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## BULLETIN NOTICES

From:	Mr Jude Hennessy	Ref:	JH/hb:2024/42
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Date:	28 October 2024	For weekend:	2 – 3 November 2024

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

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IMPORTANT	2024 Mass Attendance Count – November  Starting the weekend of 2-3 November and continuing each weekend throughout November, all parishes and Mass centres across the Diocese of Wollongong will conduct the annual Mass attendance count. This important initiative aims to provide a complete picture of Mass attendance to aid in local parish and broader Diocesan planning. All sites holding public weekend Masses are required to participate in this Mass count.	Click to download Printable Form & Instructions
NEW	Charismatic Healing Mass Friday 8 November 2024, Sacred Heart Chapel, Stewart St, Wollongong  A warm invitation is extended to all prayer groups, Alpha graduates, Cursillo, Couples for Christ, Disciples of Jesus, and parishioners who would like to join us in charismatic praise for our Bishop's Vision for the Wollongong Diocese, followed by Holy Mass. There will also be an opportunity for individual healing prayer after mass and cuppa.  7:00pm Praise and Worship 7:30pm Holy Mass  For more information, pls contact Gabriella De Battista 0414 205 404	
Continuing	All Souls Day Memorial Service – Lakeside Memorial Park Saturday 9 November 2024 at 10:30am Celebrated by Most Rev Bishop Brian Mascord RSVP by Friday 1 November bookings@lakesidecrem.com.au	click to download flyer with QR Code

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UPDATED	Synod on Synodality – Conclusion of the Assembly and the Final Document  The XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops has now concluded and the Final Document from the Synod is now available.  For more information, visit the Synod website <a href="https://catholic.org.au/synodalchurch">https://catholic.org.au/synodalchurch</a>	
Continuing	Come & See, Go & Make Formation Pathway  NOVEMBER REGISTRATION OPEN  Campbelltown Tuesday 12 November 7 – 9:30pm  Wollongong & Zoom Wednesday, 13 November 7-9:30pm  "Principles & Foundations of Come & See, Go & Make" (Module 107).  Exploring the three foundations and ten principles of the vision for parishes, understanding a "values" approach to renewal, and making decisions through our values.  Register today@ dow.sh/nov2024	
NEW each week	The Journey, 3 November – Your Diocesan Weekly Podcast  On The Journey This Week: Fr James McCarthy says that self-love, often overlooked, is essential love for others and for God. Mother Hilda tells how we can offer comfort to God by giving him a foot massage. Plus, Fr Tony Percy, Trish McCarthy, and Deacon Josh Clayton The Journey podcast available at <a href="https://www.jcr.org.au">www.jcr.org.au</a> .  (Note to Parish Secretaries: Attached is a jpg file or <a href="click to download the file">click to download the file</a> for parishes to display on their digital screen)	www.jcr.org.au.  Click to download jpg file
NEW each week	A vocation view  Love of God and love of neighbour are not mutually exclusive, but rather are mutually enriching. Demonstrate the love you have for God by acting in service to your neighbour in Christ. (Mark 12:28-34)  If you want to talk about your vocation, please contact the diocesan vocations director, Fr Duane Fernandez at <a href="mailto:vocations@dow.org.au">vocations@dow.org.au</a>	

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Continuing	A Jubilee Year 2025 Pilgrimage to Rome & Krakow with Fr Marek Dutkiewicz  Departing Thursday 01 May 2025 and returning on 13 May 2025 Pilgrimage Itinerary (10 Nights/13 Days)  Cost: \$10,690.00 per person/twin room basis  Single Room Supplement = \$2,250.00 per person.  Please refer to the flyer for full itinerary and inclusions.  For more information, please contact St Paul's Moss Vale Parish office on (02) 4868 1931	Click to download flyer
Continuing	Cross + Generation Technology Program This program is a partnership between CatholicCare, Catholic Education DoW, Corpus Christi (Oak Flats) and Holy Spirit College (Bellambi). The program pairs students with seniors to assist you with technology. Bring in your device, either your phone, laptop or tablet and the students will assist you with becoming more confident and familiar with downloading apps, sending messages, using google maps or other help you may need. Refreshments will be provided at each session.  AVAILABLE SESSIONS: Corpus Christi, Oak Flats Friday 8 November 11am-1.30pm Friday 22 November 11am-1.30pm Friday 6 December 11am-1.30pm  Holy Spirit College, Bellambi Thursday 7 November 10am-11am Thursday 21 November 10am-11am Thursday 5 December 10am-11am Thursday 5 December 10am-11am Please join us in this unique opportunity to connect with seniors, and students for some information sharing in a fun relaxed setting here at the high school. Places will fill quickly, so please contact Jane Hollier Parish and Community Officer CatholicCare on 0417018152 or janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au	

