

NEWS

DEATH OF QUEEN ELIZABETH II

Catholic Religious Australia has paid tribute to the late Queen Elizabeth II in a [media release](#) expressing gratitude for her Christian faith, constancy and dedicated life of service. Read this and also statements by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference and Catholic Health Australia at [CathNews](#).

CRA ANNUAL REPORT

The [CRA Annual Report](#) for 2021-22 is now available at the CRA [Resources](#) webpage. We have printed a few extra copies of the Report, in case some Leaders would like additional hard copies. Please let us know: secretariat@catholicreligious.org.au.

ITALIAN MISSIONARY SISTER KILLED IN MOZAMBIQUE

[Catholic News Agency](#) carries the story of Sr Maria De Coppi, a Comboni missionary sister murdered last week by a terrorist group in Mozambique, where she had served for 60 years. We are mindful of all our religious and other missionaries who serve in dangerous, war-torn parts of the globe.

CRA SUPPORTS ARCCC LETTER

CRA's National Executive Director is a signatory to a multifaith open letter, which in the process of being organised by Australian Religious Response to Climate Change ([ARRCC](#)), urging stronger action from the Albanese Government on climate change.

LETTER FROM FAMILY CARE SISTERS

Following her Congregation's Chapter in June 2022, Jill Harding FCS shares a letter with Members of CRA, outlining a decision concerning the future of their ministry at Croydon, Victoria. [Read it](#) here.

REFLECTIONS OF DE LA SALLE LEADER

Upon concluding his role as Br Visitor, De La Salle Brother David Hawke FSC reflects on his years of service, the joys and challenges. [Watch the video](#) here.

HONORARY DOCTORATE

Earlier this year, on 6 April 2022, Michael Casey OSCO was awarded an honorary doctorate in theology from the Pontifical Athenaeum Sant'Anselmo in Rome. [To read more, click here](#). Michael's latest book has just been published by St Pauls Publications and is advertised under *Resources* in this Bulletin.

WA SERVITE COLLEGE

The safeguarding audit of Servite College in Perth has found strong safeguarding practices in place throughout the College environment. Continue reading the [ACSL media release](#).

UISG LEADERSHIP CHANGE

The President and Executive Board of the International Union of Superiors General (UISG) have announced a change in the leadership of Talitha Kum – the International Network of Religious Against Human Trafficking. Read the [UISG statement](#).

VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT FOR COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Catholic initiative [Living Well Dying Well](#) wishes to increase its team of Volunteer Companions. Training is provided. All they need is the willingness to listen and respond with compassion and empathy to people living with serious and life-limiting illness. Find out more at livingwelldyingwell.org/volunteers.

EVENTS/WEBINARS

2023 NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

The next Assembly will be held from Monday 31 July to Thursday 3 August 2023 at the Novotel Parramatta, in Sydney. Please save the date.

DINNER FOR LEADERS OR REPRESENTATIVES IN VICTORIA

Date: Wednesday 21 September 2022
Time: 6.30 pm
Venue: Vicky's Restaurant, 5-7 Strathalbyn St, East Kew, VIC
Bookings: RSVP by Saturday 17 September 2022 to Jill Harding FCS, jillburma@gmail.com

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.

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 – TED DUNN ONLINE COLLABORATION

Registrations close 14 September for CRA's online collaboration with Ted Dunn in September 2022. The first session will explore the Graced Crossroads in our lives; the second will build on this and deepen our understanding of the Transformative Visioning process. [Details can be found here](#).

Title: CRA's Ted Dunn Online Collaboration
Dates & Times: Each session takes place 9.00 am – 12.00 noon AEST, 17 and 30 September 2022
Registration: Individual cost: \$180.00 (see link for group prices). [Register at Trybooking](#).

CRA NATIONAL JUSTICE SEMINAR – IN PERSON, IN MELBOURNE

Registrations are open for the 2022 CRA National Justice Seminar Day which will engage our members in conversation about contemporary justice issues and support their proposed actions. Speakers include Cathy McGowan AO, Geraldine Atkinson, Brigid Arthur CSB AO, and a student panel on climate change moderated by Juliet Talarico (Mercy Mission). For speaker information, [download flyer](#) at CRA website.

