



City Pastoral REGION

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF MAITLAND-NEWCASTLE

Inner Newcastle Parish: Sacred Heart Cathedral, Newcastle West; St Joseph's Church, The Junction; St Mary, Star of the Sea Church, Newcastle; Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Tighes Hill; St Laurence O'Toole Church, Broadmeadow. **Mayfield Parish:** Christ the King, Mayfield West. **Stockton Parish:** St Peter-in-Chains, Stockton.

SUNDAY 12 JUNE 2022

TRINITY SUNDAY, YEAR C

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Parish Bulletin: Prayer requests and items for the Bulletin should be received at the Parish Office by 5pm on Wednesdays.



The Trinity, created by Russian painter Andrei Rublev in the 15th century. This icon depicts the three angels who visited Abraham at the Oak of Mamre, but the painting is full of symbolism and is interpreted as an icon of the Holy Trinity. Read more about the icon in the full bulletin.

Our Parishes incorporate suburbs located on the traditional country of the Awabakal and Worimi peoples. We acknowledge their cultural heritage, beliefs and continuing relationship with the land, pay respect to their Elders past and present, and commit ourselves to work together for reconciliation and justice.

THE PARISH DIARY...(for the week ahead)

Eleventh Week of Easter, Year C

Monday—13th June

Memorial of St Anthony of Padua

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

****OFFICE CLOSED for PUBLIC HOLIDAY**

Tuesday—14th May

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

8:30am Mass @ Stockton

Wednesday—15th June

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

9:00am Mass @ Mayfield West

Thursday—16th June

8:15am Mass @ The Cathedral

8:30am Mass @ Stockton

Friday—17th June

9:00 am Mass @ Mayfield West

9:50am Rosary for Ukraine @ The Junction

10:15am Mass @ The Junction

11:00am Exposition, Adoration & Reconciliation @
The Cathedral (until 12pm)

12:05pm Mass @ The Cathedral

Saturday—18th June

9:15am Mass @ The Cathedral, followed by the
Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
(followed by Reconciliation)

5:00pm Mass @ Mayfield West

5:30pm Mass @ The Cathedral

5:30pm Mass @ The Junction

Sunday—12th June

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Year C

7:30am Mass @ St Mary's

8:00am Mass @ Tighes Hill

9:00am Mass @ Stockton

9:30am Mass @ The Cathedral *

11:00am Mass @ The Junction (*Italian*)

11:30am Mass @ The Cathedral (*Polish*)

5:00pm Mass @ The Cathedral

5:30pm Mass @ Mayfield West (*Vietnamese*)

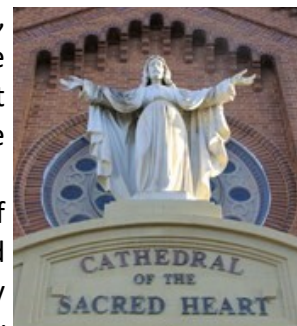
* *Livestreamed on the Cathedral's YouTube channel—
www.youtube.com/c/SacredHeartCathedralHamilton*

**The 9:00am Mass @ The Junction is cancelled
permanently**

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART

The Feast of the Sacred Heart has been in the Roman Catholic liturgical calendar since 1856. It falls 19 days after Pentecost, on a Friday, which is June 24 this year. The Feast of the Sacred Heart (properly the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus)

Come celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart at Sacred Heart Cathedral with midday Mass followed by a hearty bowl of soup and a glass of cheer.



VIEW, CHEW, AND CHAT

The schedule for June is:

June 15 & 22: Lectio

June 29: No meeting

All meetings are online via Zoom. All welcome to participate regularly or occasionally.

PRAYING THE GOSPELS

You are invited to connect and pray with each other across the Diocese from your own home.

God speaks to us through the words of the Gospel and then through artist's images of the Gospel message.

Join us each Wednesday 5.00-5.45pm.

