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## BULLETIN NOTICES

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Date	4 May 2021	For weekend:	8 – 9 May 2021

Status	Bulletin Notice	Attachment(s)
NEW	<ul> <li>Calling All Business People</li> <li>Catholic Business Connections (CBC) is an opportunity for businesswomen and men in our diocese (active and retired) who share common values, to network and engage with each other and leaders representing the diocese. CBC gathers four times a year for lunch and to listen to guest speakers chosen to inspire with their unique story and share how they relate their work and spiritual life experience to the context of living in a modern world.</li> <li>The second luncheon for 2021 will be held on Thursday 27 May at City Beach Function Room, Wollongong (11.45am-2pm). Guest Speaker - Damien Leith, first captured everyone's attention when he won Australian Idol in 2006. Since then, he has made his mark as a singer, songwriter, producer, author, play wright and tv/radio host personality and now calls the Illawarra home. Damien's topic will be connecting through creativity and music.</li> <li>For more information on Damien and CBC visit www.cbc.dow.org.au or contact Debbie Gates, Diocesan Director of Development and Community Engagement (02) 4222 2446. RSVP for May luncheon is Thursday 20 May.</li> </ul>	Click to download <u>CBC Logo Landscape</u> <u>CBC Logo Portrait</u>
POSITION VACANT	Senior Executive Assistant to the Bishop– Catholic Diocese of Wollongong Suitably experienced and qualified persons are encouraged to apply for the role of Senior Executive Assistant to the Bishop in the Diocese of Wollongong. For more information and a detailed role description, please go to <u>http://dow.sh/execbishop</u> or for enquiries contact <u>helen.bennett@dow.org.au</u>	

NEW	Plenary Council 2021	
	The Plenary Post is the e-newsletter of the Plenary Council. For the latest Plenary Post please visit <u>https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/plenary-post/</u>	
Continuing	MenALIVE Men's Weekend Rediscover God's Presence and Purpose for your Life 12-13 June 2021, St Patrick's Church Catholic Church (Hall) 42 O'Donnell Street, Port Kembla The menALIVE Men's Weekend is an opportunity for all men from 18 years of age to explore what makes them feel fully alive. The experience of the weekend is powerful and dynamic, and many men are inspired and encouraged with a new sense of purpose and mission. Experienced leaders from menALIVE Team will be running the weekend. Register via brochure or online www.dow.org.au/events Enquiries: Helen Bennett (Diocesan Contact) 4222 2403; Anthony Rewak (Parish Contact) 0488 233 078 or Ian	Click to download: <u>Brochure</u> <u>Poster</u>
Continuing	<ul> <li>Boorman (menALIVE Contact) 0427 006 021</li> <li>Feast of Mary Help of Christians Walk for Australia</li> <li>We walk to raise PRAYERS for Australia. We walk in a spirit of joy, knowing that prayer united with sacrifice, makes prayer more effective.</li> <li>You are warmly welcome to join us on either day or both days. Support vehicle provided. Shuttle cars return to start on both days. B.Y.O Lunch, water, and hat.</li> <li>FRIDAY 21 May: START 9:30am Mass, Kiama Catholic Church. Walk to Gerringong Catholic Church (13km) for Benediction at 3pm.</li> <li>SATURDAY 22 May: START 8:00am Mass, Gerringong Catholic Church. Walk to Shoalhaven Heads (15km) for final blessing at 1pm.</li> <li>For information contact: Sue Hill: 0435 336 195 or Gabriella De Battista, (02) 4261 2500</li> </ul>	<u>Click t</u> o download <u>Flyer</u>
Continuing	Vocations Weekend with the MGL Sisters 14–16 May The Missionaries of God's Love Sisters invite young women (18-35) to a vocations weekend of prayer, input, sisterhood and sharing. This weekend is designed to help you discern your life direction. RSVP to Therese on 0432 228 250 or for more info.	

Continuing	St Joseph Pilgrimage Motor Bike Ride	Click to download:
	Join with Catholic motor bike riders who will be undertaking a pilgrimage ride visiting 7 churches and riding 800km over three days in honour of St Joseph, including 2 Churches in our Diocese of Wollongong. The ride will commence from Oatley Parish on Friday the 11 June at 10am and conclude at Camperdown on the 13 June at 6pm, with overnight stays in Moss Vale and Orange. You may simply wish to join the riders for prayer at our St Joseph's Churches on 11 June, with prayer at Bulli for an hour starting at 1.30pm and Kangaroo Valley at 3.45pm. If you would like to join the ride, contact Jim on 0432 487 927 or Branko 0411 281 299 For map of ride go to <u>https://tinyurl.com/ride4stjoseph</u>	<u>Flyer</u> <u>Bike Tour Itinerary</u> <u>Bike Ride Map</u>
NEW	The Journey' – 9 May 2021 – Your Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast On the Journey this week: The Gospel reflection with Fr Leo Duck, Mother Hilda says we can emulate Abraham's response and trust in God's message, plus there's five marriage tips, overcoming the fear of being loved and planting a personal spiritual garden. The Journey available as a podcast_at jcr.org.au_	<u>icr.org.au</u>
Continuing	The Year of St JosephPope Francis on December 8, 2020 published an ApostolicLetter Patris corde (With a Father's Heart), commemoratingthe 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph asPatron of the Universal Church. You are encouraged to visitthe ACBC year of St Joseph page athttps://www.catholic.org.au/yearofstjosephincludingMonthly reflections on various aspects of St Joseph's lifeand character and prayers.You are encouraged to read the beautiful pastoral Letterfrom Pope Francis – with a Father's Hearthttp://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap_20201208_patris-corde.htmlSt Joseph Prayer Card:https://www.catholic.org.au/images/Year_of_St_Joseph_Prayer_Card.pdf	
Continuing	Year Amoris Laetitia Family, 19 March 2021 – 26 June 2022 On March 19, Pope Francis launched the Year "Amoris Laetitia Family", which will conclude on 26 June 2022, on the occasion of the 10th World Meeting of Families in Rome	

