# **OCTOBER DATES**

6 October: Mindfulness Course Online (MBSR) begins. (6 Oct – 1 Dec, 5pm-7.30pm). Loreto Spirituality.

**October: EMBER TRAINING (Student** Faith Leadership groups)

14 October: RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CONFERENCE FOR LORETO SCHOOLS (Online over Zoom)

#### IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY WARD

#### AND TERESA BALL

This year, we will revisit our pilgrimage of well -known routes taken by Mary Ward and Teresa Ball. We will plot these distances and walk them in our own locality. This camino will be interspersed with reflections on our experience and interesting insights into the lifestories of both Mary Ward and Teresa Ball.

Watch this space for further details.



# TERESA BALL 2021

ART: Many thanks to all who sent in portraits of Teresa Ball and illustrations of scenes from her life – they are beautiful! We will be in touch with all schools about this competition next month.



MUSIC: Due to the challenges of Covid-19, 11 December 2020 is now the closing date for sending in the musical compositions of

- Loreto Anthem
- Settings of the maxims of Mary Ward and Teresa Ball

(See information received in school for further details).



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# DIALOGUE OF FAITH AND LIFE



OCTOBER 2020

# **SEASON OF CREATION**

This is a time to renew our

relationship with our Creator and all creation through

celebration,

conversion,

& commitment together.

We join together in prayer and action for our common home. See <u>https://loretoeducationtrust.ie/</u> <u>wp-content/uploads/2020/09/</u> <u>Season-of-Creation-Laudato-Si-and-</u> <u>Music-Sept-2020.pdf</u>



## **MEDITATION**

Mindfulness - Meditation - Contemplation offers a set of videos and audio files presented by Barbara Murphy IBVM on the basic skills of mindfulness and opens a space to the Divine presence in our lives.

https://www.everydaygodspirituality.net/ mindfulness-and-spirituality We continue to pray for all during this pandemic.

### LORETO PRAYER FOR PROTECTION AND HEALING

We come to you in prayer, O Loving God as people of hope, trusting in your protection, your care and healing. Help us to care for each other in these unprecedented times.

Bless and protect all in our school community. Bring healing and comfort to those who are sick. Bless and protect the medical professionals caring for the sick and all who take care of those who are ill. Guide our leaders towards wise decisions.

Strengthen all to live and work in new ways together

for the greater good of all.

We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

St Patrick, Pray for our world

St Brígíd, Pray for our world

Venerable Mary Ward, Pray for our world

## **ONLINE PRAYER**

During the months when the schools were working online, we held "Prayer for our Schools" mornings over Zoom. We also began the year with a "Prayer for Blessing on our Schools" in August. Some of these online prayers were organised in collaboration with the Dublin diocese and the Chaplains' Association.

These will continue this year at times that will suit the school community now working *at* school.

Links to these reflection times will be sent in advance to the schools.

# WELCOME

New members are welcome to join the following two groups. If you are interested, please send an email to me at kfitzpatrick@loretoeducationcentre.ie

One does not need to be a Religious Education teacher to be a member.

# **1. DIALOGUE OF MUSIC AND FAITH**



2. SCIENCE AND RELIGION IN DIALOGUE