

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH
WEEKLY NOTICES
19 November 2017

PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY WORKER / Sacramental Programme Support Person - Christ the King Parish Burnside, Christchurch. **22 hours per week.** We are looking for a mature, dynamic and creative person to join our team. Christ the King has a strong and active Youth Ministry Programme which is very well supported by our Parish priests, Youth Council, young people and wider community. For more details please email Olivia at ctkyouthnz@gmail.com and check out <http://www.christtheking.org.nz/youth-and-sacramental-worker-position-application.html>
Applications close: Thursday 30th November 017. C.V's and Cover letters must be emailed as an attachment to: ctkyouthnz@gmail.com. Please ensure contact details for 3 referees are included.

DOVE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP Invites All Women to come and enjoy Dove's Christmas Celebration *plus a special treat!* A time for Testimonies - letting others hear what Dove means to you. Please bring a small plate of your cultural or traditional Christmas food to share at afternoon tea. Advent is a beautiful time to appreciate and realise how much Dove helps, encourages and embraces all women with the love of Jesus – don't worry if you've never been before, come along, bring a friend *ENJOY! Prayer Ministry Available, Fellowship, Christmas Carols* **Saturday 9th December 1pm – 3.00pm** Christ the King Parish Centre, Greers Rd. For more info phone Diane Findlay 0274312026

CALLED TO BE A SISTER OF MERCY?: The Sisters of Mercy New Zealand are hosting an afternoon for single woman (18 years and older) to explore a vocation with the Sisters of Mercy. Date: Saturday 9 December, 1.30pm-5pm. Venue: Sisters of Mercy, 141 Main North Road, Papanui, Christchurch. Registration or enquiries: Sister Monika, vocations@mercy.org.nz or 021 1132448 or Facebook: mercynz.

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Support the Parish of the Good Shepherd Hurunui and have a holiday at the same time! This Flat in the heart of Hanmer Springs is probably the best value in town. A comfortable refurbished flat with SKY TV and WIFI all for \$80 a night during the week and \$130 a night at weekends. To book, simply search 27 Amuri Ave, Hanmer Springs on www.bookabach.co.nz

CHRISTMAS FOR THE CITY is a gift to families and the people of Otautahi from the churches of Christchurch. A Christmas party experience that caters for people of all ages and communities across our city. Saturday **16 December 4-9pm** ARA City Campus. Free entry. More details at www.christmasforthecity.org.nz

PRE-CHRISTMAS TALKS: Two one-hour talks relating to the New Testament by Fr. Frank Kelly -
Sunday 10 December at 7pm - "*Jesus, a portrait of a Galilean Jew*"
Sunday 17 December at 7pm - "*Jesus and Biblical wisdom*"
These talks will be held in St. Joseph's hall, Papanui. Entry is free.

ADVENT QUIET DAY OF REFLECTION with Trish O'Donnell . St Peters Lady Chapel, 11 Fisher Ave Beckenham. Saturday 2 December 9.30am - 3.30pm All welcome. Bring a plate for shared lunch and a koha. If you wish to come or have any queries please [phone Sancta Maria parish office 338 8397](tel:3388397).

CRANZ offers support, counseling, healing and training across New Zealand.

We are running a basic emotionally free course from **Fri 24th (evening) to Sunday 26th November 2017**. The course includes: foundations for inner healing, Our Relationship with Jesus Christ, Forgiveness from the will and emotions and understanding the root of our problems etc. The cost of the course is \$50 per person or \$75 for a couple, the prayer book is an additional \$15. For further details and registration please contact Liz on 0220306628 or email: emotionallyfreenz@gmail.com

HISTORY OF THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: New book on the now available. In conjunction with the Society's recent celebration of 150 years in New Zealand, the Society has published book celebrating the history of the Society. Entitled "**Early History of the Society of St Vincent de Paul in New Zealand 1867-1925**" it includes much interesting history relating to the Christchurch Diocese and the foundation of the first conference in New Zealand at the Cathedral Parish in Barbadoes Street. Copies are available from the Catholic Shop, next to St Mary's or by emailing the Society admin@svdpchch.co.nz

REPLENISH TRUST would like to thank all those who kindly donated an abundance of goods for our Catholic Healing Centre in Okuku. The whole house is almost completely furnished already, but we are still in need of the following items: 6 beside tables or cabinets, a microwave, a washing machine, a leaf blower, a back pack sprayer, a ride on lawn mower, and some park benches if anyone has some. Or donations to purchase these items. Please contact Diana 0273009887 or replenishnz@gmail.com

ADVENT RETREAT: Reflections on the Self-Emptying of Mary using the Advent readings. Presenter - Joy Ryan Bloore. Friday **1 December** 6.45pm – 9.00pm and Saturday **2 December** 9.30am – 4.30pm. Mary Potter Community Centre, 442 Durham St Nth. Suggested contribution \$60 or donation according to means. Ring Rosary House 379 1298 or email roho@xtra.co.nz

CATHOLIC SHOP: for bibles, candles, rosaries, greeting cards, books, gifts and more. Christmas stock arriving now! **Opening hours:** Mon-Fri 9.30am-4.30pm, Sat 10am-1pm, Sun CLOSED. Located at 373 Manchester St, Christchurch, next to St Mary's Pro-Cathedral, ph 03 366-2853, e-mail catholicshop@chch.catholic.org.nz.

A TALK ON PRAYER WITH BISHOP HUGH GILBERT OSB: Benedictine Monk and Bishop of Aberdeen. He lived in a Monastery for 37 years and was Abbot for 19 of those years. He is in Christchurch for the annual Priests' Retreat and will give a public talk on Friday **November 24th** at St Gregory's Parish Centre, Cotswold Ave, at 7pm. The topic of the talk is "Lord Teach us to Pray". All welcome. Contact Matt O'Connell on 366-9869 or moconnell@chch.catholic.org.nz for more details.

FOR HIRE: Gateway to the Waitaki Valley. Former Waimate convent building available for hire. Accommodates up to 11 people in 8 bedrooms. Charges are \$65 per family per night, plus a \$15 booking fee. Costs for individuals (non-families): \$30 per person. BYO linen, towels, e-towels. Contact Parish Secretary 03-689-8763 or stpatswaimate@xtra.co.nz

A DAY WITH OUR LADY OF FATIMA: The Centenary Year of the Apparitions of Our Lady at Fatima will conclude with a Day with Our Lady of Fatima to be held at St Teresa's Parish Church, Puriri Street, Riccarton on Saturday 25th November 2017 commencing at 10 00am and concluding at 3.00pm. The Day will include Holy Mass, Confession, Adoration and more and also the final

opportunity to gain a Plenary indulgence during the Fatima Centenary. For details please phone Janet on 960 5294.

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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