	with the Holy Father. Families are encouraged to break	
	open the resources and stories at	
	http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/am oris-laetitia.html	
	Pope Francis has decided to institute throughout the Church	
	the celebration of World Day for Grandparents and the	
	Elderly, which will be held beginning this year on Sunday	
	July 25 <sup>th</sup> , near the liturgical memory of Saints Joachim and	
	Anne, grandparents of Jesus.	
	Married couples who have a passion for the beauty of	
	Church teaching on marriage and family are urged to	
	consider participating in marriage enrichment later in the	
	year. You may even be keen to join with a team to help	
	promote and deliver some of this online formation around	
	the Diocese. If so please contact	
	iude.hennessy@dow.org.au so you can be included in	
	communications and training.	
	Please see links below for the short video message from	
	Rome (available in English and Spanish) for the beginning of the Amoris Laetitia Family Year.	
	English: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AERy96AETEA</u>	
	Español: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=65WD6i-g1V8	
Continuing	Bible Study	
	Bible Study is back! CYMW are holding Bible Study every	
	Tuesday night, 6:30pm to 8pm at Mater Dolorosa Catholic	
	Church, Balgownie (47 Balmoral St, Balgownie NSW 2519)	
	Young Adults 17-35, BYO bible and we will supply the	
	snacks!!	
	We look forward to seeing you there!	
	For more information, visit @cymdow on Facebook or	
	Instagram.	
Continuing	LIVE Local	
	Attention High School students!	
	LIVE Local is a youth group ran by CYMW in the Macarthur	
	Region.	
	Where? St John the Evangelist Catholic Church Hall,	
	Campbelltown	
	When? Every Friday night! 7pm–9pm during school terms	
	What to expect? Food, live music, games, prayer, and	
	community!	
	We look forward to seeing you there!	
	For more information, visit @live.local.cymw on Instagram.	
NEW	A Vocation view	
	It was God who chose us to go forth and bear fruit that will	
	last. Let your heart rejoice in God's call to you. What is the	

	fruit of your life? (John 15:9-17) If you want to talk about your discernment, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Duane Fernandez at <u>vocations@dow.org.au</u>	
Continuing	Cathedral Books & Gifts Wollongong Please be advised the Cathedral Books and Gifts Wollongong has now re-opened. Operating hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 10am – 2pm Entry via 38 Harbour Street, Wollongong For any enquiries, please contact Wendy Giles on 4222 2484	
Continuing	<ul> <li>Wollongong Diocesan Resource Centre</li> <li>The Diocesan Resource Centre is in transition to its new premises. Resources are still available to borrow during this transitional period. For more information contact Anne</li> <li>Russell on 0427 072 363 at the Catholic Education Office 86-88 Market Street, Wollongong 2500.</li> <li>For Catechist in the Macarthur and Southern Highlands – Cindy Oliver is present in the centre from 9am-3pm Monday to Thursday. Contact Cindy on 4640 8550 or cindy.oliver@dow.org.au for more information. Catechists are welcome to access the resource centre and get help from Cindy to obtain the materials they need to create engaging lessons for their students.</li> </ul>	
Continuing	Formed 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 helen.bennett@dow.org.au	
Continuing	<b>Diocese of Wollongong Mass Online</b> For all of the online Mass options- please visit the DoW website <u>https://dow.sh/dailymass</u>	<u>Click to download</u>
Continuing	An invitation to join electronic parish planned giving 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. Please visit https://www.dow.org.au/plannedgiving/ to learn of the two simple ways you can give to our parish electronically. Importantly, we are mindful that some of our parishioners will sadly be experiencing a change in their financial circumstances. Please contact the Parish Office (insert phone number/email) if you need to decrease/discontinue your planned giving contribution, but mainly to let us know how we can support you.	
NEW	Social Justice Statement The human person cannot and must not be manipulated by social, economic, or political structures, because every person has the freedom to direct himself towards his ultimate end. On the other hand, every cultural, social, economic, and political accomplishment, in which the social nature of the person and his activity of transforming the universe are brought about in history, must always be considered also in the context of its relative and provisional reality, because "the form of this world is passing away". – <i>Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church - Pontifical</i> <i>Council for Justice and Peace</i>	<u>Click to download</u> <u>logo</u>
Continuing	Faith Circles—free small group resource: 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.	
Continuing	CatholicCare - Have you thought about becoming a foster carer? 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 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. You can find out more by calling <b>0418 783 956</b> , email fosteringfutures@catholiccare.dow.org.au or go to http://www.catholiccare.dow.org.au more information.	

Continuing	We're always here, if you ever need 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	
Continuing	<b>CAtHFAMILY</b> 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 <u>https://cathfamily.org/activities/</u>	