

SYNOD OF BISHOPS CONSULTATION COMMENCES



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.

Aware that a synodal Church is a Church that listens, considering that this first phase is essential for this synodal path and evaluating these requests, and always seeking the good of the Church, the Ordinary Council of the Synod of Bishops has decided to extend until August 15, 2022 the deadline for the presentation of the summaries of the consultations by the Episcopal Conferences, the Oriental Catholic Churches sui iuris and other ecclesial bodies.

For more information go to <http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>.

WHAT'S ON?

07 Nov COMMEMORATION OF KRISTALLNACHT

The Council of Christians and Jews WA annual Commemoration of Kristallnacht is to be held on **Sunday 7 November 2pm, in the nave of St George's Cathedral, 38 St Georges Terrace, Perth.** Dr Bill Leadbetter will give the occasional address on ‘*Christians and Kristallnacht: The brave sermon of Helmut Gollwitzer*’. All welcome. [Click here](#) for flyer. **Further info;** ccjwa@aol.com; website: <https://ccjwa.org/home/events/#Kristallnacht> or 08 9335 4974.

07 Nov FUNDRAISER - MULTICULTURAL FOOD FAIR - ST MARY'S PARISH, GUILDFORD

Join us at St Mary's Catholic Church Guildford, for a Multicultural Food Fair Fundraiser for the ongoing repairs to the parish church building. **Sunday 7 November 10.30am to 2.30pm, 21A James Street, Guildford.** Bring the whole family. Thai, Burmese, Indian, Italian & Malaysian food stalls, Devonshire teas, and face painting for children. Music by DJ Gary Aviet. [Click here](#) for flyer. **Further info;** Richard 0405 243 449 or Cheryl 0417 293 417.

09 Nov to 23 Nov CREATED IN THE IMAGE OF GOD: AN INTRODUCTION TO CHRISTIAN ANTHROPOLOGY

Tuesdays 7.30pm to 8.30pm, (4 sessions) Thornlie Parish, cnr Ovens Rd and Discovery Dr, Thornlie. This set of talks will offer a Catholic perspective on what it means to be human. Utilizing Scripture and St Pope John Paul II's Theology of the Body, it will delve into what it means to be made in the image and likeness of the Holy Trinity, how this forms the basis of our identity and human dignity, and how Jesus' death on the Cross gives the highest and deepest revelation of what it means to be human. Participants will learn the meaning of being redeemed and healed in Christ, the importance of being made male and female, the vocation of every human person, and will be challenged to apply such principles as being "in the world, not of the world". This course belongs to a 4-part series on Scripture, Prayer and Sacraments, Christian Anthropology and Catholic Values. **CEWA Ongoing Renewal: this course has been approved for Knowledge.** Suggested donation: \$20. Presenter: Ms Natalie Thomas. **Further info or to register,** [click here](#), email cfe@perthcatholic.org.au, or call 08 9278 0261.

10 Nov MIRACLE PRAYERS

The next Miracle Prayers healing service will be on **Wednesday 10 November 7.30pm, 67 Howe St, Osborne Park.** Vinaya Sequeira will be speaking on "The Grace of Surrendering to God." Come and receive prayer for healing and other personal intentions. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available. All Welcome. **Further info,** please visit www.facebook.com/miracleprayersperth, or 0404 028 298.

10 Nov to 24 Nov ESSENTIAL PREPARATION FOR ADVENT: THE MEANING OF CHRISTIAN HOPE (ONLINE)

Wednesdays, 7.30pm to 8.30pm, (4 sessions) Online. In preparation for Advent, this course will explore the meaning and content of Christian hope, and the centrality of Christ's Incarnation to Christian hope. Delving into the writings of St Paul, Pope Benedict XVI, St Pope John Paul II and Josef Pieper, we will learn about the theological virtue of hope, how it is essential to our human nature and divine calling, how the theological virtues of faith, hope and love weave intricately together to bring us to union with God and how Christian hope keeps us 'forever young'. We will also discuss the efficaciousness of the Holy Spirit, receiving Christ Incarnate in the Eucharist, and prayer, fasting and almsgiving to grow Christian hope and combat hopelessness (despair, acedia and presumption) to prepare our hearts in hope for the coming of our Saviour. **CEWA Ongoing Renewal: this course has been approved for Knowledge.** Cost: \$20. Presenter: Ms Natalie Thomas. **Further info or to register,** [click here](#), email cfe@perthcatholic.org.au, or call 08 9278 0261.

