



CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE  
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# Parish Update

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## GENERAL NOTICES

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### SENT INTO LENT: LENT EVENT FOR CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Featuring great new music with a live band, high energy presentation, dynamic multimedia, prayer and ritual. A Lent event like no other, for your school and at your school, featuring special guest artist Joshua Angrisano.

**Bookings:** Paul Skippen on 0412 850 883 or [info@gpbs.com.au](mailto:info@gpbs.com.au)

**Download flyer:** <https://bit.ly/2DKoKas>

### MERCY TEACHERS' COLLEGE, ASCOT VALE REUNION: 1969 GRADUATES

It is our 50th year since graduation, and a reunion for all graduates of 1969 has been proposed. If you are a graduate from 1969, or have the contact details of any graduates, please contact [margdrum@gmail.com](mailto:margdrum@gmail.com).

## FEBRUARY

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### WORKSHOP: LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

**Tuesday 12 February, 7–9pm**

**Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne**

**Thursday 21 February, 7–9pm**

**Holy Trinity Parish, East Bentleigh**

This workshop on leading the 'Liturgy of the Word with children: exploring parish/school connections' will explore some practical strategies and creative techniques for sharing the Good News with our children. The workshop will be offered on Tuesday 12 February in the Cardinal Knox Centre, East Melbourne, and for parishes in the southern region of the diocese, on Thursday 21 February at Holy Trinity Parish in East Bentleigh.

**Details and registrations:** <https://www.cam.org.au/evangelisation/Liturgy>

**Download Flyer:** <https://bit.ly/2UGmYwJ>

### SEASONS FOR GROWTH: 'CHANGE, LOSS AND GRIEF' ADULT PROGRAM TRAINING

**Wednesday 13 and Thursday 14 February**

**Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne**

CatholicCare will be presenting two full days of training for Pastoral Associates/Parish leaders on facilitating the *Seasons for Growth's* 'Change, loss and grief' Adult Program. All persons interested in becoming a qualified *Seasons for Growth* Adult Program Companion are encouraged to attend this course. Presenter: Paula Sharp.

**Cost:** \$650 per person

**Enquiries:** Paula Sharp on Tuesdays on 9287 5505, Wednesdays and Thursdays on 8687 7553 or [paula.sharp@ccam.org.au](mailto:paula.sharp@ccam.org.au)

**Details:** <https://www.goodgrief.org.au/seasons-growth-adult-program>

### PLANNING DAY FOR LENT AND HOLY WEEK – THE LENTEN JESUS: DISCERNING THE WAY

**Saturday 16 February, 10am–3.30pm**

**Catholic Leadership Centre, 576 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne**

Join us for the 2019 Lent and Holy Week planning day which will include keynote presentations by Prof. Clare Johnson and Dr Paul Beirne as well as a range of workshops to assist parish liturgy teams to deepen their understanding of the Season and how to lead their communities during this significant time in our liturgical calendar.

**Cost:** \$30

**Enquiries:** Suzanne Hermon, on 9926 5761 or [evangelisation@cam.org.au](mailto:evangelisation@cam.org.au)

**Bookings:** by Tuesday 12 February at <https://www.trybooking.com/ZVXG>

**Download Flyer:** <https://bit.ly/2G9fC1C>



## THE GIFT OF THE ROSARY: SUMMER SCHOOL

**Saturday 16 to Sunday 17 February**

**Magnificat House, 456 Queensberry Street, North Melbourne**

This very special summer school will feature keynote speaker Fr Andrew Grace, Parish Priest of Sacred Heart, Griffith NSW, and topics such as 'The Popes' and 'The Holy Rosary', 'Meditations on the Mysteries' and 'Evangelising as a lay person'. Archbishop Comensoli will also be celebrating Mass during the event.

**Enquiries:** Sue Hyde on 0408 547 791 or [president@legionofmary.net.au](mailto:president@legionofmary.net.au)

**Download flyer:** <https://bit.ly/2CV1aGu>

## IS THERE A FUTURE FOR 'NATURAL THEOLOGY'? EVOLUTION, COOPERATION AND THE QUESTION OF GOD

**Monday 18 February, 6pm**

**Christ Lecture Theatre Room 404.G.12, ACU, 115 Victoria Parade, Fitzroy**

In the lecture, Sarah Coakley is concerned with the way that evolution has been considered in the last generation as 'selfishly'-oriented genetically, yet devoid of either positive meaning or discernible structure. Her lecture calls into question the idea that evolution has a competitively 'selfish' system. It explores the possibility of human altruism. The lecture will be followed by refreshments.

**Details:** <https://www.giffordlectures.org/lecturers/sarah-coakley>

**Enquiries:** [David.Newheiser@acu.edu.au](mailto:David.Newheiser@acu.edu.au)

**Download Flyer:** <https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Portals/0/Coakley%20flyer%20February%202019.pdf>

## ORGAN & VOCAL CONCERT

**Tuesday 19 February, 6.30pm**

**St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne**

Join us for an evening of exquisite sounds performed by organist Johann Vexo who at age 25 was appointed Choir Organist of Notre-Dame Cathedral in Paris, and cantor Damien Rivière who regularly sings in services at Notre-Dame Cathedral.

