

NEWS

SECOND ASSEMBLY PLENARY COUNCIL (3-9 July 2022)

Congratulations to all Religious who participated in last week's Second Assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council in Australia. The Plenary Council [website](#) has archived documents relating to the motions and voting, as well as videos of the live-streamed liturgies. Click here to read the [concluding statement](#).

USA BOOK PRIZE FOR AUSTRALIAN MARIST PRIEST

Gerald Arbuckle SM has been awarded first place in the category "Future Church" of the awards of the Catholic Media Association (CMA), USA, reports [CathNews](#). Read the [CMA](#) announcement.

LASALLIAN OUTLOOK

[Lasallian Outlook](#) is a digest of news and activities from the ANZPPNG District and the wider Lasallian community. It welcomes research that will contribute to knowledge, solving problems, developing and testing theories and integrative reviews. To share your experiences and expertise, [click here](#).

30+ YEARS OF EUREKA STREET

The Australian Jesuit magazine *Eureka Street* began in 1991, and [Eureka Street Plus](#) was launched in 2022. In this [video](#) interview, editor David Halliday speaks with consulting editor, Andrew Hamilton SJ.

APOSTOLIC LETTER ON LITURGICAL FORMATION

In Pope Francis' latest apostolic letter [Desiderio Desideravi](#), On the Liturgical Formation of the People of God (29 June 2022), he asks, "how can we become once again capable of symbols? How can we again know how to read them and be able to live them?" (n. 45) Read a comment by Dr Clare Johnson, Director of Centre for Liturgy, ACU, at the [ABC](#) Religion & Ethics webpage.

STOP TRAFFICKING

From Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans (ACRATH), the July 2022 edition of [Stop Trafficking](#) highlights the exploitation of children as soldiers in armed conflict.

JOAN CHITTISTER RECORDING – NOW AVAILABLE!

You can now view the recording of *Roots and Wings: The Emergence of a Synodal Church with Joan Chittister OSB* for a nominal fee of \$30. Read the [article about the event](#) and click here to [purchase a link to view the recording](#) for \$30, available only up until 1 October 2022, when it will be removed.

EVENTS/WEBINARS

CRA HEALTH & WELLBEING SEMINAR

This CRA workshop, with presenter Di Adamson, will focus on the effects of living in an everchanging world and discuss strategies that enable us to live life to the fullest. Download the [flyer](#) from the CRA [website](#).

Title: Navigating the New Normal
Date & Time: Wednesday 7 September 2022, 9.00 am to 3.30 pm
Venue: Treacy Centre, 126 The Avenue, Parkville, VIC
Registration: \$150.00/person (including morning tea and lunch). Register at [Trybooking](#).
Enquiries: Ph: 02 9557 2695 or email: secretariat@catholicreligious.org.au

CRA ONLINE GATHERING OF TEMPORARY PROFESSED

All Temporary Professed women and men are welcome to join this inter-congregational online gathering, sharing experiences of living Religious life in today's world.

Title: Online Gathering of Temporary Professed
Date & Time: Saturday 23 July 2022, from 2.00 pm until 4.00 pm AEST
Registration: Free registration at this [TryBooking link](#)

CRA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Registrations to attend the CRA National Assembly are still open. However, please note that accommodation bookings at the Novotel on Collins have closed as CRA's allocation has been sold out. Please check the CRA website for [alternative accommodation](#) and [parking and public transport](#) options.

CRA ONLINE SEMINAR – WOMEN RELIGIOUS, WOMEN DEACONS

CRA will host a conversation with scholar Phyllis Zagano, exploring what ordaining women as Deacons would mean for Catholic Religious Sisters. Dr Zagano was one of twelve scholars appointed by Pope Francis to the Commission to Study the Diaconate of Women in 2016.

Title: Women Religious, Women Deacons
Date & Time: Thursday 15 September 2022, 10.00 – 11.30 am NSW | 8.00 am WA | 9.30 am SA
Duration: 1.5 hrs, including discussion time
Registration: \$20 p/p For [flyer](#) and registration details go to the [CRA webpage](#)

CRA NATIONAL DAY OF SORROW AND PROMISE - SAVE THE DATE

Please 'save the date' for the National Day of Sorrow and Promise which will be held on Sunday 23 October 2022. Details will follow in due course.

CRA NATIONAL JUSTICE SEMINAR – SAVE THE DATE

The CRA Justice Seminar will be held 19 October 2022 at the Treacy Centre, Parkville, Melbourne, with speaker Cathy McGowan AO, former Independent MP for the rural Victorian seat of Indi from the 2013 federal election. Future speakers will be announced shortly. Registration details will be available soon.

