

## NEWS

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### **REFUGEE WEEK: 20-26 JUNE**

The Refugee Council of Australia is encouraging the “Share a Meal, Share a Story” project. Cook and share a meal, using recipes brought to Australia by refugee communities, while learning about the people who created them. A resource kit is available with recipes, refugee stories and more. Visit the [Share a Meal website](#) for details.

### **NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK: 27 MAY – 3 JUNE**

The National Council of the St Vincent de Paul Society has marked National Reconciliation Week by reiterating its support for a National Indigenous Voice to parliament enshrined in The Constitution. Access the [St Vincent de Paul Society media release](#) here.

### **RELIGIOUS SISTER’S PRAYERFUL PROTEST IN MYANMAR**

*America* magazine relates the story behind the iconic photo taken in the early days of the protests against the military junta that seized power in Myanmar in February. View the powerful video of Sister Ann Rosa Nu Tawng [kneeling in prayer](#), placing herself between Myanmar security forces and protesters outside her medical clinic in Myitkyina. Read the [America article](#) here.

### **AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN HUMANS (ACRATH)**

A recent ACRATH communication mentions the work of [US Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking](#), which includes this group’s latest [Stop Trafficking Newsletter](#). Visit the [ACRATH website](#) to stay up to date with ACRATH activities and news items.

### **OWL NAMED IN HONOUR OF ASSASSINATED RELIGIOUS**

Dorothy Stang, a US-born Sister of Notre Dame de Namur, was assassinated in 2005 in Brazil, while fighting for the Amazon forest and its people. *America* magazine tells of a newly discovered owl in the Amazon that has been named in honour of the late Dorothy Stang. Read the [America article](#) here.

### **SOCIAL HEALTH STUDY**

The Social Health Institute of the Palacky University in Olomouc, Czech Republic has reached out to CRA for participation in a research questionnaire on aspects of life within religious communities worldwide. Further information can be accessed [here](#). There is a [link to the survey](#), or download the [PDF version](#). The contact person is Dana Fidelis Jakšičová, PhD, [dana.jaksicova@oushi.upol.cz](mailto:dana.jaksicova@oushi.upol.cz).

## EVENTS/WEBINARS

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### THE LIGHT FROM THE SOUTHERN CROSS - CATALYST FOR CONVERSATION – ONLINE

CRA has launched a series of online ‘conversations’ as a catalyst for dialogue to explore ‘The Light from the Southern Cross’ Report, discover the richness of this resource and provide formation opportunities. Visit the [CRA website](#) for more information or [download the flyer](#). Read the [CRA media statement](#).

Title: Mission and Church  
Date & Time: Wednesday, 7 July 2021; 9.00am to 2.00pm (AEST)  
Registration: [Register online – for free](#)

### CRA NATIONAL WEBINAR: THE RISEN LIFE - TIMOTHY RADCLIFFE OP - EXTRA PLACES NOW AVAILABLE

Based on his latest book, ‘Alive in God: a Christian Imagination,’ this webinar focuses on ‘The Risen Life,’ exploring what it means to be alive spiritually, physically, justly through liturgy and prayer. Visit the [CRA website for more information](#).

Title: The Risen Life  
Date & Time: Wednesday, 2 June 2021; 5.00 to 6.30pm (AEST)  
Registration: [Register online – for free](#)

Note: This event was ‘sold out’, however CRA has now upgraded its Zoom license to cater for over 100 attendees. Please register promptly if you wish to join the seminar this Wednesday.

### 1000 WOMEN IN RELIGION: ONLINE EDIT-A-THON

Members of the University of Divinity are coordinating an Australian contribution to the international project: *1000 Women in Religion*. The University is running a zoom session with a goal to create at least 100 new Wikipedia entries for Australian women in religion, [click on the link](#) for more information.

Title: 1000 Women in Religion  
Date: Wednesday 9 June 2021 (9.00am – 11.00am AEST)  
Registration: [Register online free at Eventbrite](#)

### CREATION SPIRITUALITY: LIVE ZOOM PRESENTATION

Kathleen Duffy RSM, PhD Physics and Teilhard scholar, will offer her expertise on one of the most influential mystics of the 20th century, Pierre Teilhard de Chardin SJ. [Download the flyer](#).

*[Apologies for the typo in last week’s eBulletin - the presenter’s correct name is Kathleen Duffy RSM, PhD.]*

Title: Creation Spirituality  
Date: Tuesday 28 September 2021 (9.00am – 10.30am)  
Venue: St Joseph’s Convent, 23 York St, South Perth  
Registration: Cost: \$20 (including morning tea). [Register by 10 September at Trybooking](#)

## **CATHOLICS IN COALITION FOR JUSTICE AND PEACE: ZOOM SEMINAR**

At CCJP's next seminar, guest speaker Noel Pearson will speak about the situation of the Uluru Statement from the Heart, and how CCJP can help to advance this historic movement. [Download the flyer here.](#)

Title: Uluru Statement from the Heart

Date: 16 June 2021 (4.00pm – 5.30pm AEST)

Registration: To register, contact Cecily at [ccjp@bigpond.com](mailto:ccjp@bigpond.com) or phone 02 9745 0820

## **RESOURCES**

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### **LOOKING TOWARD THE PLENARY COUNCIL**

The Carmelite JPIC Commission has invited Paul Cahill O Carm, Provincial of Australia & Timor Leste, and member of CRA, to reflect on his participation in the Plenary Council on behalf of the Order. [Download the reflection here.](#)

### **CRA SOCIAL JUSTICE CALENDAR**

Please note that there is a new Social Justice Calendar 2021-22 on the CRA website, [accessible here.](#)

### **MT SCHOENSTATT SPIRITUALITY CENTRE**

For a quiet reflection space for your next conference or retreat, [explore the facilities](#) of Mt Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre at Mulgoa NSW in rural picturesque surroundings.

### **LATEST NEWS FROM PALMS AUSTRALIA**

Palms Australia calls for global COVID-19 vaccination with [priority given to those most vulnerable](#), and for open-source development and manufacture of vaccines. To keep abreast with the latest news from Palms, sign up for its newsletter at the [Palms Australia website.](#)

### **NEW BOOK ON NATIONAL RECONCILIATION**

[Buraadja: the Liberal Case for National Reconciliation](#) by Senator Andrew Bragg (Kapunda Press, 2021) provides three essays that show why reconciliation is consistent with liberal values. It offers practical suggestions for remembering our history, listening to Indigenous people, and planning for the future.

The book will be launched nationally via Zoom by Rachel Perkins; in Melbourne by Hon. Josh Frydenberg MP; in Sydney by the Hon. Gladys Berejiklian MP; in Adelaide by the Hon. Steven Marshall MP; and in Canberra by the Hon. Ken Wyatt AM MP. Enquiries: PM Glynn Institute [pmg@acu.edu.au](mailto:pmg@acu.edu.au) or 02 9739 2137.

### **ALIVE IN THE SPIRIT: CONFERENCE MEDIA KIT**

The *Alive in the Spirit* Virtual Pastoral Ministry Conference, 8 to 10 July 2021, offers keynotes, workshops and worship experiences to strengthen the mission of local Catholic communities. Find details at the [conference website](#). A media kit is [available at this link](#) for promoting the conference.



### ECO-SPIRITUALITY RESOURCES

A number of resources can be found on the CRA website, such as [this document](#) from the Jesuits which explains the Paris Agreement on climate change. The Jesuits invite us to link with [Ecojesuit](#) as a way of tracking initiatives and learning how to engage collaboratively at both local and global levels.

### LAUGHTER THERAPY 🤣

