

## BULLETIN NOTICES

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<b>Date:</b>	1 October 2024	<b>For weekend:</b>	5 – 6 October 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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<b>NEW</b>	<p><b>Come &amp; See, Go &amp; Make Formation Pathway</b></p> <p><b><u>OCTOBER NEW DATES: Tuesday 8 October (Campbelltown), Wednesday 9 October (Wollongong/Zoom)</u></b>            “Introduction to Parish Renewal” (Module 103). Last chance to register this weekend. Please register @ <a href="http://dow.sh/oct2024">dow.sh/oct2024</a> to attend.</p> <p><b><u>NOVEMBER REGISTRATION OPEN</u></b>            “Principles &amp; Foundations of Come &amp; See, Go &amp; Make” (Module 107). Register today @ <a href="http://dow.sh/nov2024">dow.sh/nov2024</a></p>	
<b>NEW</b>	<p>Become more like the man you were made to be. <b>REDEEMED</b> is a conference dedicated to fostering spiritual growth, strength, and a supportive brotherhood, empowering men to lead with grace and conviction in their lives and communities. Don't miss out! Spots are limited. First class speakers - Fellowship with other like-minded young men - Hiking - Rafting - Prayer - Formation – Bonfire</p> <p><b>Date:</b> 1 – 3 November  <b>Where:</b> 71 Ryans Lane, Fitzroy Falls <b>Cost:</b> \$250 (including catering and accommodation)</p> <p>Information and tickets at <a href="https://www.redeemconf.com/">https://www.redeemconf.com/</a></p>	

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NEW	<p><b>Charismatic Healing Mass 11 October 2024, Sacred Heart Chapel, Stewart St Wollongong</b></p> <p><b>7pm Praise and Worship 7:30pm Holy Mass</b></p> <p>A warm invitation is extended to all prayer groups, Alpha graduates, Cursillo, Couples for Christ, Disciples of Jesus, and all members of the public who would like to join us in charismatic praise for our Bishop's Vision for the Wollongong Diocese, followed by Holy Mass celebrated by Fr Mark De Battista. There will also be an opportunity for individual healing prayer after Mass and cuppa.</p> <p>Info: Gabriella De Battista 0414 205 404</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Synod on Synodality - The Second Assembly Underway</b></p> <p>The Second Assembly of the Synod on Synodality is currently taking place in Rome. Participants have gathered for this significant event, which commenced with the Penitential Vigil broadcasted by Vatican Media. More information about the details of the General Assembly and ongoing updates, visit: <a href="https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city/news/2024-09/synod-presentation-2nd-session-grech-hollerich-ruffini.html">https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city/news/2024-09/synod-presentation-2nd-session-grech-hollerich-ruffini.html</a></p>	
Sign-Up Process Updated	<p><b>Want Netflix for Catholics? Get '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 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.</p> <p><b>To register for FORMED:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Go to <a href="http://www.formed.org">www.formed.org</a></li> <li>• Click 'Formed for Individuals' button.</li> <li>• Enter your email address. Submit.</li> <li>• Type 'Wollongong' into the box.</li> <li>• Then click the Diocese's name and address (38 Harbour St) which will appear. Click Next.</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>	

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NEW each week	<p><b>The Journey, 6 October – Your Diocesan Weekly Podcast</b></p> <p>On The Journey This Week: Mons Graham Schmitzer says this Gospel calls parents to be domestic bishops, nurturing faith and family. Mother Hilda says Hosea 11 is essential reading to remember God’s activity in your life. Plus, Fr Tony Percy, Trish McCarthy, and Deacon Josh Clayton. The Journey podcast available at <a href="http://www.jcr.org.au">www.jcr.org.au</a>.</p> <p><i>(Note to Parish Secretaries: Attached is a jpg file or <a href="#">click to download the file</a> for parishes to display on their digital screen)</i></p>	<p><a href="http://www.jcr.org.au">www.jcr.org.au</a>.</p> <p><a href="#">Click to download jpg file</a></p>
Continuing	<p><b>Blessing of Animals, Monday, 7 October at 9:30am</b></p> <p>The Blessing of Animals will take place on the Monday of the long weekend, 7 October at 9:30am at the Parish of Saint Michael, 325 Lawrence Hargrave Drive, Thirroul. The blessing takes place in the courtyard next to the church. All animals under 900kg and their carers are welcome, though please keep fleas well-muzzled. The feast of St Francis of Assisi is on Friday, 4 October, with Mass at 9:30am – animals are welcome at that Mass.</p>	<p><a href="#">Additional Information click here</a></p>
Continuing	<p><b>Springtime Creative Retreat, 11 - 13 October 2024</b></p> <p>Come and experience the healing power of creativity as we step into the blossoming wonders of Spring. Nurture your inner self and watch the boundless possibilities that emerge from spending time co-creating with God. Venue: Carmel House, 345 St Andrews Rd, Varroville NSW</p> <p>Bookings: <a href="http://www.trybooking.com/CNSWN">http://www.trybooking.com/CNSWN</a> (by 27 September)</p> <p>Contact: Judy - <a href="mailto:mgl sisters.sydney@gmail.com">mgl sisters.sydney@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Click here to download flyer</a></p>
Continuing	<p><b>Growing Good Men Father and Teenage Son Weekend Experience 25–27 October 2024 Cataract Activity Centre, Appin</b></p> <p>One of the most important influences in the lives of men is the relationship they had with their father or significant father figure. The encouragement and affirmation that this relationship could, and should, provide, is a key ingredient for how young men view themselves and embrace their faith and gifts as they take their place in the world. Don’t miss this life-changing father and son weekend! Spots are limited to just 25 fathers with their sons aged between 12 and 17 years. This is a unique opportunity for dads and their sons to embark on a quest of discovery with Robert Falzon and the team from menALIVE.</p> <p><b>Register online:</b> <a href="https://dow.sh/ggm24">https://dow.sh/ggm24</a></p>	

