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## BULLETIN NOTICES

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Status	Bulletin notice	Attachment(s)
NEW	Synod of Bishops: On Sunday, 17 October, dioceses around the world will launch local preparations for the Synod of Bishops, which has the theme: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". The Catholic Church in Australia will invite the People of God to make submissions via an online portal that will open on 17 October. Those submissions will help the Bishops develop a national report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in 2023. Find out more at: <a href="http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch">http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch</a>	
NEW	Plenary Council – what happens next?	
	With the conclusion of the First General Assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia, the members approved a concluding statement sharing the fruits of the first assembly and looking forward to nine months of "prayer, reflection, maturation and development" leading up to the second assembly. Please find attached a media release and a copy of the concluding statement.  The Journey podcast compiled a series of insightful interviews at the conclusion of each day of the assembly that can be accessed at <a href="https://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/plenarypodcast/">www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/plenarypodcast/</a>	
Continuing	Get Connected with what is on around the Diocese	
	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. Stay informed by subscribing at subscribe <a href="https://dow.sh/stayingconnected">https://dow.sh/stayingconnected</a> or visit <a href="https://dow.sh/weeklybulletin">https://dow.sh/weeklybulletin</a> to see a full list of notices sent to Parishes weekly	

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MODIFIED	Prayer Seminars to experience different prayer styles – All Welcome  There has been an overwhelming response to the Prayer Seminar series that runs each Tuesday evening, 7pm - 8:30pm via Zoom. Prayer Seminars are hosted by the CCD Team but are open to anyone and everyone in the Diocese to attend. 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. 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. You are welcome to come to any or all of the seminars. Registering does not require you to attend every seminar. Please follow the link to register for Prayer Seminars: <a href="https://www.dow.org.au/events">https://www.dow.org.au/events</a> . Please register before the day of the seminar, to ensure you receive your zoom link on time.  Next Tuesday, 19 October, Sr Magdalen Mather OSB will lead us on a Benedictine Path to Prayer, live from The Abbey. Come and explore the contemplative way of living prayer that is built on the belief 'that the	Register to all Sessions  Register to individual sessions
NEW	ACU Centre for Liturgy Public Lecture (Online)  The Australian Catholic University (ACU) will be hosting an online public lecture on Monday 18 October 2021, from 10am-11:30am. It will be presented by Bruce T. Morrill, S.J., and will be on the topic: "Ritual Bodies as 'Reasonable Worship': Putting Liturgy in Proper Ethical Perspective'. Registration is essential by Thursday 14 October 2021 via <a href="https://www.acu.edu.au/publiclecturecfl">https://www.acu.edu.au/publiclecturecfl</a>	
Continuing	Divine Renovation Australasia Virtual Conference 2021  Called to Discipleship Saturday 20 November 2021   9:00am-12:30pm  Join us for a spirit-filled time od prayer, live keynotes, inspiring panel sessions. The virtual conference will aim to support priests, parish teams and individuals in their journey of parish renewal, while encouraging and equipping you in your Catholic faith.  For more and information and registration: <a href="https://www.divinerenovation.org/dr-aus-called-to-discipleship-conference">https://www.divinerenovation.org/dr-aus-called-to-discipleship-conference</a>	Click to download Flyer

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NEW	The Journey, 17 October 2021 – Your Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast  A jam packed show this week as Fr Joe Murphy breaks open the Gospel and Dr Byron and Francine Pirola remind us of the importance of being committed to being – committed. Plenty of great music on this week's show - the Journey available at <a href="https://www.jcr.org.au.">www.jcr.org.au</a> .	jcr.org.au
Continuing	Youth Ministry Online Have you seen Catholic Youth Ministry Wollongong's (CYMW) online version of LIVE yet? Click on the link below for some great worship and challenges as you explore faith with some very awesome leaders! Enjoy! <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTphLF5OdSt8V">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTphLF5OdSt8V</a> yo7ZLrVgg	
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 <a href="https://dow.sh/onlinemass">https://dow.sh/onlinemass</a>	Online Masses
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 <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.  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.	Click here to download

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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 <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 The Chosen app (download)	
Continuing	The Year of St Joseph  Pope Francis on 8 December 2020 published an Apostolic Letter <i>Patris corde</i> ( <i>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>	
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 <a href="http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/amoris-laetitia.html">http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/amoris-laetitia.html</a> 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.	
NEW	A Vocation view  Whoever wants to be great must serve others. Who are the ones you consider "great?" What can you do to carry on their legacy? (Mark 10:35-45) 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>	
NEW	Social Justice Statement  The complete fulfillment of the human person, achieved in Christ through the gift of the Spirit, develops in history and is mediated by personal relationships with other people, relationships that in turn reach perfection thanks to the commitment made to improve the world, in justice and peace. — Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church - Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace	

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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 <a href="mailto:cindy.oliver@dow.org.au">cindy.oliver@dow.org.au</a> 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 <a href="mailto:darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au">darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au</a> or <a "="" faith-circles="" href="mailto:helen.bennett@dow.org.au&lt;/a&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;&lt;/td&gt;&lt;/tr&gt;&lt;tr&gt;&lt;td&gt;Continuing&lt;/td&gt;&lt;td&gt;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 &lt;a href=" https:="" media-resources="" www.dow.org.au="">https://www.dow.org.au/media-resources/faith-circles/</a> 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.	