Zoom link:

<https://mncatholic.zoom.us/j/61036103033>

Password: pray

For more information contact:

rose.mcallister@mn.catholic.org.au

PRAYER REQUESTS

RECENTLY DECEASED: Mareea Lester, Paul Cizek, Robert Burke, Gloria Stinson, Eileen McCosker, Daniel Close, Sr Florence Tobin rsj, Sr Sarah Carpenter ocd

ANNIVERSARIES: Ricardo Patlingrao, Jeanette Mary Davis, Moira O'Brien, Edith McLean, Frank Hinchley, Fanny Hinchley, Patricia Hinchley, William Martin, Phyllis Martin, Brian Nolan, Jean Parkes, May Maloney, Clare Hazelman, Caitlin Howden

SICK: Christopher Woodland, Diane Cazubon; Ann Matthews, Colin Bryant; Maureen Sunman, Maree Halbert, Carlo Rossi, Kath Murray, Veronica McCann, Peter Skinner, Peter Keddie, Tiani Bishop, Jason Yu, Joel Samy, Tom Parker, Max Williamson, Sam and Margaret Broad, Alma Royan (Germany), Bill Higgins, John Rumball, Aaron Parkes

Names may be placed here by contacting the Parish Office. Please refer to the Policy Document on the Parish website—visit www.newcastlecatholic.org.au/downloads.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

Gen 14:18-20

1 Cor 11:23-26

Lk 9:11-17

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

Envelopes will be available in all the Churches for the month of June. Tax receipts for donations over \$2 will be available.



BOOK CLUB

Sunday, 6th June @ 6:15pm to discuss *The Book of Longings* by Sue Monk Kidd. If you would like to participate in book club meetings, please email

newcparish@mn.catholic.org.au



FOOD BASKET FOR THE NEEDY

We have delayed the start until the first weekend of July (3rd July). Items of dry goods or tin food e.g. (Vegemite, cornflakes or breakfast foods, sugar, packet or tin soup, sardines, tea, coffee, tin fruit etc but NOT PEANUT BUTTER), can be placed in the basket at the back of St Joseph's Church. St Vincent de Paul members will pick up for distribution to the needy who are very grateful to receive the items. When donating please check expiry dates. Thank you Questions to Sr Carol Woodland rsj (mob) 0423 700 523/4967 2998

NOTICE TO PLANNED GIVERS

THE END OF FINANCIAL YEAR IS COMING!

Planned Giving Tax Receipts: Parishioners who require a tax receipt for planned giving for the 2021/22 financial year must notify the Parish Office before 30th June 2022. Please notify by one of the following methods: **Email to newcparish@mn.catholic.org.au:** Use the wording, *"Please provide me with a Planned Giving tax receipt"* and include your name and envelope number. **Planned Giving Envelope:** Write on your weekly envelope, *"Tax receipt required"*.

Tax receipt data will be processed on 30 June 2022. No subsequent amendments are possible. Any requests received after 30 June 2022 will result in parishioners not receiving the requested tax deduction. If you do not require a tax receipt for tax purposes, it is preferable to refrain from requesting one as this will enhance the tax deductibility for those who do use the tax receipt. I am happy to provide people who do not submit a tax return with your contribution total.

FROM THE MODERATOR

Dear friends,

Firstly, congratulations to our sacraments of initiation children who, supported by the sponsors and families, recently received a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the sacrament of Confirmation. I felt really honoured to be able to assist our Diocesan Administrator, Fr Greg, in conferring this sacrament and also to have the privilege of being able to Confirm a number of children myself. And what a wonderful time to receive this, in the days leading up to Pentecost Sunday with our churches beautifully arrayed in red. These same boys and girls will complete their initiation process in the coming weeks then they receive their First Eucharist at our Sunday Masses. I know our congregations will be really happy to witness and be part of these great celebrations, which will take place from the weekend of 18-19th June, a time when we celebrate the annual feast of Corpus Christi. So, once again the timing couldn't be more perfect. Please keep these children and their families in your prayers.

Secondly, my sincere thanks to those who have generously volunteered to be part of our new regional bereavement team. Very soon I'll be inviting them to meet with me for in an information session to plan the steps of their preparation for this great ministry. Thirdly, our local Vinnies conferences are currently launching their Annual Vinnies Winter Appeal. With the cold weather coming upon us so quickly this year and chilling many of us to the bones already, I think we can imagine how hard it must be for the poorer families and individuals in our communities to stay warm and properly fed. Please donate as generously as you can.