10 Nov to 24 Nov ESSENTIAL PREPARATION FOR ADVENT: THE MEANING OF CHRISTIAN HOPE

Wednesdays, 10am to 11.30am, (4 sessions) Newman Siena Centre (Clune Lecture Theatre). In preparation for Advent, this course will explore the meaning and content of Christian hope, and the centrality of Christ's Incarnation to Christian hope. Delving into the writings of St Paul, Pope Benedict XVI, St Pope John Paul II and Josef Pieper, we will learn about the theological virtue of hope, how it is essential to our human nature and divine calling, how the theological virtues of faith, hope and love weave intricately together to bring us to union with God and how Christian hope keeps us 'forever young'. We will also discuss the efficaciousness of the Holy Spirit, receiving Christ Incarnate in the Eucharist, and prayer, fasting and almsgiving to grow Christian hope and combat hopelessness (despair, acedia and presumption) to prepare our hearts in hope for the coming of our Saviour. **CEWA Ongoing Renewal: this course has been approved for Knowledge.** Cost: \$30. Presenter: Ms Natalie Thomas. **Further info or to register,** [click here](#), email cfe@perthcatholic.org.au, or call 08 9278 0261.

10 Nov to 24 Nov STRENGTHENING ONE'S RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD: PRAYER AND SACRAMENTS

Wednesdays, 7.30pm to 8.30pm, (4 sessions). Applecross Parish, Canning Hwy & Ardross St, Applecross. The Catechism of the Catholic Church emphasises the importance of Prayer and The Sacraments in the life of a Christian. It refers to prayer as the means through which we celebrate our faith in God and enter into a personal relationship with Him (2558). As we do this, the Sacraments mark all the important stages of our Christian life and sustain us in our sense of mission as Christians (1210). Join us as we explore what prayer is, the difference between saying prayers and praying, and how the seven Sacraments can deepen and give meaning to our unique relationship with God. This course belongs to a 4-part series on Scripture, Prayer and Sacraments, Christian Anthropology and Catholic Values. **CEWA Ongoing Renewal: this course has been approved for Knowledge.** Suggested donation: \$20. Presenter: Dr Margaret Scharf OP & Fr Vincent Glynn. **Further info or to register,** [click here](#), email cfe@perthcatholic.org.au, or call 08 9278 0261.

10 Nov to 24 Nov IDEAL FOR YOUNG ADULTS: USING NEW TESTAMENT GREEK TO UNLOCK BIBLICAL TERMS

Wednesdays 7.30pm to 8.30pm, (4 sessions) Catholic Pastoral Centre, 40A Mary St, Highgate. In partnership with Catholic Youth Ministry, this course is aimed at young adults and those interested in learning about the rich and deep meaning of New Testament Greek terms. Over four weeks, we will discover the "real meaning" of the terms DISCIPLE, GRACE, GLORY and EVANGELISATION in order to see how these words apply to our lives today. Most of our English translations of the Bible are great interpretations of the original Hebrew or Greek. However, in any translation, not everything that was communicated in the original language can be precisely conveyed as some nuances do not transfer well from one language to another. As a result, a translation rarely is a perfect version of the original. Let us "bridge the gap" together and receive fuel for our spiritual journey! **CEWA Ongoing Renewal: this course has been approved for Knowledge.** Suggested donation, \$20. (includes light supper). Presenter: Dr Peter Christofides. **Further info or to register,** [click here](#), email cfe@perthcatholic.org.au, or call 08 9278 0261.

12 Nov to 14 Nov VINCENTIAN RETREAT CENTRE - INNER HEALING RETREAT
Friday 12 November, 8.30am to Sunday 14 November 5pm, Vincentian Retreat Centre, 625 Nettleton Road, Karrakup. Free of charge. For registration, please provide the following, date of retreat, adult full name, child full name and age via email vrcperth@gmail.com or phone 08 8525 6539.

14 Nov 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION - SCHOENSTATT SHRINE
An outdoor Holy Mass will be celebrated by Auxillary Bishop Donald Sproxton on **Sunday 14 November 2.30pm, Schoenstatt Shrine, 9 Talus Drive, Mt Richon**, (just past Armadale). Refreshments will be supplied. Please join us. **Further info**; Philomena on 0417 936 757.

14 Nov ADVENT 2021 – UNDERSTANDING THE SPIRITUAL GIFT OF CHRISTMAS
Sunday, 10.30am to 11.15am (One-off event) Victoria Park Parish, Shepperton Rd & Harper St, Victoria Park. It is well understood that the spiritual gift of Christmas can be easily missed amongst all the clamour of the season. Fortunately, the liturgical season of Advent presents us with some key teachings that help us get the most out of Christmas. In this presentation we will look at some of the key Biblical texts drawn on throughout Advent. Reflecting on them will open up how we draw the most out of Christmas and out of our faith in general. **CEWA Ongoing Renewal: this course has been approved for Knowledge**. Cost: Free of Charge Presenter: Mr Joe Tedesco. **Further info or to register**, [click here](#), email cfe@perthcatholic.org.au, or call 08 9278 0261.