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Continuing	An Introductory 40 Hour Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) course is being offered face to face or online via Zoom for those eager to learn about providing spiritual and pastoral care to patients in hospital, residents in aged care facilities, attendees at school or people in the parish.  Applications are currently being taken for this 40 hour course commencing on Tuesday 4 February, 2025, comprising 6 sessions ending on the 11 March, 2025. Times are 9.30 am to 4 pm.  Dates are 4,11,18,25 February and 4,11 March 2025.  For more information about this course and future courses please contact Carmen Karauda at <a href="mailto:ckarauda@gmail.com">ckarauda@gmail.com</a> or phone: 0419 430 676	
Continuing	CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION (CPE) 400 HOUR FOUNDATIONAL UNIT  Are you interested in:  • Growing in knowledge, understanding and developing skills that will enable you to offer effective pastoral and spiritual care.  • Deeping your awareness of God's presence 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.  CPE Foundational Unit will be offered as an extended, part-time combined face to face and on-line course, conducted two days a month Tuesdays and Wednesday from Tuesday 18 March to Wednesday 12 November 2025. Assistance with pastoral placement is available.  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 24 January 2025.	
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 <a href="dow.sh/stayingconnected">dow.sh/stayingconnected</a> or visit <a href="dow.sh/weeklybulletin">dow.sh/weeklybulletin</a> to see a full list of notices sent to Parishes weekly.	

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NEW each week	Not every increase in power represents progress for humanity. We need only think of the "admirable" technologies that were employed to decimate populations, drop atomic bombs and annihilate ethnic groups. There were historical moments where our admiration at progress blinded us to the horror of its consequences. But that risk is always present, because "our immense technological development has not been accompanied by a development in human responsibility, values and conscience We stand naked and exposed in the face of our everincreasing power, lacking the wherewithal to control it. We have certain superficial mechanisms, but we cannot claim to have a sound ethics, a culture and spirituality genuinely capable of setting limits and teaching clear-minded self-restraint". It is not strange that so great a power in such hands is capable of destroying life, while the mentality proper to the technocratic paradigm blinds us and does not permit us to see this extremely grave problem of present-day humanity.  - Laudate Deum — Pope Francis - To All People of Good Will on The Climate Crisis	
Continuing	Want Netflix for Catholics? Get 'FORMED' Free for DoW Parishioners  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 is a fantastic 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.  To register for FORMED:  Go to <a href="https://www.formed.org">www.formed.org</a> and click 'Formed for Individuals' button.  Enter your email address and Submit.  Type 'Wollongong' into the box then click the Diocese's name and address (38 Harbour St) which will appear. Click Next.  Enter your name and email address. You'll get a confirmation email asking you to sign in and then follow the prompts — and get formed!	
Continuing	Catholic Bible Study   Thursdays, 7:30-9pm* Xavier Centre, Conference Rooms (behind the Cathedral in Wollongong)  Come and explore the Bible with the mind and heart of the Church in an open and friendly environment. All are welcome. Contact Tom Kadmon 0413 927 086  * Thursdays during school term	

