

## BULLETIN NOTICES

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<b>Date:</b>	14 September 2021	<b>For weekend:</b>	18 – 19 September 2021

*RSVP details are essential for adequate catering, seating, handouts etc. We ask that details are kept in notices where included.*

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<b>NEW</b>	<p><b>Prayer Seminars: Experience various prayer styles – All Welcome</b> A series of <b>Prayer Seminars</b>, which will commence on <b>Tuesday 21 September, and run weekly, 7pm - 8:30pm</b> via Zoom. These are open to anyone in the Diocese to attend any or all of the 12 evenings</p> <p>Each week a different presenter will lead us in a style of prayer that is meaningful to them. The seminars will include information, but also the opportunity to be led by an expert in the prayer experience. To register, go to <a href="https://www.dow.org.au/events">https://www.dow.org.au/events</a></p> <p>To begin our series of <b>Prayer Seminars</b>, next Tuesday 21 September, <b>Rachel Fleurant MGL</b>, will lead us in <b>Centering Prayer</b>. Come and discover the beautiful practice of interior silence using a sacred word and simply rest in the presence of God.</p> <p>Each week, the importance of praying for the Plenary Council and its members will be remembered, amongst many important prayer intentions for the Church and the world.</p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download Prayer Seminar Graphic</a></p>

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Modified	<p><b>Plenary Council 2021</b></p> <p>From 3 – 10 October, the Church in Australia will commence its fifth Plenary Council – the first in 84 years. 279 members will begin a process of dialogue focusing on 6 themes that were developed from the responses of over 220,000 people.</p> <p>Checkout:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the latest media release <a href="#">which is also online here</a>,</li> <li>• the agenda <a href="#">and is online here</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Plenary Council by the numbers</a>; and</li> <li>• <a href="#">Archbishop Coleridge – Why a Plenary Council are available</a></li> </ul> <p><b>Podcast with Lana Turvey Collins:</b> The Diocese is interviewing Lana Turvey Collins next week for the Journey Podcast, which will be available at <a href="http://www.jcr.org.au">www.jcr.org.au</a> from Friday 24 September.</p> <p><b>Praying for the Plenary Council:</b> A series of <i>masses</i> will be held during the first gathering of the council and will be available online from various Dioceses around Australia with details to be released soon by the national organising team.</p> <p>The <b>Diocesan Prayer Seminar series</b> that will commence next Tuesday Evening September 21 will provide the experience and practice of different forms of prayer, with the opportunity to pray for the Plenary Council and its members amongst many important prayer intentions for the Church and the world each week. For more info and to register go to <a href="https://www.dow.org.au/events">https://www.dow.org.au/events</a></p>	
Modified	<p><b>Marriage Anniversaries Mass: Livestreamed Sunday 19 September – 12.30pm</b></p> <p>This celebration for those marking 25, 40, 50, 60, or over 60 years of marriage in 2020-21, will be livestreamed this Sunday. All those who have registered have been invited to be part of the online Mass with Bishop Brian, who will celebrate Mass from the Cathedral, offering a blessing for each of the 47 couples who have registered. Each registered couple has been sent a commemoration certificate, prayer cards, Mass booklet and a letter from Bishop Brian. The link to Lumen Christi Livestream</p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/c/LumenChristiCatholicParishes/videos">https://www.youtube.com/c/LumenChristiCatholicParishes/videos</a></p>	

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Modified	<p><b>Season of Creation</b></p> <p>The <b>Season of Creation</b> begins <b>September 1</b>, on the designated <b>World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation</b>. It concludes on <b>October 4, the Feast of St. Francis</b>.</p> <p>The Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace have created five prayer cards which focus on the themes of the statement. This week’s prayer focuses on <a href="#">Sacramentality</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download Social Justice Statement 2021-22</a></p>
NEW	<p><b>Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) 400 Hour Foundational Unit</b></p> <p>Are you interested in growing in knowledge, understanding and developing skills that will enable you to offer effective pastoral and spiritual care?</p> <p>Deepening your awareness of Spirituality in your life and of people’s needs, hopes, and concerns during times of illness Becoming more aware of your own values, attitudes, and assumptions.</p> <p>CPE Foundational Unit will be offered as a blend of both online and face to face sessions conducted on 2 consecutive days per month, <b>Tuesday and Wednesdays from 9 November 2021 to 27 July 2022</b>. (Limited spaces still available – clinical pastoral placement required)</p> <p>Please contact Carmen Karauda at <a href="mailto:ckarauda@gmail.com">ckarauda@gmail.com</a> or phone: 0419 430 676 for more information and/or application form. Applications are now open. Please apply early. Applications close 22 October 2021.</p>	

