

## NEWS

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### PRAYERS FOR SCHOENSTATT SISTERS

We are deeply saddened to hear of the passing of Schoenstatt Sister M Lucy Ann Piel ISSM. We pray for her, and our hearts and prayers go out to the Schoenstatt community at this very difficult time.

### FR JIM KNIGHT SVD (1936 - 2022)

Fr Rass and the Divine Word Missionaries sadly announce the death of Fr James (Jim) Knight SVD who passed away on Thursday 24 November 2022. [Requiem Mass](#) for the repose of the soul of Fr Jim will be held and [livestreamed](#) at St Arnold Janssen Chapel, 199 Epping Rd Marsfield NSW, on 1 December, 10am.

### CRA AND ACRATH JOINT SUBMISSION

Catholic Religious Australia (CRA) together with Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking Humans (ACRATH) have appealed to the government to strengthen laws preventing human trafficking in a [joint submission](#) to the Federal Government review into the operation of the *Modern Slavery Act 2018 (Cth)*. Read the [media release](#) here and at the [CRA webpage](#).

### ADVENT APPEAL FOR UKRAINE

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference is supporting a special appeal for the people of Ukraine, following a request from Bishop Mykola Bychok CSsR. Collections on the Second and/or Third Sunday of Advent will support the charity *Mudra Sprava* (Wise Action) in Ukraine. Read the ACBC [media release](#).

### SISTERS ON HOLY GROUND: BEYOND COP27

UISG, together with [Sisters Advocating Globally](#), reports on a recent webinar that followed the widely discussed COP27 Summit. It gathered more than 125 participants, giving them an opportunity to hear first-hand testimonies of Sisters present at the Conference. Continue reading at the [UISG website](#).

Also, Caritas Australia has issued a [media release](#) welcoming the historic deal on Loss and Damage for developing nations in the final decisions of COP27.

### CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES WELCOMES ANNUAL REVIEW OF SUPPORT PAYMENTS

Catholic Social Services Australia (CSSA) has welcomed Federal Government plans to establish an independent panel to annually review support payments — such as JobSeeker and parenting payments — ahead of each Federal Budget. Continue reading the [CSSA media release](#).

**Please note that the final CRA Bulletin for 2022 will be 6 December but will return on 7 February 2023.**

## EVENTS/WEBINARS

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### 2023 NATIONAL ASSEMBLY - SAVE THE DATE

The next Assembly will be held from Monday 31 July to Thursday 3 August 2023 at the Novotel Parramatta.

### CRA ONLINE GATHERING OF TEMPORARY PROFESSED

This inter-congregational online gathering for temporary professed and newly finally professed members (less than 5 years), women and men, is a valuable opportunity to share the experience of living religious life in today's world, and to learn from companions on this journey. [Download the flyer.](#)

Title: Human and Spiritual: Conversations around the vow of celibacy for Religious life in 2022 and beyond

Date & Time: Saturday 26 November 2022, 2.00 – 4.00 pm NSW | 1.00 pm QLD | 11.00 am WA

Mode: Online – a Zoom link will be distributed closer to the day

Registration: [Register free at Trybooking](#) by Thursday 24 November 2022

Enquiries: Taylor Coutinho: [secretariat@catholicreligious.org.au](mailto:secretariat@catholicreligious.org.au) or phone 02 9557 2695

### CCI SHAREHOLDERS UPDATE – ONLINE

Catholic Church Insurance (CCI) extends an invitation to an online briefing to provide shareholders with an update on its financial performance, on developments within the Professional Standards claims environment, and on priorities to further build the foundations for future sustainability of CCI. Questions can be submitted in advance at [cosec@ccinsurance.org.au](mailto:cosec@ccinsurance.org.au).

Title: Catholic Church Insurance shareholders update

Dates: Monday 12 December at 11.30 am (AEDST)

Registration: [A link is provided.](#)

### 2023 DIVINE RENOVATION CONFERENCE

Priests and pastoral leaders across Australia and New Zealand are invited to the 2023 Divine Renovation Australasia Conference which will focus on leading parishes from maintenance to mission. Visit the [Conference website](#) for details.

Title: Divine Renovation Australasia Conference

Dates: 10-12 February 2023

Venue: Marist Catholic College, Penshurst NSW

Registration: \$185 (\$155 early bird registration until 30 November). [Register at this link](#)

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

Catholic Mission and CRA invite you to [save the date](#) for the sixth biennial national Mission Conference.

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](#)

## EMPLOYMENT

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### COMMUNICATIONS LEADER – SOCIETY OF JESUS

The Society of Jesus (Jesuits) in Australia is looking to appoint an experienced, dynamic communications leader to optimise engagement with their loyal members, and beyond. This newly created role will not only provide strategic advice and counsel to the leadership team, it will be responsible for creating a shared vision as a contemporary and relevant organisation, together with positioning individuals, as a leading voice for social justice in Australia. Contact: Tim James, [tim.james@themakingcorp.com](mailto:tim.james@themakingcorp.com).

## RESOURCES

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### WINGS FOR THE SOUL – CHRISTOPHER GLEESON SJ

*Wings for the Soul: Madonna stories to celebrate its 125<sup>th</sup> year* (Wilkinson Publishing, 2022), by Christopher Gleeson SJ, is a collection of editorials by Jesuit Editors of *Madonna* magazine over its 125-year journey. RRP \$29.90 [Purchase it here](#).

### SOUL FOOD – STORYTELLERS WANTED

[Donnie Velasco](#) at the Diocese of Parramatta coordinates the *Soul Food* podcast which has included the stories of [Aengus Kavanagh](#) FSP, [Patty Andrew](#) OSU and [Ailsa Mackinnon](#) RSM. He is welcoming suggestions for interviewing more Religious, including stories of transition, legacy and the experiences of those involved in MPJPs. *Soul Food* has also featured [Taylor Coutinho](#) from the CRA Secretariat.

### THE LIGHTER SIDE 🤔



How challenging is YOUR neighbourhood?

**The oldest computer  
was owned by  
Adam and Eve.**

**It was an Apple  
with very  
limited memory.**

**Just 1 byte and  
everything crashed!**