

PRIESTS RETIREMENT VILLAS CAMPAIGN

Msgr Rick Loughnan entered the seminary at 35 after years of service to the Church. He has held various roles, including director of the Catholic Youth Team and Diocesan Administrator, and is now parish priest of Christ the Redeemer. One of Fr Rick's greatest joys in priesthood is connecting with people. Nearing retirement, he hopes to continue in ministry and enjoy travel. Please contribute to the 2024 Bishop's Appeal by supporting the campaign to build seven modest villas for our retired priests. Find out more at <https://cdoc.nz/>

FESTIVAL OF THE LIGHTS:

7th December 6pm: Join Bishops John Adams and Michael Gielen at the Community of the Beatitudes on the eve of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. This year the Community of the Beatitudes is celebrating 30 years in New Zealand and 5 years of the beautiful Shrine of Mary, Mother of the Light. The evening starts with Mass under the Marquee at 6pm, picnic dinner and sausage sizzle, followed by a procession at dusk, and adoration under the stars. For more information, contact Michael 021 825 955.

HORNBY VINNIES NEED VOLUNTEERS

31 Shands Road. Hornby. Volunteering at Vinnies means making a real difference, one smile and one helping hand at a time. Whether you're sorting donations or helping in the shop, every moment you give helps change lives. Enquiries to Bronwyn Hatch, Hornby Store Manager: 021 1959327 or email on bronwyn@svdpcanterbury.nz

FOOD FOR FAITH

Food for Faith for Advent. Sign up at www.foodforfaith.org.nz to prepare for Christmas receiving daily email encouragements from Fr John O'Connor's Food For Faith website.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Volunteers are required over Christmas / New Year for the Adoration Chapel. Over the past 11 years the Diocesan Perpetual Adoration Chapel has remained open throughout the Christmas period. We have a large number of people going away and require extra people to help out during this time. If you are going to be at home this Christmas and would be happy to cover an hour or two please contact Matt on 366-9869 or chchadoration@gmail.com

THE CATHOLIC SHOP

The Catholic Shop will be open Sundays in December from 8.30am till 12.30pm – pop in for some Christmas shopping!

THE GIFTS OF HEALING

Christ the Redeemer Parish is offering a Training day on "The Gifts of Healing" on **Saturday 15 February 2025**, 9.30am - 4pm at the Lamb of God Centre, Thames Street. Morning tea and a light lunch provided. Please advise any dietary requirements. Suggested koha of \$30. Presenters will include: Fr John Rea SM (via pre-recorded video interviews and talks) and Michael Powell (Wellington) and Brendan and Judith Woodnutt. This course is aimed at those wanting to develop and sharpen their gifts in the area of healing.

To register please complete form on www.christchurchnorth.org.nz (Healing Day) or for more information email Judith on pastoral@christchurchnorth.org.nz

RETREAT AT SISTER EVELEEN HOUSE

We would love to welcome you and to enjoy the peace of Sister Eveleen Retreat House. Day Retreats are held every last Thursday in the month with different themes. Next: Thur 28 November, 9:30 – 2:30 - facilitator: Antje Duda To register click [here](#)



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