And thank you to all those in our parish communities who have responded to recent calls to volunteer to assist as readers and in various other roles in our Masses. Without our many volunteers and helpers, we wouldn't be able to continue to provide all the liturgies we currently do. Love, Fr John



2022 TWEC DINNER

This year's dinner will be held Friday 24 June from 6.30pm at the Therry Centre, East Maitland. We invite you to enjoy a meal, share stories of the Josephite spirit within the diocesan community and imagine the next chapter of the Tenison Woods Education Community story together. Seats at the dinner are \$60 per person which includes drinks, canapés, main course and dessert. Tables of 10, small group and individual bookings are welcome. For details and bookings go to <https://2022twec.eventbrite.com.au>. RSVP by 17 June.

REFLECTION

by Richard Leonard SJ

A teacher asked her grade one class to paint something of their own choosing. All the children got busy about the task. As the teacher walked around she noticed Beckie was particularly focused on her painting. 'What are you painting Beckie?' asked the teacher. 'I'm painting God, Miss' replied the little girl. 'Well that must be difficult because no one knows what God looks like.' At which Beckie stopped, looked up and confidently announced, 'But they will when I'm finished.'

The names Christians give to God – Father, Son and Spirit – are both ancient and important. But we should never think they exhaust the possibilities of God's reality. Creator, mother, lover, redeemer, Saviour, higher power or friend all go some way to help us put words around our experience of our God, who is more and beyond all names we can possibly use.

The naming of God, however, is an important, but secondary focus to today's feast. There are two other facets to it that are more central.

The first is that the Trinity declares that relationships are at the very centre of God. We believe that the Father, Son and Spirit are in full communion, communication and relationship with each other at all times, in all places. To know Jesus is to know the Father and the Spirit and vice versa. They are one. This special relationship also indicates to us that nothing should matter more in our lives than our relationships with one another. To be like the God we profess every Sunday is to commit ourselves to our relationships, in all their varieties. To work hard on our relationships is, for a Christian, to touch the divine.

The second extraordinary thing we celebrate today is that the Father invites us into this loving relationship with Him, Jesus and the Spirit. What is especially consoling about this is that we are the only world religion that believes our God took our flesh. So through Jesus' life, teaching, compassion and sacrificial love we not only discover who he is, but, at one and the same time, we find out what God and the Spirit are like.

Some people think themselves unworthy of such invitation. Others argue they have to be a better person to deserve such an offer. While both of these responses to God's invitation are understandable, they fail to take into account that in Jesus we have been made worthy of God's love and if we are waiting to get to a certain level of goodness to deserve God's love, we will wait forever.

God invites us into the compassionate embrace of the Trinity where we are and as we are, so that we can become all that God knows we can be. We don't have to get good to get God. We have to get God before we can get good.

Let's not be like the small boy who once said to me, 'The feast of the Trinity is all about that old bloke, his younger son and that bird.' On this Trinity Sunday let's celebrate the intimacy and dignity to which we are called by signing ourselves with the focus of our love – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

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THE CHUCKLE

Did you hear about the restaurant on the moon? Great food, but no atmosphere.



When Sita's husband passed away, she struggled to provide for her four children and was shunned by her community.

Sita lives in the Bagmati province in Nepal with her four children. Her wage as a labourer barely covered the cost of day-to-day expenses, and she feared she would be unable to further her children's education, leaving them vulnerable to the same poverty and discrimination she was experiencing.

Thanks to the generosity of people like you, Sita was able to join the Nepal Livelihoods and Resilience Program, run in partnership with Caritas Nepal. Over time, she began to develop the life-changing skills she needed to diversify her income, through the sale of milk and other goods, and gain financial independence.

Sita can now produce enough food to feed her family, send all of her children to school, and has become a respected member of her community.

This tax time, you can support more people like Sita to gain the skills they need to triumph over discrimination and escape the cycle of poverty.

