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FEATURE EVENT

EUTHANASIA AND PHYSICIAN-ASSISTED SUICIDE: WHY ARE WE CONCERNED?

Thursday 17 August, 7.30pm

Coghlin Centre, St John the Evangelist Parish, 494 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham

The Victorian Government is planning to introduce a Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide Bill early in the spring parliamentary session under the euphemistic title Voluntary Assisted Dying. This bill will propose that, under certain conditions, patients can request euthanasia from doctors, or request their assistance to suicide. This bill proposes to have doctors intrinsically involved in causing the deliberate deaths of their patients. Despite the seriousness of this proposed bill, there has been very little public discussion as to the consequences for our wider community. Fr Tony Kerin, the episcopal vicar for Life, Marriage and Family, will address interested people from a number of adjacent parishes in the eastern deanery for this important evening. You are cordially invited to attend.

Details and RSVP: St John the Evangelist Parish office on 9873 1341 or mitcham@cam.org.au or Jan on 0402 141 519

AUGUST

CONVERSATIONS WITH MARY MACKILLOP

Tuesday 15 August, 11am–12pm

Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre, 362 Albert Street, East Melbourne

'Conversations with Mary' is a monthly gathering for prayer and reflection with Mary MacKillop, facilitated by a Sister of St Joseph. During 2017 we are reflecting on Mary's letters to her mother Flora. All welcome. Upcoming events will take place on 15 September, 16 October and 15 November.

Details and RSVP: 9926 9300 or admin.mmhc@sosj.org.au

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/ConversationsWithMaryMacKillop.pdf>

GOOD GRIEF CONNECTIONS: SEMINAR

Tuesday 15 August 2–6pm

The Chapel, MacKillop Family Services, 237 Cecil Street, South Melbourne

Good Grief Connections invites you to this four-hour seminar presentation. This event will explore ways to support children and families faced with significant life changes and losses, including families after traumatic complex loss. It will feature Dr Robyn Miller, CEO MacKillop Family Services, Christopher Hall, CEO Australian Centre for Grief and Bereavement, and Professor Anne Graham, author of *Seasons for growth*. Good Grief Connections is ideal for interested professionals from education, community welfare and mental health agencies.

Cost: \$150. \$120 Good Grief Companions. \$80 special rate ticket for Brothers and Sisters of religious congregations.

Bookings: <http://bit.ly/2tDuAmu>

Details: Nina Watts-Carrier on 0438 890 537

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/GoodGriefConnections15August.pdf>



STAR WOMEN SPEAK: DR IRENA ZAKARIJA-GRKOVIC

Tuesday 15 August, 7pm for 7.30pm

George Reed foyer, Fay Byrne Centre, Star of the Sea, Martin Street, Brighton

Star of the Sea Past Students' Association warmly invites you to the next presentation in their 'Star women speak' series. Irena Zakarija-Grkovic (class of 1986) worked as a GP before becoming a breastfeeding specialist and embarking on doctoral studies in Croatia. She has presented at many national and international conferences, primarily on various breastfeeding related topics. Irena is currently Assistant Professor in the University of Split School of Medicine's Departments of Family Medicine and Clinical Skills.

Cost: \$35. Students \$20. Wine and finger food included.

Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/284016>

Details: 9595 9595

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/StarWomenSpeakAugust.pdf>

'IT'S GREAT TO BE CATHOLIC' CONFERENCE

Saturday 19 August, 8.30am–3pm

Parousia Centre, 2 Charlotte Road, Beaumaris (next to Stella Maris Catholic Church)

A day for Catholics and their non-Catholic friends to hear inspiring talks on why 'It's great to be Catholic'. Speakers on this exciting day are author and educator Robert Haddad, whose topic is 'The Eucharist: fruit of the tree of life', Fr Francis Denton on the day's key topic, 'It's great to be Catholic' and John Smyth, whose talk is 'How the Church built Western civilisation'. The day begins with a Rosary and Mass. Lunch will be available for purchase and a crèche will also be available.

