

VACANCY - EDUCATION MANAGER

The Catholic Diocese of Christchurch is hiring a visionary Education Manager to guide 28 primary and 7 secondary schools. This senior leadership team role provides direction for long-term planning, roll growth, and future school development, while safeguarding and enhancing special Catholic Character across integrated Catholic schools.

Further information is available on [Seek](#). Confidential applications can be made on [Seek](#) addressed to the Recruitment Consultant advising the Bishop and COO by applying before **March 25, 2026**.

CHRISM MASS

You are warmly invited to the annual Chrism Mass on **Monday, March 30**, at 5.30pm at St Mary's Pro-Cathedral.

During this Mass, the bishop will bless the sacred oils used throughout the year in the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders, and the Anointing of the Sick and the clergy of our diocese will renew their commitment to priestly service. All are welcome to join in this celebration.



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HOLY WEEK LITURGIES & MASS TIMES

Are you travelling during Easter? Are you looking for Holy Week liturgy times including Reconciliation? Parish Holy Week Mass and Liturgy times can be found on the diocesan website cdoc.nz/easter.

CBS MUSIC - ST JOHN PASSION

J.S. Bach's St John Passion will be performed at 8.00pm on **Good Friday, Apr 3**, at St Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Manchester Street. Written for Good Friday, 1724, the Passion is a compact and intensely dramatic setting of St John's description of Christ's last hours.

CATHOLIC BUSINESS NETWORK

SAVE THE DATE!

The first Catholic Business Lunch for 2026 will feature guest speaker Rt Hon Sir Bill English. The lunch will be held on **Thurs, May 7** from 12.00pm to 2.00pm. The event will bring together business leaders, professionals and executives from across the diocese for an afternoon of connection and faith-filled conversation. This will be a valuable opportunity for inspiration and networking. *Mark the date in your diary!*

CARITAS LENT WEBINAR SERIES 2026

Archbishop Paul Martin SM will be reflecting on 'The Man Born Blind - Now I see' at the next Caritas Lenten webinar on **Wed, Mar 18** To register, visit www.caritas.org.nz/lent-webinars All are welcome to join!

STELLA MARIS LENTEN MISSION

As we journey through this holy season of Lent, you are invited to a three-day spiritual reflection on 'The Suffering Servant' based on the moving prophesy in Isaiah 53.

Date: **March 17,18 & 19**

Time: 6.30pm

Venue: St Anne's Church, Woolston

Programme: Mass, Praise & Workshop, Talk & Adoration

Preacher: Fr Vincent Barboza

Join us as we pause, pray and prepare our hearts for Easter.

Email queries to parish@christchurcheast.org.nz.



MOVIE - HOLY DAYS

The heartfelt Kiwi comedy-drama 'Holy Days' follows a young boy on a road trip with three eccentric nuns - a story that blends humour, hope, and redemption. Read more on our [website](#).

FOOD FOR FAITH

Grow in maturity of Faith accompanied by Food For Faith through Lent with daily reflections at www.foodforfaith.org.nz

HEARING THE VOICE OF GOD and learning to follow is an essential part of your prayer life. Christ the Redeemer Parish are offering a seminar to guide you to be attentive to God's still, small voice. Join the final session on **Thurs, Mar 19** from 7.00pm-9.00pm. Held at St Joseph's Pastoral Centre (Vagues Road, Papanui) Register by emailing Judith at pastoral@christchurchnorth.co.nz

JOIN MARIAN COLLEGE AS OUR PASTORAL CHAPLAIN!

Are you a person of faith, passionate about nurturing the spiritual growth and wellbeing of young people? Marian College invites applications for a permanent, part-time Pastoral Chaplain (25 hours per week) to commence on **Mon, Apr 20**. You will play a vital role in supporting our students' spiritual journey and overall wellbeing, operating within the framework of our Special Catholic Character. Commitment to upholding this character is a condition of appointment. For a full job description and application details, please visit our website <https://www.sporty.co.nz/mariancollege/workwithus>.

CLIMATE CHANGE - WHAT CAN FAITH COMMUNITIES DO?

All invited to attend this forum. Speaker: Dr Richard Milne, Health Economist, Climate Activist and Christian. Gather at 5.30pm for 6.00pm start, **Thurs, Mar 19**, Knox Centre, 28 Bealey Ave. The Religious Diversity Centre's booklet, Building a Climate of Hope - Faith and Action Guide will be launched. Attendees will receive a copy of the booklet (subject to availability) containing statements from seven major faiths. For details: <https://www.facebook.com/JusticePeaceCreation/>



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SISTER EVELEEN RETREAT HOUSE

You are warmly invited to join us for a Retreat.

The Healing Powers of the Psalms

Sat, Jun 27 (9-4pm) with Dr. Mary Allan O.F.S.
Sister Eveleen Retreat House, Sumner, 6 Whitewash Head. For retreat info and to register follow this [link](#).

MASS IN TE REO MĀORI

Mass is celebrated every week 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, followed by a cup of tea.

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

Booklets provided. All welcome.

