

WEBINAR – 50 YEARS OF PROCLAIMING THE GOSPEL

In December 1975, St Paul VI published his landmark apostolic exhortation, *Evangelii Nuntiandi*. It identified evangelisation as the task of all Christian people, not just clergy and religious, and noted that it required both word and authentic witness. Join Bishop John Adams of Palmerston North, Catholic Enquiry Centre director Carly Mulqueen and Te Kupenga – Catholic Theological College director Dr John Evangelista as they share their insights on the wisdom of the document and how it can be lived out in today's context. The event is live at 7pm on **Tues, Dec 2**. Register at: <https://bit.ly/december2webinar>

TE RANGIMĀRIE FINAL MASS AND WHAKANOĀ

A final Miha Māori and whakanoa ceremony at the Te Rangimārie Centre will be celebrated by Bishop Michael on **Sun, Nov 30** at 11:00 am followed by a shared lunch. All welcome.



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From **Sun, Dec 7**, Mass will be celebrated in Te Reo Māori at St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral at the following times:

First Sunday of the month — 12:30 pm, Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Second Sunday of the month — 12:30 pm, Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Third Sunday of the month — 12:30 pm, Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Fourth Sunday of the month — 6:00 pm, Main Church (Parish Mass)

Fifth Sunday (when applicable) — 12:30 pm, Blessed Sacrament Chapel

CATHOLIC KIWI PODCAST

Six episodes of the New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference's new podcast series have now been released, sharing stories of faith, ministry and mission of Kiwis and visitors to our shores. Guests in the opening episodes include Carmelite Sister Lauren of the Cross, broadcaster and policy expert Tim Wilson and Wellington Archbishop Paul Martin SM. More episodes will be released before Christmas to complete season 1, with season 2 set for 2026. Search "Catholic Kiwi Podcast" on YouTube or Spotify now.

CLOSING MASS OF THE JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE

2025 has been a special year of grace as the Church celebrates the Jubilee Year of Hope. As the Jubilee Year draws to a close, we gather for a final Mass of thanksgiving.

Date: **Sun, Dec 28**

Time: 9.30am

Location: St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral

This Mass will mark the end of local diocesan celebrations of the Holy Year, while the universal Church celebration formally concludes on the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord in Rome. All are invited to join Bishop Michael in celebrating the closing Mass of the Jubilee Year.

ONE DAY DIOCESAN JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO THE SANCTUARY OF FOURVIÈRE (LEITHFIELD)

Join us on **Wed, Nov 26** for this one-day pilgrimage to one of our Jubilee Sacred Sites at the home of the Community of the Beatitudes in Leithfield. It will be an opportunity to be renewed in your faith and to learn more about the Shrine of Fourvière in Lyon, France. The pilgrimage includes Mass, talks, quiet time and more. The cost is \$20 includes lunch, morning and afternoon tea. Places are limited so please contact Matt O'Connell on moconnell@cdoc.nz or 03 366 9869 to reserve your place.



SEVEN SORROWS ROSARY GROUP AND ADORATION

Supporting Catholics through grief: 4th Monday of every month, 7.30-8.30am, after the 7am Mass. Mon, **Nov 24th**. St Teresa's Church - 8 Puriri Street, Riccarton. For more info contact info@jp2.org.nz

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Holy Family Parish invites women from across the Diocese to come for an afternoon retreat focusing on the sacredness, the beauty and call we have as women.

"No longer forsaken - the Lord delights in you"

Sat, Dec 6, 11.45am - 5.00pm

St Teresa's Church & Hall, \$30 - Lunch Included

Registration Essential www.holyfamily.nz/nourish-your-faith/womens-retreat

Be encouraged and inspired by the Sisters of Life and take a moment of quiet at the beginning of Advent to hear from the Lord.

CBS MUSIC - HANDEL MESSIAH

All welcome to hear Handel Messiah by the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament Choir and Orchestra. At 1.30pm on **Sun, Dec 7**. To be held at St Mary's Pro-Cathedral. Admission is \$30. For more info contact Don at don.whelan@extra.co.nz

SISTER EVELEEN RETREAT HOUSE

Join us at Sister Eveleen Retreat House for a Retreat. Our Retreat Programme for 2026 is now available online. From quiet 1 day pauses, sabbath days to rich 7 day retreats, each one offers room to rest, reflect, and spend time with God.

Sister Eveleen Retreat House, Sumner, 6 Whitewash Head. For retreat info and to register follow this [link](#).

LOVING FOR LIFE NEW ZEALAND - HELP US BRING GOD'S VISION OF LOVE TO OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

Loving for Life NZ supports young people and their whānau to encounter God's vision for life, love, and relationships. Through programmes in schools, parishes, youth groups, and through resources, we help them discover their dignity, the value of friendship, and the beauty of real, lasting love. This month we are launching a donations campaign to help us continue this mission. Our goal is to raise \$3,000 and to invite new regular donors to join us in supporting this work.

To join our prayer list, donate, or learn more, please visit: lovingforlife.org.nz/

BEATITUDES - FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS

Join Bishop Michael Gielen at the Community of the Beatitudes to celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on **Sat Dec 6** at the Sanctuary of Fourviere 67 Leithfield Road, Leithfield, North Canterbury. The evening starts with Mass under the sky at 6.00pm, picnic dinner and sausage sizzle, followed by a procession at dusk, and adoration under the stars. For more info, contact Sr Giovanna-Maria 022 103 6994

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: John Dooley - 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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