16 Nov to 30 Nov DISCOVERING CATHOLIC VALUES: AN INTRODUCTION TO THE BASICS OF OUR FAITH
Tuesdays 7.30pm to 8.30pm, (3 sessions) Balcatta Parish, 392 Albert St, Balcatta. An informational and enriching introduction to the Catholic faith, this course will explore who is the Trinitarian God we believe in, who is Christ as our saviour, what is the Church, and how do we respond to evil and suffering. These questions will be addressed in the context of living the call to holiness in the grace of God with a life of Christian love and virtue. The course will acknowledge our Catholic tradition and heritage while recognising that we need to live our faith in the reality of a changing world. This course belongs to a 4-part series on Scripture, Prayer and Sacraments, Christian Anthropology and Catholic Values. **CEWA Ongoing Renewal: this course has been approved for Knowledge**. Suggested donation: \$15. Presenter: Mr Joe Tedesco. **Further info or to register**, [click here](#), email cfe@perthcatholic.org.au, or call 08 9278 0261.

18 Nov CONTINUING THE DIALOGUE: OBSERVATIONS AND REFLECTIONS ON THE FIRST PLENARY COUNCIL ASSEMBLY
The First Assembly of the Plenary Council concluded on 10 October after an intense week of prayer, discussion, and discernment. The Council for Catholic Women Perth, warmly invites you to hear Perth's women members share their experience of the first assembly of the Plenary Council. The members are Dr Angela McCarthy, Catherine Nguyen, Mary Ryan OP, Eva Skira AM, Gemma Thomson, and Lucy van Kessel PVBM. Dr Pina Ford will explain the Plenary Council process and provide a context. There will be an opportunity to ask questions and to contribute to this dialogue. Men and women are all welcome. **Thursday 18 November, 5.30pm to 8.30pm (Light refreshments served 5.30pm to 6pm)**.

James Nestor Hall Catholic Education Office, 50 Ruislip St, West Leederville. RSVP: Tuesday 16 November to kerrymacfarlane2@gmail.com or 0400 886 835.

18 Nov TAKE A WALK WITH A YAMATJI MAN: AN ARTIST AND HIS STORY

Thursday 10am to 11.30am, Newman Siena Centre (Clune Lecture Theatre). Reg Carnamah is a proud Badimia Yamatji man from the Geraldton and Yalgoo area. When he took the challenge to use his skills and personal story and struggles to paint the Stations of the Cross during Coronavirus-led restrictions period, the results were not only fourteen paintings, but also acceptance of his past. An accomplished artist with a passion for faith and culture, Reg will share with you his interpretation of the Stations of the Cross and how the challenges that Jesus encountered are reflected in his personal life journey. **CEWA Ongoing Renewal: this course has been approved for Faith Formation.** Cost: \$10. Presenter: Reg Carnamah and the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Team. **Further info or to register, [click here](#), email cfe@perthcatholic.org.au, or call 08 9241 5221.**

18 Nov to 02 Dec UNPACKING THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW: THEMES, FIGURES AND EVENTS

Thursdays, 10am to 11.30am (3 sessions) Newman Siena Centre (Room S.201). The Gospel of Matthew is known as the 'teachers Gospel' because it heavily features Jesus's teaching ministry and, thus, has much to teach us about how we find God. This course seeks to explore particular features of the Matthew's Gospel such as, the importance of community, the value found in balancing tradition and progress, and, most importantly, that God is present among us. Join us as we explore key scenes depicted in the 'First Gospel' that touch on these and other themes. **CEWA Ongoing Renewal: this course has been approved for Knowledge.** Cost: \$20. Presenter: Mr Joe Tedesco. **Further info or to register, [click here](#), email cfe@perthcatholic.org.au, or call 08 9278 0261.**

21 Nov SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING – OUR LADY OF REVELATION SHRINE - BULLSBROOK

Our Lady of Revelation Shrine, Bullsbrook, The Solemnity of Christ the King. A celebration of this feast in the Valley. **Sunday, 21 November 1.50pm to 4pm**, with procession, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary prayer and Holy Mass followed by "Family Day" with stalls and lunch fellowship. Bring empty bottles to collect the Miraculous Water from the Well. **Further info;** Catherine Raspanti, catherine@sacriasutralia.com.au or 0434 362 028.

