

BULLETIN NOTICES

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WE ASK THAT DETAILS ARE KEPT IN NOTICES WHERE INCLUDED**

THE JOURNEY CATHOLIC RADIO PROGRAM—AIRS 17 Feb 2019

Welcome back to another wonderful year of the *Journey Catholic Radio*. As always, these notices are one week in advance. This week on The Journey, our Gospel is Luke: 17:20–26. We are grateful to hear the sage words from Sr Hilda again with her *Wisdom from the Abbey*. Marilyn Rodrigues, *The Peaceful Parent*, reminds us to “pray, hope and don’t worry”, and our very own Trish McCarthy inspires us with her reflection on the “Sea Cliff Bridge Run”. As always, we are blessed to have such talented Christian music artists to contribute to our show. Go to www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

NEW NOTICE EACH WEEK

A VOCATION VIEW: “I am the Bread of Life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.” Lord, send us priests after your own heart to give us the Food of everlasting life—your very self in the Eucharist. Consider a call to the priesthood of Jesus Christ. Please contact the Vocations Team at priesthood@dow.org.au.

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SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT



The ability of the family to initiate its members to human fraternity can be considered a hidden treasure that can aid that general rethinking of social policies and human rights whose need is so urgently felt today. All of us ought to grow in the awareness of our common origin in God’s love and creative act. Christian faith confesses the begetting of the Son as the ineffable mystery of the eternal unity between “bringing into being” and “benevolent love” within the life of the Triune God. A renewed proclamation of this often-overlooked revelation can open a new chapter in the history of human community and culture, which today cries out—“groaning as if in labour pains” (cf. *Rom 8:22*)—for rebirth in the Spirit.
- Pope Francis, “*Humana Communitas*”, 6 January 2019

SOLEMN DEDICATION OF THE NEW ROSEMEADOW CHURCH

Bishop Brian Mascord will consecrate the new *Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church* in Rosemeadow (Demetrius Road) on Friday 8 March 2019 at 7:30pm. The parish community and parish priest of Rosemeadow, Fr Christopher Sarkis, has extended a general invitation to all who would like to attend. An indication of your attendance would be greatly appreciated to help with catering following the Mass. RSVP to parish office on 4628 1385 or rosemeadow@dow.org.au.

POSITION VACANT

DIOCESAN TRAINEE INTERNAL AUDITOR (CASUAL)

Due to growth, the diocesan internal audit department is seeking to fill the position of a trainee internal auditor. We are looking to secure a person currently studying towards a degree in Business or Commerce majoring in Accounting or a similar discipline. This position will offer casual working hours in line with the successful candidate’s study timetable.

The role is a casual trainee position with on-the-job training and mentoring to support the development of the necessary skills to undertake a junior auditor level role. The role will be responsible for assisting and providing support to the diocesan internal auditor in the coordination and conduct of internal audit services to the Diocese of Wollongong—including undertaking other related activities in order to add value and improve the effectiveness of risk management, control and governance processes in the diocese.

The position description is available at www.jobs.dow.org.au

Applications to be addressed to: Mrs Karen Rushworth, Diocesan Internal Auditor, PO Box 1239

Wollongong NSW 2500. Applications can also be emailed to karen.rushworth@dow.org.au

For all enquiries, contact Karen Rushworth on 0427 514 184 or email karen.rushworth@dow.org.au

Applications close Monday 15 February 2019.

NSW PASTORAL MINISTRY CONFERENCE 2019

You are invited to participate in the *NSW Pastoral Ministry Conference* taking place on Tuesday 26 February 2019 at Dooleys Catholic Club, Lidcombe. The conference theme of “Drawing and Giving Life” invites us to renew our pastoral life in the post Royal Commission Church. The conference features Fr Frank Brennan SJ as keynote speaker and a number of other high-profile presenters including Lana Turvey-Collins (National Plenary 2020 facilitator) and Dr Patrick McNerney SSC (director of Columban Mission Institute) as well as Sr Susan Connelly RSJ. The day also includes a variety of stalls and information about the next steps for Plenary 2020. It is a great opportunity for parish clergy, staff and volunteers including those in ministry and on pastoral councils to be inspired, network and share in some great ideas and resources.

