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April Newsletter

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Cassie Huston

Major: Electrical Engineering

Minors: Energy Studies and Engineering

Corporate Practice



"My favorite trip from this semester studying abroad in Galway was when ND took all of us to Northern Ireland! Hearing the first hand experiences of our tour guides during the struggle in Ireland at the time was very interesting. I even had the honor of drawing the ND logo on one of the graffiti walls and all of us signed our names around it. I will never forget that trip."

IN THE NEWS



Vice president and associate provost Rev. Daniel Groody appointed to Vatican Dicastery

Rev. Daniel Groody, C.S.C., of the University of Notre Dame has been named by Pope Leo XIV to the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development. A scholar of theology and global affairs, Father Groody will now serve as a dicastery member, contributing to the body's ongoing discernment process that helps orient the Church's mission and priorities.

[Learn More](#)



The Irish Writers Centre awarded a residency to four writers in Notre Dame Kylemore's five-day Self-Guided Writing Program from April 19-23.

The writers are Rachel Gough, Shane Larkin, Anne Tannam and Aisling Walsh.

Read more about each awardee [here](#).

Spring Instructor-Led Writing Program





This week, we hosted the Instructor-Led Writing Residency at Kylemore, led by Prof. Dionne Irving Bremyer. The residents had time and space to explore the grounds of Kylemore and partake in collaborative discussions about their varied bodies of work, whether they were writing a personal essay, an academic article, or a fictional novel. The week closed in an intimate reading by the fireplace, where residents shared excerpts of their work, celebrating a week of creativity, reflection, and community.

Situating Notre Dame Kylemore's Community Outreach Within the University of Notre Dame's Strategic Sustainability Initiative

[Learn More about the University's Just Transformations to Sustainability Initiative](#)

Public Lecture: "Connemara Dark Skies in the Bronze Age" by Michael Gibbons



On Tuesday April 14, Connemara Dark Skies hosted a public lecture: "Connemara Dark Skies in the Bronze Age" by archaeologist Michael Gibbons at ND Kylemore. This talk was part of International Dark Sky Week.

Michael Gibbons most recently uncovered a pair of standing stones, alongside over 50 monuments at Croagh Patrick, and his discoveries were recently published. Read more [here](#).

Upcoming Laudato Si Pilgrimage at Kylemore

Laudato Si
Pilgrimage

Inchagoill Island
April 24-26, 2026
Program Lecture
The Book of Creation: Reflections on the “Parable” of Water, presented by Sr. Damien Marie Savino, FSE, Ph.D.



Sr. Damien Marie Savino

During our upcoming Laudato Si Pilgrimage, we will visit Inchagoill Island with [Professor Sr. Damien Marie](#). By engaging the ancient Irish tradition of pilgrimage, we invite collective dialogue on today’s ecological crisis and encourage a renewed commitment to environmental stewardship.

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Dionne Irving Bremyer

Associate Professor, English
Faculty, Summer Creative Writing at ND Kylemore
Faculty, Instructor-Led Writing Residency At ND Kylemore

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Prof. Bremyer recently led our April [Instructor-Led Writing Residency](#), and will return to Kylemore this summer as faculty on our Summer Creative Writing Program. We’re fortunate to have her as a valued member of our ND Kylemore community.

Dionne is especially inspired by women whose voices contributed to and shaped conversations around identity, injustice, and community, and has a particular interest in the intertwined nature of storytelling, motherhood and the body:

“One of the things that’s interesting to me about women is the way that even our bodies carry stories . . . Because the mother is the thing that he can’t be in the world without, right? Women are a conduit to storytelling, and I think that there’s something really, really powerful about that.”

Read more from [her feature](#) in ND Global’s *Women Who Inspire* series.

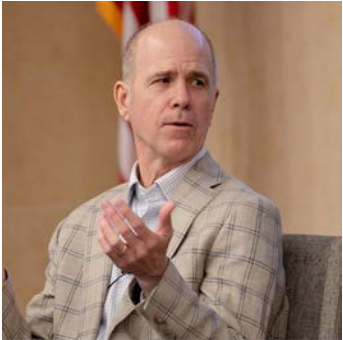
Check Out Upcoming Programming from ND Kylemore!



Laudato Si Pilgrimage with Professor Sr. Damien Marie

Dates: April 24 - 26, 2026

[Learn more](#)



Write Like You Teach

Dates: August 7 - 13, 2026

Applications Close: July 7, 2026

[Learn more](#)



Self-Guided Writing Program

Dates: August 24-28, 2026

Applications Close: June 5, 2026

[Learn more](#)



Capture Your Life's Fire: A Memoir Writing Workshop

Dates: September 8-13, 2026

Applications Close: August 1, 2026

[Learn more](#)

Registration for the [Blood Cancer Network Ireland \(BCNI\) Symposium](#) is now open

The meeting will take place on **22nd May 2026** at **The Hardiman Hotel, Galway**. Registration is **free of charge**.

[Learn more](#)

Call for Artist Submissions



The Threshold Arts Festival invites artists working in ***all media*** to submit proposals for an exhibition exploring the intersections of care, craft, collaboration, and cultural identity inspired by the artistic legacy of the Yeats Sisters. The Threshold Festival will run July 30 - August 2, 2026.

Submission Deadline: May 15, 2026

[Learn More + Apply!](#)



Curious about the Threshold Festival?

Mark your calendars for Thursday July 30 - Sunday August 2, 2026. Our 2026 Theme is "The Smiling Public Figure: Wit, Satire and Irony in W.B. Yeats."

PROGRAM TO BE LAUNCHED NEXT WEEK

For Your Entertainment

This March, we hosted the 2026 Naughton Family Foundation Scholars' Retreat!





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