



## BULLETIN NOTICES

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<b>Date:</b>	8 January 2020	<b>For weekend:</b>	11–12 January 2020

*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)
NEW	<p><b>Diocesan response to the bushfire crisis in the diocese</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In solidarity with the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference's (ACBC) national response to the bushfires, there will be a <b>special collection at Masses on the Australia Day weekend</b> with all funds to be donated to the Vinnies Bushfire Appeal NSW.</li><li>• On the same weekend, the ACBC will be facilitate a <b>national network service</b> connecting people affected with the bushfires with others who can help with tasks such as continued meal preparation, clearing of property, rebuilding etc. More information to follow in the coming weeks.</li><li>• Over the next couple of weeks, Bishop Brian will be <b>visiting affected parishes/school communities</b> and facilitating community meetings with parishioners, clergy and principals, and representatives from CatholicCare, Catholic Education, Office of the Bishop and local Vinnies to listen to their stories, pray together and get an understanding of how, together, we can meet immediate and projected needs. Details of the community meetings will be advertised when confirmed. All will be welcome.</li><li>• <b>Catholic Education</b> has already been working with principals in our schools that have been affected by bushfires since late November responding to the</li></ul>	

	<p>specific needs of staff and families who have been impacted. This work will now continue as part of the broader coordination of the diocesan response.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The diocese will work closely with the <b>St Vincent de Paul Society</b> at state, diocesan and local conference levels to ensure there is a clear process in relation to how money donated to the Vinnies Bushfire Appeal is made available to those who need it in our diocese.</li> <li>• The bushfire crisis will have significant and lasting <b>emotional and psychological</b> effects on so many of our people. <b>CatholicCare</b> in our diocese are committed to providing the necessary counselling and wellbeing support on the ground to those in need. Details on CatholicCare support services, and if necessary, how we as a community can support them, will be released over the next couple of weeks.</li> <li>• Bishop Brian also wants to ensure that the <b>spiritual</b> needs of our affected people are met. The bishop will work in collaboration with clergy and religious communities in the diocese to provide continued spiritual support to everyone during this time.</li> <li>• Most importantly, the bishop has asked that <b>we continue to pray</b> for all in our diocese as we all care for, and stand by, each other in this particular time of need. We also remember those who continue to fight fires and, may again, face extraordinary weather conditions over the next few weeks. We place our circumstances in the hands of our loving God through the intercession of our Australian saint, St Mary of the Cross MacKillop: pray for us and our parched country. May God pour on us the rain we need.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>NEW</b></p>	<p><b>Notice of Cancellation - Monthly celebration dedicated to our Lady of Fatima 13 January 2020</b></p> <p>The Pauline Fathers at Penrose Park have advised Bishop Mascord that due to the heatwave and local bushfires predicted this weekend, the Pauline Fathers have cancelled their monthly Fatima Mass scheduled for Monday 13 January 2020. This decision has been made in conjunction with the NSW Rural Fire Service for the safety of pilgrims and visitors. The Pauline Fathers request that you join them in praying for rain and those affected by the bushfires. Please refer to the attached message from Fr Marek Dutkiewicz OSPPE.</p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download Message from Fr Marek Dutkiewicz OSPPE</a></p>

NEW	<p><b>2020 Wollongong Hospital Mass</b></p> <p>Hearty welcome to pray for our sick in the Private Hospital on the third floor near the lift on every Fridays of each month at 9.30 a.m.</p> <p>To every Saturday Mass in Public Hospital at 9.30 a.m. in the Chapel on the ground floor.</p>	
NEW	<p><b>A Vocation view</b></p> <p>Isaiah says: “The earth shall be filled with knowledge of the Lord.” Who taught you knowledge of the Lord, and who are you teaching today?</p> <p>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>You have experienced a true personal and corporate transformation in silent contemplation of your brothers’ and sisters’ pain. A transformation that is a conversion, a return to look at the face on the crucifix, he who invites us every day to stay close to him and to bring him down from the cross.</p> <p>— <i>Pope Francis 7/11/19</i></p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download logo</a></p>
NEW	<p><b>The Journey Catholic Radio Show</b></p> <p>The Journey Catholic Radio will enter our Summer Series until early February.</p> <p>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>	<p><a href="#">Click to download logo</a></p>
Continuing	<p><b>Spiritual &amp; Pastoral Care Training</b></p> <p>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.</p> <p><b>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</b></p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download Introductory CPE brochure</a></p> <p><a href="#">Click to download 2020 Foundational CPE</a></p>

Continuing	<p><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.</p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download poster</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>Special Student Rate \$186.00 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>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>	<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>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>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>	