

North of Ireland.



St. Anne's R.C. parish has always had a good relationship with the other Christian denominations in the area. An attitude of respect and understanding has developed over the years. Sr. Mary Murray, as parish sister, is very involved in ecumenical meetings.

There are Justice and Peace groups within the parish. One of these – **One World Group** – runs a Fair Trade stall every first Sunday of the month. The proceeds are sent to the main branch. The RSHM communities in N. Ireland support this group.



Trocaire is strongly supported in its work towards a just world – especially during its Lenten campaign. The RSHM communities contribute towards any fund-raising.

TROCAIRE
Working for a Just World

In **Rathmore Grammar School** the pupils become deeply involved each year in organising events to raise money towards the Trocaire Lenten campaign. Last year they raised €15,000.

Eco-schools: For the past year a group of students and two members of staff have spent many lunch breaks discussing issues on the environment. They have encouraged the school community to try to reduce the carbon footprint of the school. Their inspiration came from the words of M. Teresa *'I only feel angry when I see waste – when I see people throwing away things we could use.'* As a result of their efforts the school was awarded the Bronze award for Eco-schools. They have set their sights on achieving the Silver award this coming year.

London - Olympic Site Peace Walk

Between the 27 July and 9th September 2012 the eyes of the world will be focused on East London where the Olympic and Paralympic Games are taking place.

Recently a Peace Walk was organized by the Justice & Peace Desk of the Westminster Diocese to pray for a safe and peaceful games for the athletes and spectators from the countries taking part. There were pauses at various stages on the walk to pray for special intentions:

- the local community affected by the extra construction work to facilitate the games
- exploitation of the vulnerable especially in relation to the buying and selling of sex and labour which often happens at the time of major sporting events
- the isolation of those experiencing homelessness and displacement while others are enjoying the Olympic events
- the final prayer was that the Olympic values of respect, friendship and excellence would challenge all taking part in the walk to act justly, love tenderly and walk humbly with their God.

The Manor Park community and Kathleen O'Donovan and Rosemary Lenehan from Upminster community participated in this walk which took 3 hours to complete.