

## NEWS

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### JESUITS WELCOME REFUGEES FLEEING UKRAINE

As the humanitarian crisis in Ukraine escalates, Jesuit Mission's Ukraine Emergency Appeal is helping to deliver 24/7 vital services on the ground to people in need. Read the [media release](#). Donations [welcome](#).

### 2022 FLOODS

The Catholic Diocese of Lismore has launched its 2022 Flood Appeal for families and communities coping with the tragedy of loss of life and destruction of property. To [donate](#) in Australia, go to this link.

### COLUMBAN INTERRELIGIOUS CONSULTATION ON SYNODALITY

The Columban Centre for Christian-Muslim Relations has hosted an [interreligious consultation](#) in preparation for the 2023 Synod. Read more at the [Columban website](#).

### NZ DEAL WELCOMED BUT OTHER ASYLUM SEEKERS NEED A SOLUTION

In a [media release](#), Australia's Catholic bishops have welcomed the Government's decision to see up to 450 asylum-seekers resettled in New Zealand, but say hundreds more need a pathway out of detention.

### NEW PRESIDENT OF NCCA

The National Council of Churches in Australia (NCCA) has a new president, Rev John Gilmore. Read the [NCCA media release](#).

## EVENTS/WEBINARS

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### CRA LIGHT FROM THE SOUTHERN CROSS: A CATALYST FOR CONVERSATION – *CHANGE OF DATE*

As the Second Assembly of the Plenary Council approaches, CRA will deliver the third and final 'conversation,' as part of its exploration of *Light from the Southern Cross Report*. The online event will feature Susan Pascoe AM and Claire Victory as keynote speakers. Read the [CRA media release](#).

Title: Accountability & Transparency

Date & Time: Wednesday 18 May 2022, 11.00 am to 2.45 pm NSW, VIC, TAS, QLD | 10.30 am to 2.15 pm SA | 9.00 am to 12.45 pm WA

Registration: Free registration at [Trybooking](#). Further details and [flyer](#) are at the [CRA website](#).

### **CRA SEMINAR: ECOLOGY AND ECONOMICS**

CRA, through three of its Committees - Ecology Alliance, Stewardship and Justice - identified that ecological and financial decisions must be made together. [Download the flyer](#) and view the [webpage](#) for further information, including the programme and speakers.

Title: Ecology and Economics - Everything is Connected  
Date & venue: Tuesday 24 May 2022, 9.30 am – 3.15 pm | Sydney  
Format: Inaugural CRA hybrid event: in-person and online presenters and participants  
Seminar Fee: \$150.00 per person for in-person and online (same fee to cover technology costs)  
Registration: <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=879422&>

### **JOAN CHITTISTER OSB – IN-PERSON SEMINAR**

CRA and the Diocese of Parramatta have prepared an inspirational afternoon with Sr Joan Chittister OSB, which Joan will tailor to religious men and women and to the clergy of Parramatta. Joan will focus her presentation on the responsibility of Religious and Clergy to be the voice that the world needs. [Please see the flyer](#) and [webpage](#).

Title: Roots and Wings: the Emergence of a Synodal Church with Joan Chittister OSB  
Date & Time: Wednesday 25 May 2022, 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm (Registration at 1.15 pm)  
Venue: Novotel, Parramatta NSW  
Registration: \$55 p/p. Visit the [CRA website](#) for more information or click on the [registration link](#). Registrations close 11 May, *unless tickets are sold out prior*

See this [flyer](#) for other events with Joan Chittister in Melbourne, North Sydney and Adelaide.

### **CRA HEALTH AND WELLBEING SEMINAR – SAVE THE DATE**

The CRA Health and Wellbeing Committee is developing a new seminar to follow-up the Dementia Care Seminar held last year in Brisbane. Save the date, with further details to come.

Title: Creating a Culture of Supportive Care  
Date & Time: Wednesday 15 June 2022, 9.00 pm - 3.30 pm  
Venue: Mary MacKillop Place Auditorium, North Sydney  
Registration: Registration details 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, cancelled last year due to COVID, has been rescheduled for 19 October 2022 at the Treacy Centre, Parkville, Melbourne. Registration details will be available soon.

### **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!

### **CELTIC PILGRIMAGE 2022**

Let the Celtic landscape of Ireland speak to you and walk in the footsteps of the Celtic mystics and saints, in this 10-day pilgrimage with Emmaus Productions. [Download the brochure](#).

Title: Celtic Pilgrimage 2022  
Dates: Monday 18 July to Thursday 28 July 2022  
Venue: Based at Teach Bhride Education and Spirituality Centre, Tullow, Co. Carlow  
Registration: Cost from €1,950 (Euro). For itinerary and registration form visit [celticspiritpilgrimage.com](http://celticspiritpilgrimage.com). Enquiries: [celticpilgrimage@gmail.com](mailto:celticpilgrimage@gmail.com)

## **EMPLOYMENT**

### **FUNDRAISING/ADMINISTRATION OFFICER**

The Divine Word Missionaries are seeking a Fundraising/Administration Officer to work in their Mission Office located at Marsfield NSW. For more details visit the [Catholic Jobs Online](#) website.

## **RESOURCES**

### **POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION: APRIL**

The value we place on our health care workers in aged care homes says much about the value we place on our sick and elderly members of society. Read this [reflection](#) on Pope Francis' prayer intention for April.

### **THE LIGHTER SIDE of PETROL PRICES 😊😊😊**

