



## BULLETIN NOTICES

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<b>Date:</b>	25 August 2020	<b>For weekend:</b>	29 – 30 August 2020

Status	Bulletin Notice	Attachment(s)
<b>NEW</b>	<p><b>Worldwide Marriage Encounter</b></p> <p><b>Marriage Enrichment Weekend 20 – 22 November 2020 at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville</b></p> <p>Learn to become the best version of yourselves together and live your best life in love!</p> <p><b>Book online at <a href="http://www.wwme.org.au">www.wwme.org.au</a></b> Alternatively contact <b>Christine &amp; Terry Mahony on 0490 774 419 or <a href="mailto:nswbookings@wwme.org.au">nswbookings@wwme.org.au</a></b></p> <p>If you would like Worldwide Marriage Encounter brochures please see WWME website at <a href="http://www.wwme.org.au">www.wwme.org.au</a></p>	
Continuing	<p>This coming month marks the commencement of the <b>Season of Creation</b>, commencing with a world day of prayer on 1 September and concluding with the feast day of St Francis of Assisi on 4 October. Join with Christians around the world in joyful celebrations, prayer, formation and activities that focus on our common home at <a href="https://seasonofcreation.org/">https://seasonofcreation.org/</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download Introduction to Resources for Celebrating Catholic Season of Creation during September</a></p>
Continuing	<p><b>St Mary Star of the Sea College Board</b></p> <p><b>Expressions of Interest</b></p> <p>St Mary Star of the Sea College, Wollongong, is recognised as a leader in the holistic education of young women in a caring, engaging and inspiring environment, allowing them to use their gifts to change their world, for the better.</p> <p>The Board of St Mary Star of the Sea College, Wollongong invites suitably qualified, skilled and motivated people to express an interest in joining the Board as a Director, or one of its Committees as a non-Board member. Gender balance is a</p>	

	<p>priority of the Board; therefore we extend this invitation to both female and male applicants.</p> <p>For further information visit <a href="https://www.stmarys.nsw.edu.au/our-community/community-board-of-directors">https://www.stmarys.nsw.edu.au/our-community/community-board-of-directors</a></p> <p>To receive further information and an application form, please contact the Principal's PA, Jane Edwards at St Mary Star of the Sea College via email <a href="mailto:jane.edwards@stmarys.nsw.edu.au">jane.edwards@stmarys.nsw.edu.au</a> The closing date for applications is Monday, 21 September 2020.</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Vacancy – Committee for the Aged CatholicCare Wollongong</b></p> <p>The Diocesan Committee for the Aged is a volunteer committee that meets at least quarterly and online with other diocesan stake holders providing support and advice to the Bishop in the Ministry to the Aged within our Diocese. Members would bring experience and knowledge of the welfare of the ageing people or have other areas of expertise in ageing.</p> <p>We are inviting expressions of interest from parishioners from all over the diocese to be part of this committee for a term of three (3) years.</p> <p>If this interests you, please contact Jane Hollier Parish &amp; Community Liaison Officer at CatholicCare Wollongong on 0417 018 152 or <a href="mailto:janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au">janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au</a> to get an information pack including position description posted or emailed to you.</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Sisterhood Sessions</b></p> <p>All young adult women (18+) are welcome to Sisterhood Sessions led by the NET sisters! Join us at the Xavier Centre fortnightly on Thursdays at 7pm - 8:30pm for light snacks, fun sisterhood activities, and a great community!</p> <p>To ensure COVID19 restrictions are abided, please let NET know you are planning to attend by a direct message via Instagram @wollongongnetteam or emailing them at <a href="mailto:net@dow.org.au">net@dow.org.au</a></p> <p><b>Upcoming Date: 03/09</b></p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Livestream Holy Hour</b></p> <p>Join the NET Team for online Holy Hour! Every Wednesday from 6:30pm on Instagram @wollongongnetteam or Facebook @CYMDOW (Catholic Youth Ministry Wollongong).</p>	

	<p>Witness adoration, join in for praise and worship, and hear the Gospel as well as a reflection written by one of our team members! All from the safety of your home!</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Request for Prayer for Catechist Ministry in the Diocese</b></p> <p>Each week, hundreds of volunteers around the diocese answer the call to share our Catholic faith with Catholic children. Please keep in your prayers the work of Scripture Teachers, the children they teach in state schools and their families. If you would like to know more about the ministry, please go to <a href="http://www.ccdwollongong.com">www.ccdwollongong.com</a></p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Dates locked in for Plenary Council Assemblies</b></p> <p>The two assemblies for the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia will be held in Adelaide from 3-10 October 2021, and in Sydney from 4 – 9 July 2022. The new dates mean that the celebration of the Plenary Council has effectively moved 12 months from the original plan of a first assembly in October 2020 and a second assembly in June/July 2021.</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Diocese of Wollongong Mass Online</b></p> <p>For all of the online Mass options- please visit the DoW website <a href="https://dow.sh/dailymass">https://dow.sh/dailymass</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download</a></p>
Continuing	<p><b>An invitation to join electronic parish planned giving</b></p> <p>Given that some parishioners are unable to attend Mass in our church, many who support our parish planned giving envelope program have asked how they can continue to financially support the parish. So, we respectfully encourage all parishioners to join our electronic parish planned giving program to help us ensure that we limit the financial pressure this current situation will impose on our parish.</p> <p><b>Please visit <a href="https://www.dow.org.au/plannedgiving/">https://www.dow.org.au/plannedgiving/</a> to learn of the two simple ways you can give to our parish electronically.</b></p> <p>Importantly, we are mindful that some of our parishioners will sadly be experiencing a change in their financial circumstances. Please contact the Parish Office (<i>insert phone number/email</i>) if you need to decrease/discontinue your planned giving contribution, but mainly to let us know how we can support you.</p>	

