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BULLETIN NOTICES

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Date:	24 August 2021	For weekend:	28 – 29 August 2021

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	Bishop's Sacramental Program Parental Survey A discussion paper to assist in the development of a Sacraments of Initiation policy for the Diocese is being developed and Bishop Mascord is seeking feedback from parents and, via parishes, is reaching out especially to parents with children in state schools who have presented their sons daughters for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. If that is you, we would love to hear from you! You can access the Survey by simply clicking here: https://dow.sh/SacramentsSurvey and we would be most grateful for your feedback.	
Continuing	Social Justice Statement We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on 29 August. The Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement, Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor, invites us to join in responding to Pope Francis' invitation to take a seven-year journey towards total ecological sustainability guided by seven Laudato Si' Goals. To read more go here https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/2021/06/24/socialjustice-statement-2021-22/ and to listen to an interview with Dr Sandie Cornish from the ACBC's Social Justice Council on this Year's Social Justice statement, go to our Diocesan podcast at www.jcr.org.au	Click to download Social Justice Statement 2021-2022

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Continuing	Online Young Adult Bible Study! Are you missing your community? CYMW are hosting an online Bible Study for all young adults aged 17-35 throughout the Wollongong Diocese. Bring your bible and your favourite snack as we journey through scripture together over zoom! Every Tuesday night. 7PM-8PM. Check out @cymdow on Instagram or Facebook for more information or email youth@dow.org.au	
Continuing	Diocese of Wollongong Mass Online For all of the online Mass options- please visit the DoW website https://dow.sh/onlinemass	Online Masses
NEW	The Journey, 29 August 2021 – Your Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast Greta to have Fr Mark De Battista breaking open the Gospel this week, a new segment from Fr Mike Delaney from Tasmania and a wonderful interview with Dr Sandie Cornish from the ACBC's Social Justice Council on this Year's Social Justice statement, "Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor". The Journey podcast available at www.jcr.org.au.	jcr.org.au
Continuing	In 2020, over 1500 men gathered around the country in hub spots for the ACBC National Catholic Men's Gathering. Be inspired, encouraged and renewed in faith with other blokes from around the Diocese. It's free. For more info and to register go to www.catholicmensgathering.com.au. We will be running four (4) regional hubs around the Diocese on dates to be determined post COVID19 restrictions. 1. Xavier Centre Wollongong: Contact Peter Crowe 0407913696 Pcrowe360@gmail.com eferry@westnet.com.au 2. Bowral Parish Hall: Contact: Max Norden: 0414 733 823 max.norden@dow.org.au 3. Nowra Parish Hall: Key Contact: Nigel Porter 0430 365 383 (or Gary Egan 0438 077 876 garyegan@westnet.com.au 4. Rosemeadow Parish Hall: Key Contact: Eddie Ferry 0417 049 418 eferry@westnet.com.au – with Ryan Suares, Andy Adina and Ian Boorman	

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Continuing	Marriage Enrichment Weekend We are offering an opportunity for you to learn to become the best version of yourselves together and live your best life in love! Come and join us on September 10 - 12, 2021 for a Virtual Marriage Encounter Weekend via Zoom. Open to married couples, priests & religious. Book online at www.wwme.org.au or contact Christine & Terry Mahony on 0490 774 419 or nswbookings@wwme.org.au	
Continuing	The Chosen – A TV Series about Jesus – watch during lockdown! The Chosen is a new 'free to view', television program that creatively presents the life of Christ and his followers. The shows are of the highest quality and is receiving acclaim around the world across denominations. Go to https://watch.angelstudios.com/thechosen to watch or get the free app for use on your phone / laptop via The Chosen app (download)	
MODIFIED	Plenary Council 2021 With just 39 days to Assembly One of the Plenary Council, you can keep up to date by accessing the Plenary Post on the Plenary Council website https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the first Assembly will be delivered online. Keep the up-to-date Plenary Council Journey 2020-2022 .	
Continuing	The Year of St Joseph Pope Francis on 8 December 2020 published an Apostolic Letter Patris corde (With a Father's Heart), commemorating the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. You are encouraged to visit the ACBC year of St Joseph page at https://www.catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph	

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Continuing	Year Amoris Laetitia Family, 19 March 2021 – 26 June 2022 Pope Francis is encouraging the Church to enrich your understanding of the vocation marriage and the core role of family in the mission of the Church at http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/amoris-laetitia.html On July 25 th the first celebration of World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be held near the liturgical memory of Saints Joachim and Anne, grandparents of Jesus.	
NEW	A Vocation view You are called to be a person of integrity. Live in a way that shows that God is your centre. (Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23) If you want to talk about your discernment, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Duane Fernandez at vocations@dow.org.au	
Continuing	Wollongong Diocesan Resource Centre The Diocesan Resource Centre is in transition to its new premises. Resources are still available to borrow during this transitional period. For more information or request for resources, please contact Anne Russell on 0427 072 363. Resources can be collected and returned at the Catholic Education Office, 86-88 Market Street, Wollongong. For Catechist in the Macarthur and Southern Highlands — Contact Cindy on 4640 8550 or cindy.oliver@dow.org.au for more information.	
Continuing	Formed (Free for DoW parishioiners) Join hundreds of other families around the Diocese of Wollongong in nurturing 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	

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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 0418 783 956, 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	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/	