

Thursday, 16th October

United Nations World Food Day

BREAKFAST WITH A DIFFERENCE

Join the Student Engagement Office & Students' Union Welfare Office in the Student Common Room at 8.30 am for a Breakfast with a Difference.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT - AN INTERFAITH DIALOGUE

12.30 pm in An Tobar (Student Service Building).
Join us as we share from the various cultural and religious backgrounds represented on campus.

VIGIL AT TRÓCAIRE'S PEACE TREE

1.30 pm next to the Aula Maxima (South Campus).
Reflection and prayer for peace in the Middle East.

OVERSEAS VOLUNTEERING GROUPS EXHIBITION

Groups who have opportunities to volunteer overseas will be available to chat to students interested in such opportunities. 10 am - 3 pm in the Arts Block.

FILM SCREENING

Hosted by the Maynooth University Pride Society, 7.30pm in John Hume Lecture 2.

FRIDAY, 17TH OCTOBER INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ERADICATION OF POVERTY

SATURDAY, 18TH OCTOBER EU ANTI-TRAFFICKING DAY

SUNDAY, 19TH OCTOBER WORLD MISSION DAY



WHAT IS SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK?

Social Justice Week in Maynooth University is a collaborative effort between students, staff and agencies aimed at raising awareness of global challenges, promoting social justice and challenging individuals to make a positive difference in the world around them.

WOW BAGS

WOW bags are on sale throughout the week. These bags are made from recycled juice bags by a group of women in the Philippines in an area devastated by a volcano in 1991. The project is co-ordinated by a Maynooth graduate, Helen Mitchell.

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We would like to acknowledge the work and input by the staff and students of both Maynooth University and St. Patrick's College, Maynooth, as well as the Maynooth Green Campus Committee, Irish Missionary Union (IMU), Trocaire, SUAS Educational Development and Concern.

SOCIAL JUSTICE / SUAS PHOTO EXHIBITION

As part of the week there will be the SUAS Educational Development 8x8 festival which revolves around a high-profile touring photographic exhibition which aims to challenge perspectives of development and to highlight some of the solutions to development issues in the Global South.

For event updates check out the Maynooth Social Justice Web page www.maynoothuniversity.ie/socialjustice and the Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/maynoothsjp

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SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK 2014

A Call to Action

13th - 19th October



**Week launched by President Michael D. Higgins
on Monday, 13th October.**

Monday 13th October

Official Launch

KEYNOTE ADDRESS & OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEK 2014 BY PRESIDENT MICHAEL D. HIGGINS



10.30am in Iontas Theatre.

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUAS 8X8 PHOTO EXHIBITION

In Iontas Foyer and around the campus throughout the week.

A MOMENT OF SOLIDARITY

(Following the "Official Launch")

Calling all students and staff to stop and reflect for one minute in solidarity with people struggling daily against poverty, exclusion and the denial of human rights and those working to end social injustice.

PRESIDENT'S RECEPTION

11.00 am in Iontas Theatre.

(Following the "The Moment of Solidarity")

Voluntary donations will be sought to help local groups in West Africa to alleviate the effects of the Ebola Crisis.

ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING WORKSHOP

3.00 pm in Class Hall C.

Hosted by Debbie O'Rourke of the Maynooth University Department of Applied Social Studies.

FILM SCREENING OF "RETURN TO HOMS"

7.30pm John Hume Lecture 3.

Hosted by the Maynooth University Mental Health and Mature Students Societies. Winner of the World Cinema Grand Jury Prize at the Sundance Film Festival 2014, this film is about the Syrian citizen who challenged everything and everyone to demand freedom (followed by discussion).

Tuesday 14th October

Climate Justice

"THE CHALLENGE OF CLIMATE JUSTICE" (A FORUM FACILITATED BY JOE LARRAGY, CHAIR OF MAYNOOTH GREEN CAMPUS COMMITTEE)

12.01 pm in Phoenix Boardroom.

A Moment of Solidarity will be held at 12 noon each day.

LAUNCH OF WOW BAGS INITIATIVE

2pm in the Arts Block.

TRÓCAIRE PRESENT "FOOD NOT FUEL"

3.00pm in the Student Common Room (North Campus).

This short film highlights how the tackling of climate change through use of bio-fuels has had a disastrous effect on the indigenous communities of Guatemala.

FILM SCREENING OF "TRASHED - NO PLACE FOR WASTE"

7.30pm John Hume Lecture 3.

Hosted by the Maynooth University Literary & Debating and Enactus Societies. This film looks at the risks to the food chain and the environment through pollution of our air, land and sea by waste (followed by discussion).



Wednesday 15th October

International Day of Rural Women

KEYNOTE ADDRESS BY RUTH COOKE FROM INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE MISSION (IRELAND & UK) INCLUDES A SCREENING OF "THE LOCUST EFFECT"



Alice Wanjeru Njue holding a butternut plant. The butternut plant is growing on sprinkler irrigated land, on her farm in Ishiara, Kenya. Photo by Clare McEvoy.

1.00pm in the Students' Union Centre Venue. "Why the end of poverty requires the end of violence." (followed by discussion). Preceded by a light lunch hosted by the Maynooth University Chaplaincy Service (12.30 pm in the Students' Union Centre Venue).

FAIR TRADE TEA / COFFEE MORNING

From 10.30am in An Tobar.

The Irish Missionary Union's Social Justice Calendar will be launched at this event.

PASTORAL GROUPS OPEN DAY - MAKE FRIENDS, MAKE A DIFFERENCE

10.00am - 3.00pm in the Arts Block.

"CHILD POVERTY, EUROPEAN STRATEGIES & POLICIES"

4.00 pm in Classhall E, Arts Block.

Seminar delivered by Hugh Frazer, former Director of the Irish Anti-Poverty Network.

FILM SCREENING OF "SEPIDEH"

7.30pm John Hume Lecture 2. Hosted by the Maynooth University Amnesty and Drama Societies. This magical documentary charts the strained, yet devoted, relationship between daughter and mother in a rural village in Iran and captures unexpected moments that will change Sepideh's life forever (followed by discussion).