

### INFORM

The final issue of Inform for 2025 is available now in parishes and online at [cdoc.nz/inform](https://cdoc.nz/inform)

### CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Mass times and Sacrament of Reconciliation times from parishes across the diocese are now available on the Diocesan website <https://cdoc.nz/christmas>

### CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CHRISTCHURCH: VACANCY - CHIEF FINANCE OFFICER

The Diocese is looking to recruit a Chief Finance Officer (CFO) to lead a passionate and committed team and be a key strategic partner in shaping the future of the Catholic Diocese of Christchurch. The CFO will be accountable for the CDC's financial and IT performance. The primary responsibility of the role is to safeguard and improve the financial position and performance of the Diocese, enabling the achievement of its pastoral and property objectives. Furthermore, the CFO drives risk management and ensures an excellent standard of reporting. For a full Candidate Brief please email [applications@cdoc.nz](mailto:applications@cdoc.nz) To apply, click [here](#) or attach your cover letter and CV to [applications@cdoc.nz](mailto:applications@cdoc.nz) with 'Chief Financial Officer Job Application' in the subject line.

Applications close 11.59pm Thursday, 15 January 2026. For more information please phone Annette Pugh on 03 378 3647.

### FOOD FOR FAITH FOR ADVENT 2025.

Daily reflections for those seeking greater maturity of Christian Faith in preparation for Christmas. Sign up to receive daily emails during Advent at [www.foodforfaith.org.nz](http://www.foodforfaith.org.nz).

### THE CATHOLIC SHOP

Now open Sundays 8.30am - 12.30pm until Christmas.

373 Manchester St, 9.30am - 4.30pm Monday to Friday, 10.00am - 1.00pm Saturdays.

### VINNIES ROLE - Conference Coordinator

Part time permanent role: 20 hours per week. The role of the Conference Coordinator involves responsibility for implementing membership programmes, supporting local Conferences in their charitable activities and fostering community engagement to ensure effective delivery of the Societies mission. The role supports local conferences by enabling spiritual formation, program delivery and facilitating training for Vincentians that strengthen skills.

For a full role description please contact Bill Manning- Area President - [bill@svdpcanterbury.nz](mailto:bill@svdpcanterbury.nz) or Clodagh Ward - [clodagh@svdpcanterbury.nz](mailto:clodagh@svdpcanterbury.nz) Closing Date for application is January 15, 2026.

### VACANCY - CATHOLIC ENQUIRY CENTRE

#### Three Part-Time Roles

The Catholic Enquiry Centre (an agency of the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference) is expanding its digital outreach in 2026 and is seeking passionate, faith-filled people to join the team:

- Digital Ministry Specialist (Content & Platform) – oversee CEC's website and social media, creating content that helps people explore faith.
- Digital Ministry Specialist (Media Production) – create short videos, testimonies, and reels introducing Catholic faith and traditions.
- Resource & Enquiry Support Officer – respond to enquirers and coordinate the dispatch of printed resources across Aotearoa.

All roles are part-time (0.4 FTE) and may be remote or Wellington-based. Expressions of interest to [carly@catholicenquiry.nz](mailto:carly@catholicenquiry.nz) by Friday 9 January 2026. Roles may be filled sooner for the right candidates.



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### SISTER EVELEEN RETREAT HOUSE

Join us at Sister Eveleen Retreat House for a Retreat Step away from the pace of life, rest in the beauty of creation, spend time in quiet with God.

You are warmly invited to come for a self guided retreat day or an overnight stay.

We look forward to welcoming you.

<https://youtube.com/shorts/75TWpkKj-SU>

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

### SCRIPTURE FOCUS THIS ADVENT

You are invited to prepare for Sunday Mass by reading and reflecting on the Scripture we will hear that weekend. Marist priest Fr Frank Bird has for several years been helping people make those preparations through his Living the Word project. As the name suggests, Living the Word is an invitation for Catholics and others to allow the Word of God to shape their lives. You can download the resources, and access other rich content, at

[www.livingtheword.org.nz/pray](http://www.livingtheword.org.nz/pray)



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### MASS IN TE REO MĀORI

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, Nave (Parish Mass)

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



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### SUBS REQUIRED OVER CHRISTMAS / NEW YEAR FOR THE ADORATION CHAPEL

Over the past 12 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. If you are going to be at home this Christmas and would be happy to cover an hour or two please contact Matt on 027 536 9407 or

[chchadoration@gmail.com](mailto:chchadoration@gmail.com)

### MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS (MMP)

The Marian Movement of Priests (MMP) invites you to join Fr Donal McIlraith, priest responsible for MMP in Oceania, for Mass and a Cenacle (prayer meeting) on Thurs, Jan 22 at 5:00 PM at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 70 Spencer Street, Addington, Christchurch. For more information, please contact Jeanette on 03 325 7066 or email [info@mmp-oceania.net](mailto:info@mmp-oceania.net).

### 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.

