

BULLETIN NOTICES

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Date:	18 January 2022	For weekend:	22 – 23 January 2022

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UPDATED	<p>Synod of Bishops</p> <p>Catholics across Australia are invited to participate in a period of local consultation for the next international Synod of Bishops, which has the theme: “For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission”. The People of God are invited to use a guided, prayerful reflection method to consider a series of questions and make submissions via an online portal. 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: http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch</p>	
NEW	<p>Alpha Vision & Coaching Day</p> <p>All Alpha Teams across the Diocese of Wollongong, and all who are interested in learning more about how Alpha can serve their parishes, are invited to join this Alpha Day Coaching at the Xavier Conference Centre Wollongong on Saturday 19 February 2022, from 9am – 4pm. There you will be equipped to run Alpha in your parish.</p> <p>The day will include vision setting and embedding Alpha in the parish, building a team, small group facilitation coaching, Alpha Retreat coaching, promotion, and invitation.</p> <p>For any enquiries, please contact Darren McDowell darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au</p> <p>To attend, please register via the following link by Monday 14 February 2022: dow.org.au/events</p>	

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Continuing	<p>Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love)</p> <p>Pope Francis' post-synodal Apostolic Exhortation, Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love) on love in the family is an Apostolic Exhortation published after the conclusion of a two-year synod process discussing both the beauty and challenges of family life today. The 2015 Synod's theme was "the vocation and mission of the family in the Church and the modern world."</p> <p>Fr Bernard Gordon and James Arblaster will be presenting a 9-week course on Amoris Laetitia commencing Wednesday 27 April 2022, 7pm at St Francis Xavier Cathedral in the Monsignor Rigney Meeting Room. To follow the talk, please purchase a copy of Amoris Laetitia from St Pauls Publications or from the parish office.</p> <p>To register please contact Lumen Christi Parish Office on 4211 0500 or go to: www.lumenchristi.org.au/AmorisLaetitia</p>	
Continuing	<p>Cursillo Three-Day Weekend</p> <p>Ladies of the Wollongong Diocese. Life has been so unsettled and erratic for many of us. If you are feeling in need of revitalisation in your Spiritual life, please join us for our next 3-day Cursillo weekend. The weekend will be held at St Mary's Towers, Douglas Park and consist of talks, discussion, friendship, daily Mass, and spiritual guidance on request. Our Spiritual Director is Father Chris Roberts. The weekend commences at 6pm on 17 March and concludes at 4pm on 20 March 2022.</p> <p>Accommodation and all meals included in the cost. The weekend organisation will be compliant with all COVID safe requirements at the time.</p> <p>For further details please contact Denise D'Amore 0438 254 139, or denisedamore0@gmail.com</p>	
NEW	<p>The Journey, 23 January 2022 – Your Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast</p> <p>On The Journey This Week: Fr Paul Maunder OCD (Mt Carmel, Varroville) asks how do we value the Word of God? Mother Hilda on giving love because love's prerogative is to give and give. Plus, Michelle Vass calls us to kiss Sister Earth in a prayer of thanksgiving for all the creation you love, and more great music! The Journey podcast available at www.jcr.org.au</p>	jcr.org.au

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Continuing	<p>An invitation to join electronic parish planned giving</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Please visit https://www.dow.org.au/plannedgiving/ to learn of the two simple ways you can give to our parish electronically.</p> <p>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>	
Continuing	<p>Free access to 2021 Australasian Called to Discipleship Conference</p> <p>On 20 November, nearly 700 people participated in this conference for Parish Renewal across Australia and New Zealand and the key notes have now been made available at no cost to clergy and parishes. It provides great encouragement and simple ideas for outreach and re-invitation to Parish life. Fr James Mallon's opening keynote provides some great points about Synodality in the process of renewal. Be encouraged and inspired by following the links below:</p> <p>Session 1 (DR & Leadership – Fr James Mallon) https://youtu.be/ZMBDFrU9xp4</p> <p>Session 2 (Panel Discussion) https://youtu.be/U3KN29QHRIk</p> <p>Session 3 (Evangelisation – Dr Ralph Martin) https://youtu.be/LbI0HYCWiQY</p> <p>Session 5 (Holy Spirit – Dcn Peter Pellicaan) https://youtu.be/qA05madbl0w</p>	
Continuing	<p>Get Connected with what is on around the Diocese</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 subscribe https://dow.sh/stayingconnected or visit https://dow.sh/weeklybulletin to see a full list of notices sent to Parishes weekly</p>	

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Continuing	<p>Diocese of Wollongong Mass Online</p> <p>For all of the online Mass options- please visit the DoW website https://dow.sh/onlinemass</p>	Online Masses
Continuing	<p>The Chosen – A TV Series about Jesus</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 https://watch.angelstudios.com/thechosen to watch or get the free app for use on your phone / laptop via <i>The Chosen app</i> (download)</p>	
Continuing	<p>The Year of St Joseph</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 https://www.catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph</p>	
Continuing	<p>Year Amoris Laetitia Family, 19 March 2021 – 26 June 2022</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 http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/amoris-laetitia.html</p> <p>On 25 July 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>A Vocation view</p> <p>Through the power of the Spirit Jesus proclaimed his mission. How are you carrying on that mission today? Ponder the possibility of being a deacon, priest, brother, or sister. (Luke 1:1, 4:14-21)</p> <p>If you want to talk about your discernment, please contact the Diocesan Vocations Director, Fr Duane Fernandez at vocations@dow.org.au</p>	

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NEW	<p>Social Justice Statement</p> <p>CRY OF THE EARTH, CRY OF THE POOR</p> <p>By listening with an open heart to those who are most affected, we can begin, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to discern the signs of the times. https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au</p>	
Continuing	<p>Wollongong Diocesan Resource Centre</p> <p>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.</p> <p>For Catechist in the Macarthur and Southern Highlands –</p> <p>Contact Cindy on 4640 8550 or cindy.oliver@dow.org.au for more information.</p>	
Continuing	<p>Formed (Free for DoW Parishioners)</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 darren.mcdowell@dow.org.au or helen.bennett@dow.org.au</p>	
Continuing	<p>Faith Circles—free small group resource:</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 https://www.dow.org.au/media-resources/faith-circles/ or have it sent to you each month via email subscription.</p>	

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Continuing	<p>We're always here if you ever need...</p> <p>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</p>	
Continuing	<p>CAtHFAMILY</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 https://cathfamily.org/activities/</p>	