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## BULLETIN NOTICES

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Date:	20 August 2019	For weekend:	24–25 August 2019

RSVP details are essential for adequate catering, seating, handouts etc. We ask that details are kept in notices where included.

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New	Spirituality in the Pub – 27 August Speaker: Chris Clerke 7:30pm – 9:00pm Woonona Bulli RSL Club, 455-459 Princes Highway, Woonona (corner of Princes Highway & Nicholson Road Enter off Nicholson Road) Invites you to a discussion on: Reflections Beyond the Black Stump. Chris is a retired Anglican Minister. He grew up in Gymea, Caringbah and Miranda. From 1958–65 he worked in the Commonwealth Bank. He then studied at Moore Theological College from 1965–69. Chris was the assistant Minister in Neutral Bay and Hunters Hill Anglican Parishes from 1969–72. He gained his private pilot's licence in 1973. He was the remote area Minister with Anglican Bush Church Aid Society in 1972–86, working in Menindee, Wilcannia, White Cliffs, Ivanhoe, Pooncarie (NSW) 1972–77, and Leigh Creek, Blinman, Copley, Maree, Oodnadatta (SA) 1977–84. Chris was then seconded to United Aborigines Mission, Gnowangerup Training Centre (WA) 1985– 86. He was the Anglican Parish Minister for Botany/Mascot/Eastlakes from 1987–93 and Anglican Parish Minister for Marrickville in 1993–2006. Chris retired to Fairy Meadow in 2006. All Welcome. Please come and join in the conversation!	
New	Aid to the Church in Need is an international Catholic Charity that supports suffering and persecuted Christians. Currently over 200 million Christians worldwide cannot freely exercise their faith; Christians are persecuted, discriminated against or oppressed in more than 40 countries. The primary work of Aid to the Church in Need is focussed on providing spiritual and pastoral support to keep the Catholic faith alive. We support projects at the request	Click to download Aid to the Church in Need logo

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	of bishops and religious superiors who have nowhere else to turn. We invite you to stay informed by receiving news from the suffering Church. Visit <a href="https://www.aidtochurch.org">www.aidtochurch.org</a> and click 'subscribe'. If you prefer to receive our newsletter via post, call <b>1800 101 201</b> during business hours to arrange.	
New	Men's Retreat Weekend: 30 August – 1 September 2019  St Mary's Towers Retreat Centre, Douglas Park Presenter: Mr Paul White  Join other men of faith exploring how, the power of "Yes!" changes circumstances in dark times; how we can live in the light of God's truth which can bring much joy to our lives and much needed peace and harmony. Come, relax and enjoy God in tranquillity at St Mary's Towers Retreat Centre. Cost \$230 RSVP Ph:4630 0233 or email <a href="mailto:contact@towersretreat.org.au">contact@towersretreat.org.au</a> website: <a href="mailto:http://towersretreat.org.au">http://towersretreat.org.au</a>	Click to download brochure
Continuing	Growing Good Men Father and Teenage Son Weekend Experience  25–27 October 2019 Cataract Scout Camp Appin  One of the most important influences in the lives of men is the relationship they had with their father or significant father figure. The encouragement and affirmation that this relationship could, and should, provide, is a key ingredient for how young men view themselves and embrace their faith and gifts as they take their place in the world. Don't miss this life changing father and son weekend! Spots are limited to just 15 fathers with their son aged between 12–16 years. This is a unique opportunity for dads and their sons to embark on a quest of discovery with Robert Falzon and the team from menALIVE. Register online <a href="www.menalive.dow.org.au">www.menalive.dow.org.au</a> or contact Jude Hennessy on 4222 2407 <a href="mailto:jude.hennessy@dow.org.au">jude.hennessy@dow.org.au</a>	Click to download brochure and registration form
Continuing	Position Vacant—Administration Assistant  Lumen Christi Catholic Parishes Wollongong Casual one (1) day per week on Thursdays As casual administration assistant, you provide a range of clerical and administrative duties to ensure the smooth and effective operation of the parish office for the parishes of St Francis Xavier Cathedral Wollongong, St John Vianney Fairy Meadow/Mater Dolorosa Balgownie and St Brigid's Gwynneville.	

