

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

World Mission Sunday is held on the second to last Sunday every October with Mass celebrated especially for Catholic missionary activity worldwide. It was created by Pope Pius XI in 1926 as the day of prayer for missions and is held in every Catholic community. Donations collected for Mission Sunday go to support Catholic missionary work throughout the world.

Pope Francis' message for World Mission Sunday 2023, has the theme **Hearts on Fire, feet on the move** (Lk 24:13-35). Pope Francis said the theme was inspired by the story of Jesus and the disciples on the road to Emmaus after the resurrection. He says coming to know Jesus through the scriptures and the Eucharist should fill Catholics with enthusiasm to joyfully share the Gospel with others. If you are a member of the parish planned giving programme you will have an envelope to use for your mission Sunday donation. You can also make a donation on line at [Missio.nz/](https://missio.nz/donate/ANZ_06_0411_0021447_30)



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GLOBAL LEADERSHIP SUMMIT (GLS)

Looking for top leadership input? Gather with a group of Catholic leaders for a one day seminar. GLS is a series of videos with world class speakers and inspirational stories that will inspire and encourage you in your leadership. For more information visit <https://cdoc.nz/news-events/event-leadership-summit>

Wednesday 8th November, 9am to 5pm
Lamb of God Centre, 21 Thames Street, St Albans
Registration is required – The cost is \$69 per person and includes a light lunch.
Please contact Mike Stopforth, 0275 398 542, email mstopforth@cdoc.nz



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PRAYERS FOR HEALING - FR JOHN REA SM

There will be two healing meetings being hosted by the Lamb of God Community at the Lamb of God Centre, 21 Thames Street.

Saturday 4th November, 7.30-9.30pm

Sunday 5th November, 2-4pm

All are welcome. Google <https://www.sm.org.nz/about/missionary-parishes/john-rea/> for further information. All enquiries to John Murray, lambogodchristchurch@gmail.com or 021 280 4516.

CALLING ALL THOSE IN HEALTH CARE

The NZ Catholic Medical Association with the support of the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference is a group that aims to support all those working in the health field and who are catholic, drawing on the treasures of our faith. We invite all those working in health care across the board, doctors, nurses, midwives, pharmacists, physiotherapists, counsellors, social workers, chaplains, dentists, health administrators, navigators, speech language therapists, occupation therapists, allied health and students to join others in the church living their vocation in health care. As an organisation we look to provide a community that gives support and chaplaincy. There are monthly zoom meetings with our national chaplain Fr Chris Denham. For more information on the national organisation <https://newzealandcatholicmedical.co.nz>. Email newzealandcatholicmedical@gmail.com to become a member and get invites to monthly zoom and other information.

There will be a group starting in Christchurch. Our first meeting will be a meet and greet **Friday 10th November** 6pm at Sprig and Fern, 7 Saint Albans Street, Merivale. Please RSVP to Debra and Katie by 7th November, email christchurchcma@gmail.com



OCDS CARMELITE SILENT RETREAT

“ADVENT WITH CARMEL” **24th-26th November**

Father Michael-Therese, CSJ, will be leading our upcoming Retreat at Rochester Hall, Ilam

Cost: Live-in \$240, day only \$120.

If you would like to join us, please contact Megan Emery ph 383 0706 or

Email: benedictus@windowslive.com

VINNIES ARE RECRUITING

An exciting opportunity has arisen at St Vincent de Paul Christchurch for a “Vinnies Youth & Young Adult Development Officer”. This is a key role for the Society of St Vincent de Paul. The successful candidate will effectively work with our primary and high schools and university students within Christchurch. This is a Permanent full-time position with possibilities for flexi working and job sharing. For a full role description please email Robyn Case

robyn@svdpchch.co.nz



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VOCATION RETREAT FOR MEN

A retreat is being held from **3rd-5th November** at Sister Eveleen House in Sumner for men who are open to the possibility of a vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life. It begins at 7pm on the Friday and concludes on the Sunday after lunch. Please contact the Vocations Coordinator, Matt O’Connell, on 366 9869 or by email: moconnell@cdoc.nz for more details and to register.

MARRIAGE EDUCATORS FORUM

An opportunity to gather with other marriage educators (or those interested in becoming marriage educators) to support you in your own marriages. **Saturday 4th November**, 9am to 12.30pm @ St Joseph’s Pastoral Centre, Papanui Any enquiries please contact Mike Stopforth, mstopforth@cdoc.nz or phone 027 5398 542

INVEST IN CHRISTMAS JOY

A Catholic Development Fund Christmas Club Account allows you to enjoy the peace and joy that the birth of Jesus brings without the unnecessary stress at what is often a busy and expensive time of year.

Your savings are available from 1 December in time for Christmas celebrations or even summer holiday expenses, and your account will earn interest for you while doing good within our community.

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SESSION ON JOHN’S GOSPEL

With Sr Kathleen Rushton RSM **Tuesday 31st**

October, 7.30pm. This will focus on our call to participate with Jesus in “finishing the works of God” by hearing both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor (Laudato Si’ 49) in God’s evolving, unfinished universe. Te Manawa Atawhai Catherine McAuley Centre at Villa Maria College, Peer Street. Email: roho@extra.co.nz or Ph. 03 379 1298

NEXT SAFEGUARDING WORKSHOPS -

Wednesday December 6th at 1pm and 7pm –

1.5-hour duration – via ZOOM Online

Safeguarding Workshop - 1pm - 2.30pm

Safeguarding Workshop - 7pm - 8.30pm

to register email Clodagh Ward on cward@cdoc.nz |Safeguarding (cdocsafeguarding.nz) An invite to the Zoom workshop will be emailed to you the day before the workshop.

Who is required to attend:

Volunteers who have not yet attended a Safeguard Workshop and existing Volunteers who have not attended a workshop in the last three years.

These safeguarding workshops are a requirement of volunteering/ministering in every parish and catholic entity in the Diocese. Leaders, please encourage all volunteers you are responsible for to meet this safeguarding training requirement.

