



## BULLETIN NOTICES

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<b>Date:</b>	17 December 2019	<b>For weekend:</b>	21–22 December 2019

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

Status	Bulletin notice	Attachment(s)
<b>NEW</b>	<b>The Relics of much-loved Carmelite Saint, St Therese of Lisieux</b> plus her parents, St's Louis and Zelig Martin are coming to Australia for a national tour in 2020. They are coming to Varroville for a visit from 22 January until 1 February 2020, when the official tour begins. The relics will be in the Parish Church at Our Lady of Mt Carmel, from Saturday 25 January until Tuesday 28 January 2020, for public veneration and all are most warmly invited to attend. The attached poster shows the dates and time for Mass.	<a href="#">Click to download poster</a>
Continuing	<b>Spiritual &amp; Pastoral Care Training</b> Interested in growing your capacity to be fully present to others? An Introductory Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) course is being offered in Campbelltown and would be suitable for kind-hearted people wanting to learn more about providing holistic spiritual and pastoral care to patients in hospital, residents in aged care facilities or people in the parish. This 40-hour course will commence on Wednesday 5 February 2020 and comprise of five sessions. Applications are now invited. For more information please contact Carmen Karauda at <a href="mailto:ckarauda@mpx.com.au">ckarauda@mpx.com.au</a> or phone: 0419 430 676	<a href="#">Click to download Introductory CPE brochure</a> <a href="#">Click to download 2020 Foundational CPE</a>

Continuing	<p><b>National Biennial Liturgy Conference 12-14 March 2020</b></p> <p>The National Biennial Liturgy Conference is an Australian gathering of liturgy representatives, pastoral ministers, catechists, musicians, educators and all who are interested in liturgy. The keynote speaker is Fr Paul Turner, Kansas City, Missouri, USA.</p> <p>The 2020 conference will be held at Novotel Sydney Parramatta and begins on Thursday 12 March at 2.30pm. It concludes with lunch on Saturday 14 March 2020. The conference will focus on fostering and forming the people of God at prayer.</p>	<a href="#">Click to download flier</a>
NEW	<p><b>A vocation view</b></p> <p>Can you honestly pray: "I have come to do your will, O God"? Blessed are you who trusts that the Lord's words to you will be fulfilled. If anyone would like to know more, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Duane Fernandez, at <a href="mailto:vocations@dow.org.au">vocations@dow.org.au</a></p>	
NEW	<p><b>Social Justice Statement</b></p> <p>Amongst the poor you have found a privileged place to encounter Christ. This is a precious gift in the life of the follower of Christ: to receive the gift of encountering him among the victims and the poor. The encounter with Christ among his beloved ones refines our faith. — <i>Pope Francis 7/11/19</i></p>	<a href="#">Click to download logo</a>
NEW	<p><b>The Journey Catholic Radio Show—airs 22 December 2019</b></p> <p>We have an amazing lineup of inspiration for you before Christmas this week! We hear an amazing reflection from the Gospel from Fr Chris Pietraszko. Go to <a href="http://WWW.jcr.org.au">WWW.jcr.org.au</a> or <a href="http://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. If you love the show, let your local radio station know that you'd like to hear it broadcast locally each week.</p>	<a href="#">Click to download logo</a>
Continuing	<p><b>The Epiphany Pilgrimage 2 – 8 January 2020</b></p> <p>The Epiphany Pilgrimage, through the Blue Mountains, is a not-for-profit event of the Diocese of Parramatta and outreach of the Blue Mountains Deanery. Beginning at Emu Plains on 2 January and finishing 7 days later at Bell, pilgrims walk 110km through the beautiful Blue Mountains bushland, celebrating the Christmas season with each parish along the</p>	

	<p>way. Registration and details at <a href="http://epiphanypilgrimage.org">epiphanypilgrimage.org</a> and <a href="https://facebook.com/epiphanypilgrimage">facebook.com/epiphanypilgrimage</a></p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Made for Each Other Summer School 20–24 Jan 2020 St Mary’s Cathedral, Hobart Tasmania</b></p> <p>A unique event for young Catholics aged 18-35 to explore the depth of the Church’s teaching on relationships, sexuality and marriage. Last year’s participants found that the Summer School was an immersive formation experience that was delivered in a faith-filled and friendly environment. Key features include: Excellent speakers (Katrina Zeno, Archbishop Julian Porteous, Christine Wood and more), lively group discussions, Mass &amp; prayer time, social occasions and an alpine bushwalk. For more information: <a href="https://hobart.catholic.org.au/content/matrimonium-summer-school-2020">https://hobart.catholic.org.au/content/matrimonium-summer-school-2020</a> or call Ben Smith 03 6208 6036 or <a href="mailto:ben.smith@aohtas.org.au">ben.smith@aohtas.org.au</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download brochure</a></p> <p><a href="#">Click to download Program Summary</a></p>
Continuing	<p><b>2020 Sisterhood National Catholic Women’s Conference: Anointed. 20–22 March 2020, Tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops</b></p> <p>Early Bird Tickets Available Now! Only \$239 includes food and accommodation. Limited tickets available. <b>The special price is available only until 30 November 2019.</b> Book your spot - <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/BFQZP">https://www.trybooking.com/BFQZP</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download flyer</a></p>
Continuing	<p><b>Join the adventure</b></p> <p>It is with great excitement we announce CatholicCare will be holding a fundraising trek to the iconic Larapinta Trail (near Alice Springs) on 28 September – 4 October 2020.</p> <p>We are seeking participants to undertake the trek and help raise \$100,000 to help children in need throughout the Illawarra, Shoalhaven, Macarthur and Southern Highlands areas.</p> <p>To find out more visit <a href="http://tiny.cc/CatholicCareLarapinta">http://tiny.cc/CatholicCareLarapinta</a></p>	
Continuing	<p><b>There will be no Masses at Wollongong Private Hospital and Wollongong Public Hospital</b> between August and December 2019. It will resume in January 2020. Kindly contact 0475 815 506 for your hospital spiritual needs.</p>	

Continuing	<p><b>Faith Circles—free small group resource</b></p> <p>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 <i>Faith Circles</i> 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 <a href="http://www.faithcircles.dow.org.au">www.faithcircles.dow.org.au</a> or have it sent to you each month via email subscription.</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>CAtHFAMILY</b></p> <p>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="http://www.cathfamily.org">www.cathfamily.org</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download logo</a></p>
Continuing	<p><b>Cathedral Books and Gifts</b></p> <p>A great range of excellent quality religious gifts are available from <i>Cathedral Books and Gifts</i>. 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.</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Take a risk and give the gift of faith</b></p> <p>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!</p> <p>For more information, ask your parish priest or please call 4640 8550.</p>	

