

**CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH**  
**WEEKLY NOTICES**  
**4 August 2019**

**MARKETING & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT MANAGER:** The Diocese is looking for a strategic thinker who has empathy, integrity and initiative to help grow the already established Catholic Development Fund. This is a Christchurch based new permanent position 20-32 hours per week (negotiable). For more information please refer to our website [www.chchcatholic.nz](http://www.chchcatholic.nz)

**ROCHESTER LECTURE: Women and Church: The Future.** By Ann Gilroy, editor of Tui Motu InterIslands, the independent Catholic monthly magazine. Wednesday **21<sup>st</sup> August** 7pm, Rochester and Rutherford Hall, 77 Ilam road. Supper provided afterwards.

**THE CRAFTY CREW:** Would you like spend an afternoon crafting with others? You are invited to the Hoon Hay Church Hall, 89A Sparks road, Hoon Hay 1.30-4pm Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August. Come and meet, and work alongside, other crafters from the Christchurch Parishes. Bring your hand-craft project/s and a gold coin donation, as well as a bit of cash for raffles. We look forward to seeing you there. If you have any enquiries call Ann 981-0535.

**WHERE IS POPE FRANCIS TAKING US?**

The Catholic Church is changing, but where is Pope Francis taking us and where might we end up? Why is everyone (not just Catholics) paying attention to the first Latin American and first Jesuit pope in history? How is he trying to change the church—and what are people saying in support or even opposition? Join us as we assess what he has done, what he has failed to do, and what might be next.

Join visiting Fulbright Scholar and noted church historian **Dr Christopher Bellitto** (Professor of History at Kean University, New Jersey, USA, author of 10 books, many articles, and media commentator on church history and contemporary Catholicism) for a public lecture on this fascinating and topical question. .

Wednesday **7<sup>th</sup> August**, 7pm-8pm at St Gregory's Parish Centre, Bishopdale. For more information contact Mike Stopforth, Bishop's Pastoral Office, email [mstopforth@chch.catholic.or.nz](mailto:mstopforth@chch.catholic.or.nz), phone 027 5398 542

**MARRIAGE UNPLUGGED:** *"A healthy marriage always takes work. Look for ways forward instead of ways out."* For couples at all ages and stages of marriage to help strengthen their love and commitment to one another. Facilitators: Tim and Jenn Goulding. **SATURDAY, 28<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER** 9:30 – 4:30 Fourviere House, 67 Leithfield Rd. Leithfield. Registration: \$40 per couple. There is limited room so please register early to avoid disappointment. *For further information and registration contact: Jennifer Goulding [jenngoulding@outlook.co.nz](mailto:jenngoulding@outlook.co.nz) or phone: 03 314 8096*

**PRAYER MINISTRY TRAINING.**

Sunday **11<sup>th</sup> August** 1.00pm - 2.30pm at Christ the King Parish. Greers Road, Christchurch. Practical training on how to do basic prayer ministry after Mass, at Camps, Rallies, Retreats, Prayer Groups, Youth Groups and Alpha Holy Spirit Weekends etc. Presenters: Fr Rick Loughnan and Diana Ingle. For more info contact 0273009887.

### **DOVE CATHOLIC FELLOWSHIP FOR WOMEN**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August** from 1pm-3pm. We are blessed to have Fr Michael Therese as our speaker. With a wonderful gift for teaching, Fr Michael will share his insight on the Dos and Don'ts of being Catholic. Christ the King Parish Centre, Burnside. Contact: Diane: 027 431 2026 or check us out on Facebook

### **ST MARY'S SCHOOL, CHRISTCHURCH 125TH JUBLIEE - 30/31 August 2019**

All former students, staff and parents are invited to help celebrate 125 years of education at St Mary's School. Drinks and Nibbles function Fri 30 Aug and Celebration Mass and afternoon tea Sat 31 Aug 4pm at St Mary's Pro-Cathedral.

Please register by emailing the school office requesting details:

[office@stmaryschh.school.nz](mailto:office@stmaryschh.school.nz)

### **CATHOLIC BUSINESS NETWORK LUNCH Thursday 8 August, Town Hall 12-2pm**

In the wake of the earthquakes, Bishop Paul Martin SM is leading the Diocese of Christchurch through the single largest financial investment undertaken by the Catholic Church in New Zealand. You are invited to attend the second luncheon for the Catholic Business Network of the year to hear about his exciting new vision for the Church.

Tickets to this event are selling fast. To purchase a ticket email [events@cdoc.nz](mailto:events@cdoc.nz) or phone 03 366 9869.

### **CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME**

Do you have family and friends who want to explore returning to their faith and spiritual home? Catholics Returning Home is a no pressure, easy going course that begins on the **13th August** for 4 weeks at St Joseph's Parish Centre. Begin your journey today by contacting 0508 HOME NOW (0508 466 366).

### **SEASONS FOR GROWTH**

Are you experiencing change, loss and grief in your life? Learn about how significant losses have impacted your life and learn knowledge, skills and attitudes to respond and understand these experiences. Papanui Parish course is running from **23 August** 12.30-3pm on Fridays for 4 weeks. To register contact Lauren on 027 424 6045 or [seasons@chch.catholic.org.nz](mailto:seasons@chch.catholic.org.nz)

**PRAYER MINISTRY** - We have a prayer team that can offer prayer for people at any time.

We are inviting you to join the team. So what is expected of you? A prayer request will be forwarded to you by text message. Upon receipt of the text you will pray for the intention.

You do not have to go anywhere or make contact with anyone. Just pray where you are, then continue to pray for the intention in your regular prayer time. If you would like to be part of this ministry please send me your name, cell phone number and email address to email:

[prayer@fdm.org.nz](mailto:prayer@fdm.org.nz) If you would like more information, please ring me on **021 413 659**.

To request prayer, text details to: **021 413 659** or email: [prayer@fdm.org.nz](mailto:prayer@fdm.org.nz) Graeme Scott Faith Development Ministries.

**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).



Holy Cross Seminary  
[www.holycross.org.nz](http://www.holycross.org.nz)