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Weekly Notices | 2 – 3 October 2021

Urgent - Join in Opposition to Euthanasia in NSW before October 11

The move to make Euthanasia / Voluntary Assisted Dying (VAD) legal will be introduced into the NSW Parliament in coming days. We are called to stand up for the sanctity of life and oppose 'the culture of death'. Bishop Mascord urges the faithful of the Dioceses to contact their local state MPs without delay, asking them to vote NO. Advocates of Assisted Suicide, are similarly working very hard to influence local MPs and without similar efforts for those who uphold the value of life from conception to natural death, it is likely that this terrible bill will become law. Go to www.dow.org.au/euthanasiabill to receive contact details of your State MPs, as well as speaking points for a phone call which is by far the most impactful form of communication. Emailing is a less impactful, but still valuable option. This is a most urgent call to brave action, with this bill infringing many religious freedoms and worse still the sanctity of human life.

Plenary Council 2021 – 3-10 October

From 3 – 10 October, the Church in Australia will commence its fifth Plenary Council – the first in 84 years. 279 members will begin a process of dialogue focusing on 6 themes that were developed from the responses of over 220,000 people.

Key moments during the First General Assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia will be live-streamed between October 3 and 10. They will include daily Masses, morning prayer for Plenary Council members and sharing of the fruits of discernment. Visit the Plenary Council website at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au for a calendar of live-streams during the Assembly.

Masses will be livestreamed. Opening mass this Sunday Oct 3, 2pm weekday masses are 9.30am, and the closing Mass 11am, Sunday Oct 10. Bishop Brian Mascord will celebrate Mass on **8 October at 10am**.

The clergy members from the Diocese of Wollongong are: Most Rev Brian G Mascord DD, Very Rev Bernard L Gordon VG, Very Rev Kenneth Cafe OFM EV, Very Rev Sean Cullen PP EV.

Hear from the **three lay members** of Plenary Council from the Diocese of Wollongong Mr Paul Fleming, Mrs Erin Gillard and Dr Jodi Steel via a short interview that can be accessed at <https://dow.sh/plenarychats> and which will be released via social media over the next week.

DoW in collaboration with ACBC will also be producing a daily podcast of 3 interviews from the Plenary Council from 3-10 October which we will share on our website daily. <https://anchor.fm/plenarypodcast> including the full interview we did last week with Lana Turvey Collins.

The Tuesday Evening **Diocesan Prayer Seminar series** where we will pray for the Council members can be accessed via <https://www.dow.org.au/events>

Support our Holy Family Primary School

Click on the link below to see the amazing efforts from the Holy Family School community. Don't forget to Like the Facebook page and stay informed about all the exciting things happening at our parish school. [Holy Family School Facebook Page](#)



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Prayer Seminars: Experience various prayer styles – All Welcome

A series of **Prayer Seminars**, which will commence on **Tuesday 21 September**, and run weekly, **7pm - 8:30pm** via Zoom. These are open to anyone in the Diocese to attend any or all of the 12 evenings.

Each week a different presenter will lead us in a style of prayer that is meaningful to them. The seminars will include information, but also the opportunity to be led by an expert in the prayer experience. You are welcome to come to any or all of the seminars.

Registering does not require you to attend every seminar. Please follow the link to register for **Prayer Seminars**: <https://www.dow.org.au/events> Tuesday **5th October** Frances Tilly will lead us in The Examen prayer, and **Tuesday 12th October** Sr Sue Barker SGS on Introduction to Lectio Divina.

Come and discover the beautiful practice of interior silence using a sacred word and simply rest in the presence of God. Please encourage the faithful to be part of this experience to grow in prayerfulness.

Men's Kickstart Program: Monday Nights 13, 20, 27 September and 4 October

There are still two sessions to go for the kickstart program and men can attend any or all of the remaining sessions that engage with some great talks from the National Catholic Men's Gathering (NCMG) presentations. **Kickstart** is being facilitated by menALIVE for the Diocese of Wollongong, online by Peter Gabauer and Colin Bennett and the menALIVE leaders from the Diocese of Wollongong.

To register go to <https://www.dow.org.au/events/ancmgkickstart>

Sessions are short and sharp and a great way for men in lockdown to come together to engage with the theme 'Brothers What must we Do'?

- Missioning and Sending: Archbishop Julian Porteous (4 Oct)

Season of Creation

The **Season of Creation** begins **September 1**, on the designated **World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation**. It concludes on **October 4, the Feast of St. Francis**.

The Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace have created five prayer cards which focus on the themes of the statement: [Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor](#).

This week's prayer focuses on [Wonder and Awe](#).

CAtHFAMILY

CAtHFAMILY brings you a selection of activities, prayer rituals, crafts and recipes from their website to assist parents and grandparents in being the first educators in faith for their kids. Don't miss CathKids

<https://cathfamily.org/activities/>

The Year of St Joseph

Pope Francis on 8 December 2020 published an Apostolic Letter *Patris corde (With a Father's Heart)*, commemorating the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. You are encouraged to visit the ACBC year of St Joseph page at <https://www.catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph>

The Journey, 3 October 2021 – Your Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast

Great show this week as we focus again on Plenary Council with some insights from Dr Jodi Steel and Mrs Erin Gillard as we commence the Plenary Council. Plenty of great music and the regular God spots you've come to expect from the Journey available at www.jcr.org.au.



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An invitation to join electronic parish planned giving

Given that we are unable to attend Mass in our church, many who support our parish planned giving envelope program have asked how they can continue to financially support the parish. So, we respectfully encourage all parishioners to join our electronic parish planned giving program to help us ensure that we limit the financial pressure this current situation will impose on our parish. Please visit <https://www.dow.org.au/plannedgiving/> to learn of the two simple ways you can give to our parish electronically.

Importantly, we are mindful that some of our parishioners will sadly be experiencing a change in their financial circumstances. Please contact the Parish Office at ingleburn@dow.org.au if you need to decrease/discontinue your planned giving contribution, but mainly to let us know how we can support you.

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"What God has united, human beings must not divide"

(Jesus, Mark 10:9)