



- 10.30 - 11.00 Arrival at TCD
- 11.00 - 11.15 **Welcome and Introductions,** The Revd Abigail Sines
Opening remarks, Archbishop Michael Jackson, Chair of the Dublin
City Interfaith Forum
- 11:15 - 12.00 **Keynote Address, The Revd Dr Stephen Skuce**
The Rev Dr Stephen Skuce is currently Superintendent of the North
Western District of Irish Methodism. He worked with the British
Methodist Church in a number of roles including Director of Research,
Director of Global Relationships and Academic Dean at Cliff College.
He served as a mission partner in Sri Lanka and his published work
includes *The Faiths of Ireland* (Columba, 2006).
- 12:00 - 12:15 Comfort break
- 12.15 - 13.05 **Panel Session I, Good News Case Studies**
Moderated by The Revd Abigail Sines
- ‘Birds with Wishes’ creative collaboration
 - Tullamore Welcome Centre
- 13:05 - 13:45 Break for lunch (sandwiches and soft drinks provided)

13.45-14.45:

Panel Session 2, Relating Across Diverse Communities

Moderated by Br. Kevin Mascarenhas

- **Mrs Fahmeda Naheed** is coordinator of the SALAAM (Sustainable Alliances Against Anti-Muslim Hatred) Project, a joint project of the Irish Network Against Racism, Doras, the University of Limerick and the Immigrant Council of Ireland. She is contributor to Garda Review magazine and is a member of the Ethnic Minorities Domestic Abuse Observatory. She is an Ambassador of Schools of Sanctuary and a tutor of Fusion cooking (Irish- Pakistan food) with Cork City Partnership.
- **Mrs Naomi Green** is currently completing her PhD at the University of Ulster focusing on the inclusion and integration of Muslims in Northern Ireland. She volunteered with Belfast Islamic Centre for many years was recently re-appointed to the Muslim Council of Britain (MCB) for a third term. She is an advocate for social and racial justice and currently sits on the Racial Equality Subgroup and various other roundtables and advisory groups on behalf of North West Migrant's Forum.

14.45 -15.00

Closing Reflection: The Revd Dr Stephen Skuce

Concluding Remarks: The Revd Suzanne Cousins, Interfaith Advisor to the Archbishop of Armagh

All faith groups and communities welcome to become part of Sanctuary in Faith!

The concepts of Sanctuary and Hospitality are prominent in many different religions and expressions of faith.

When a faith community receives the Place of Sanctuary designation, it is an affirmation that the community is one in which hospitality and sanctuary are woven into their life and explicitly stated, so that those looking for a welcome will know that they will find one there.

The Faiths Stream steering group are happy to provide guidance and encouragement for faith groups ready to embark on the Sanctuary Journey and work towards the Places of Sanctuary designation. This is a process of 'Learn - Embed - Share'. This process is intended to lead faith communities to engage in practical acts of friendship and solidarity.

You can visit our webpage for more info:
<https://ireland.cityofsanctuary.org/sanctuary-in-faith>

Or speak to one of the Steering Committee members!

Would you like for your group or faith community to become more aware of issues facing refugees and International Protection applicants in Ireland?

Would you like to learn from the experiences of individuals who have faced huge challenges but who have made a new home on this island?

Why not invite a Sanctuary Ambassador to speak to your group? You can even organise a session to take place via Zoom!

Sanctuary Ambassadors are refugees and people who have been through the International Protection process, who now work build bridges of understanding across Irish society. Sanctuary Ambassadors come from different cultures, nationalities, religions and backgrounds, but they form community and work together, united by the aim to give a voice to their peers and build a more united and integrated Ireland.

To find out about inviting a Sanctuary Ambassador to speak please contact _____

This event has been organised by collaboratively by:



Places of Sanctuary Ireland

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Please feel free to be in contact with any of the planning group members to offer feedback regarding this event, or suggestions for future collaborations!