## **Mission Month Events**

- Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October: Film Screening at the Irish Film Institute, Eustace Street, Dublin, 11am-1pm: *Thanks to Your Noble Shadow*. This documentary looks back at the life of Jennie O'Sullivan (Sr Paschal), an Infant Jesus Sister, who spent 75 years as a missionary in Japan. James Creedon, a cousin of Sr Paschal's, produced this documentary, which was made during the last years of her life, spent here in Ireland. James will be present to introduce the screening at the Irish Film Institute. Light refreshments will be served afterwards. There is no charge on the day but donations for overseas mission are welcome. Please RSVP to Fiona Walsh if you wish to attend; email: fiona@wmi.ie or call the office on (01) 4972035.
- Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> October: Mass for benefactors & returned missionaries, St Joseph's Oratory, St Patrick's College, Maynooth, 2pm. Chief Celebrant: Archbishop Kieran O'Reilly. Light refreshments will be available after the Mass. Please RSVP to Fiona Walsh if you wish to attend; email: fiona@wmi.ie or call the office on (01) 4972035.
- **Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> October: Kenyan Exhibition**: There will be an exhibition, highlighting the work of Irish missionaries to Kenya, spanning 100 years (1916-2016). This exhibition will be on view for those attending the Mass at St Patrick's College.
- Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> October: National Day of Prayer for Children, A country
  wide event, with the main celebration coming from Carlow Cathedral. Chief
  Celebrant: Bishop Denis Nulty. This is the 10th year of the National Day of Prayer.
  To complement the World Meeting of Families 2018, the theme this year is 'Let's
  be Family'.

- Saturday, 14th October: Miles for Mission, Phoenix Park Dublin. Registration is available online at www.popupraces.ie but entrants can register on the day from 9am at the Papal Cross. World Missions Ireland, in conjunction with the World Meeting of Families, is hosting this annual walk/run. Given the huge numbers of Irish missionaries overseas, we are hoping that this event will be an occasion for families to come together on mission and to help raise funds for missionaries working with very needy families around the world. The 2km family walk begins at 10am, while the 5K and 10K events will commence at 10:30am. The Archbishop of Cashel & Emly, Archbishop Kieran O'Reilly, will be there on the day to join and walk with our missionary families.
- Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> October: 'Maynooth, Ireland and the Far East', a one-day conference to mark the centenary of the Columban Fathers and the Maynooth Mission to China. This is a full day conference, which will take place at St Patrick's College, Maynooth. Further information is available from the History Department, Maynooth University.
- Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October: Mission Sunday. RTÉ televised Mass on behalf of World Missions Ireland, 11am. Chief Celebrant: Archbishop Kieran O'Reilly.

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