



BULLETIN NOTICES

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Date:	10 November 2020	For weekend:	14 – 15 November 2020

Status	Bulletin Notice	Attachment(s)
Continuing	<p>Calling All Business People and Friends</p> <p>Catholic Business Connections (CBC) provides an opportunity for businesswomen and men in our diocese (active and retired) who share common values, to network and engage over lunch with each other and leaders representing the diocese. After a long break between luncheons, we are delighted to announce that our next luncheon will be held on Thursday 19 November at City Beach Function Room, 1 Marine Drive Wollongong (11.45am-2pm).</p> <p>Bishop Brian invites you to attend what promises to be an enjoyable lunch at one of Wollongong's most picturesque venues. Our guest speaker is Vince Sorrenti, one of Australia's most loved and leading comic entertainers. Vince's topic is "2020. Who knew?"</p> <p>Tickets for non-members are \$132 (incl. gst). To attend visit dow.sh/CBCNov20</p> <p>RSVP for November luncheon is Thursday 12 November. Covid-19 Safety Plans apply.</p> <p>For more information on CBC visit www.cbc.dow.org.au or contact Debbie Gates, Diocesan Director of Development and Community Engagement (02) 4222 2446.</p>	
Continuing	<p>IN-PERSON Holy Hour</p> <p>The NET Team are hosting Holy Hour in-person! Every Wednesday from 6:30pm at St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Wollongong. Please join us for adoration, music (sadly, we cannot sing), prayer, and Jesus! See you there!</p>	

Continuing	<p>Saints Relics</p> <p>Rosemeadow Parish has established a “Shrine of the Saints” in the Parish church. The basis of this was the donation by the Carmelite Sisters of 50 relics of Saints dating back to the first centuries of the Church. It is hoped that once our churches are able to be fully opened again, the shrine will be open for visitors to come and pray in quiet and solitude with the Saints whose lives sustain us still from Heaven. If anyone has a First-Class Relic (from the bone) of any Saint and would like to offer it to be permanently included in this Shrine, please contact Father Sarkis on (02) 4628 1385.</p> <p>Not only would the relic be available for prayer and devotion for everyone, but it would ensure its proper safeguard and dignity in a reverent and beautiful setting.</p>	
Continuing	<p>The 11TH ANNUAL <i>iWitness</i> Conference Awake, O Sleeper 10 – 13 December 2020 The tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops</p> <p><i>iWitness</i> is an annual, summer conference drawing together 100s of young (18-35 year old) Aussie Catholics for a summer weekend of prayer, formation and fun.</p> <p>For more information please check website https://www.iwitnessconference.com/</p>	<p>Click to download flyer</p>
Continuing	<p>Marriage Enrichment Weekend</p> <p>We are offering an opportunity for you to learn to become the best version of yourselves together and live your best life in love!</p> <p>Come and join us on 20 –22 November 2020 at a Marriage Encounter Weekend in a Covid safe environment at Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, NSW – a stunning & tranquil oasis on the edge of Sydney.</p> <p>Book online at www.wwme.org.au or contact Christine & Terry Mahony on 0490 774 419 or nswbookings@wwme.org.au</p>	
Continuing	<p>Formed</p> <p>Would you like to nurture your faith at home, in your own time and at your own pace? FORMED.org is a large Faith Formation Resource library website containing thousands of faith formation documentaries, courses, movies, audio and books covering all aspects of our Catholic faith. Materials for both adults and children. Sign-up for Free using our Diocesan Subscription by contacting darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au or helen.bennett@dow.org.au</p>	

Continuing	<p>Request for Prayer for Catechist Ministry in the Diocese</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 www.ccdwollongong.com</p>	
Continuing	<p>Dates locked in for Plenary Council Assemblies</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>Diocese of Wollongong Mass Online</p> <p>For all of the online Mass options- please visit the DoW website https://dow.sh/dailymass</p>	Click to download
Continuing	<p>An invitation to join electronic parish planned giving</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>Please visit https://www.dow.org.au/plannedgiving/ to learn of the two simple ways you can give to our parish electronically.</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>Update - Nourish Your Faith at Home</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>Click to download Nourish Your Faith at Home - Update April 23</p>
NEW	<p>The Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast – ‘The Journey’ – 15 November 2020</p> <p>On the Journey this week: Fr Mark De Battista applies Jesus' parable about the master dividing his treasure among his servants to our times. Darren McDowell has five tips to make our parishes more welcoming, and Mother Hilda observes that our face radiates when we pray. Plus great music!</p> <p>The Journey available as a podcast – jcr.org.au</p>	
NEW	<p>A Vocation view</p> <p><i>Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (15/11/20)</i></p> <p>“Since you have been faithful in small matters, you will be given greater responsibility.” To follow the Lord is to slowly grow in the love of the Lord, practicing small steps of virtue in order to grow to a vibrant faith in Christ. (Matthew 25:14-30) If you want to talk about your discernment, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Duane Fernandez at vocations@dow.org.au</p>	
NEW	<p>Social Justice Statement</p> <p>The precepts of the sabbatical and jubilee years constitute a kind of social doctrine in miniature. These principles become the focus of the prophets' preaching, which seeks to internalize them. – <i>Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church - Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace</i></p>	<p>Click to download logo</p>
Continuing	<p>Cathedral Books & Gifts Wollongong</p> <p>The opening hours for the shop are by appointment only. Please contact Wendy Giles 0457 023 556.</p> <p>Cathedral Books & Gifts shop has a wide range of gifts for Baptism, Communion, Confirmation, Missals, Books, Rosaries, medals, statues, plaques, cards for various occasions, holy cards etc.</p>	

Continuing	<p>Connecting Online – Simple Steps to Video Group Gatherings</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>Click to download Zoom User Guide Basic Steps</p>
Continuing	<p>Prayer Resources for Individuals and Families</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: liturgyhelp.com/aus/woll/pray 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>Click to download liturgy help</p>
Continuing	<p>Faith Circles—free small group resource:</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 www.faithcircles.dow.org.au or have it sent to you each month via email subscription.</p>	
Continuing	<p>Healing after Abortion</p> <p>Rachel’s Vineyard Ministries Weekend Retreat offers women and men a sanctuary in which to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion in a safe, supportive, confidential, and non-judgmental environment. The next healing retreat will be held 4-6 December 2020.</p>	<p>Click to download flyer</p>
Continuing	<p>CatholicCare - Have you thought about becoming a foster carer?</p> <p>We need foster carers who provide love, care and support to help these children thrive and reach their full potential. Carers receive comprehensive support from the Fostering Futures team to ensure they have a full range of resources</p>	

	<p>and networks to nurture their forever home. Our team have over 30 years' experience helping carers give vulnerable children a loving home and a brighter future.</p> <p>You can find out more by calling 0418 783 956, email fosteringfutures@catholiccare.dow.org.au or go to http://www.catholiccare.dow.org.au more information.</p>	
Continuing	<p>We're always here, if you ever need...</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 family emotions, relationship pressures and employment changes. To find out more about CatholicCare's counselling service call us on 4254 9395 or email intakeservice@catholiccare.dow.org.au</p>	
Continuing	<p>CAtHFAMILY</p> <p>CAtHFAMILY brings you a selection of activities, prayer rituals, crafts and recipes from their website to assist parents and grandparents in being the first educators in faith for their kids. Don't miss CathKids https://cathfamily.org/activities/</p>	