Title: Now is the time!
Date & Time: Wednesday, 19 October 2022, 9.30 am to 3.30 pm
Venue: Treacy Centre, 126 The Avenue, Parkville VIC 3052
Registration: \$150 per person, including lunch. RSVP by Monday 10 October 2022
Register at [Trybooking](#). Enquiries: 02 9557 2695 or email secretariat@catholicreligious.org.au

2023 CONFERENCE: MISSION - ONE HEART MANY VOICES - SAVE THE DATE

Please '[save the date](#)' for the sixth biennial national mission conference sponsored by Catholic Mission and Catholic Religious Australia.

Title: *Mission: One Heart Many Voices* (MOHMY)
Dates: Wednesday 3 May to Friday 5 May 2023
Venue: SMC Conference & Function Centre, 66 Goulburn St, Sydney AND online
Registration: Details to follow in due course.
In the meantime, visit the [2023 MOHMY Conference website](#) or email mohmyconferenceteam@catholicmission.org.au

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 to follow.

SPIRITUAL READING GROUP (ZOOM) – CATHERINE OF SIENA

This session, hosted by the Carmelite Centre Melbourne, will focus on Catherine of Siena's Theology of Incarnation and the everyday imagery she draws upon to present this theology. For further spirituality offerings see the Carmelite Centre Melbourne newsletter for [September 2022](#).

Title: Spiritual Reading Group – Catherine of Siena
Presenter: Rev Dr Wendy Crouch, an Anglican Priest with a background in clinical psychology
Date & Time: Wednesday 21 September, 10.30 am - 12.00 noon VIC, NSW | 8.30 am WA
Registration: Register for \$5.00 (further donation welcome) at [Trybooking](#) and go to the [Carmelite Centre website](#) to join the zoom meeting

ABORIGINAL CATHOLICS AND RECONCILIATION

The Archdiocese of Sydney invites us to an in-person gathering with Dr Miriam Rose Ungunmerr Baumann who will share her reflections on her experience as Senior Indigenous Australian of the Year in 2021, and how she sees the journey of Reconciliation for us all. [Download the flyer](#).

Title: Aboriginal Catholics and Reconciliation
Date & Time: Friday 7 October 2022, 5.30 pm – 7.30 pm

Venue: St Mary's Cathedral School Hall, 2 Saint Mary's Road, Sydney
Registration: Register free at [Eventbrite](#). While tickets are free, registrants are encouraged to make a donation (small or large) to the Miriam Rose Foundation using the QR code displayed on the promotional flyer or by visiting this [Donations Page](#)

ENGAGING YOUR FAITH – ONLINE

Catholic Theological College (Melbourne) is offering a series of short online sessions for those interested in learning more about Theology, Spirituality, Biblical Studies, Pastoral Studies, *Laudato Si'*, Christian Meditation, *Lectio Divina*, Future Technology, or Science and Religion.

Title: Engaging your faith
Dates: Choose from 12 online sessions - 10 to 28 October 2022
Registration: \$25 per session (or \$40 per session for teachers seeking accreditation)
Register at [Trybooking](#). Enquiries: email vi.panganiban@ctc.edu.au and for further information, visit the [CTC website](#)

LOST PROPERTY



LOST PROPERTY AT NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

A small pouch (pictured) was left on a table at the CRA National Assembly. Let us know if it is yours by email: secretariat@catholicreligious.org.au or phone: 02 9557 2695. If you are not a local, we can mail it to you.

ACCOMMODATION

HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

[Star of the Sea Guest House](#) in Apollo Bay Victoria, operated by McAuley Ministries Ltd, is now open for holiday bookings for Sisters beginning Wednesday 28 December 2022 into January 2023. Details can be found at [this link](#). Bookings can be made by email apollobay@mcauleyministries.org.au.

RESOURCES

NEW BOOK BY MICHAEL CASEY OSCO

Michael Casey OSCO, Cistercian monk, author and retreat leader, has published *Vision for Renewal - The Social Teaching of Pope Francis* (St Pauls Publications, 2022), \$19.95. It includes a chapter on the implications of Pope Francis' vision and teaching for religious life. [Download the flyer](#) and [order the book](#).

THE PILGRIM PEOPLE OF GOD NAVIGATE THE JOURNEY

Mark O'Connor FMS, Vicar for Communications, Diocese of Parramatta, reflects on key learnings and challenges facing the Church, in view of international developments as well as the experience of the Plenary Council in Australia. Read his article in [Catholic Outlook](#) (Parramatta Diocese).

