

**CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH**  
**WEEKLY NOTICES**  
**24 February 2019**

**VACANCY - CLERGY HEALTH COORDINATOR**

The Bishop has an oversight over the wellbeing of his priests. On his behalf, the Diocese seeks to employ a Health Coordinator to ensure their medical welfare and general well-being are supported.

A vacancy now exists for this part-time position. The successful candidate will have a nursing background and the ability to be flexible with his / her time to be able to provide an adequate service.

This is an important position in the care of our priests. Having an affinity with the Catholic faith, the Coordinator will have the ability to relate to the priests and to offer practical advice, to be firm in helping them in their medical care and general well-being. The Clergy Health Coordinator will visit clergy in their homes in order to make assessments and to provide the necessary support, advice and counsel.

A full position description is available from Mike Stopforth, Cathedral House, phone 027 5398 542 or 366 9869, email [mstopforth@chch.catholic.org.nz](mailto:mstopforth@chch.catholic.org.nz)  
Applications close 4.00pm, Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

**MASS IN THE SPANISH LANGUAGE:** This year there will be a Mass in Spanish every second Saturday of the month at 5 pm at St Teresa's in Riccarton. Following the Mass there will be some time of conviviality in the parish hall.

**LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN:** Formation for LEADERS - Tuesday, 19 March 7-9:00pm, Cath Education Office, Registration at [mdaly@chch.catholic.org.nz](mailto:mdaly@chch.catholic.org.nz), 03.353.0758 by 12 March. New & experienced leaders welcome. Come learn what the Church envisions for her children.

**PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL WORKSHOP** for those who compose the prayers – Tuesday **12 March**, St Joseph Parish Centre, 133 Main North Rd. Explore how the Church calls us to pray for the needs of the world. Registration required by Fri 8 March 03.353.0758 or [mdaly@chch.catholic.org.nz](mailto:mdaly@chch.catholic.org.nz)

**ST. MARY'S PRO-CATHEDRAL:**

At 1.00pm on **Sunday 10 March** Bishop Paul will be celebrating the rites that call our catechumen (non-baptized) and candidates (baptized in another faith tradition) to the Easter sacraments. This is not a Mass. All are welcome to come and pledge their support to those journeying to full initiation in the Catholic Church.

**ROSARY HOUSE PROGRAMME:**

**Reflection Day. Tues 26 February** 10.30am – 2.30pm *Prayer in a spirit of hope for the year.* Bring own lunch. Cuppa available prior to start and during day. At Te Manawa Atawhai Catherine McAuley Centre, Villa Maria College. Facilitator Sr Mary Catherwood. Indication of attendance helpful to 03 379 1298; [roho@xtra.co.nz](mailto:roho@xtra.co.nz)

**Sunday Gospels Session: Thursday 7 March**, 7.30pm. In the context of *lectio divina*, this session will focus on hearing the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor in the gospel readings of Lent and Easter for Year C. Led by Sr Kathleen Rushton RSM. Te Manawa

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### **GOLDEN CATHOLICS:**

I am very pleased to advise that our two speakers at our first “Golden Catholics” event for 2019 are **Bishop Paul Martin SM and Mr Tony Sewell**, Manager, Property and Development. The topic is Bishop Paul’s vision for the Diocese. For those over 65 who enjoyed our previous Golden Catholic events a warm invite is extended to you again. A special invitation to those who have not been before – we would love you to come. No costs are involved. The luncheon will be held on **Wednesday, 27 March** 2019 from 11.30am – 1.30pm at **St Gregory’s Church**, Cotswold Avenue, Bishopdale. Parking is also available behind the church on Colesbury Street. (Please note change of venue).

If you wish to attend please advise your parish secretary by Wednesday, 20 March 2019.

### **DAVID PARKES - REMEMBER ME 2019 NZ TOUR 5<sup>th</sup> MARCH**

Irish tenor, David Parkes, who was miraculously cured of Crohn's Disease in Medjugorje, will perform a sacred concert at Christ the King Parish on 5<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm. All welcome to this inspirational and pro-life event. Donation only. He will also launch **40 Days for Life** in Hagley Park with his song 'Let Me Live' at 3pm on 6<sup>th</sup> March. Ph Pat Barrett 03 3592087 for information.

### **PARISH PASTORAL WORKER**

Applications are invited for the position of Parish Pastoral Worker at St. Teresas Parish, Riccarton. The position would suit a confident personality, with empathy who is great at being organised, able to mix with people from all walks of life and someone who is actively involved in parish life. The position is 20 hrs per week. Job description available from [office@stteresas.org.nz](mailto:office@stteresas.org.nz) Please send a cover letter and a CV to [office@stteresas.org.nz](mailto:office@stteresas.org.nz) Applications for the position close on 1 March and the successful applicant will be required to take up the position on 1 April 2019.

### **YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY COORDINATOR**

Applications are invited for the position of Youth & Young Adult Ministry Coordinator at St Teresa’s Parish, Riccarton. The position is approx. 10 hours per week including weekend & evening work. Responsibilities will include building relationships, supporting youth workers, communicating with children & youth in the parish, attending Youth Council meetings etc. Job description available from [office@stteresas.org.nz](mailto:office@stteresas.org.nz) Please send a cover letter and a CV to [office@stteresas.org.nz](mailto:office@stteresas.org.nz) Applications for the position close on 1 March and the successful applicant will be required to take up the position on 1 April 2019.

### **PREGNANCY CENTRE VOLUNTEER TRAINING DAY**

Are you caring and compassionate? Do you love life? If you are, please consider volunteering at the Pregnancy Centre. We have many ways you can defend, protect and serve life. We can train you to take calls, sort donations, do needs assessments, and give pregnancy tests. To register for our next Volunteer Training on Tuesday 26 March from 10am-2:30pm, please contact Carly at 03 351 3227 or [pregcentrechch@gmail.com](mailto:pregcentrechch@gmail.com). \*This will also be a great refresher for those of you who already volunteer with us)

**DOVE** is for all women - all ages and all walks of life. Needing reassurance of God’s love? Enjoy learning more about your faith? Feeling up to the challenge of Lent? Come along to our Dove Gathering. We are so blessed to have **Fr. Rick Loughnan** as our guest speaker who

will help us through these questions and much more! Friendship, Prayer Ministry, Teaching, Reconciliation and Healing. **Saturday 9 March 1pm – 3pm** - Christ the King Parish Centre. For more info Diane Findlay 0274 312026

**25TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST PATRICK'S CHURCH, GREYMOUTH:** A Mass to commemorate the opening of the Church on 20 March 1994 will be held at 9.30am on Sunday 17 March 2019. The celebrant will be Bishop Paul Martin SM.. A morning tea will follow at the Marist Rugby League Rooms. **Note Your Diaries.**

**CATHOLIC SHOP:** For the best range of Catholic gifts and resources in the South Island, 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](mailto:catholicshop@chch.catholic.org.nz), or 'like' us on Facebook. Open Mon-Fri 9.30am-4.30pm, Sat 10am-1pm.

**THINKING DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD?** Speak to any priest or contact Vocations Director Fr. John O'Connor [vocations.chch@gmail.com](mailto: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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