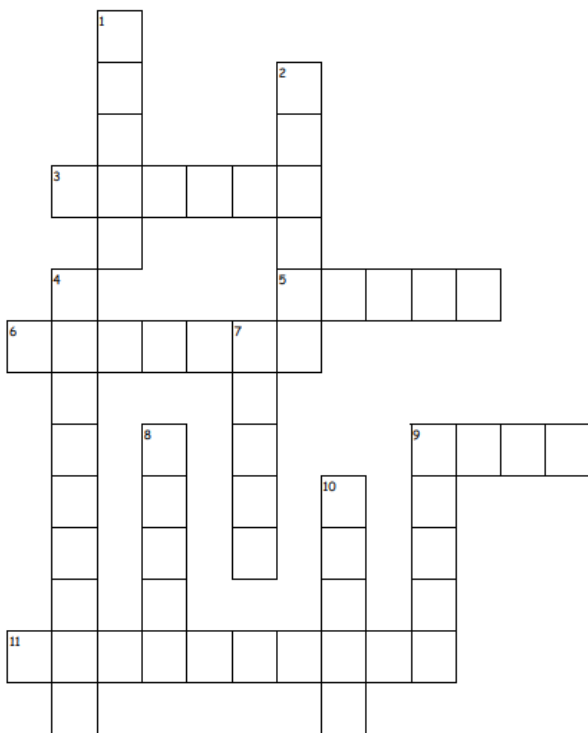
Donate now by visiting <https://www.caritas.org.au/make-an-impact-this-tax-time/> or scanning the QR code.



CROSSWORD

O Lord how wonderful your name

Prv 8:22-31
Ps 8:3-4, 5-6, 7-8, R.v.2a
Jn 16:12-15



Across

- 3: humans
5: that which is true
6: information that is passed on to someone else
9: chickens are hatched as babies are _ _ _ _
11: to comprehend the meaning of something

Down

- 1: a liquid
2: to make something
4: the place where you start
7: exalted praise, honour
8: to direct, to lead
9: to construct an object
10: talk

JUNIOR WORDSEARCH

O Lord how wonderful your name

Prv 8:22-31
Ps 8:3-4, 5-6, 7-8, R.v.2a
Jn 16:12-15

Y M D B K A W A T E R O Q P
Y B L U M X G L O R Y N A Q
P B W P X V J Y N G Z A J V
Q S B H I J L F X M X X D K
O H Z Q K O B O R N R X S N
W F Y E D C P E O P L E P T
C J W Q X H B I Q R M B E O
L E J F M E S S A G E U A Y
C B E G I N N I N G W B K G
L B O C R E A T E T R U T H
K G U I D E R C U H K F H Z
O G Z O O P X H U J W C F I
Q V B U I L D Q L D H I H D
E J F M G X F K V B W B V V
Y A U N D E R S T A N D E M

Try to find these words:

beginning
born
build
create
glory
guide
message
people
speak
truth
understand
water

World Meeting of Families Formation Events over June online 7.00pm-8.00pm

15 June- Social connections and improving senior's wellbeing- Presented by Nicola Rosenthal (Regional Manager, Catholic Healthcare)

Join with us as we explore the importance of social connections, and five keyways seniors can improve their wellbeing. The presentation will also discuss mental illness, grief and loss in later life and which support services are best suited for older Australians.

20 June- Relationships Matter- Presented by Robyn Donnelly Marriage and Relationship Educator- Pastoral Ministries)

The session provides participants with an understanding of patterns of behaviours that drain our emotional bank accounts and can cause the relationship to go into meltdown or disconnection of the parties. Participants can reflect on 7 areas that create strong sound relationships starting at the foundations this includes research around rituals and shared meaning, so your relationship stays connected to get through areas of disagreements or conflict.

To register go to www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/faith-formation/upcoming-events

Ecumenical and Interfaith Council – Aboriginal Spirituality Day

The Ecumenical and Interfaith Council would like to warmly invite you to join us to experience an Aboriginal Spirituality Formation Day

Date: Thursday 14 July 2022

Time: 9.00am to 2.30pm

Location: Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, 5 Hyndes St, West Wallsend.

The day will concentrate on the core elements of Aboriginal Spirituality and will begin with Mass of the Land of the Holy Spirit, celebrated by Fr John Purnell.

[Registration is now open.](#)

Ecumenical and Interfaith Council – Church Crawl

The Ecumenical and Interfaith Council would like to warmly invite you to join us for a Church Crawl, to be held on **Saturday 23 July from 9.30am to 3.45pm.**

We will visit four Newcastle Churches in the one day, Christ Church Cathedral, Sacred Heart Cathedral, the Lutheran Church and a Russian Orthodox Church.

