WEEKLY NOTICES

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HOW CAN YOUR FAMILY HELP BUILD OUR NEW CATHEDRAL?

Bishop Michael invites all families to consider making a weekly donation for 5 years to help build our new Cathedral.
Visit blessedsacrament.nz to make your gift.

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DIOCESAN COMMUNAL DISCERNMENT PROCESS

"By listening to one another we learn to listen to the Lord" Pope Leo XIV

Bishop Michael is inviting parish leadership from across the Diocese to a process of communal discernment and reflection about the vision and priorities for our Diocese.

The material can be found on our Diocesan website. Any group is welcome to undertake this process and facilitators can be provided. We welcome group feedback by the end of November.

For more information contact Mike Stopforth, Bishop's Pastoral Office, mstopforth@cdoc.nz or 027 5398 542.

WITNESS TO HOPE 40TH ANNIVERSARY EXHIBITION

Remembering Pope St John Paul II's visit to Christchurch.

Venue: Rose Historic Chapel, 866 Colombo Street, Christchurch Central

Dates: 24-29 Nov 2026

Public opening hours: Wed, 25 - Fri 27 Nov: 2-4pm
Sat, 28 - Sun, 29 Nov: 10am-4pm

Visit jp2.org.nz for full details.

Entry is free and everyone is welcome; koha is gratefully received. There is no parking on site, so please allow time to find parking nearby.

For more information email info@jp2.org.nz

CBS Choir & Orchestra

View the latest schedule of upcoming events on the CBS website.

THE WELL AUSTRALIA & NZ TOUR 2027

An evening with Christopher West and Mike Mangione.

Every human heart thirsts for something more. Join internationally renowned speaker Christopher West and musician Mike Mangione for The Well, an evening of teaching, music and reflection based on Jesus' encounter with the woman at the well (John 4). Come and discover the God who meets us in our deepest longings, and bring someone you love.

Christchurch: 7.00pm, Fri, 19 Feb 2027,
Aurora Centre, Burnside

Auckland: 7.00pm, Sat, 20 Feb 2027,
Sacred Heart College Auditorium, Glendowie

Purchase Tickets: tobi.sydneycatholic.org/tobthewell/

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GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Be encouraged, equipped and inspired to lead with greater impact.

The Global Leadership Summit (GLS) brings together world-class speakers, practical leadership insights, and inspiring stories to help you grow as a leader.

Whether you are an experienced leader or just beginning your leadership journey, the Summit offers valuable ideas and tools to strengthen your influence and effectiveness.

Invest one day into your leadership watching videos of internationally respected leadership experts. The day provides practical strategies and inspiration.

Tue, **17 Nov**, Diocesan Office 391 Moorhouse Ave, 9.00am to 4.30pm. Cost $55 (includes lunch).

Numbers are limited so register early.

To register visit the page on our website or for more information contact Mike Stopforth, email mstopforth@cdoc.nz phone 027 539 8542.

UPCOMING SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOPS

- Sat, 7 Nov - Cathedral Parish
- Wed, 11 Nov - Online
- Thu, 26 Nov - OLV 1.00-2.30pm & 7.00-8.30pm

CONVERSATION FOR THOSE WITH DISABILITIES

Those with a disability, or who care for someone with a disability, are invited to an online conversation in the spirit, using the process utilised for the global synod. We will look at the Bishop's Vison for our Diocese and sit with the question *"What helps me to worship, for catechesis and to witness?"* Thu, 19 Nov at 7.00pm online. To register your interest and obtain a link, contact Kirsten Challies on kchallies@cathedralparish.nz.

MISSION HUB

Join the next Mission Hub zoom for a practical evening as Carly Mulqueen from the Catholic Enquiry Centre explores how Connectors, sponsors, OCIA teams and parish communities can support people as they journey towards Christ and the Church.
Date: Mon, 9 Nov 2026
Time: 7.00pm–8.30pm
Where: Online
Register here

GREATER COMPANY OF MARY MASS

The next GCM Mass will be held on Sat, 21 Nov, 10.30am at the Mary Potter Community Centre, 442 Durham St North, St Albans, Christchurch. This Mass will be live-streamed and recorded and may appear on the LCM websites. Please contact the Little Company of Mary office for the live-stream link.
All welcome. Morning tea will follow. For catering purposes, please rsvp by Mon, 16 Nov, to the Little Company of Mary office, ph 03 372 9224.

MADE FOR LOVE: MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Getting married soon? What are you really saying I do to? This one-day course is for engaged couples preparing to get married in the Catholic Church. It's a chance to pause, reconnect, and invest in your future together. You'll explore what helps marriages thrive, how to navigate differences well, and what those vows actually mean. Plus, enjoy morning tea and lunch together, and take home plenty of practical resources.
When: **Sat, 28 Nov**. Cost: $140 per couple; sponsorship available if cost is a barrier.
Please note this is our last course for 2026.
Where: St John Paul II Centre, 391 Moorhouse Avenue
Register: https://jp2.org.nz/marriage-prep/

SMISHING WARNING

We have been notified of a fraudulent text message that appeared to be from Bishop Michael.
If you receive a suspicious text or email claiming to be from Bishop Michael, a priest or a parish or diocesan staff member, please do not reply or engage with the sender. We encourage you to forward details of the message to hello@cdoc.nz and block the number or email address.

VACANCY - CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

Do you have a heart for young people and a passion for sharing Jesus Christ? The Catholic Diocese of Hamilton is looking for a full-time Youth Ministry Coordinator to support and grow youth ministry across our parishes and Catholic schools.
Based in Hamilton, this role will involve supporting existing youth groups, developing new initiatives, connecting schools and parishes, and helping organise diocesan youth events and Masses.
The position starts in January 2027, or earlier by negotiation, and involves regular travel throughout the diocese. For further information, contact Joanna Kearney at joannak@cdh.org.nz.

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