

## BULLETIN NOTICES

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<b>Date:</b>	18 January 2023	<b>For weekend:</b>	21 – 22 January 2023

*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>LEVEL 1 Training Course for SRE Catechists in February</b></p> <p>The CCD Team will shortly commence this training course for all of the new volunteers teaching Special Religious Education in State Schools. Week 1 at each location will cover Child Protection and Classroom Management training, and this half-day part of the course should be completed by Catechists every three years. The Course starts at Micah House Campbelltown on 6 February and the Xavier Centre Wollongong on 10 February from 9.30-1.30 pm over five consecutive weeks with morning tea provided. Come and join this great ministry.</p> <p>To register please email <a href="mailto:support@ccdwoollongong.com">support@ccdwoollongong.com</a></p>	
<b>NEW</b>	<p><b>Divine Retreat Centre, Somersby   Annual Retreats 2023</b></p> <p>Divine Retreat Centre, Somersby under Broken Bay Diocese, is the spiritual arm of the Vincentian Missionaries. This Centre started in Australia in April 2013. With the Word proclaimed in a secluded and soothing environment, where nature meets God and every chirp of the birds, is like a hymn sung unto Him, the Centre is a perfect place to experience the Lord's touch.</p> <p>All are welcome to be a part of the services and visit the Centre for the veneration of the newly installed first-class relic of St Faustina Kowalska and a first-class relic of St Theresa of Calcutta. For more information, please visit our website: <a href="http://www.divineretreatcentre.org">http://www.divineretreatcentre.org</a> or phone 02 4372 1598. Email: <a href="mailto:drcretreatrego@gmail.com">drcretreatrego@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download Retreat Schedule</a></p>

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Continuing	<p><b>Spiritual and Pastoral Care Training</b></p> <p>Interested in growing your capacity to be fully present to others?</p> <p>An Introductory Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) course is being offered at Campbelltown Hospital and would be suitable for kind-hearted people wanting to learn more about providing holistic spiritual and pastoral care to patients in the hospital, residents in aged care facilities, attendees at school or people in the parish.</p> <p>Applications are currently being taken for this 40-hour course commencing on Thursday 2 February 2023 comprising six consecutive weekly sessions ending on 9 March 2023.</p> <p><b>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</b></p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download brochure</a></p>
Continuing	<p><b>Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) 400-Hour Foundational Unit</b></p> <p>Are you interested in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Growing in knowledge, understanding and developing skills that will enable you to offer effective pastoral and spiritual care.</li> <li>• Deepening your awareness of God’s presence in your life and of people’s needs, hopes, and concerns during times of illness</li> <li>• Becoming more aware of your own values, attitudes, and assumptions.</li> </ul> <p>CPE Foundational Unit will be offered as a blend of both online and face-to-face sessions conducted on two consecutive days per month from 14 March 2023 to 8 November 2023.</p> <p>For more information and/or an application form, please contact Carmen Karauda at <a href="mailto:ckarauda@gmail.com">ckarauda@gmail.com</a> or phone: 0419 430 676.</p> <p><b>Applications are now open. Please apply early. Applications close on 17 February 2023</b></p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download brochure</a></p>

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UPDATED	<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.</p> <p>To register for FORMED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Go to <a href="http://www.formed.org">www.formed.org</a></li> <li>• Click 'Sign up' button.</li> <li>• Click 'Sign Up as a Parishioner'</li> <li>• Type 'Catholic Diocese of Wollongong' into the box on the left.</li> <li>• Then click the Diocese's name and address (38 Harbour St) which will appear</li> <li>• Enter your name and email address. You'll get a confirmation email asking you to sign in and then follow the prompts.</li> </ul>	
Continuing	<p><b>The Christian's Final Journey (February 2023) One-Day Workshop</b></p> <p>Hosted by the ACU Centre for Liturgy, this course on Thursday 9 February 2023 at the Polding Centre (133 Liverpool St, Sydney) from 9:00am to 5:00pm (8:30am registration) is designed for anyone interested in learning more about this topic.</p> <p>The Pastoral Formation Day investigates Catholic practices around burial and cremation, incorporating problem-solving, sharing experiences, and identifying best practice for Catholic funerals informed by expert advice. The cost is \$60 (includes lunch and a workbook).</p> <p>Registration: <a href="http://www.acu.edu.au/centreforliturgy/pastoral-training">www.acu.edu.au/centreforliturgy/pastoral-training</a>  Enquiries: <a href="mailto:CentreforLiturgy@acu.edu.au">CentreforLiturgy@acu.edu.au</a> or 02 9701 4751.</p>	
NEW	<p><b>The Journey, 22 January 2023 – Your Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast</b></p> <p>On The Journey This Week: The Gospel reflection by Fr John Littleton on sorrow and repentance. Mother Hilda's story about God's interaction with St Jerome. Plus, we welcome back one of our earlier presenters, Marilyn Rodrigues, with her new segment, the Urban Contemplative. The Journey podcast is 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>