This day is hosted by the NSW Association of Pastors, Pastoral Associates and Pastoral Workers (NAPPA). This network has a liaison role with the NSW bishops.

For further information visit our website www.nappa2019.wixsite.com/conference or contact Tanya Quinn on 8838 3441.

Attached: flyer

CALLING ALL BUSINESS PEOPLE

Bishop Brian Mascord recently launched Catholic Business Connections (CBC)—an opportunity for business women and men in our diocese (active and retired) who share common values, to network and engage with each other and leaders representing the diocese. CBC will gather three or four times a year for lunch and to listen to guest speakers chosen to inspire with their unique story. The next gathering is on Tuesday 19 February 2019 at Rydges Hotel, Campbelltown (12pm–2pm). **Robert Fitzgerald AM** will be speaking on *Trust and Integrity—Touchstones for Success in Private and Public Life*.

For more information on CBC and how to join, visit dow.sh/cbc. Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity.

Attached: Catholic Business Connections Logo

Note to Parish Secretaries. To ensure that the hyperlink works, please copy and paste it into your bulletin.

MOUNT CARMEL RETREAT CENTRE, VARROVILLE—MARCH 2019

There is no need to register for these retreats (just turn up on the day).

For further info, please contact Carla on 8795 3400 or via email on: retreats@carmelite.com

“Laudato Si, Mi’ Signore”—A prayerful and interactive encounter with creation

Mount Carmel Retreat Centre Varroville: 2 March 2019 10:30am–4pm “Praise be to you, my Lord: In the words of this beautiful canticle, Saint Francis of Assisi reminds us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us”. Today's retreat will encourage you to bend your knees and pray in solidarity with all creatures. Pope Francis' encyclical, *Laudato si*, the Hebrew and Christian Scriptures, the natural world and fellow retreatants will be your spiritual companions for this journey. Presenter: Fr Michael Dyer. For more information see: www.carmeliteretreats.com.au/calendar/

CATHOLICCARE'S ST PATRICK'S RACE DAY

CatholicCare's St Patrick's Race Day will be held **Saturday 23 March 2019** at Kembla Grange Racecourse. All proceeds from the day go towards supporting families of children with a disability. For more information or if you have any questions please contact Jacqueline McCormack on 4254 9308 or email

jacquelinem@catholiccare.dow.org.au

FAITH CIRCLES: A FREE WEEKLY SMALL GROUP RESOURCE FOR PARISHES

Want to help transform your parish into a place where people are known, loved, challenged and supported? Small groups or “communities of communities” hold the key. The weekly *Faith Circles* resource and small-group leaders guide is available for free to download. It features all the “how-to” information you need as well as reflection questions for the Sunday Gospel and accompanying prayer points. It is available to download at www.faithcircles.dow.org.au or have it sent to you each month via email subscription.

CATHFAMILY



CATHFAMILY brings you a selection of activities, prayer rituals, crafts and recipes for free from their website. Don't miss CathKids: a weekly interactive experience with a two-minute animated reflection on the Sunday reading, questions to stimulate discussion, a simple activity and

prayer. Families in the diocese are encouraged to utilise these resources at home to share faith with kids. Visit cathfamily.org

CATHEDRAL BOOKS & GIFTS

A great range of excellent quality religious gifts are available from *Cathedral Books & Gifts*. A beautiful selection of bibles, books, missals, rosaries, plaques, crucifixes, medals, statues and greeting cards, candle—perfect to commemorate Confirmation, First Holy Communion and Baptism.

Enter the store via Crown St, Xavier Centre, Wollongong. For enquiries, phone 4222 2484.

TAKE A RISK AND GIVE THE GIFT OF FAITH

In our parish, there is a team of volunteers that take a risk and step out in faith. State Government schools do not provide lessons that teach the basic message about Jesus, our faith, and the great adventure that life can be with God. We were all given our gift of faith by someone—someone who stepped-up for us so that we would know Jesus. Each week of the school year, catechists present 30-minute lessons using a step-by-step lesson plan that helps Catholic children understand their faith, grow in love and maturity, and learn what it means to be Catholic. Take a risk and give the gift of faith. Become a catechist teacher or helper today! For more information, please call 4222 2416 or ask our parish priest for more information.