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	Closing date is 4pm Friday 6 September 2019. For further details and a full position description, please contact Frances. This position is also advertised at <a href="www.dow.org.au">www.dow.org.au</a> Your application should include a cover letter and resume. Completed applications should be emailed to Frances Van Leerdam at <a href="frances.vanleerdam@dow.org.au">frances.vanleerdam@dow.org.au</a>	
Continuing	Australian Catholic Youth Festival (ACYF)  ACYF is a national gathering of Catholic young people established by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference which aims to provide young people with the opportunity to attend worship, workshops and plenaries that will deepen their faith. This year the festival will be held in Perth from 8-10 December 2019 and the Diocese of Wollongong will be organising a group of young adults (18-30) to attend.  Please Note: applications to attend with the diocese will close 8 November 2019.  For more information on the Diocesan ACYF Group or to express interest in attending, contact Georgia on 4222 2427 or at youth@dow.org.au	Click to download ACYF 2019 logo
Continuing	Edmund Rice College Parents & Friends Association  "Building the Resilience and Wellbeing of young people" a free community event. Expo and refreshments 6:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m. Guest speakers 7:00 p.m.–8:30p.m.	Click to download Brochure
New	The Journey Catholic Radio Show—airs 1 September 2019  This week on the Journey, we hear Luke's Gospel 14:1,7–17.  Mother Hilda from the Abbey, Marilyn Rodrigues, The Peaceful Parent, share their sage words. We have the ever-talented Trish McCarthy with her God spot, and you will also hear from Fr Dave Callaghan. With amazingly talented Christian Music artists, we are blessed to bring you this week's edition of the Journey Catholic Radio Program. Go to <a href="https://www.itunes.jcr.org.au">www.itunes.jcr.org.au</a> and to ensure that you never miss a show it can be sent to you each week as a podcast via email — for free	Click to download logo
New	A vocation view  Will you help gather people to be a part of the reign of God? Pay to be open if God calls you to serve as priest, deacon, brother or sisters. (Isaiah 66:18-21)  Please contact the Vocations Team at <a href="mailto:priesthood@dow.org.au">priesthood@dow.org.au</a> .	

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Continuing	Forming intentional disciples—heart of mission  Saturday 31 August 2019, 10 a.m.—3:30 p.m.  Xavier Conference Centre, 38 Harbour St, Wollongong	Click to download brochure
	A workshop on joyfully sharing your faith with others and journeying with them into the life of a disciple. Over the past couple of years, a number of parishes in the diocese have successfully embarked on the process of forming intentional disciples. The result has been a renewed enthusiasm in living discipleship and the life of the parish community. How did they do it and how can other parishes take the first steps in becoming parishes of intentional disciples? Parish Pastoral Councils throughout the diocese are invited to attend this special one-off workshop with Sherry Weddell—international best-selling author of Forming Intentional Disciples: The Path to Knowing and Following Jesus. Participants are encouraged to purchase and read the book in preparation.  Registration only \$30.  Book: Forming Intentional Disciples plus registration \$60 RSVP 26 August 2019 to helen.bennett@dow.org.au or 4222 2403.	
Continuing	menALIVE Southern Highlands Regional weekend: 21–22 September 2019, Bowral Parish  Like thousands of other Catholic men who have already been on menALIVE weekends, you will be inspired and encouraged to renew your faith and rediscover God's purpose in your life.  Experienced leaders from menALIVE team will be running the weekend. There is still time for men to register for this Southern Highlands region weekend. Forms are available in the church foyer. Bookings and enquiries, ring Jude Hennessy 4222 2407 or lan Boorman 0427 006 021 or <a href="www.menalive.dow.org.au">www.menalive.dow.org.au</a>	Click to download Bowral brochure  Click to download logo
Continuing	Inspiring Retreat Day at St Paul's Moss Vale  Thursday 5 September 2019 at 9:30 a.m.—7:45 p.m.  All are invited to join with Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers for a day of prayer and talks. Find out why Mass is such a "big deal" and about the call to evangelise. The day will include exposition, Mass and conversations with this dynamic evangelist, EWTN radio host and best-selling author. Go to <a href="www.parousiamedia.com">www.parousiamedia.com</a> to register for this free event or rsvp by contacting <a href="helen.bennett@dow.org.au">helen.bennett@dow.org.au</a> or 4222 2403	Click to download brochure
Continuing	Annual consoling Mass  Fr Victor Vincent of Lumen Christi invites you to the Mass of Consoling held at Mater Dolorosa, Balgownie on Friday 13	

