

## BULLETIN NOTICES

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<b>Date:</b>	20 December 2022	<b>For weekend:</b>	24 – 25 December 2022

*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>Part time employment opportunity – Parish Secretary</b></p> <p><b>St Michael’s Parish, Nowra</b></p> <p>Nowra parish is seeking the services of a part time secretary for 10 hrs per week – days to be decided.</p> <p>The position requires skills in administration. bookkeeping and maintaining a database. The parish secretary needs to be a committed and practising Catholic, embracing the teachings and ethos of the Catholic Church in their daily life.</p> <p>If interested, please make contact via email to request an application pack for this position to <a href="mailto:frances.vanleerdam@dow.org.au">frances.vanleerdam@dow.org.au</a></p> <p>Applications close 5pm Friday 6 January 2023.</p>	


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NEW	<p><b>The Purpose Retreat is run by Sydney Catholic Youth and is for anyone 18 - 35 years old. Benedict XVI Retreat Centre, Grose Vale 22 – 25 January 2023</b></p> <p>Purpose Retreat is an opportunity for any young adult or youth leader to come along for a 4-day retreat centered on the theme, KNOW, LOVE, SERVE. The retreat will offer liturgies, sacraments, all night adoration, testimony, plenary formation, workshops for young adults' catechesis and youth leaders training.</p> <p>The retreat will also include reflection and social time throughout. Come along for an opportunity to come to understand the meaning of PURPOSE in God's eyes as we delve into the theme "We know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to His purpose." Romans 8:28</p> <p>Tickets:  <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/events/982301/sessions/3529155/sections/1796878/tickets">https://www.trybooking.com/events/982301/sessions/3529155/sections/1796878/tickets</a></p> <p>Enquiries: please email Milad Khalil <a href="mailto:milad.khalil@sydneycatholic.org">milad.khalil@sydneycatholic.org</a></p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Reconnect this Christmas: An Invitation from Bishop Brian</b></p> <p>"Each of us has at least one person in our life that is disconnected from faith. Will you invite them to be with you, with us, this Christmas?" - Bishop Brian</p> <p>Perhaps they are a family member - a son or daughter, a sibling, or spouse - or a friend or colleague. You can pray a simple prayer for them (and for yourself!) and then simply ask them, "What are you doing for Christmas this year? Would you like to come to mass with me?"</p> <p>Please prayerfully read Bishop Brian's letter and consider, "who is God calling me to reach out to?" <a href="https://bit.ly/bishopchristmas2022">https://bit.ly/bishopchristmas2022</a></p>	

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Continuing	<p><b>Summer School of Evangelisation Sydney 2023</b></p> <p><b>8 – 15 January, Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville</b></p> <p>Summer School is a week-long, live in life-changing retreat featuring live music, incredible worship, inspiring talks, engaging liturgy, time to chill &amp; learn and more in the midst of a community of 150+ young people aged 16-35.</p> <p>Register by 15 December to receive early bird registration. More info &amp; bookings: <a href="http://summerschool.org.au/">http://summerschool.org.au/</a></p>	

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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 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 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>	

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NEW	<p><b>The Journey, 25 December 2022 – Your Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast</b></p> <p>On The Journey This Week: Fr Rob Galeas’ Gospel reflection on contemplating the Bethlehem crib scene. Mother Hilda says follow St Joseph’s way when dealing with life’s pains. Plus, extra Christmas season reflections from Fr Sean Cullen and Ken Bryant. The Journey podcast 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>Job Opportunity: Caritas Australia Diocesan Director for Wollongong</b></p> <p>Caritas Australia is seeking a passionate Diocesan Director for the Wollongong diocese. This paid role is appointed by Caritas Australia in conjunction with the Bishop of Wollongong and promotes the work of Caritas Australia through fundraising, advocacy and relationships with schools and parishes.</p> <p>The role is flexible, part-time (1 day/7.5 hours per week on average across the year) and involves engaging with communities across the Wollongong diocese, supporting Caritas Australia appeals and coordinating volunteers.</p> <div data-bbox="1038 1525 1262 1742" style="text-align: right;">  </div> <p><b>Scan the QR code for more information and to apply for this role. Questions can be directed to Chris Nolan at <a href="mailto:chris.nolan@caritas.org.au">chris.nolan@caritas.org.au</a> or call 0429 368 855.</b></p>	

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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>	
Updated	<p><b>New CCD Resource Centre Location in Campbelltown</b></p> <p>The Catechist Resource Centre at Micah House 35a Cordeaux St, Campbelltown is open and currently undergoing renovation.</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>	

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NEW	<p><b>Social Justice Statement</b></p> <p>Reflect together on how we might be caught up in structural and cultural violence. <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>	
Continuing	<p><b>Calling all Women of the World to Rome</b></p> <p>His Holiness, Pope Francis, has granted the women of the world, by an invitation from the World Union of Catholic Women’s Organisations (WUCWO) an Audience with him at Paul VI Hall, the Vatican, at 11.30am on 13 May 2023.</p> <p>Mass will be celebrated, that afternoon, at St Peter’s Basilica, by Cardinal Kevin Farrell, Prefect of the Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life.</p> <p>For Further Information contact: Catherine V McGrath DSG Phone: +61 407 419 5002 Email: <a href="mailto:cvm2090@gmail.com">cvm2090@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>Booking for the Audience is not necessary.</b></p>	
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>	



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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>	
Continuing	<p><b>We're always here if you ever need...</b></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 <a href="mailto:intakeservice@catholiccare.dow.org.au">intakeservice@catholiccare.dow.org.au</a></p>	
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>	