It will be an opportunity to *unlearn, learn, and relearn* by hearing about the faith of others, asking questions and getting to know others.

[Registration is now open.](#)

Hunter Centre for Clinical Pastoral Education Introductory Unit

The Hunter Centre for Clinical Pastoral Education is running an Introductory Course in Clinical Pastoral Education commencing Monday 18 July. Topics covered will include: Pastoral Care, Listening, Self-Awareness, Grief, Healing and Illness, Community.

Dates: [Six weeks commencing Monday 18 July, 25 July, 1, 8, 15, 29 August](#)

Time: 9.00am to 4.00pm

Location: Mackillop Parish Hall, Milson Street Charlestown

Enrolment: [1 July 2022](#)

Enquiries: [Fr.Roger Zohrab_rzohrab@bigpond.com](mailto:Fr.Roger_Zohrab_rzohrab@bigpond.com) 0408 151 481

2022 ACU Prize for Poetry

The 2022 ACU Prize for Poetry is open for all Australian residents to craft their finest poems on the theme of 'Hope', inspired by a line from Alfred Lord Tennyson's famous play Robin Hood play: "Hope smiles from the threshold of the year to come, whispering 'it will be happier'..."

Entries for the prize, which has a coveted \$20,000 prize pool will close on July 4, 2022.

More information about the ACU Prize for Poetry including how to enter can be found at the ACU Prize for Poetry website. www.acu.edu.au/prizeforpoetry

Mystagogy Monday

Mystagogical reflection invites us into a personal encounter with Christ in the gospel we have heard, the liturgy we have celebrated, or an experience of life or ministry. It invites us to pay attention to what Christ reveals to us, both in that encounter and the living tradition of our faith and to connect it to life now. It invites us to dialogue and transformation.

Join us each Monday morning at 10am as we reveal the mystery of God found in the Sunday Gospel. Register: www.eventbrite.com.au/e/mystagogy-mondays-tickets-304319105637

LIVING & GOSPEL

Trinity

Every time we make the sign of the cross we reaffirm our belief in a God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Although some people have difficulties with the gender-specific language of 'Father' and 'Son' and look for other ways to express this reality, all Christian people profess a belief in the one God who is experienced in three distinct ways. We are baptised 'in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit' and we remind ourselves of this reality when we pray and when we bless ourselves or others.

THE TRINITY



Understanding the Iconography

(from Wikipedia)

The icon is based on a story from the Book of Genesis called *Abraham and Sarah's Hospitality* or *The Hospitality of Abraham*. It says that the biblical Patriarch Abraham 'was sitting at the door of his tent in the heat of the day' by the Oak of Mamre and saw three men standing in front of him, who in the next chapter were revealed as angels. 'When he saw them, Abraham ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth.' Abraham ordered a servant-boy to prepare a choice calf, and set curds, milk and the calf before them, waiting on them, under a tree, as they ate (Genesis 18:1–8). One of the angels told Abraham that Sarah would soon give birth to a son.

The subject of *The Trinity* received various interpretations at different time periods, but by the 19th–20th century the consensus among scholars was the following: the three angels who visited Abraham represented the Christian Trinity, "one God in three persons" – the Father, the Son (Jesus Christ), and the Holy Spirit. Art critics believe that Andrei Rublev's icon was created in accordance with this concept. In his effort to uncover the doctrine of the Trinity, Rublev abandoned most of the traditional plot elements which were typically included in the paintings of the *Abraham and Sarah's Hospitality* story. He did not paint Abraham, Sarah, the scene of calf's slaughter, nor did he give any details on the meal. The angels were depicted as talking, not eating. "The gestures of angels, smooth and restrained, demonstrate the sublime nature of their conversation". The silent communion of the three angels is the centre of the

composition.

In Rublev's icon, the form that most clearly represents the idea of the consubstantiality of the Trinity's three hypostases (states of being) is a circle. It is the foundation of the composition. At the same time, the angels are not inserted into the circle, but create it instead, thus our eyes can't stop at any of the three figures and rather dwell inside this limited space. The impactful center of the composition is the cup with the calf's head. It hints at the crucifixion sacrifice and serves as the reminder of the Eucharist (the left and the right angels' figures make a silhouette that resembles a cup). Around the cup, which is placed on the table, the silent dialogue of gestures takes place.

