

PRAYING FOR THE CONCLAVE

New Zealand Cardinal John Dew is inviting the Catholic community in Aotearoa New Zealand to join him in praying the litany of the saints each day in anticipation of the upcoming conclave. Cardinal John is one of 135 cardinals expected to participate in the election of our new Pope. He has been praying a litany daily. The National Liturgy Office has prepared a litany for New Zealand Catholics and for the specific intention of the conclave. Please join Cardinal John in this prayer leading up to and during the conclave. Access the litany resources at www.catholic.org.nz

ST THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX RETREAT DAY AT CARMEL

Join us on Saturday 17th May at the Carmelite Monastery for a retreat day to celebrate 100 years since St Thérèse's canonisation. Sr Lauren will share about her life and writings.

Begins 8.30am with Mass, finishing 1pm.

Morning tea provided

BYO lunch (microwave and small fridge available)

Cost: Donation/Koha

Numbers limited: Register by emailing

laurenbutler76@gmail.com

SOUP KITCHEN

Catholic Social Services is running a Soup Kitchen on **Thursday, May 15**, from midday to 2.30pm at Linwood Park. St Vincent de Paul will be there providing free blankets and other winter items.

For more information contact css@cdoc.nz

REVOLUTION CAMP

After a sell-out camp in 2023 and 2024, Revolution Camp is back for 2025! An inspiring speaker, an incredible house band and all the usual camp favourites will be on the menu for Year 7-9 students from **27-29 June**. Woodend Christian Camp is again our host and tickets are already selling fast – with earlybird pricing available. Get a group together from your Parish and School and make this the best camp ever! All the details and the link to register are at www.cyt.org.nz/revolution. Sponsorship is available and donations to support these are welcomed. Enquiries and any other questions to mcurrie@cdoc.nz

FOOD FOR FAITH

Fr. John O'Connor invites you to write telling of one experience of God in up to 400 words for the second edition of FIFTH GOSPEL LIVING. Send your contribution to john@fff.org.nz. This second collection will be published later this year.

TE KUPENGA

Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College is now open for enrolment for Semester 2. Go to www.tekupenga.ac.nz/apply to apply or call (09) 361-1053 for more information. Enrolment closes on May 16.



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CHRISTCHURCH DIOCESAN JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO NORTHLAND

In this year of Jubilee, one of the exciting opportunities the Christchurch Diocese is offering is a Diocesan 6-day pilgrimage to the sacred places at the very foundation of the Catholic Faith in New Zealand. The pilgrimage is being held **Oct 26 – 31, 2025**. For more information please contact Matt O'Connell on 366-9869 or moconnell@cdoc.nz

BEATITUDES RETREATS

WOMEN'S RETREAT **May 25-27**

"Freedom to Be Loved & to Love as Women" is the theme for the retreat. Starting at Genesis where our knots were tied up through Eve, we will journey with the Lord allowing Him to untie the lies of the enemy; concluding with Mary who shows us how to be loved and love freely as a woman.

MEN'S RETREAT – **June 6-8**

"The Spirit blows where He wills; you hear His voice, but you know neither where He comes from, nor where He is going! (cf. Jn 3:7-8)." Let us learn to walk in the Spirit.

To book, email retreats@beatitudes.nz or phone 022 103 6994

CANDLES

A parishioner at Cathedral Parish makes beeswax candles from previous years Paschal candles. If you think this would be of interest to your parish please contact diane.moore@xtra.co.nz

SISTER EVELEEN RETREAT HOUSE

Join us at Sister Eveleen Retreat House for a Retreat Day. **A Day in the way of Mary** Join us for a quiet day of reflection, prayer, silence, and sharing.

Thursday, May 8, 2025, 9:30 am – 2:30 pm
Sister Eveleen Retreat House, Sumner, 6 Whitewash Head. More info and register follow the [link](#)

HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY CONTACTS

Most hospitals no longer provide names of Catholic patients to our chaplains.

If there is someone from your family going to hospital please either advise the chaplain or your parish office or let the nurses know that you would like to see the Catholic Chaplain/Priest on call.

Christchurch Hospital:

Angela McCormick – 021 702 378

Burwood Hospital:

Jane Dick - 021 572 480

Hillmorton Hospital:

Joan Hough - 021 501 683

Nurse Maude Hospice:

Christchurch North Parish - 03 359 1438

St George's Hospital:

Christchurch North Parish - 03 359 1438

Southern Cross:

Cathedral Parish - 379 1068



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