

Holy Family Parish

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Weekly Notices | 30 – 31 October 2021

The Piety Stall is open

The Piety Stall will once again be open after the 5pm Saturday Mass and the Sunday 9.30am Mass. Please come and look at the range of devotional and inspiration gifts. The sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion are coming up in December and there are appropriate cards and gifts available. Columban Calendars are on order and will be here soon. There are also Christmas cards in stock. As well as a service to the parishioners, any funds raised from the Piety Stall go to the St Vincent de Paul parish work.

Support our Holy Family Primary School

As school returns this week, we congratulate all the children and staff for all their hard work during remote learning. 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

Synod of Bishops:

Catholics across Australia are invited to participate in a period of local consultation for the next international Synod of Bishops, which has the theme: "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission". The People of God are invited to use a guided, prayerful reflection method to consider a series of questions and make submissions via an online portal. Those submissions will help the Bishops develop a national report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in 2023. Find out more at: http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch

Technology skills workshops

Early next year, CatholicCare and the Being Connected network are teaming up to facilitate small group sessions aimed at assisting older Australians with improving their digital skills and knowledge. Sessions will be held in three parish centres in Wollongong, Shoalhaven, and Macarthur early next year and spaces are very limited. This is a great opportunity to learn new skills and connect with others. There will be more information early next year on venues and times. We are also seeking mentors who have digital or technology skills to assist with this program. For more information Jane Hollier, Parish and Community Liaison Officer 0417 018 152 janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au

Liturgy Brisbane: Online Liturgical Formation & Training

The team from Liturgy Brisbane have launched an excellent online training platform titled 'Learn + Discover'. Learn at your own pace with comprehensive, multi-modal, and engaging training, all from the comfort of your own home. A certificate will be issued on course completion. The current courses on offer are as follows: Ministers of the Word (Readers) Course, Lay Ministers of Communion Course, and Combined Course: Ministers of Word & Communion. To learn more and to purchase access to one of these online courses, please visit: https://www.liturgybrisbane.net.au/online-courses/

Plenary Council – what happens next?

With the conclusion of the First General Assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia, the members approved a concluding statement sharing the fruits of the first assembly and looking forward to nine months of "prayer, reflection, maturation and development" leading up to the second assembly. Please find attached a <u>media release</u> and a copy of the <u>concluding statement</u>.

The Journey podcast compiled a series of insightful interviews at the conclusion of each day of the assembly that can be accessed at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/plenarypodcast/

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Prayer Seminars: Experience various prayer styles – All Welcome

There has been an overwhelming response to the Prayer Seminar series that runs each Tuesday evening, 7pm - 8:30pm via Zoom. Prayer Seminars are hosted by the CCD Team but are open to anyone and everyone in the Diocese to attend. 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. Each week, the importance of praying for the Plenary Council and its members will be remembered, amongst many important prayer intentions for the Church and the world. 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. Please register before the day of the seminar, to ensure you receive your zoom link on time.

<u>Next Tuesday, 2 November</u>, Fr Aloysius Rego will lead us in Prayer with St Teresa of Avila. Learn from St Teresa, Doctor of the Church, who remains one of the most influential saints of all time. *Fr Aloysius, who is a Discalced Carmelite Friar, regularly assists and leads preached and private retreats at the Discalced Carmelite Retreat Centre*.

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.

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, 31 October 2021 - Your Diocese of Wollongong Weekly Podcast

On the Journey this week: Fr Patrick Vaughan's gospel reflection, Mother Hilda on the three things God wants us to know and Michelle Vass on using nature and creation to pray. The Journey available now as a podcast – www.jcr.org.au.

CatholicCare - We're always here, if you ever need...

These are challenging times for everyone and CatholicCare are here to support you and your family to navigate the uncertainty. We offer confidential online and phone counselling to support you with the frustration of managing family emotions, relationship pressures and employment changes. To find out more about CatholicCare's counselling service call us on 4254 9395 or email intakeservice@catholiccare.dow.org.au

"Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one, only Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength."