

## NEWS

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### **CRA'S NEW STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND NEW COUNCIL**

During the first meeting of the year, CRA's National Council elected a new Vice President, Mary-Clare Holland OP, to join the re-elected President, Peter Carroll FMS and re-confirmed Executive Member, Tom McDonough CP to form the new Executive of CRA. Read the media statement, [Shaping the future of CRA with New Strategic Priorities and New Council](#) and view [CRA's Strategic Priorities](#) on the website.

### **CRA ADDS ITS VOICE TO CALL FOR FREE AND ACCESSIBLE RATs**

A [joint statement](#), to which CRA is a signatory, calls for free and accessible Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) to ensure everyone in our community can be safe from this virus, not just those who can afford it. This is part of a broader petition to parliament by ACTU, to advocate for free RATs for all Australians.

### **POPE FRANCIS AFFIRMS THOSE WHO CARE FOR THE SICK**

Pope Francis' message for last week's 30<sup>th</sup> World Day of the Sick includes tribute to the "many founders of religious families [who] have listened to the cry of their brothers and sisters who lack access to care or are poorly cared for and have given their utmost in their service." [Download the message](#) here.

### **E-PETITION TO REJECT EUTHANASIA BILL**

As part of the work being undertaken to stop the passage of the *Voluntary Assisted Dying Bill 2021* through the NSW Legislative Council, an ePetition has been launched. Access it directly at the Legislative Council's [E-Petitions webpage](#).

## EVENTS/WEBINARS

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### **CRA 2022 NATIONAL ASSEMBLY - SAVE THE DATE**

The 2022 CRA National Assembly will be held at the Novotel on Collins in Melbourne from Monday 29 August to Thursday 1 September 2022. Registrations are not yet open but please save the date!

### **CRA HEALTH & WELL-BEING WEEKEND RETREAT FOR MALE LEADERS OF RELIGIOUS INSTITUTES**

Over two days, psychologist Campbell MacBean will facilitate professional discussion about secondary and vicarious trauma, while Graham Neist FMS will offer reflections on communion/spirituality, with time for relaxation in the beautiful Southern Highlands of NSW. [Download the flyer](#).

Title: 'Come apart and rest for a while' (Mark 6:31)  
Dates: Friday, 1 April 2022, 5.00 pm to Sunday, 3 April 2022, 10.00 am  
Venue: The Hermitage, 843 Old South Road Mittagong NSW  
Registration: \$450 per person (accommodation & meals included). Register at [Trybooking](#).  
Enquiries: [events@catholicreligious.org.au](mailto:events@catholicreligious.org.au) or Ph 9557 2695

### **CRA NATIONAL WEBINAR FOR TEMPORARY PROFESSED RELIGIOUS**

Juliet Mousseau RSCJ, from the Franciscan School of Theology, San Diego, CA, will explore key concepts for living a vowed life with authenticity. [Download the flyer](#).

Title: Religious life in the here and now  
Date: Saturday, 19 February 2022, 12.00 pm NSW, ACT, TAS, VIC | 11.00 am QLD | 9.00 am WA | 11.30 am SA  
Mode: Online 2-hour Zoom presentation  
Registration: \$40 per person. [Register online](#)

### **CRA LIGHT FROM THE SOUTHERN CROSS: A CATALYST FOR CONVERSATION - SAVE THE DATE**

Please save the date for part three of the series *Light from the Southern Cross - a Catalyst for Conversation*.

Title: Accountability & Transparency  
Date: Wednesday 4 May 2022, 11.00 am to 2.45 pm  
Registration: Free registration - more information will be available soon

### **CRA CONTINUING EDUCATION E-COURSE FOR VOCATION & FORMATION MINISTERS**

This eCourse, facilitated by Mary Pat Garvin RSM, PhD, provides an opportunity for participants to explore topics related to accompanying women and men discerning Religious Life. [Download the flyer](#).

Title: Centred in God, Sent on Mission  
Dates & Times: Thursday, 16 June 2022 - optional introductory session followed by 4 sessions held monthly on Mondays: 27 June; 25 July; 22 August; 12 September 2022; 9.00 am start NSW, QLD, VIC, TAS | 8.30 am SA | 7.00 am WA  
Mode: Online 2½ -hour Zoom presentation  
Registration: \$260.00 AUD for the entire eCourse. [Register online](#). Enquiries: Taylor Coutinho Ph: 02 9557 2695. Email: [secretariat@catholicreligious.org.au](mailto:secretariat@catholicreligious.org.au)

### **CRA NATIONAL JUSTICE SEMINAR – SAVE THE DATE**

CRA is pleased to advise that the Justice Seminar, which was cancelled last year due to COVID, has been rescheduled and will now take place on 19 October 2022 at the Treacy Centre, Parkville, Melbourne. Registration details via the website will be available soon.

