

Message of Support for the Gallery of Greeters and Inspirers, Bracknell

I offer my congratulations and support for the 'Gallery of Greeters and Inspirers' that will be displayed outside St Joseph's Catholic Church in Bracknell. Art is a wonderful means of expression and you should be very proud of the contribution that the whole community has made to this project.

The people featured in this gallery are inspirational for many reasons. Some of them are people who contribute greatly to the local community, or are well-known sportspeople and artists who have achieved highly in their areas of expertise. Others are people who have shown great courage in challenging the injustices of this world and helping others. Some are family members whose inspiration is present to us in a very concrete, visible way. These people are an example to us and are a source of strength and encouragement to pursue our own goals and find fulfilment in our own lives.

This year marks the 35th anniversary of the martyrdom of Archbishop Oscar Romero who is the inspiration for this gallery. Archbishop Romero was dedicated to social justice and providing a voice for the voiceless and lost his life because of his commitment to this. The cause for Archbishop Romero's canonisation has received renewed attention after it was announced that he will be beatified. Pope Francis reminded us at Mass on the Feast of All Saints last year that everyone can be a saint; we are all called to find purpose in our lives.

I pray that this project will bring hope and joy to your local community and will help people find purpose in their own lives and to be an inspiration to others.

With every good wish,

✘ Cardinal Vincent Nichols
Archbishop of Westminster
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As seen on the Fairtrade & Friends panel!