

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH
WEEKLY NOTICES
11 March 2018

MEN'S GATHERING : hosted by **JOSHUA FELLOWSHIP**

7.15 pm Wednesday, **14th March** 2018, St Gregory's Centre, 30 Cotswold Road, Bishopdale.
Come and join like-minded Catholic men to grow your faith and be encouraged in your walk with the Lord. Fr John Adams will share about his recent visit to The Missionaries of Charity in Calcutta.
More information? Phone Chris on 027-646-4138.

CATHOLIC SHOP: Don't forget St Patrick's Day on 17 March! Gifts, books on Irish saints, reflections as well as Lent & Easter items still available. Our trading hours are Mon-Fri 9.30am-4.30pm, Sat 10am-1pm. Visit us at 373 Manchester Street, Christchurch, next to St Mary's Pro-Cathedral, ph 03 366-2853, e-mail catholicshop@chch.catholic.org.nz, Facebook www.facebook.com/chchcatholicshop

ST PATRICK'S DAY MASS: A special St Patrick's Day Mass is being celebrated at Sacred Heart Church, Spencer St, Addington on Saturday **17th March** 9am. Members of the Irish Society are supporting this followed by a cup of tea and breakfast at the Irish Society clubrooms 29 Domain Tce Spreydon for a modest charge. All Welcome.

SCRIPTURE SUNDAY GOSPELS – **Gospel according to Mark (Year B)**. Led by Sr Kathleen Rushton RSM. Wednesday **14 March**, 7.30 - 9pm at Te Manawa Atawhai Catherine McAuley Centre, Villa Maria College, Peer Street, Upper Riccarton. This session will invite us to listen more deeply to the Passion and Resurrection of Mark's gospel.

VACANCY - YOUTH CO-ORDINATOR - YOUNG VINNIES.

The St Vincent de Paul Society in Christchurch has a vacancy for a person to fill a vital role in establishing and maintaining 'Young Vinnies' groups in the primary and secondary schools and tertiary institutions of the Christchurch diocese.

This is a paid position with 20 hours minimum and up to 30 hours available by negotiation. The position will suit a person who can closely relate to young people.

The successful applicant must be a self-starter, who has strong presentation and communication skills - both face to face and over the phone - and be professional when liaising or working with educational professionals.

If this sounds like something you feel you could do and have a passion for working with youth please email your CV to Penny at penny@svdpchch.co.nz by **16th March** 2018.

INTERFAITH EVENING; **The Canterbury Interfaith Society with the support of the National Religious Diversity Centre** invite you to an evening with **Dr Maureen Siers** an international speaker and Director of Interfaith, Scotland.

Topic: Multi-level Interfaith Dialogue an essential ingredient in Community Cohesion - the Scottish Experience. **Venue:** The Knox Centre, 28 Bealey Avenue. **Date :** March Friday **23rd March**
Cost : Free entry - Koha appreciated

INTERNATIONAL THOMAS MERTON SOCIETY (Christchurch Chapter)

The society is an ecumenical group and people from all walks of life are cordially invited to participate. Meetings start at 7.30pm with reflective meditation, discussion at 8pm finishing at 9pm. The Christchurch Chapter holds its meetings on the third Tuesday of every Month at the LCM Centre in Durham Street, where there is plenty of off street parking. We welcome new members to our meetings. Next Meeting **20th March**. For more details contact: Sister Eleanor Capper rsj
Email: ecapper@chch.catholic.org.nz Phone: 353 0756

DIOCESAN ARCHIVES: With Bishop-Elect Paul's ordination taking place in a few weeks, you may be interested in a look back at the ordinations of his predecessors as recorded in the Archives. The latest online exhibition for the Diocesan Archives is '*Ordinations of Bishops to the Christchurch Diocese*': <https://archives.chchcatholic.nz/exhibitions/current-exhibition/>

PAID ADMINISTRATIVE POSITION: SVDP is looking for an Administration Assistant for 20 hours per week. For more details go to <https://chchcatholic.nz/2018/02/society-st-vincent-de-paul-administration-assistant/> or visit the Diocesan website www.chchcatholic.nz

NATIONAL MARRIAGE TRAINING WEEKEND: Those involved in marriage education (or those wishing to be involved) are invited to the *National Catholic Marriage Training Weekend* on the weekend of **18th – 20th May 2018**, at Chateau on the Park, Christchurch. The theme is "Christian Marriage: Radical Demands – Extravagant Mercy". The Weekend is held every two years to form and encourage those involved in Marriage Education in the Catholic Church. For more information, speak to your parish priest and view the website www.chchcatholic.nz/mtw

GOLDEN CATHOLICS: The next Golden Catholics get together will be held on Wednesday, **21 March** at 11.30am – 1.30pm at St Joseph's Parish Centre, Vagues Road, Papanui. All those receiving the Gold Card are most welcome. Lunch will be provided. We would love to see you. Our guest speaker is Father John O'Connor, a wonderful and captivating speaker. His topic will cover the joys of being a Catholic in the third age and also about his very popular blog "Food for Faith". If you wish to attend please contact your parish secretary before Friday, 16 March 2018.



LWC: A workshop for Leaders of the Liturgy of the Word with Children is scheduled for **Wed 14 March** 7:-9:00pm. We look at the NZ Bishops' vision, resources and address the practical issues leaders face in offering this important ministry. Registration and details to mdaly@chch.catholic.org.nz or 353.0758.

THURSDAY TALKS WITH THE COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN: You are welcome to attend the Thursday Talks run by the Community of St. John at St. Teresa's Parish. The first series of the year is on the Book of Revelation, by Fr. Michael Therese and Fr. Sean Mary. These talks are every Thursday evening, 7.30pm in the parish hall (8 Puriri St, Riccarton), beginning **15th February** and the final talk on **5th April (no talk during Holy Week)**.

THINKING DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD? Speak to any priest or contact Vocations Director Fr. John O'Connor vocations.chch@gmail.com

PROMOTING VOCATIONS: The New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference has endorsed the promotion of vocations and asks that you regularly promote vocations with the following (with or without the logo as space is always at a premium).



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