

DIOCESAN OFFICE MOVE

We have now moved to our new premises at **391 Moorhouse Ave.** All visitors must report to Reception at the primary entry point at 391 Moorhouse Ave.

REDISCOVERING SAINT SALOME IN A LOST TOMB-CHAPEL BY PROF JOAN TAYLOR

Professor Joan Taylor is a New Zealander who is Professor of Christian Origins and Second Temple Judaism at King's College London and an Honorary Professor at Australian Catholic University in Melbourne. Professor Taylor is a leading authority on early Jewish and Christian history, literature, art, and archaeology, with a particular interest in the roles and experiences of women. The Judith McKinlay Memorial Lecture is part of The Theology Programme, University of Otago.

Thursday 9th May, at 5:15pm – 6.30pm

The lecture will be live-streamed. Go to:

<https://www.otago.ac.nz/its/services/teaching-and-research-services/streaming/video-streaming-channel-2>



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MEMORIAL TO THE UNBORN AND BLESSING OF THE STATUE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

11th May at the Beatitudes Community, 67 Leithfieldrd, Leithfield.

10am Talk by Michael Loretz on the Pro-Life battle - a struggle for compassionate unity.

11am Opening of the Memorial and Blessing of the Statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

12pm Opening Mass followed by a shared potluck lunch. For more information please contact Michael Loretz at michael@beatitudes.nz

HEALING SERVICE FR JOHN REA SM

On **Wednesday 15th May**, 7pm at St Gregory's Church, we will be holding a Healing Service with. All welcome. For more information please contact Judith 027 261 5655 or email pastoral@christchurchnorth.org.nz

PENTECOST RETREAT

You are warmly invited to join the Beatitudes for a PENTECOST WEEKEND RETREAT FOR MEN: from Friday evening, **17th May** to Sunday morning, **19th May** 2024. This fully catered retreat would cost \$60 for the meals for the weekend plus the cost of your room. There is different types of rooms and beds with prices starting from \$55 per night.

We have limited space so book today by emailing Sr Giovanna Maria at retreats@beatitudes.nz

Physical address: Beatitudes Community, 67 Leithfield road, Leithfield.

AN EVENING OF PRAYER

Celebrating Pentecost Vigil with the Beatitudes Community - Saturday **18th May** 2024, starting 5.30pm. Join us for an evening of prayer, praise, and fellowship to pray for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Location: Community of the Beatitudes, 67 Leithfield Road, Leithfield.

For more information, please contact Thomas at thomas@beatitudes.nz or Phone:022506538.

INFERTILITY PRAYER SUPPORT GROUP

We meet once a month on the second Monday of the month at 7:30pm. Next meeting **Monday 13th May**. Join us in the meeting room beside St Teresa's Church Hall – 8 Puriri St, Riccarton. (There will be a sign on the door before each meeting to help you find the entrance.)

GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

St Joseph's Pastoral Centre will present a series of talks on "Receiving and Using the Gifts of the Holy Spirit" on Thursdays **6th, 13th, 20th June**. The aim of this series of talks is to give people a knowledge and practical experience in praying and using the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. For more information please contact Judith 027 261 5655 or email pastoral@christchurchnorth.org.nz



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THINKING ABOUT A VOCATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD OR RELIGIOUS LIFE?

The Good Shepherd knows his sheep and lays down his life for them. On this Vocations Sunday are you being called to Shepherd others as a Priest or Religious? Hearing that divine call”, Pope Francis writes, is the “surest way for us to fulfil our deepest desire for happiness”. Contact the Vocations Director, Fr Tien Cao on petercaochitien@yahoo.com or the Vocations Coordinator, Matt O’Connell on 366-9869 or moconnell@cdoc.nz if you want to talk more information or to talk about a possible vocation.

PRAYING FOR VOCATIONS AND PRIESTS ON THURSDAY’S

In the past the diocesan family used to pray for priests and vocations on Thursdays. We will begin again this coming Thursday and every Thursday. You might like to come to Mass on Thursdays if possible, but all are invited to pray for this intention using a prayer for vocations written by Pope Francis. Prayer cards are available at the back of the church or online at the Diocesan website <https://cdoc.nz/> For more information contact the Vocations Coordinator Matt O’Connell on 366-9869 or moconnell@cdoc.nz



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THE FIFTH GOSPEL PROJECT

Father John O’Connor’s Food For Faith forum is collecting and collating for publication stories of personal experience of God. Please share this invitation, and send an experience (up to 400 words - before the end of April) by email to john@fff.org.nz More information on this mission is at <https://foodforfaith.org.nz/2024/03/telling-the-story/>

SR EVELEEN RETREAT HOUSE

Apart from our retreat programme we are open for bookings for your personal retreat times, overnight or day stays. Please [book here](#) or get in touch with us.

Please see below a selection of Retreats for the upcoming months. For more info or to register, please visit our website www.sistereretreat.com

Participating in the Trinity - a 5 or 7 – day silent retreat - facilitators: Donald and Janice Scott
Sunday, 19th May (5pm)– Thursday, 23rd May or Saturday 25th May (2pm) - 5-day or 7-day Retreat
For more info or to register, [click here](#)

A Day of Retreat @Sister Ev - May

Date **Thursday 30th May**, 9:30 – 2:30

Retreat leader: Antje Duda. More Info and register, [click here](#)

Seasons of Growth - a 2-day retreat - The process of grief is like healing a broken heart - facilitators: Joanne and Rick Smith. **Friday 31st May (9:30am) – Saturday 1st June (4pm)** For more info or to register, [click here](#)

Faith and Hope in Midlife - A day for all interested to explore , reflect and celebrate the significant transitions in life and faith.- facilitator: Dr. Anne Shave.

Date **8th Jun 2024**, 9:30 am - 4 pm- More Info and register: Follow this [link](#)

Our Pilgrims Soul - A Weekend Retreat - “A pilgrim is a person who prays with the feet” - facilitator: Elinor Gabraith

Date: Fri **14th June (7pm)** – Sun 16 June (1:30 pm) - More Info and register: Follow this [link](#)

