef0-e5cd-4704-8da4-deaebd2d1bfc>

<https://leicester.cityofsanctuary.org/>

<http://www.refugeecouncil.org.uk/services/2712_migrant_help_line>

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