### **CRA INTERCULTURALITY SEMINARS – POSTPONED**

Please be advised that the CRA post-Assembly Interculturality seminars have been postponed and new dates will be advised as soon as they can be confirmed.

### RE-ENTRY & TRANSITION RETREAT

This retreat provides an opportunity for participants to reflect on their experiences as they re-enter their 'home' culture. Facilitated by Nicole Rotaru RSM and Cathy Solano RSM. [Download the brochure.](#)

Title: Remembering, reweaving, celebrating  
 Dates: 8 – 17 May 2022  
 Venue: St Joseph's Centre Baulkham Hills NSW  
 Registration: To apply, contact Cathy Solano RSM, [cathy.solano.11@gmail.com](mailto:cathy.solano.11@gmail.com); 0437 466 808

### STUDY TOUR OF BIBLICAL LANDS

In December 2022 Dr Rosemary Canavan, Senior Lecturer in Biblical Studies at Catholic Theological College, is taking a 16-day study tour of biblical lands focused on the Gospel of Luke.

Title: Study Tour of the Biblical Lands  
 Dates: 3 to 18 December 2022  
 Registration: Price starts at \$6,290.00. Refer to [brochure](#) for details. A booking deposit of \$350 per person is required by 31st March 2022.

## EMPLOYMENT

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### LORETO MINISTRIES

Loreto Ministries is seeking a part-time Coordinator, Communications & Marketing, 3-days per week. Download the [advertisement](#) and [position description](#). Applications close 28 February 2022.

### CASUAL CONTENT WRITERS WANTED

[Liturgy Ritual Prayer](#) is expanding its online business to providing *Ritual & Prayer Resources for Aged Care & Hospital Ministry* and is seeking casual content writers to join its team. Download the [information flyer](#).

## ACCOMMODATION

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### MARIST ACCOMODATION NEEDS IN MELBOURNE

The Marist Brothers are looking for a large residence (or adjoining residences) in Melbourne, to accommodate up to five Brothers. They prefer to purchase but would be open to a rental arrangement. If any Congregation has a suitable residence, please email Br Dennis Cooper, [dennis.cooper@marists.org.au](mailto:dennis.cooper@marists.org.au)

### CARMELITE RENTAL UNITS AVAILABLE

The Carmelites have a number of independent single units in Middle Park, Victoria, available for rental. They may be well suited to the needs of some Religious. Enquiries: Damien Cairns, Business Manager, at [businessmanager@carmelites.org.au](mailto:businessmanager@carmelites.org.au)

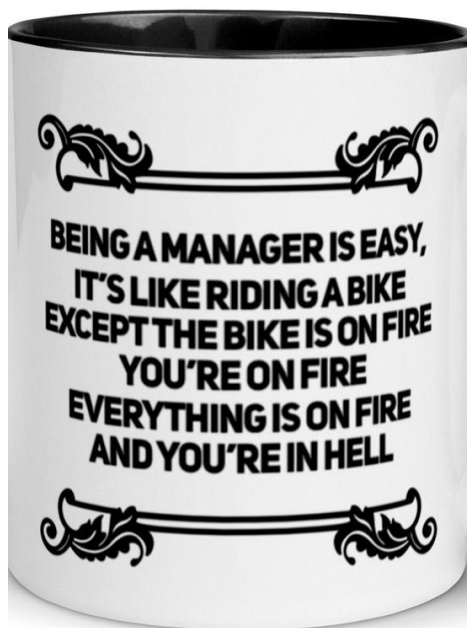
## RESOURCES

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### NEW BOOK ON FOUNDER OF THE SOCIETY OF MARY

Marist Father Tom Ryan SM explores the affective dimension of Jean-Claude Colin, founder of the Society of Mary, in his latest book, *The Reasoning Heart: Jean-Claude Colin and the Marist Spirit* (ATF Press, 2022). Click here for [purchase details](#), and view the [book launch](#).

### THE LIGHTER SIDE OF LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT 😊 😊 😊



*"What if, and I know this sounds kooky, we communicated with the employees."*