Cost: Donation

Details and registration: www.tinyurl.com/cathconfmelb or John on 0406 747 123 or johnsmyth@parousiamedia.com

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/ItsGreat2BeCatholic.pdf>

PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY COMES TO BURWOOD

Saturday 19 August, 8.45am–1pm, St Benedict's Church, 297 Warrigal Road, Burwood

We feel confident in describing this statue as miraculous, since it was responsible for a dramatic healing in Wagga in 1951, details of which are recounted in the flyer attached. In honour of the visit to St Benedict's of the statue, the day will begin with a solemn procession into the church at 8.45am, followed by Mass at 9am, then exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, the Rosary, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, confessions, a special blessing, prayers of healing and, lastly, Benediction.

Details: Majella on 9808 9708

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/FatimaStatueInBurwood.pdf>

ST MARY'S WILLIAMSTOWN: 175TH ANNIVERSARY STAFF REUNION

Saturday 19 August, 12–3pm

St Mary's School, 118 Cecil Street, Williamstown (enter through school hall door on Cecil Street)

Celebrating 175 years of continuous Catholic education, the principal of St Mary's Primary, Williamstown invites all present and former staff of St Mary's to join in the celebrations by attending this reunion in the school hall. A light lunch will be served.

Details: 9397 7926 or info@smwilliamstown.catholic.edu.au

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http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/175_staff_reunion.pdf



SOUTHERN STARS SOCIAL CLUB: PARTY FOR SINGLE CATHOLICS

Saturday 19 August, 8pm

Benedict House, 301 Warrigal Road, Burwood

The Southern Stars Social Club invites any and all single Catholics aged between 28 and 60 to join a party night of music, food and good fellowship in Burwood.

Cost: \$13 includes supper and lucky door prizes

Details and bookings: Peter on 9885 2167

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/SouthernStarsPartyNight19Aug.pdf>

PARISH BASED 'MENALIVE' WEEKEND

Saturday 19 & Sunday 20 August

St Patrick's Pyramid Hill (Diocese of Sandhurst), 5 Victoria Street, Pyramid Hill

The *menALIVE* non-residential parish based weekend (PBW) is organized by a team from the parish and facilitated by a team from *menalive* Ministries. It is a principal outreach to men in Catholic parishes. The purpose of a *menALIVE* weekend is to bring men together, to renew their faith in God and to encourage them to become an active force for renewal in the Church but particularly in their parish(es)

Details: Rommel Umali on 0431 193 021 or melyenoh14@yahoo.com

END OF LIFE/PALLIATIVE CARE SEMINAR

Sunday 20 August, 2–4.30pm

James Kierce Centre, St Mary's Church, 204 Grimshaw Street, Greensborough

Diamond Valley Deanery is hosting this End of Life/ Palliative Care seminar. Presenters will be Sr Regina Millard rsc (nurse educator and palliative and pastoral carer), Mr Julian McMahon AC (barrister), Dr Eamonn Mathieson (anaesthetist), and Rev. Dr Hoa Trung Dinh (lecturer and bioethicist).

Cost: Free

Details: 9715 2455 or merndawhittlesea@cam.org.au

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/EndOfLifePalliativeCareSeminar.pdf>

PROGETTO CORELLI'S WINTER CONCERT: EXOTIQUE

Sunday 20 August, 4pm

St. Ambrose's Church, 287 Sydney Road, Brunswick

The renowned classical music group *Progetto Corelli* presents its winter season concert performance '*Exotique*', exploring the cultural influence on the great German, French and Italian composers of the High Baroque period. Join Progetto Corelli in an afternoon pilgrimage of dazzling musical works in a sacred environment (and beautiful acoustic). Composers represented include Arcangelo Corelli, Joseph de Boismortier, Michel Corrette, Johann Sebastian Bach, Charles Dieupart and Tomaso Albinoni. Bookings not required.

