

DIOCESAN MEN'S RETREAT

Bishop Michael warmly invites all men to join him at our Diocesan Men's Retreat. Join us as we venture out into the deep - a powerful opportunity to strengthen faith, deepen connections, and journey together in brotherhood. This is open to men of all ages.

Date: **Fri, Jul 25** (6pm-9pm) and **Sat, Jul 26** (8am to 12 noon)

Cost: \$30 per person (covers venue hire, drinks Friday night and Saturday big morning tea!)

Venue: Marian College

To register: visit www.cathmen.nz

For more info: contact Mike Stopforth on 027 539 8542 or mstopforth@cdoc.nz

DIOCESAN JUBILEE PRAYER CONFERENCE - 2nd AUGUST, TEMUKA

All are welcome to attend our one-day Jubilee Prayer Conference to be held in Temuka on **Sat, Aug 2** with the Jubilee theme, "Pilgrims of Hope". The Saint Mary Mackillop Chapel in Temuka is a Sacred Jubilee site for the Christchurch Diocese so we hope many people will take the opportunity to make a pilgrimage and come to this conference. The Conference will involve Mass, Prayer, workshops, keynote talks and more. Bishop Michael will be attending and will give a keynote talk. We also have a guest keynote speaker coming from Australia, Fr Chris Eaton from the Missionaries of God's Love Community. The cost is \$49 which includes morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea. Registrations close on **Tues, Jul 29**. For more information and to register go [here](#) or contact Matt O'Connell on 366-9869 or moconnell@cdoc.nz

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS FESTIVAL

Bishop Michael warmly invites all young people of the Diocese to celebrate the Jubilee in Christchurch on **Sun, Jul 27**. The event begins at 1:30 PM and will include opportunities to encounter Christ through Adoration, Worship, and Reconciliation. The event will feature a talk by Fr Chris Eaton MGL and will conclude with a Diocesan Youth Mass at the Pro-Cathedral, followed by a dinner. Registration is open to young people aged 13 to 35 within the Diocese of Christchurch. Registration is essential to secure your spot—tickets are just \$5. You can register [here](#). Contact Mark for more information at mcurrie@cdoc.nz or 03 353 0705.

NIGHT AT THE CONCLAVE

Join us for this rare opportunity to hear Cardinal John share his personal reflections and insights into one of the most sacred and secretive gatherings in the world — the Papal Conclave.

Whether you are curious about Church tradition, intrigued by the theology and history, or simply seeking inspiration, this evening promises to touch the heart and mind.

Fri, Aug 1 at 7.30pm - James Hay Theatre - Town Hall - Christchurch. Get your ticket [here](#). Any questions? email events@cdoc.nz

"BLESSED IS SHE WHO BELIEVED" (LK1:4)

A weekend retreat for young women open to discerning a call to consecrated life.

Join other young women aged 18-30 for a weekend of prayer, friendship and formation on discerning a vocation to different forms of consecrated life within the Church.

Aug 9-10, Sr Eveleen Retreat House, Sumner. Contact Matt moconnell@cdoc.nz or Jess 02102444876 for more info and to register.



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CATHOLIC BUSINESS NETWORK LUNCH

We invite you to join us for our final Catholic Business Network event of the year, featuring Leonie Guiney — South Canterbury dairy farmer, Fonterra Director, BNZ consultant, respected business leader, and committed Catholic.

Date: Thurs, Sep 11

Time: 12:00pm – 2:00pm

Venue: Rydges Latimer Christchurch

Leonie will speak candidly about the role of her Catholic faith and daily disciplines in sustaining her during challenging times, her sense of responsibility to “pay it forward” to the next generation, and the importance of acknowledging those who have supported her along the way. With reflections from her time on the board of Fonterra and life on the land, Leonie offers a compelling perspective on values-based leadership, perseverance, and community.

Reserve your place now at: www.cbn.nz



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ASSUMPTION FEAST MASS

The Bishops of New Zealand invite you to join them at the National Marian Shrine on **Aug 15**, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The celebration of our national feast day is part of the Bishops' second of two national pilgrimages during the Jubilee Year. Mass will be celebrated at 6pm on **Fri, Aug 15** at St Mary of the Angels Church, Boulcott St, Wellington. All are welcome.

FR MICHAEL PUI'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY

You are invited to celebrate Fr Michael Pui's 25th Anniversary of Ordination on **Sat, Aug 23**. We will gather for Mass at 11.00am at St Patrick's church Fuller Street Kaiapoi. Mass will be followed by a shared lunch (Please bring a plate of finger food to share). All welcome. If you have any queries please contact Margaret on 327 0811.

VATICAN ASTRONOMER SPEAKING TOUR

Br Guy Consolmagno SJ, the director of the Vatican Observatory, will be speaking at a number of events across New Zealand in early August. He is a highly-regarded speaker on the intersection of faith and science, and has written many books on the subject. He has public lectures in Christchurch on the following dates:

Aug 8, BT112, University of Canterbury at 3.00pm.

Aug 10, Bishop Joyce Centre, 106 Main South Road at 12.30pm.

Aug 13, A3, University of Canterbury at 7.00pm
Visit tekupenga.ac.nz for the topics and more information.

BEATITUDES UPCOMING RETREATS

MARIAN DAY RETREAT – Aug 16

Consecrate yourself to Mary as did the first missionaries. Mary cares for each of her children and is waiting to intercede for us! Please bring your own lunch. Tea & coffee provided.

COUPLE'S RETREAT – Sep 5-7

“Call to Holiness” is the theme for the retreat. Come away with your spouse to enrich your marriage under the guidance of Saints Louis and Zelig Martin – the parents of St Thérèse of Lisieux and her sisters. To book, email retreats@beatitudes.nz or phone 022 103 6994

GREATER COMPANY OF MARY MASS

The next Greater Company of Mary Mass will be held on **Sat, Aug 2**, at 10.30am at the Mary Potter Community Centre, 442 Durham St North, St Albans, Christchurch. All welcome. Morning tea will follow. For catering purposes, please RSVP by Mon, Jul 28, to the Little Company of Mary office, ph 372 9224.