The left angel symbolizes God the Father. He blesses the cup, yet his hand is painted in a distance, as if he passes the cup to the central angel. Viktor Lazarev suggests that the central angel represents Jesus Christ, who in turn blesses the cup as well and accepts it with a bow as if saying "My Father, if it is possible, may this cup be taken from me. Yet not as I will, but as you will". (Mt 26:39) The nature of each of the three hypostases is revealed through their symbolic attributes, i.e. the house, the tree, and the mountain. The starting point of the divine administration is the creative Will of God, therefore Rublev places the Abraham's house above the corresponding angel's head. The Oak of Mamre can be interpreted as the tree of life, and it serves as a reminder of the Jesus's death on the cross and his subsequent resurrection, which opened the way to eternal life. The Oak is located in the centre, above the angel who symbolizes Jesus. Finally, the mountain is a symbol of the spiritual ascent, which mankind accomplishes with the help of the Holy Spirit. The unity of the Trinity's three hypostases expresses unity and love between all things: "That they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me." (John 17:21)

The wings of two angels, the Father and the Son, interlap. The blue colour of the Son's robe symbolizes divinity, the brown colour represents earth, his humanity, and the gold speaks of kingship of God. The wings of the Holy Spirit do not touch the Son's wings, they are imperceptibly divided by the Son's spear. The blue colour of the Holy Spirit's robe symbolizes divinity, the green colour represents new life. The poses and the inclinations of the Holy Spirit and the Son's heads demonstrate their submission to the Father, yet their placement on the thrones at the same level symbolizes equality.

TODAY'S LITURGY

Entrance Antiphon

Blest be God the Father,
and the Only Begotten Son of God,
and also the Holy Spirit,
for he has shown us his merciful love.

First Reading: Prv 8:22-31

Wisdom was born before the earth was made.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 8:4-9. R. v.2

- (R.) O Lord, our God,
how wonderful your name in all the earth!
1. When I see the heavens, the work of your hands,
the moon and the stars which you arranged,
what is man that you should keep him in mind,
mortal man that you care for him? (R.)
 2. Yet you have made him little less than a god;
with glory and honour you crowned him,
gave him power over the works of your hand,
put all things under his feet. (R.)
 3. All of them, sheep and cattle,
yes, even the savage beasts,
birds of the air, and fish
that make their way through the waters. (R.)

Second Reading: Rom 5:1-5

*To God through Christ in the love which is
poured out through the Spirit.*

Gospel Acclamation: See Apoc 1:8

Alleluia, alleluia!
Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit:
to God who is, who was, and who is to come.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Jn 16:12-15

*Whatever the Father has is mine. The Spirit will
receive what I give and tell you about it.*

Communion Antiphon: Gal 4:6

Since you are children of God,
God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son,
the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

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AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED AUSTRALIA:

ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church. Our brothers and sisters in Lebanon are suffering due to ongoing financial and political instability. As the body of Christ we are called to support one another. Will you join us as we help them by providing food parcels to 500 needy families in the diocese of Baalbek, Lebanon? To read about the project, or to make an offering visit: www.aidtochurch.org/monthlyproject.



ROSARY FOR UKRAINE

Pray the Rosary in the month of June, from 9.50am on Fridays (before Friday Mass) at St Joseph's Church, The Junction. It is so wonderful that parishioners have supported this call to pray for world peace and all people are most welcome to attend!

CHRISTIAN FORMATION COURSE

Are you wanting to know more about Christianity and develop a deeper understanding of the Catholic Church?

The Christian Formation Course is a learning experience that allows participants to explore the foundational elements of the Catholic Faith Tradition in community. This course introduces participants to scripture, theology, church history, sacramental life and liturgy.

The Course runs across twelve (12) months and comprises eight (8) units

All who complete the Course are awarded a diocesan Certificate in Christian Formation

By engaging in the course, it is hoped participants will:

become more confident in understanding the Catholic faith, grow in their capacity to reflect on their life's journey

realise that Christian faith is nurtured in community

be affirmed in their gifts for participating in the life of the faith community

grow in awareness of what it means to be a responsive member of the faith community.

The course will commence in July 2022. For more information go to: www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/faith-formation/christian-formation-course