Cost: Donation

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/ProgettoCorelliExotiqueConcert.pdf>



XAVIER SOCIAL JUSTICE NETWORK'S DARING TO BE DIFFERENT FORUM 2017

Tuesday 22 August, 7.30–9.30pm

Eldon Hogan Performing Arts Centre, Xavier College, 135 Barkers Road, Kew

The theme for this year's Daring to be Different forum is 'Dust on my shoes: accompanying others'. As a Jesuit novice master, Father Jorge Bergoglio (Pope Francis) was put in charge of a parish in a poor neighbourhood. He would send the young seminarians into the favelas to work with the poor. The further the seminarians ventured into the favelas and off the main roads, the more deprived conditions became. When they would return in the evening, Bergoglio would wait outside the seminary and look at each of their shoes. There are stories that if they weren't dusty enough, some seminarians would be sent back to try again. Come along and hear how this year's speakers got 'Dust on their shoes' and discover how you can do the same. Speakers this year are Dr John Falzon, Chief Executive Officer of the St Vincent Paul Society National Council of Australia; Lidia Thorpe, Chairperson of the Victorian NAIDOC Committee and honorary CEO of the Victorian Traditional Owner and Land Justice Group; and Chris Bailey (OX 2010), who walked from Mexico to Canada and raised \$100,000 to support a microfinancing scheme for women in India.

Cost: \$15, concession \$5

Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/QSAE>

Details: Bronwen Kellett, Xavier Social Justice Network Coordinator, on 0427 413 503 or Bronwen.Kellett@xavier.vic.edu.au

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/XavierDaringToBeDifferentForum.pdf>

BISHOP JOE GRECH MEMORIAL COLLOQUIUM

Thursday 24 August, 7pm

Philippa Brazill Lecture Theatre, Daniel Mannix Building, Australian Catholic University, 8–18 Brunswick Street, Fitzroy

This year, ACMRO and the ACU will co-host the annual Bishop Joe Grech Memorial Colloquium. The theme for the evening is 'Freedom of religion in a multi-religious society: the contribution of migration'. Speaking at the Colloquium are Archbishop Julian Porteous, Archbishop of Hobart, and Fr Fabio Baggio, Under-Secretary for the Migrants and Refugee Section of the Holy See.

Cost: Free

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ORGAN RECITAL: ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

Friday 25 August, 6.30pm

St Patrick's Cathedral, 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne

This outstanding hour of music in St Patrick's Cathedral will be played by visiting organist Markus Karas, the present day organist at the Bonn Minster in Germany. In addition to his prodigious work as a concert organist, both with Bonn Munster (since 1989) and elsewhere throughout Europe, Markus has won international acclaim as a composer of music for choir, piano and organ. In 1992 Markus also became the regional cantor of the entire Bonn deanery and has since then regularly conducted and played at the Bonn Beethovenfest. He has also taken on the musical direction of BonnSonata, Bonn's nationally and internationally highly acclaimed women's chamber choir. In the splendid acoustic of St Pat's, in addition to the music of Bruhns, Bartholdy, Cesar Franck and Messiaen, Markus will play several chorales, preludes and meditations of his own.

Cost: \$20

Details: Paul Taylor on 9926 5753 or paul.taylor@cam.org.au

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/MarkusKarasOrganRecital.pdf>



MARY MACKILLOP 2017 FUNDRAISING DINNER

Friday 25 August, 7pm

Mount St Joseph Girls' College, 133 Maidstone Street, Altona

The Mary MacKillop Foundation invites you, your friends and extended family to the 2017 MacKillop fundraising dinner, a wonderful night of fellowship, fun and solidarity with the foundation, which provides financial support for small, life-changing projects within Australia, both in the general community and, particularly, in partnership with indigenous Australians.

Cost: \$40 (3-course meal; BYO drinks)

Details and bookings: 9926 9300

RSVP: by Tuesday 18 August

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/MaryMacKillopAnnualDinner.pdf>

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER FORMATION DAY: THE JOY OF LOVE

Saturday 26 August, 3.30pm–10pm

St Anne's parish hall, 101 Riddell Road, Sunbury

You are warmly invited to attend this Worldwide Marriage Encounter formation afternoon and evening, to be presented by Helen and Leo and Father Doug. The afternoon will begin, rather than end, with afternoon tea, prior to the formation getting underway at 4pm. The event will continue at 5.30pm with a special Mass to celebrate Fr Doug's 50th anniversary of priesthood. Dinner will follow at 6.30pm. Childminding between 4pm and 5.50pm is also being proposed. Let the organisers know any needs in your RSVP. Music and dancing into the night with DJ will wrap up the evening.