Continuing	<p><b>Update - Nourish Your Faith at Home</b></p> <p>Included in the attached document are a range of online resources which families might like to utilise in nourishing their faith at home. It includes a number of resources for scripture study for both children and adults.</p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download Nourish Your Faith at Home - Update April 23</a></p>
Continuing	<p><b>The Chosen - Great Family Viewing on the Life of Jesus.</b></p> <p>This new, crowd funded series on the life of Jesus is receiving wide acclaim around the world and is well worth a look, especially during holy week. It is a high-quality production that explores the life of Jesus through the eyes of those around Him. The easiest place to watch the whole first season for free is through a free membership on VidAngel - <a href="https://www.vidangel.com/">https://www.vidangel.com/</a></p>	
NEW	<p><b>The Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast – ‘The Journey’ – 30 August 2020</b></p> <p>On The Journey this week Jude Hennessy interviews John Ferguson from the Office of Social Justice about this Sunday’s Social Justice statement on mental health by the Australian Bishops. Plus, the Gospel reflection by Fr Mark De Battista and Sr Hilda remembering the 14th anniversary of the death of Mother Abbess Benedicta Philips OSB.</p> <p>The Journey available every Friday for free download – go to <a href="http://www.jcr.org.au">www.jcr.org.au</a></p>	
NEW	<p><b>A Vocation view</b></p> <p><i>Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (30/08/20)</i>  “O God, you are my God whom I seek.” As St. Augustine recognized, our hearts are restless until they rest in the Lord; eliminate that which blocks your seeking for God. (Psalm 63:2)  If you want to talk about your discernment, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Duane Fernandez at <a href="mailto:vocations@dow.org.au">vocations@dow.org.au</a> or our Vocations video at <a href="https://www.dow.org.au/covid-19/sunday-mass-online-with-bishop-brian/">https://www.dow.org.au/covid-19/sunday-mass-online-with-bishop-brian/</a></p>	
NEW	<p><b>Social Justice Statement</b></p> <p>The Church intends to offer a contribution of truth to the question of man's place in nature and in human society, a question faced by civilizations and cultures in which expression of human wisdom are found. – <i>Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church - Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace</i></p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download logo</a></p>

Continuing	<p><b>Connecting Online – Simple Steps to Video Group Gatherings</b></p> <p>Zoom Video Conferencing is excellent platform for hosting small faith sharing groups as well as parish meetings, liturgies and courses. Each parish has an account which can be used for the hosting of such meetings. Click here to download the user guide.</p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download Zoom User Guide Basic Steps</a></p>
Continuing	<p><b>Prayer Resources for Individuals and Families</b></p> <p>During this time of social isolation, it is important that we pray and stay connected to our community. A range of online resources are available to assist with this. These include daily prayers and readings, prayer services, the Sunday Office, commentaries, homilies and reflections as well as Gospel based activities and resources to support personal and family prayer. Go to: <a href="http://liturgyhelp.com/aus/woll/pray">liturgyhelp.com/aus/woll/pray</a> and follow the prompts to access. Hopefully these resources will help create prayerful solidarity with our community and the whole Body of Christ.</p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download liturgy help</a></p>
Continuing	<p><b>Faith Circles—free small group resource:</b></p> <p>During this period of Pandemic isolation, you are encouraged to spend time in prayer and spiritual reading and faith Circles is one way that you can do this. The weekly Faith Circles resource is available for free to download. It is easy to use and could easily be done in your household or even by skype / phone with others at this time, with its questions and 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 href="https://cathfamily.org/cathkids-faith-unlimited/">https://cathfamily.org/cathkids-faith-unlimited/</a> : A weekly interactive experience with a two-minute animated reflection on the Sunday reading, questions to stimulate discussion, a simple activity and prayer.</p> <p>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> especially during this time of COVID-19 social distancing especially if children are unable to attend school.</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>We're always here, if you ever need...</b></p> <p>These are challenging times for everyone and CatholicCare are here to support you and your family to navigate the uncertainty. We offer confidential online and phone counselling to support you with the frustration of managing</p>	

	<p>family emotions, relationship pressures and employment changes. To find out more about CatholicCare's counselling service call us on 4254 9395 or email <a href="mailto:intakeservice@catholiccare.dow.org.au">intakeservice@catholiccare.dow.org.au</a></p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Always Connected</b>  While CatholicCare office is closed due to current restrictions, our dedicated Client Services Officer Marion is still here to take your calls and emails. Marion and the CatholicCare team are working on practical and innovative new ways to support our clients through COVID-19. Please email or call us if you have any questions – we're here to help. Phone: 4227 1122 or email <a href="mailto:enquiries@catholiccare.dow.org.au">enquiries@catholiccare.dow.org.au</a></p>	