

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH
WEEKLY NOTICES
4 February 2018

BBQ LUNCH - In Memory of Fr Graeme

Fr Michael invites OLV-parishioners and friends of Fr Graeme to a BBQ lunch on the presbytery lawn on Sunday **February 11th after the 10am Mass**. This is a time to gather to remember Fr Graeme, to reflect and share stories on the time and talents he gave to so many of us and the support and love he gave to our Parish and the Community. The Parish will provide sausages, bread, plates etc. Bring your own drinks, salad and other 'yummies' to share. You can cook your own meat on the BBQ.

ASH WEDNESDAY: An ecumenical service for Ash Wednesday is being held at St Mary's Pro-Cathedral, 373 Manchester Street, on Wednesday 14 February at 5.30pm hosted by Bishop-Elect Paul Martin. Bishop Victoria Matthews will be preaching. All are welcome

THURSDAY TALKS WITH THE COMMUNITY OF ST. JOHN: You are welcome to attend the Thursday Talks run by the Community of St. John at St. Teresa's Parish. The first series of the year is on the Book of Revelation, by Fr. Michael Therese and Fr. Sean Mary. These talks are every Thursday evening, 7.30pm in the parish hall (8 Puriri St, Riccarton), beginning 15th February and the final talk on 5th April (**no talk during Holy Week**).

CATHOLIC SHOP: Lent & Easter stock arriving now! Our 2018 trading hours are Mon-Fri 9.30am-4.30pm, Sat 10am-1pm. Visit us at 373 Manchester Street, Christchurch, next to St Mary's Pro-Cathedral, ph 03 366-2853, e-mail catholicshop@chch.catholic.org.nz, Facebook www.facebook.com/chchcatholicshop

DOVE CHRISTCHURCH welcomes all women along to the first gathering of 2018. Come and celebrate the Joy in finding Jesus through our relationship we now have in and through Jesus, the Father and the Holy Spirit. All women, all ages, all walks of life warmly welcomed. Come along, bring a friend and find out what Dove is all about. **10th February 2018 1:00 – 3pm**

TRAINING IN POST ABORTION CARE: With Carolina Gnad from PATHS (Post Abortion Trauma Healing Services) Venue: Pregnancy Centre, 88 Idris Road. Time: 10am-12noon Wednesday 7 February. Lunch provided if you can stay. RSVP Carly Mulqueen, Pregnancy Centre Coordinator pregcentrechch@xtra.co.nz or 351 3227

RETREAT FOR MEN

Fr. John O'Connor invites all men to take a day to become more aware of the beauty of Catholic faith lived in personal relationship with Jesus Christ. Perhaps your life of faith has become routine and feels like hard work? This day is for you. Maybe you have not been to Mass for many months or years but sense a desire to reconnect? This day is for you. We all struggle with stress and a feeling of distance from God for a number of reasons. This day is for us. **Saturday 24 February 2018**, Community of the Beatitudes, 67 Leithfield Rd. Leithfield. 9.30am concluding with a meal at 6.00pm. More info at www.foodforfaith.org.nz. Register at john@fff.org.nz or Ph 021 444 179

MUSIC MINISTRY COORDINATOR – 20 hours per week - The CYT Music Ministry Coordinator works collaboratively with the CYT manager, and other CYT staff and volunteers to recruit and form a Music Ministry Team who plan, prepare and perform vibrant, liturgically and theologically appropriate music for CYT events. They also organise formation and development opportunities for Youth Worship Teams in throughout the Diocese.

Applicants should have relevant experience in Catholic Youth Music Ministry; recruiting, forming and providing pastoral care for Music Team volunteers; Understand the fundamentals of using and caring for sound equipment and instruments; Basic skills in managing communications, logistics and budgets. **Applications close for this position on the 9th February.**

Email cyt@chch.catholic.org.nz for full job descriptions or to submit CV's and Applications

40 Days for Life Campaign 2018:

40 Days for Life Campaign is happening again this year in ChCh from 14th February through to 25th March. We will be inviting people to join the vigil outside Christchurch Hospital between 8am and 5pm . If you would like more info please contact: info@40daysforlife.nz or Talia Steiner 021 0297 9921 or visit campaign website <https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/christchurch/>

MARCELLIN COLLEGE'S 60TH JUBILEE is coming up next year **23-25 March 2018**. Registrations now open at www.marcellin.school.nz

CYT Frontline Discipleship Programme (Youth and Young Adults)

Frontline is a CYT programme that inspires its participants to actively live out their faith.

The programme aims to support parish based youth ministry; and offer young adults accountability, fellowship, and formation.

Frontline will run fortnightly from 23 Feb. to 20 May. We invite all Youth (Years 11-13), Young Adults, and anyone interested in the programme to join us for an information night on **8 Feb @ 7pm, Catholic Youth Team Office, 122 Barbadoes Street** or contact Sinead, CYT Young Adult and Formation Coordinator for more details – 0220109828.

Online Registrations now open www.cyt.org.nz/frontline

CHRISTCHURCH PARISHES: Those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith who speak Mandarin will begin in Christchurch **7 March 2018**. Mandarin speaking translators will be assisting with teaching the faith. Registrations to: Sr Bertha, bhurley53@hotmail.com or 03.353.0758.

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