




## BULLETIN NOTICES


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<b>Date:</b>	27 May 2025	<b>For weekend:</b>	7 – 8 June 2025


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

Status	Bulletin notice	Attachment(s)
NEW	<p><b>What's on around the Diocese?</b> Check out upcoming formation courses, youth events, walks, camping and jubilee events – too many to list in one place. Subscribe here and we will keep you in the loop <a href="http://dow.sh/stayingconnected">dow.sh/stayingconnected</a> or visit <a href="http://dow.sh/weeklybulletin">dow.sh/weeklybulletin</a> to see everything that is on around our Diocese!</p>	
NEW	<p><b>Ignite Conference Sydney 10 – 13 July 2025</b></p> <p>Every year, Ignite Youth hosts one of Australia's most powerful Catholic youth conferences. Ignite Conference draws together a network of high schoolers, young adults, ministry leaders, families, teachers, priests and religious from around the country, forming them and sending them out with a passion for mission and authentic faith in Jesus.</p> <p>The Diocese of Wollongong is taking a group of 30 youth and young adults to the conference at a subsidised price.</p> <p>If you'd like to be part of the diocesan group or would like more details, please email Arnie Hurdoyal at <a href="mailto:arnie.hurdoyal@dow.org.au">arnie.hurdoyal@dow.org.au</a> or visit <a href="http://www.dow.org.au/events/the-light-ignite-conference-2025/">www.dow.org.au/events/the-light-ignite-conference-2025/</a></p>	
NEW	<p><b>Taizé Retreat Day, St Joseph's Bulli Saturday 14 June</b></p> <p>Taizé a small town in France where thousands of young people come together throughout the year to praise Our Lord Jesus &amp; share their lives. The Brothers of Taizé lead the Prayers &amp; Chant and give Pastoral care to all who spend time there. The Chant fills us with Hope &amp; Joy. Gabriella will lead us in the beautiful Taizé chant.</p> <p>9am Morning Tea (<i>Tea/Coffee &amp; biscuits/cakes are provided</i>)            9:30am Start of Retreat            11:30am Holy Mass            12:30pm Lunch (BYO)            1:30pm Chant &amp; Prayers            3pm Finish</p> <p><i>(Donation: \$15 To Cover All Materials (Hymn &amp; Prayer Sheets))</i></p>	

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NEW	<p><b>Ageing with Confidence – CatholicCare Wollongong, Friday 13 June 10am-1pm, Fraternity Club, Fairy Meadow.</b></p> <p>Join Robert Fitzgerald AM, Age Discrimination Commissioner, as he explores the critical issues facing older Australians today - including elder abuse and ageism - while offering practical insights and strategies for ageing with dignity, purpose and positivity.</p> <p>Register for this event by calling 42271122 or online at <a href="https://catholiccare.dow.org.au/events">catholiccare.dow.org.au/events</a></p>	<p><a href="#">Click to download flyer</a></p>
Continuing <b>REGISTER NOW</b>	<p><b>Summit Night- an evening with Real Talk</b></p> <p>After the success of the first <b>Summit Night with Matt Fradd</b>, we are excited to bring the young adults of the diocese another transformative night of community, truth and encounter with Jesus. This time, we will be welcoming two presenters from <b>Real Talk Australia</b> who will present on "<i>What Am I Made For? The Good News about Love, Sex &amp; Marriage</i>".</p> <p><b>When:</b> Tuesday 10 June, 6.30pm- 9pm  <b>Where:</b> Xavier Conference Centre, 38 Harbour St Wollongong  <b>What:</b> <i>Wine + Cheese Reception, vibrant community, guest speakers, meaningful conversation and Eucharistic Adoration in the Cathedral.</i>  <b>Cost:</b> Free- donations will graciously be accepted on entry.                      Registration is essential. Visit to <a href="https://app.tickets.org.au/DOW/SummitNight2">app.tickets.org.au/DOW/SummitNight2</a> to secure your seat!</p>	