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	<b>September at 12:10 p.m</b> . This is the Mass where we continue to pray for our loved ones who have died in tragic circumstances. Let your families and friends know of this moving event. RSVP by 6 September <a href="mailto:wollongong@dow.org.au">wollongong@dow.org.au</a> or phone 4211 0500.	
Continuing	Called to ministry? Upcoming liturgical ministry training events	
	Have you considered serving your parish as an extraordinary minister of holy Communion, adult altar server, or minister of Communion of the sick and homebound? The 2019 diocesan training courses in these ministries are scheduled as follows: Extraordinary ministers of holy Communion and adult altar servers 10 a.m2 p.m.	
	<ul> <li>Wollongong, Saturday 23 November 2019 at Xavier Conference Centre, Wollongong</li> </ul>	
	Members of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission will lead two sessions in the morning covering the common ministry of extraordinary minister of holy Communion and one session after lunch for servers. Morning tea and lunch provided.  Communion of the sick and homebound 10 a.m2:30 p.m.	
	<ul> <li>Nowra, Saturday 14 September 2019 at St Michael's Parish meeting room, Nowra</li> </ul>	
	Prior training as an acolyte, adult altar server or extraordinary minister of holy Communion is a pre-requisite. Led by members of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission.  Morning tea and lunch provided.	
	For further information visit <a href="www.liturgy.dow.org.au">www.liturgy.dow.org.au</a> or contact Paul Mason at <a href="liturgy@dow.org.au">liturgy@dow.org.au</a> or 4222 2462. Registration essential to Anthony Rewak on 4222 2465 or <a href="mailto:anthony.rewak@dow.org.au">anthony.rewak@dow.org.au</a> .	
Continuing	Social Justice Statement	Click to download
	We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on 29 September. This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: "Making it Real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world". It points out that we are called not just to be inhabitants of this world, but active citizens shaping it. For further details about the Social Justice Statement, visit the Office for Social Justice website ( <a href="www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au">www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au</a> ) or call (02) 8306 3499. Order the statement online at: <a href="bit.ly/socialjusticeshop">bit.ly/socialjusticeshop</a> Follow us on Facebook: @socialjusticeACBC or Twitter: @justiceCatholic	logo

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Continuing	Holy Hour for young adults  You are invited to Holy Hour in 2019 at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral in Wollongong as well as the brand new Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church in Rosemeadow. Each night will include adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, praise and worship (various styles), Reconciliation, Liturgy of the Word, short teachings, silence and Benediction. This will be followed by fellowship and a meal.  When and where?  Wednesday evenings 6:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m. (followed by a meal):  St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wollongong on 9 October  Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church, Rosemeadow on 28 August/ 23 October	Click to download image
Continuing	2019 Men's Bootcamp—Standing Firm  A combined initiative of the churches of Northern Illawarra. In the company of a cross-generational male community, Bootcamp 2019 will challenge and equip you to reconsider what you choose to stand for and stand firm. "If you don't stand for something, you'll fall for anything."  When and where?  When: 7:30 p.m.—9:30 p.m. Wednesdays in August (21 and 28). Where: Upstairs, "The Deck" at Ryans Hotel, cnr Phillip St and George St Thirroul.  Cost: \$20 pizza opening night / \$10 other nights + own drinks from bar.  August 21: Better Together: Standing firm in community, as a brotherhood that draws the best out of each other.  August 28: Community Engagement: Rob Killham—standing firm in your workspace and community without being a jerk.	
Continuing	What are you doing in 2020? How about living your life on purpose?  National Evangelisation Teams Australia (NET) do incredible work in Australia and around our diocese, bringing other young people to an encounter with God's love. They are currently recruiting. If you are aged between 18–30 years, you are invited to save Friday 11 October 2019 and join the NET team at the Xavier Centre, 38 Harbour Street Wollongong.  Find out all about NET, why NETTERS are so happy, and why you should consider being part of their work in 2019. So, for a really good day, great company, interesting discussion, amazing	Click to download logo

