

Mini DASH Conference – October 2021

The 'Mini-DASH' is a [Catholic] diocesan event that brings pupils together for a workshop from right across Shrewsbury Diocese. It is always a great opportunity for pupils to meet (albeit online at the moment!) to pray, reflect and participate in the activities together.



The workshop is led by Cath Duffy (Catholic Diocesan Chaplaincy Co-ordinator) and other members of her Team. This workshop saw the pupils come together in prayer at the start of the session and begin to explore the topic of homelessness in preparation for World Homelessness Day on the 10th Sunday 2021

[<http://www.worldhomelessday.org/>]

After sharing an opening prayer by St Vincent de Paul (see <http://holytrinity.academy/saint-of-the-week-2021-2022/saint-of-the-week-week-4/>), then pupils got stuck into the activities ...

... they tried to imagine what it would be like to be homeless ... and then discussed and analysed issues such as whether to give money directly to the homeless. Every workshop then requires a 'mission' in that the pupils had to discuss what action they were planning to do next as a result of this workshop and the discussions ... how would they raise awareness about the plight of the homeless?



Part of the workshop required the pupils to try and construct their own 'homeless shelter'. Armed with a limited set of materials and equipment, the Year 10s set about their task. I'll let you decide how they got on ... would you want to sleep in this for a night? Or more?