21 Nov CHORISTER FOR A DAY – ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL CHOIR

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be part of the Cathedral Choir? The Cathedral Choir is a wonderful opportunity to; sing regularly at St Mary's Cathedral, sing lots of exciting music (sometimes with orchestra). Learn lots about music and our rich heritage of music; be a very special part of the Christmas Midnight Mass and make new friends. We are extending an invitation to boys aged between 6-14 years to join us, have a go - and be a chorister for a day. **Sunday 21 November 11am, St Mary's Cathedral, Perth.** Lunch 12.30pm. Singing and meet the pipe organ group 1pm to 2.30pm. [Click here](#) for flyer. Registrations close **Thursday 18 November 2021.** To register, Jacinta Jakovcevic; music.cathedral@perthcatholic.org.au or 08 9223 1377.

24 Nov to 25 Nov WALKING WITH HIS PEOPLE SYMPOSIUM

Catholic Social Services WA cordially invites you to a Symposium on **Wednesday 24 November to Thursday 25 November**. The Symposium is a one and a half-day program for some 30 Catholic agencies. The goal is to raise awareness around supporting and assisting the disadvantaged people within our community. Join us and see how the Catholic Social Services is making a difference. Tickets: <https://walking-with-his-people.heysummit.com/>. For more information, contact Grace Kurniawan, email csswa@perthcatholic.org.au or 08 9220 5950.

**25 Nov ADVENT 2021 – PREPARING FOR THE COMING OF THE SAVIOUR
Thursday, 7.30pm to 8.30pm (One-off event) Doubleview Parish, 17 Angelico Street, Woodlands.**

Christmas is a special time of year. The weeks leading up to the special holiday have a certain feel, both festive and frantic as people prepare for the big day. It is well understood that the spiritual gift of Christmas can be easily missed amongst all the clamour of the season. Fortunately, the liturgical season of Advent presents us with some key teachings that help us get the most out of Christmas and not miss the treasured gift that is at the heart of it all. This talk will focus on some of the key biblical texts drawn on through Advent. Reflecting on them will open up how we can get the most out of Christmas and out of our faith in general. **CEWA Ongoing Renewal: this course has been approved for Knowledge**. Cost: Free of charge. Presenter: Mr Joe Tedesco. **Further info or to register, [click here](#)**, email cfe@perthcatholic.org.au, or call 08 9278 0261.

26 Nov to 28 Nov VINCENTIAN RETREAT CENTRE - INNER HEALING RETREAT

Friday 26 November, 8.30am to Sunday 28 November 5pm, Vincentian Retreat Centre, 625 Nettleton Road, Karrakup. Free of charge. For registration, please provide the following, date of retreat, adult full name, child full name and age via email vrcperth@gmail.com or phone 08 8525 6539.

27 Nov PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MASS

Pregnancy Assistance would like to express their sincere thanks to you for all your support and prayers. You are invited to attend our Annual Thanksgiving Mass and to celebrate our 25th year in this service of life on **Saturday 27 November 10am, St Mary's Cathedral, Perth**. We give thanks to God for His many blessings and the wonders poured out for our Ministry. Please stay for morning tea after Mass in the function room downstairs. **Further info;** Carmel or Lisette on 08 9328 2929.

28 Nov CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY SINGING

Sunday 28 November 2pm to 4pm, St Mary's Cathedral, Perth. Join us as we prepare for the Christmas season with our annual Christmas Community Singing. This year we feature special guests, the Department of Fire and Services Concert Band. Admission: \$15 and \$12 (concession). **Further info;** Jacinta Jakovcevic, music.cathedral@perthcatholic.org.au or 08 9223 1377.

02 Dec & 05 Dec ROAD TO BETHLEHEM

Once again St Thomas Parish presents the Road to Bethlehem Advent Liturgy and note that there are two performances this year. **Thursday 2 December 7pm and Sunday 5 December 2pm, St Thomas the Apostle, College Road, Claremont.** **Further info;** john.kinder@uwa.edu.au.

03 Dec EQUESTRIAN ORDER OF THE KNIGHTS OF THE HOLY SEPULCHER - VIGIL AND INVESTITURE SERVICE

Vigil, **Friday 3 December 5.30pm, St Mary's Cathedral, Perth.** Investiture service, **Saturday 4 December 10.30am.** Five candidates will be invested by Auxiliary Bishop Don Sproxtton followed by investiture lunch at Burswood on Swan from 12.15pm. **Further info;** Kevin Susai, 08 9381 4317.

10 Dec to 12 Dec VINCENTIAN RETREAT CENTRE - INNER HEALING RETREAT

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