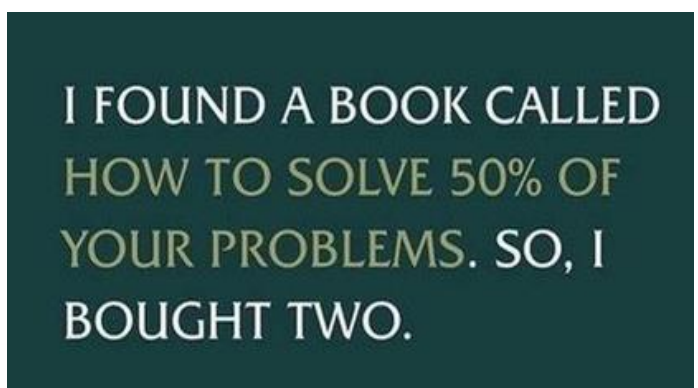
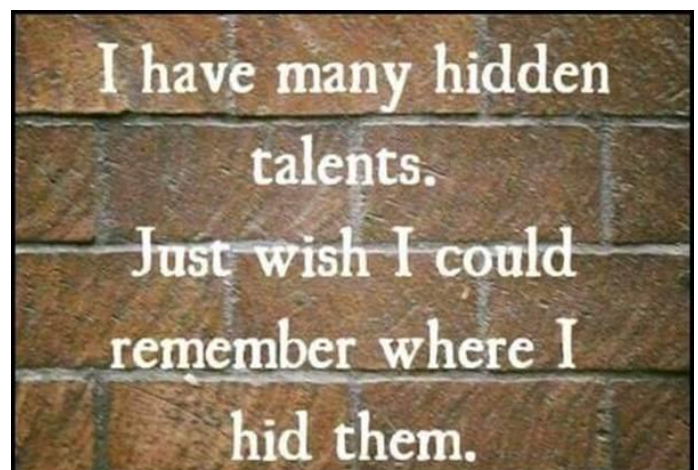
WEBINAR EXPLORING THE DIACONATE ON THE FEAST OF PHOEBE

View a recording of a recent webinar on the Feast of St Phoebe, featuring talks by Dr Phyllis Zagano and Rev Assoc Prof Anthony Gooley, and a response by Genevieve Jacobs AM. This event by Liturgy on the Margins was supported by CRA. [Watch it here.](#)

LAST CHANCE TO PURCHASE JOAN CHITTISTER RECORDING

The recording of *Roots and Wings: The Emergence of a Synodal Church with Joan Chittister OSB* will expire on 1 October 2022. (More about [this event.](#)) Until then, you can purchase a link to view the recording for \$30 through [Trybooking](#). The nominal fee enables us to recover some of the video production costs. CRA acknowledges Tom McDonough CP for his generous financial contribution to CRA, towards this seminar.

THE LIGHTER SIDE 😊





PERCEPTION

Half full or half empty?

It's a glass of water.
Get over it.

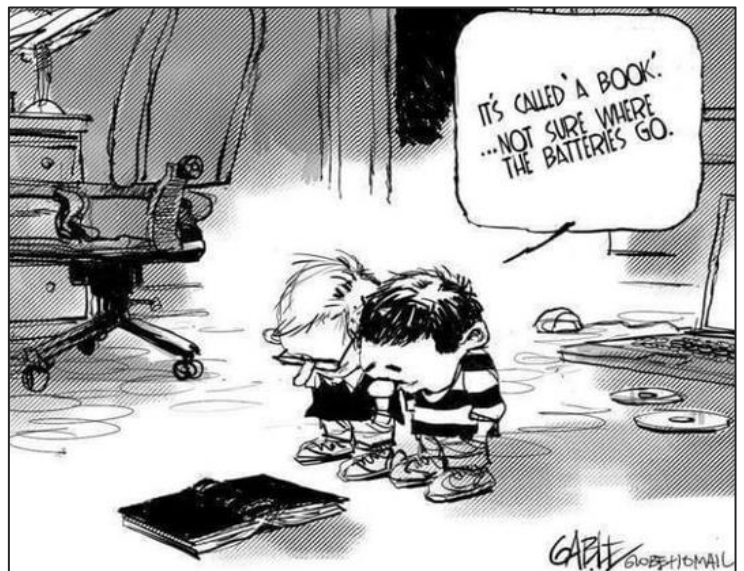
I went for a job interview
and the manager said,
"we're looking for
someone who is
responsible."

"Well I'm your man," I
replied. "In my last job,
whenever anything went
wrong they said I was
responsible."



No matter
how serious
life gets,
remember to
have fun and
be silly.

Sun, Moon & Stars



It's been a bit of a strange day!
First, I found a hat full of money.
Then I was chased by an angry
man with a guitar...