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Continuing	<p><b>A Gift to the Church in your Will.... will help</b></p> <div data-bbox="440 1059 1217 1420" style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 10px; margin: 10px 0;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>A gift to the Church in your will</b> ... <i>will help!</i></p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>For information about leaving a gift in your will to your local parish or a ministry of the Church, please visit <a href="https://dow.sh/legacy">dow.sh/legacy</a>, call the diocesan representative on <b>4222 2446</b>, or scan the <b>QR code</b> here ▶</p>  </div> <p><i>(Note to Parish Secretaries: To access this image - click here)</i>  <a href="https://www.dow.org.au/wp-content/uploads/final-Bequest-Ad-parish-newsletter-2022.jpg">https://www.dow.org.au/wp-content/uploads/final-Bequest-Ad-parish-newsletter-2022.jpg</a></p>	
UPDATED	<p><b>An invitation to join electronic parish planned giving from your Parish Finance Council</b></p> <p>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.</p> <p>Please visit <a href="https://dow.sh/parishgiving">https://dow.sh/parishgiving</a> to learn of the four simple ways you can support our parish electronically.</p>	

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Updated	<p><b>The CCD Resource Centre – Micah House Campbelltown.</b></p> <p>The Catechist Resource Centre at Micah House 35a Cordeaux St, Campbelltown will be fully operational for borrowing from Monday 30 January 2023.</p> <p>We look forward to having our catechists accessing great resources and a much-improved training space, or the ability to come in for a cuppa and a bite to eat as they prepare lessons. The Centre will also give access to all Catholics in 2023, to a range of quality faith resources they can borrow.</p> <p>Please contact Cindy Oliver <a href="mailto:cindy.oliver@dow.org.au">cindy.oliver@dow.org.au</a> or Ph 4640 8550 for any enquiries.</p>	
NEW	<p><b>A vocation view</b></p> <p>After the time of His prayer and fasting in the desert, Jesus begins to call the Twelve. We must be students of prayer that we can hear the same call given to Peter, James and John. (Matthew 4:20)</p> <p>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></p>	
NEW	<p><b>Social Justice Statement</b></p> <p>Reject spiritual abuse by debunking the misuse of faith sources to justify violence, abusive behaviour or to coerce women to stay in unsafe situations. <a href="https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au">https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au</a></p>	
Continuing	<p><b>menALIVE's—reFUEL Weekly Sharing and Journaling Sessions— Every Tuesday 7.30pm</b></p> <p>reFUEL is a weekly hour-long gathering of men every Tuesday evening on Zoom providing the chance to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>break open the Sunday reading using a Lectio Divina style exercise</li> <li>“catch up” with great men from across Australia and New Zealand.</li> <li>gain strength and inspiration by the witness of other men.</li> <li>pray as a group for individual needs and the needs of others.</li> </ul> <p>Join via this link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88436558468">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88436558468</a></p>	

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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. Stay informed by subscribing at <a href="http://dow.sh/stayingconnected">dow.sh/stayingconnected</a> or visit <a href="http://dow.sh/weeklybulletin">dow.sh/weeklybulletin</a> to see a full list of notices sent to Parishes weekly.</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Faith Circles—free small group resource:</b></p> <p>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="http://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.</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>For more information, please call <b>0418 783 956</b>, or 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">www.catholiccare.dow.org.au</a></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="http://cathfamily.org/activities/">cathfamily.org/activities/</a></p>	