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	worship, food for your belly, adoration and all the info you need on what NET is all about, then you should come to this <i>Live Your Life on Purpose</i> retreat. You will leave with tools for discernment and enjoy a day well spent.	
	Call the Wollongong NET Team on 0433 007 282 to book your spot or to have your questions answered.	
Continuing	Listen to the Spirit and sing!  The 2019 Australian Pastoral Musicians Conference, 1–3 October, Catholic Leadership Centre, East Melbourne  This conference is shaping up to be a great resource for parish and school musicians. Keynotes by Tony Alonso (GIA) and Diana MacAlintal (Liturgical Press and Team RCIA). There are more than forty breakout presentations. Full details are now available, and	
Continuing	Music Ministry—The Joy and Beauty of Sunday, Part II Saturday 9 November 2019, 10:30 a.m.—2:30 p.m. Ss Peter & Paul Parish Church, Kiama  Led by Paul Mason and members of the Diocesan Liturgical Council, this workshop reviews the key principles in choosing music for consistently joyful and beautiful Sunday Masses. It addresses critical questions such as: How much singing? What are the priorities and why? What music is suitable for which parts of the liturgy? What are the performance issues to be considered in selecting music? Examples of music suitable to the various genres and parts of the Mass will be reviewed, focusing particularly on the most popular Mass settings in current use around Australia and new online resources for praise songs.  Participants will receive a handy easy-to-use guideline, a sample pack of resources, an updated music scholarship program for 2020, a new diocesan copyright licensing subsidy program (in addition to OneLicense), and a new parish music funding assistance program.  Target Audience: Clergy, Divine Renovation pastoral teams, liturgy committees, directors of music, music Mass coordinators, musicians and singers.	
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Continuing	Six full day guided retreat  Saturday 23 November to Saturday 30 November 2019 at Hartzer Park, Bowral  Presenter: Fr. Philip Malone MSC  Theme: Advent: a time of waiting and anticipation—a time to delight in the story of God, human and divine. Fr Malone's refreshing approach to the season of waiting will help you explore and experience the rich truths we celebrate in faith during this time.  Cost: \$650 per person (fully catered)  The retreat begins with the evening meal at 6 p.m. on 23  November and concludes the morning of Saturday 30 November 2019. RSVP: 11 November. Phone 4861 3223 or email hartzprk@bigpond.net.au	
Continuing	Fostering futures  Every child has the right to a family and a permanent home.  Every single one.  Right now children across our region are in need, If you would like to find out more about becoming a foster carer with CatholicCare Wollongong please email us on fosteringfutures@catholiccare.dow.org.au or call 0418 783 956.	
Continuing	There will be no Masses at Wollongong Private Hospital and Wollongong Public Hospital between August and December 2019. It will resume in January 2020. Kindly contact 0475 815 506 for your hospital spiritual needs.	
Continuing	LIVE Local—Macarthur Youth Group  Join us for a gathering of teenagers and young adults every Friday night of the term! LIVE Local is a place for like-minded young people from ages 12–18 to grow in faith, community and fun. LIVE Local runs from 7 p.m.–9 p.m. at St John's Hall in Campbelltown and is put on by passionate young adults from the local area and leaders from the Diocese of Wollongong. We can't wait to see you there at LIVE Local.	
Continuing	Faith Circles—free small group resource  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	

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	accompanying prayer points. It is available to download at <a href="www.faithcircles.dow.org.au">www.faithcircles.dow.org.au</a> or have it sent to you each month via email subscription.	
Continuing	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 <a href="https://www.cathfamily.org">www.cathfamily.org</a>	Click to download logo
Continuing	Cathedral Books and Gifts  A great range of excellent quality religious gifts are available from Cathedral Books and 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.	
Continuing	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. NSW 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, ask your parish priest or please call 4640 8550.	