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Continuing	<p><b>Cross + Generation Technology Program</b></p> <p>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. <i>Refreshments will be provided at each session.</i></p> <p>AVAILABLE SESSIONS:</p> <p><b>Corpus Christi, Oak Flats</b>  Friday 25 October 11am-1.30pm  Friday 8 November 11am-1.30pm  Friday 22 November 11am-1.30pm  Friday 6 December 11am-1.30pm</p> <p><b>Holy Spirit College, Bellambi</b>  Thursday 24 October 10am-11am  Thursday 7 November 10am-11am  Thursday 21 November 10am-11am  Thursday 5 December 10am-11am</p> <p>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 <a href="mailto:janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au">janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au</a></p>	
<b>NEW each week</b>	<p><b>A vocation view</b></p> <p>Vocations to the priesthood and religious life spring from holy families, who strive to truly be united in Christ. Each vocation lived out in holiness strengthens and enriches the other vocations in the Church. (Mark 10:2-16)</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>	

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<b>NEW each week</b>	<p><b>Social Justice Points</b></p> <p>The overwhelming majority of scientists specializing in the climate support this correlation, and only a very small percentage of them seek to deny the evidence. Regrettably, the climate crisis is not exactly a matter that interests the great economic powers, whose concern is with the greatest profit possible at minimal cost and in the shortest amount of time.- <i>Laudate Deum – Pope Francis - To All People of Good Will on The Climate Crisis</i></p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Catholic Bible Study   Thursdays, 7:30-9pm* Xavier Centre, Conference Rooms (behind the Cathedral in Wollongong)</b></p> <p>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</p> <p><b>* Thursdays during school term</b></p>	
Continuing	<p><b>The Chosen – A TV Series about Jesus – Season 4</b></p> <p>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="http://watch.thechosen.tv">watch.thechosen.tv</a> to watch on your own, or better still with family and friends or as a parish!</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>26 – 27 October Retreat weekend: Pilgrims of Hope</b></p> <p>A retreat for men in preparation for the Jubilee Year of Hope at Mt Schoenstatt with Mass and Reconciliation. Facilitated by Fr Pawel OP. Email <a href="mailto:mensbranch@schoenstatt.org.au">mensbranch@schoenstatt.org.au</a> or ring 0432 487 927 (Jim) QR code for information and bookings or click on <a href="https://bit.ly/4coasdO">https://bit.ly/4coasdO</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download flyer</a></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>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. 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.</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>A Gift to the Church in your Will.... will help</b></p> <div data-bbox="384 1182 1232 1675" style="border: 1px solid #ccc; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> <p><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="http://dow.sh/legacy">dow.sh/legacy</a>, call the diocesan representative on 4222 2446, or scan the QR code here ▶</p>  </div> <p><b>(Note to Parish Secretaries: To access this image <a href="#">click here</a>)</b></p>	

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Continuing	<p><b>Men’s Rosary Group – an Invitation to all Men</b></p> <p>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.</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Cathedral Books &amp; Gifts Wollongong</b></p> <p>Cathedral Books &amp; 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.</p> <p>Operating hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 10am – 2pm Entry via 38 Harbour Street, Wollongong.</p> <p><b>For any enquiries, please contact 4222 2484.</b></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: 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></p>	

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