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Continuing	<p><b>Sanctus Summit</b> Monthly adoration for youth and young adults of the Diocese. Eucharistic Adoration: <b>Wednesday, 18 June 2025, Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Rosemeadow</b>. Eucharistic Adoration from 6.30 – 7.30pm, followed by Dinner at Ambarvale Hotel. Come along to pray before Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament- and bring a friend with you!</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Hear from Pope Leo XIV</b></p> <p><b>Sunday Echo</b> is a <b>limited-release resource</b> the Diocese has developed that contains, using the Holy Father's most recent homily or reflection and accompanying discussion questions. <b>Each issue will be released the day after Pope Leo XIV gives a homily or reflection on the most recent Sunday Gospel readings</b> go to <a href="https://www.dow.org.au/media-resources/faith-circles/">https://www.dow.org.au/media-resources/faith-circles/</a> to access or sign up to have sent straight to you.</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Charis Monthly Mass</b></p> <p><b>Praying for our needs and the Bishop's Vision Sacred Heart Chapel, Stewart St Wollongong Friday 13 Jun 2025</b></p> <p>Are you struggling with praying alone? Join others in charismatic praise for all our needs, and to implement our Bishop's <u>V</u>ision for the Wollongong Diocese, followed by Holy Mass. There will also be an opportunity for individual healing prayer after mass and cuppa. Celebrant: Fr Patrick Vaughan. Everyone welcome.</p> <p>7:00pm Praise and Worship 7:30pm Holy Mass Info: Gabriella De Battista 0414 205 404</p>	
Continuing	<p>The <b>Wollongong Vocations Promotions Team</b> is excited to invite all young adults (over 18) from across the diocese to our <b>June VOCARIS</b> with the theme of Jubilee, followed by a Trivia Night! <b>Saturday, 14 June (5:30pm to 9.30pm)</b>. 20 Broughton Street, Wilton (25 minutes from Campbelltown and Wollongong). For more information and to register please use the QR Code</p>	
Continuing <b>Take part today</b>	<p><b>Feedback on Bishops Vision and Parish Life</b></p> <p>Bishop Brian invites all parishioners across the Diocese, to take the time to prayerfully reflect on his vision for renewed parishes, <i>'In the Parish I see'</i>, by completing the online activity @ <a href="https://dow.sh/csgmactivity">dow.sh/csgmactivity</a> The activity takes approximately 30-45 minutes and will help you both engage with Bishop's Vision and share your valuable perspectives.</p>	<a href="https://dow.sh/parishslides">dow.sh/parishslides</a>
Continuing	<p><b>The Journey, – Your Diocesan Weekly Podcast</b></p> <p>The Journey is the weekly podcast for parishioners in the Diocese of Wollongong. Each week it brings you great music, formation in faith, with an array of fantastic presenters from our Diocese and around Australia. Just go to <a href="http://www.jcr.org.au">www.jcr.org.au</a> and we will send it to you each week.</p>	<a href="http://www.jcr.org.au">www.jcr.org.au</a>

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Continuing	<p><b>Understanding the Mass</b></p> <p>Seeking a deeper understanding of the Eucharist, the origins of the Mass or want to deepen your faith? Join us for the Corpus Christi Event! You will never celebrate Mass again the same way! <b>Sunday 22 June (10am to 3:30pm) at OLHC Hall - 80A Demetrius Rd, Rosemeadow.</b> Please use the QR code provided for more details or to register.</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Want your community to grow? Try Faith Circles</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>	
<b>NEW</b>	<p><b>A vocation view</b></p> <p><b>Pentecost Sunday</b></p> <p>The disciples of Jesus made bold proclamations through the promptings of the Spirit. What is the Spirit prompting you to do? Be courageous and act on it! (Acts 2:1-11)</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>	
Continuing	<p><b>Pilgrims of Hope: Transformed through Sacrament &amp; Song</b></p> <p>National liturgy and music conference 1 - 3 October 2025 in Adelaide bringing together liturgists, musicians, educators and pastoral leaders from across Australia and New Zealand to explore how sacrament and song can renew our life of worship and mission. For more information and to register, visit: <a href="http://www.pilgrimsofhope.com.au">www.pilgrimsofhope.com.au</a></p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Social Justice Points</b></p> <p>Seek amnesty and pardons. Governments should undertake amnesty or pardon during the Jubilee Year to restore hope and reintegrate individuals into society. “Spes non Confundit”</p>	

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Continuing	<p><b>Catholic Youth &amp; Young Adults Wollongong</b> serves young people in Illawarra, Macarthur, Southern Highlands and Shoalhaven regions. To stay up to date with what is happening around the diocese, head to our social media and scan the code to see to access the youth calendar.</p>	
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 electronic</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Medjugorje Pilgrimage commences Monday 1 September 2025</b></p> <p><b>Accompanied by Fr Patrick Vaughan</b></p> <p>Queen of Peace – Medjugorje Pilgrimage  <i>A tiny Croatian village, six children and the faith of millions from all over the world have shed new light on what it means to be a true pilgrim on life's journey. In this hallowed place of Medjugorje, this valley of miracles, the Mother of God beckons us forward.</i></p> <p>For full details, itinerary and bookings,  <b>Visit:</b> <a href="https://harvestjourneys.com/medjugorje">harvestjourneys.com/medjugorje</a></p>	

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Continuing	<p><b>Go Deeper in your Faith with popular &amp; FREE Catholic Podcasts</b></p> <p><b>Catechism in a Year</b> 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="http://www.ascensionpress.com/ciy">www.ascensionpress.com/ciy</a></p> <p><b>Bible in a Year</b> 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="http://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.</p>	
Continuing	<p><b>Weekly Mass at UOW</b></p> <p>UOW Catholic Society is back for 2025 and we're inviting all UOW students, staff, and friends to be a part of the adventure. Join us for Mass on Campus 12.30pm every Thursday during semester (Clubs Room, Bldg 11). For details, see @uowcathsoc on social media or email <a href="mailto:uowcatholicsociety19@gmail.com">uowcatholicsociety19@gmail.com</a></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. For any enquiries, please contact 4222 2484.</p>	