**Cost:** \$20 no concessions, Children under 15 free

**Enquiries:** [music@cam.org.au](mailto:music@cam.org.au) or 9926 5753 (Wed-Sun)

**Bookings:** <https://www.trybooking.com/ZONI>

**Download flyer:** <https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Portals/0/Organ%20and%20Vocal%20Concert.pdf>

## DAVID PARKES REMEMBER ME AUSTRALIAN TOUR: DIVINE MERCY PUBLICATIONS FUNDRAISER

**Friday 22 February, 6.30-11pm**

**Aurora Receptions, 149 Donald Street, Brunswick East**

Since 2001 David has been working in Medjugorje as Director of Pilgrimages for Marian Pilgrimages, just confirming to pilgrims that God exists and miracles do happen. Join David and John Canavan, Director of Divine Mercy Publications in Australia, for a fundraising night that includes a two-course meal and entertainment. Bookings are necessary.

**Cost:** \$70 (10% discount for tables of ten); a small number of VIP tickets are available for \$125

**Enquiries:** Kelly on 0405 308 182, Karen on 0410 093 548 or Divine Mercy Publications on 9830 4386 or

[sales@divinemercury.com.au](mailto:sales@divinemercury.com.au)

## SOUTHERN STARS SOCIAL CLUB: PARTY FOR SINGLE CATHOLICS AGED 28-60

**Saturday 23 February, 8pm**

**Benedict House, 301 Warrigal Road, Burwood**

Benedict House is one house past St Benedict's Presbytery, next to the church.

**Cost:** \$13, includes supper and lucky door prizes

**Enquiries:** Peter on 9885 2167

## CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING: LIVING THE GOSPEL

**Wednesdays 27 February and 13, 20 and 27 March, 6-8pm**

**ACU Melbourne Campus, 115 Victoria Parade, Fitzroy**



Learn about the theological foundations and ethical principles of Catholic social teaching with world-class scholars and speakers. Catholic social teaching is much discussed but often not well understood, especially its basis in Catholic theology, and most especially papal teaching.

**Details:** [www.acu.edu.au/short-courses-melbourne](http://www.acu.edu.au/short-courses-melbourne)

**Registration:** by Friday 22 February is essential, <https://bit.ly/2WIE7aU>

## MARCH

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### WANT TO GET INSPIRED? MEET GEMMA SISIA

**Sunday 3 March, 3–5pm**

**St Michael's Catholic Church, 268 High Street, Ashburton**

Gemma Sisia went from an Armidale (NSW) sheep farm to pioneering school leader in Tanzania. Come along and be inspired by her story and help change 25,000 lives in Tanzania each year. You will also be treated to some entertainment by soprano singer Emilia Bertolini! Afternoon tea provided.

**Enquiries:** Bernadette at [kellyber62@gmail.com](mailto:kellyber62@gmail.com) or the School of St Jude at [www.schoolofstjude.org](http://www.schoolofstjude.org)

**Registrations:** <https://www.trybooking.com/BADPS>

**Download Flyer:** <https://bit.ly/2WtwQf1>

### RITE OF ELECTION

**Sunday 17 March, 2.30pm**

**St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne**

The Rite of Election is an important and beautiful rite of the Church. In 2019, the rite will take place on Sunday 17 March, the Second Sunday of Lent. RCIA coordinators are encouraged to register as soon as possible.

**Details:** AOFE website [Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation > News > NewsView](#)

**Registrations:** <https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=435720&>

### 'CLOSE AND CONCRETE: POPE FRANCIS EVANGELISING IN A WORLD OF FLUX'

**Thursday 21 March, 5–6.30pm**

**The Oratory, Newman College, 887 Swanston Street, Parkville**

A Helder Camara Lecture hosted by Dr Austen Ivereigh (noted UK Catholic writer and biographer of Pope Francis) with a response by Cardinal Oscar Rodriguez SDB of Honduras, Coordinator of Pope Francis' C9 group for the Reform of the Church.

**Enquiries:** Br Mark O'Connor at [mark.oconnor@marists.org.au](mailto:mark.oconnor@marists.org.au)

### 'A VOICE CRYING OUT: BECOMING A HUMBLE, LISTENING AND LEARNING CHURCH'

**Friday 22 March, 10am–1pm**

**The Oratory, Newman College, 887 Swanston Street, Parkville**

A seminar with input from Dr Austen Ivereigh, Cardinal Oscar Rodriguez SDB and local theologians and bishops. A contribution to the forthcoming Plenary Council of the Church in Australia.

**Enquiries:** Br Mark O'Connor at [mark.oconnor@marists.org.au](mailto:mark.oconnor@marists.org.au)

## SAVE THE DATE

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### FOCCUS FACILITATOR TRAINING 1

**Friday 17 May, 7.15–9.30pm; Saturday 18 May, 9.15am–5pm**

**Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne**

FOCCUS is a valuable aid for all marriage celebrants, marriage educators and others interested in supporting couples to build satisfying life-long relationships. FOCCUS provides the opportunity for individual couples to concentrate on the strengths and areas for growth in their relationship. The facilitator may assist the couple to learn strategies and skills that



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will support them in building a life-long marriage. Training and accreditation to become a facilitator equips people to conduct the FOCCUS inventory program in a parish-based setting.

**Cost:** \$370 per person, \$570 per couple (includes FOCCUS kit and morning and afternoon tea)

**Enquiries:** 9287 5516 or [relationshipeducation@ccam.org.au](mailto:relationshipeducation@ccam.org.au)

**Bookings:** [www.ccam.org.au](http://www.ccam.org.au)

## FREE PROMOTION OF CATHOLIC EVENTS

*Parish Update* is prepared every Wednesday by the Media and Communications Office of the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne. The aim of the update is to assist Melbourne's Catholic agencies, parishes, schools, religious orders, organisations and movements to inform parishes about events of interest. The events are also automatically listed on the [Archdiocese's online events calendar](#). To include a free advertisement about your upcoming event, email details and flyer to [mediaandcommunications@cam.org.au](mailto:mediaandcommunications@cam.org.au).