HEART OF LIFE – VIA ZOOM OR IN-PERSON

Communication is a fundamental aspect of any relationship, with God or people. This event looks at the different aspects of communication, their strengths and weaknesses in daily life, and offers a practical approach to communication and relationships. The session will be led by James Areechira SVD.

Title: Communications and Relationships
Date & Time: Saturday 23 July 2022, 12.30 pm to 5.00 pm AEST, via Zoom or in-person
Registration: \$60 (BYO lunch). Book and pay by 18 July 2022 at the [Heart of Life](#) website

IN THE HEART OF CREATION - ST MARY'S TOWERS RETREAT

See the [2022 Retreat Programme](#) of St Mary's Towers Retreat Centre for retreat offerings in July, August and beyond, such as the opportunity below:

Title: In the Heart of Creation with Jesus
Dates: 3-11 August 2022
Venue: St Mary's Towers Retreat Centre, 415 Douglas Park Drive, Douglas Park NSW
Registration: See here for [tariffs](#). Applications can be made at [this link](#)

ABRAHAM CONFERENCE – SAVE THE DATE

This year's Abraham Conference in Sydney will be held Sunday 14 August, 2.00 – 4.00 pm at Amity College, Auburn campus. The theme is "Religion for the 21st Century: Recovering faith in Faith", with guest presenter Geraldine Doogue and panellists. Registration details to come.

SILENT DIRECTED RETREATS – JESUIT AND IGNATIAN SPIRITUALITY

See the [programme](#) of Jesuit and Ignatian Spirituality Australia for opportunities for reflection, rest, spiritual conversation, contemplation and prayer, and in particular those seeking a deeper friendship with Jesus and a spiritual journey for engagement in the world.

Title: Silent Directed Retreats
Dates: 4, 6 or 8 day retreats, starting Tuesday 30 August 2022; see [website](#) for details
Venue: Various [locations](#) in Australia
Registration: Bookings and enquiries: 1300 EXAMEN (1300-392-636) or info@jisa.org.au

2022 NCEC CONFERENCE

The [2022 Conference](#) of the National Catholic Education Commission (NCEC) will bring together system leaders, educators, clergy and religious, students, families and others interested in Catholic education to promote examples of best practice and to plan future directions for Catholic learning communities.

Title: The future is listening
Dates: Sunday 4 September to Wednesday 7 September 2022, live and virtual modes
Venue: Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre, South Wharf, Victoria
Registration: Early bird registration \$999 (by 17 July); Register [here](#); View the [programme](#)

EMPLOYMENT

DIRECTOR, OFFICE FOR JUSTICE, ECOLOGY AND PEACE

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference (ACBC) is advertising for a full-time role for the Director of the Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace. A position description can be found at the ACBC website. Enquiries: employment@catholic.org.au. Applications close 9.00 am AEST, Monday 18 July 2022.

RESOURCES

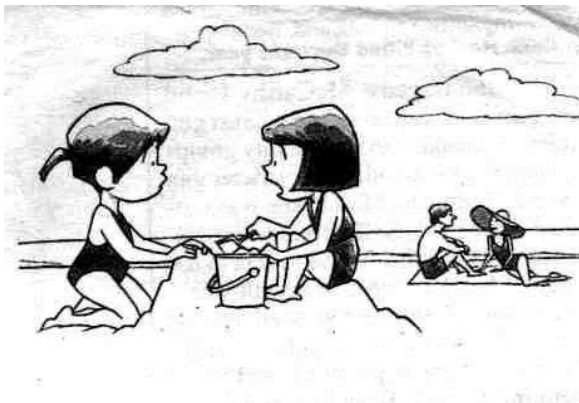
RESOURCES: LIVING WELL, DYING WELL

Following its first community forum, the initiative called [Living Well Dying Well](#) is sharing [resources](#) to assist conversations about death, dying and the journey of people approaching end of life.

NEW RESOURCES ON CRA LAUDATO SI WEBPAGE

helping guide RIs to reflect on the LSAP goals and develop their annual plan

THE LIGHTER SIDE 😊😊😊



"I'm never having kids, I hear they take nine months to download."



"It's the latest innovation in office safety. When your computer crashes, an air bag is activated."

MORE PUNS INTENDED

The guy who invented the door knocker got a no-bell prize.

I saw an ad for burial plots, and I thought, "That's the last thing I need!"

I used to be indecisive; now I'm not so sure.

Sleeping comes so naturally to me, I could do it with my eyes closed.

What did the grape say when it got stepped on? Nothing-but it let out a little whine.

I broke my finger last week. On the other hand, I'm OK.

What was Forrest Gump's email password?
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To the mathematician who thought of the idea of zero. Thanks for nothing.