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	The Chosen – A TV Series about Jesus – Season 4  The Chosen is a new 'free to view', series, now in its fourth season, that beautifully and creatively presents the life of Christ and his followers.  The shows are of the highest quality, and it continues to receiving acclaim around the world across denominations. Go to <a href="watch.thechosen.tv">watch.thechosen.tv</a> to watch on your own, or better still with family and friends or as a parish!	
Continuing	Want your community to grow? Try Faith Circles  Faith Circles is a weekly resource to help individuals but mainly small groups to come together in Parishes. In doing so it assists in the development of faith and community, a strong desire expressed in our Diocesan feedback from the National Church Life Survey. The weekly Faith Circles resource is available for free to download. It is easy to use with simple questions and prayer points. It is available to download at <a href="https://www.dow.org.au/media-resources/faith-circles/">www.dow.org.au/media-resources/faith-circles/</a> or have it sent to you each month via email subscription.	
Continuing	An invitation to join electronic parish planned giving from your Parish Finance Council  An electronic regular gift provides many benefits. You will find it a secure, convenient and efficient way to regularly support your parish, while also reducing our administration costs. It will also help us to confidently forecast and plan, as we know that we can rely on your support. You can increase, decrease, discontinue or restart your monthly gift at any time. Please visit <a href="https://www.dow.org.au/giving2/parishgiving/">https://www.dow.org.au/giving2/parishgiving/</a> to learn of the four simple ways you can support our parish electronically.	
Continuing	A Gift to the Church in your Will will help  A gift to the Church in your will  The Church has been present at most of the important milestones in your life: your Baptism, your First Holy Communion, at times of great celebration and at times of great sadness. Its many ministries are far-reaching, life-giving and life-saving.  By leaving a gift to the Church in your will, you will be leaving a legacy of faith to help ensure that the mission and pastoral outreach that has been important to you will continue, both for today's needs, and for those of our children, our grandchildren and beyond.  For information about leaving a gift in your will to your local parish or a ministry of the Church, please visit dow.sh/legacy, call the diocesan representative on 4222 2446, or scan the QR code here   (Note to Parish Secretaries: To access this image click here)	

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Continuing	Cathedral Books & Gifts Wollongong  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.  Operating hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 10am – 2pm Entry via 38 Harbour Street, Wollongong. For any enquiries, please contact 4222 2484.	
Continuing	CAtHFAMILY  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/cathkids-faith-unlimited/">https://cathfamily.org/cathkids-faith-unlimited/</a>	
Continuing	<ul> <li>Go Deeper in your Faith with popular &amp; FREE Catholic Podcasts</li> <li>Bible in a Year</li> <li>Ascension Press will again run the Catholic Bible in a Year Podcast featuring Fr Mike Schmitz and Jeff Cavins in 2024. It remains one of the world's leading podcasts with over 400 million downloads. While a new podcast is released daily, you can do it at your own pace signing up at <a href="https://www.ascensionpress.com/biy">www.ascensionpress.com/biy</a> and it's not too late to catch up or simply work through at your own pace.</li> <li>Catechism in a Year</li> <li>This year, Ascension Press will also again run the Catechism in a Year podcast which will slowly and prayerfully read through and break open the Catechism over 365 days. It's not too late to catch up, and the daily podcasts can be listened to at your own pace. It is available at <a href="https://www.ascensionpress.com/ciy">www.ascensionpress.com/ciy</a></li> </ul>	
Continuing	Men's Rosary Group – an Invitation to all Men  Men from the Parish of Rosemeadow invite other men from around the Diocese to join with them on the last Tuesday of the Month to pray the Rosary, commencing at 7pm in Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church, Rosemeadow. Such men's groups are, at this time, springing up around the world to honour Our Lady and to pray for the Church and the World. Mass is celebrated at 6.30pm on Tuesday evening's and you are welcome to also attend this prior to the Rosary if you wish.  For more information, please contact David at <a href="mailto:djbarrett85@gmail.com">djbarrett85@gmail.com</a> or phone: 0410 487 630.	

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Continuing	menALIVE's — reFUEL Weekly Sharing and Journaling Sessions— Every Tuesday 7.30pm	
	<b>reFUEL</b> is a weekly hour-long gathering of men every Tuesday evening on Zoom providing the chance to: break open the Sunday reading using a Lectio Divina style exercise "catch up" with great men from across Australia and New Zealand; gain strength and inspiration by the witness of other men and pray as a group for individual needs and the needs of others. Join via this link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88436558468">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88436558468</a>	