

NEWS

CRA NATIONAL DAY OF SORROW AND PROMISE – 23 OCTOBER 2022

CRA's National Day of Sorrow and Promise is an important day in our annual calendar, to hold and pray for all those who have been abused through contact with our Church. We need to continue to remember, pray and act – to ensure a safe Church for all. A prayer resource is now available for fifth annual CRA National Day of Sorrow and Promise to be held on 23 October 2023. The focus this year is the gift of *listening* and its healing power. Download resources at this CRA [webpage](#).

CRA RETREAT WEBPAGE

The CRA website lists a range of retreat and hospitality centres run by CRA's members. We are always updating this [Retreat webpage](#), so please forward us any information you would like added or updated.

ACRATH CONVERSATION: ANTI-TRAFFICKING WORK IN AFGHANISTAN

In this [recording](#), Hagar International, speaks with Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans about Hagar's work in Afghanistan for women and children facing violence and human trafficking.

BECOME A PROFESSIONAL SUPERVISOR

Applications for the [Emmaus Supervision Programme](#), offered by the Heart of Life Centre, close on 15 October 2022. More information is available [here](#) or phone (03) 9890 1101.

CATHOLIC MISSION

Catholic Mission's annual [Socktober](#) schools programme is underway, this year raising awareness and funds for children in need in Ethiopia. Also, Catholic Mission's 2021-22 [Annual Report](#) is available here.

POPE'S OCTOBER PRAYER INTENTION - SYNODALITY

Pope Francis' prayer intention for [October](#) focuses on synodality: Christ's faithful are called to listen to each other in their diversity and open the doors to those who are outside. View [The Pope Video](#).

ANTI-POVERTY WEEK: 16-22 OCTOBER 2022

[Anti-Poverty Week](#) celebrates its twentieth anniversary, to be held 16 to 22 October 2022. Read the latest news from [Anti-Poverty Week](#) here.

CARITAS MEDIA RELEASE

The Pacific region is facing a perfect storm of climate change induced disasters and skyrocketing debt burdens, says a [report](#) by Caritas Oceania and Jubilee Australia Research Centre. Read the [media release](#).

POPE FRANCIS APPEALS TO PUTIN AND ZELENSKY

Dedicating his entire Angelus address to the situation in Ukraine, Pope Francis has issued a powerful appeal for an immediate ceasefire. Read the Pope's text at [Vatican News](#).

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.

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 Hub). 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

REFLECTION DAY FOR CONGREGATIONS WITH SMALL MEMBERSHIP

For Congregations with small member numbers, there is an opportunity to gather 2-3 times a year, with the final gathering for 2022 to be held this month. This reflection day will focus on the spirituality of Hildegard von Bingen, facilitated by Colleen Leonard SGS. Download the brochure [here](#) or [here](#) (2 versions).

Title: Hildegard Von Bingen – 12th century mystic & ecological prophet
Date: Saturday 22 October 2022
Venue: Holy Cross Centre Serpells Road, Templestowe VIC
Registration: Suggested donation \$20. BYO lunch/face mask (optional). Enquiries: Lorraine Testa ASJM
RSVP: 17 October, ltesta@bigpond.net.au, 0419 377 495

HEART OF LIFE - ONLINE REFLECTION DAY

You are invited to step aside for a personal interlude – a day to be supported as you quietly listen to your heart and allow the Spirit within to lead you gently forward. Visit the Heart of Life [website](#) for details.

Title: Interludes of Your Making
Date & Time: Saturday 29 October 2022, 10.00 am – 3.00 pm AEDT, via Zoom
Registration: \$60. Book and pay by 22 October at the [Heart of Life website](#)
Enquiries: info@heartoflife.melbourne or phone (03) 9890 1101

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 (MOHMOV)*
 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 the meantime, visit the [2023 MOHMOV Conference website](#)

RESOURCES

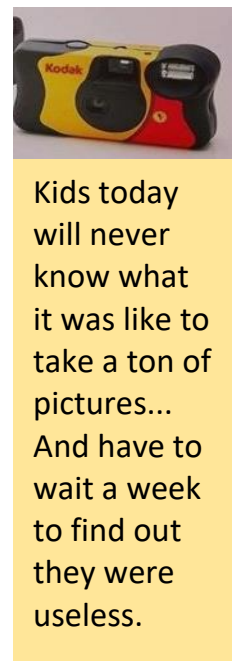
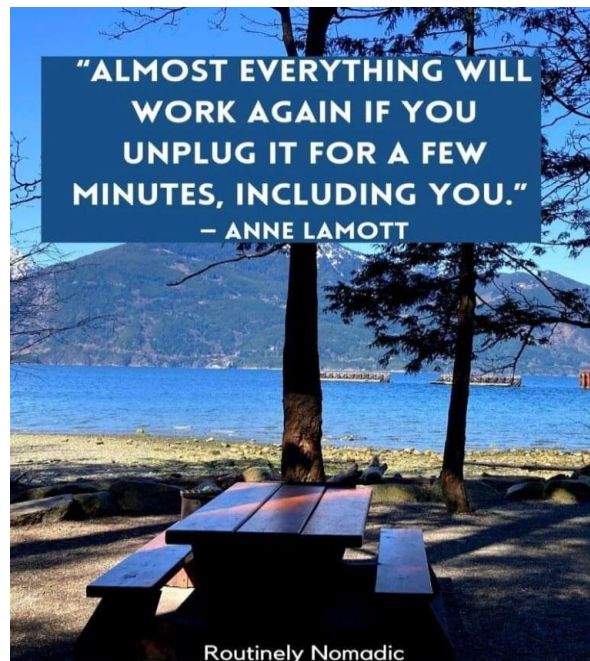
CARMELITE CENTRE MELBOURNE

Download the [latest programme](#) of the Carmelite Centre Melbourne for spirituality events and opportunities in the month of October.

PRAYING WITH INTERFAITH AWARENESS

As other religious traditions move through their annual cycle of holy days, the Jesuit resource [“Prayers of the People”](#) assists us to acknowledge them in Sunday prayers of intercession – e.g. [these prayers](#) which include mention of *Yom Kippur*, the most solemn day in the Jewish calendar (5 October in 2022).

THE LIGHTER SIDE 😊



Before the Internet, this is how we played ONLINE