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NEW	<p><b>The Bishop’s Annual Appeal – To support the retirement and health of clergy and local parish ministries</b></p> <p>To find out more, view the special appeal video and to make a donation, please visit <a href="http://www.dow.org.au/giving">www.dow.org.au/giving</a> or call <b>(02) 4222 2446</b> to make a donation over the phone. <i>“Our faith calls us to help one another through prayer and action. Your donation to this appeal will enable me to provide a dignified retirement for our diocesan clergy and ensure that our parish communities stay connected during this time of pandemic. While I acknowledge the pressure that some households are facing at this time, if you are in a financial position to give, I would be very grateful if you would consider giving generously to this appeal.”</i> + Bishop Brian Mascord</p>	
NEW	<p><b>The Journey, 19 September 2021 – Your Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast</b></p> <p>Great show this week as Fr Brian Lucas and Torrien Alu both address the topic of fear and Michelle Vaas concludes her series on praying the psalms. Plenty of great music you’ve come to expect from the Journey available at <a href="http://www.jcr.org.au">www.jcr.org.au</a>.</p>	<a href="http://jcr.org.au">jcr.org.au</a>
Continuing	<p><b>Get Connected with what is on around the Diocese</b></p> <p>Every week, there are many great opportunities to be part of special events, courses, free resources and to nurture and encourage you and your family in your faith. A simple way of staying informed and connected is to subscribe at <a href="https://dow.sh/stayingconnected">https://dow.sh/stayingconnected</a> to receive regular stay connected updates or visit <a href="https://dow.sh/weeklybulletin">https://dow.sh/weeklybulletin</a> to see a full list of notices sent to Parishes weekly</p>	

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Continuing	<p><b>Online Holy Hour for Young Adults</b>            CYMW &amp; NET are hosting online Adoration every Thursday from 4-5pm. Join our Holy Hour through Facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/cymdow/">https://www.facebook.com/cymdow/</a> or watch via Instagram @net.wollongong – everyone is welcome!</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Online Young Adult Bible Study!</b>            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 <a href="mailto:youth@dow.org.au">youth@dow.org.au</a></p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Diocese of Wollongong Mass Online</b>            For all of the online Mass options- please visit the DoW website <a href="https://dow.sh/onlinemass">https://dow.sh/onlinemass</a></p>	<a href="#">Online Masses</a>
Continuing	<p><b>An invitation to join electronic parish planned giving</b>            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.   <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>            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>	Click here to download

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Continuing	<p><b>The Chosen – A TV Series about Jesus – watch during lockdown!</b></p> <p>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 <a href="https://watch.angelstudios.com/thechosen">https://watch.angelstudios.com/thechosen</a> to watch or get the free app for use on your phone / laptop via <i>The Chosen app</i> (<a href="#">download</a>)</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>The Year of St Joseph</b></p> <p>Pope Francis on 8 December 2020 published an Apostolic Letter <i>Patris corde (With a Father’s Heart)</i>, 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 <a href="https://www.catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph">https://www.catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph</a></p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Year Amoris Laetitia Family, 19 March 2021 – 26 June 2022</b></p> <p>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 <a href="http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/amoris-laetitia.html">http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/amoris-laetitia.html</a></p> <p>On July 25<sup>th</sup> 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.</p>	
NEW	<p><b>A Vocation view</b></p> <p>If we want to be great, we must serve others. Are you willing to serve others? You can make a difference with your life. (Mark 9:30-37)</p> <p>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></p>	

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Continuing	<p><b>Formed (Free for DoW parishioners)</b></p> <p>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 <a href="mailto:darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au">darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au</a> or <a href="mailto:helen.bennett@dow.org.au">helen.bennett@dow.org.au</a></p>	
MODIFIED	<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="https://www.dow.org.au/media-resources/faith-circles/">https://www.dow.org.au/media-resources/faith-circles/</a> or have it sent to you each month via email subscription.</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>CatholicCare - Have you thought about becoming a foster carer?</b></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 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 <b>0418 783 956</b>, email <a href="mailto:fosteringfutures@catholiccare.dow.org.au">fosteringfutures@catholiccare.dow.org.au</a> or go to <a href="http://www.catholiccare.dow.org.au">http://www.catholiccare.dow.org.au</a> more information.</p>	

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Continuing	<p><b>CAtHFAMILY</b></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 <a href="https://cathfamily.org/activities/">https://cathfamily.org/activities/</a></p>	