Details, bookings and RSVP: by 22 August; Marianne & Marcel on mnmproductions@optusnet.com.au

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/MarriageEncounterFormation.pdf>

SEASON OF CREATION: A FOUR-WEEK REFLECTIVE SEMINAR

Wednesdays 30 August, 6, 13 and 20 September, 1.30–3.30pm

Campion Centre of Ignatian Spirituality, 99 Studley Park Road, Kew

Pope Francis has established the Season of Creation from 1 September to 4 October. It is a month whereby we are invited to reconsider our relationship with God's Creation, especially with the Earth. In these four sessions we look at Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato si'* (on care for our common home). This small group seminar, led by Peter Saunders, will prayerfully reflect on the encyclical and how it can apply to our lives.

Cost: \$25 per session

Details and bookings: 9854 8110 or secretary@campion.asn.au

Web: www.campion.asn.au/nature

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/SeasonOfCreationSeminar.pdf>



SEPTEMBER

FIRST SATURDAY DELIVERANCE RETREAT

Saturday 2 September, 9am–4.30pm

Salesian College Chapel, 10 Bosco Street, Chadstone

In addition to the Vincentian Retreat Centre's regular retreats every Saturday in the Salesian College chapel, every FIRST Saturday will now feature a full day 'Deliverance Retreat', during which there will be Rosary, praise and worship, talks, Holy Mass and Adoration, with healing prayers.

Details: Ramesh and Bernie at rbvm.546.samson@bigpond.com

NATIONAL PASTORAL LEADERS AND PLANNERS CONFERENCE: VINE AND BRANCHES

Monday 4 September to Thursday 7 September, Rydges on Swanston, 701 Swanston Street, Carlton

This conference will be an opportunity for clergy, pastoral associates and pastoral planners to reflect upon the signs of the times and move forward with hope. Keynote speakers and workshop presenters will consider the Church in Australia's secular context, wherein we encounter belief, unbelief, belonging, abandonment, rejection and credibility; grapple with the Church's tradition in light of our identity and within this secular culture; and imagine how we might respond anew and with integrity within these challenging times. Keynote Speakers:

Professor Richard Gaillardetz (USA) Dr Maeve Louise Heaney Geraldine Doogue Archbishop Mark Coleridge Hugh Mackay

Cost: \$420, including conference dinner. Please note: accommodation not included

Workshop details and registration: <https://nplpconference.wordpress.com/>

Details: Maria George (Association of Pastoral Associates) on 0409 792 168 or mgeorge@eskwparish.org

Fr Steven Rigo (Endorsed by the National Council of Priests) on 9435 1543 or steven.rigo@cam.org.au

Stephen Reid (National Pastoral Planners Network) on 9953 3457 or s.reid@pro.catholic.org

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REIMAGINING PARISH SERVICES EXPO

Saturday 9 September, 9am–1.15pm

Resurrection Parish, 51 Gum Road, Kings Park

Pope Francis says the parish is 'an environment for hearing God's word, for growth in the Christian life, for dialogue, proclamation, charitable outreach, worship and celebration'. Following very successful expos in Cheltenham and Montmorency, Catholic Social Services Victoria and Resurrection Parish, Kings Park invite you to the next Reimagining Parish Services Expo at Kings Park. The expos provide an opportunity for parish groups and Catholic agencies to meet, showcase their services and demonstrate how parishes and agencies are working together to build the Kingdom of God here in Melbourne.

Cost: \$20 (\$10 concession)

Details: Lucia Brick on 9287 5566 or lucia.brick@css.org.au

Registration: www.trybooking.com/QLGZ

RSVP: by Tuesday 5 September

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/ReimaginingParishServices9Sept.pdf>



WALKING WITH GOD IN NATURE: THE MERRI CREEK TRAIL

Saturday 9 September, 10am–4pm

The 'Being with God in Nature' Ministry Team invite you to join them for this walk with God along the Merri Creek trail. Meet at the Merri Table Café, Ceres Community Park, corner Roberts and Stewart Streets, Brunswick East, for this easy walk to Coburg and back.

Cost: \$35. BYO lunch.

Details and bookings: Campion Centre, Kew, on 9854 8110 or secretary@campion.asn.au or www.campion.asn.au/bookings

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/WalkingWithGodMerriCreek.pdf>

WASH AWAY THE WINTER BLUES: AN EVENING OF FUN AND FELLOWSHIP

Saturday 9 September, 7pm–midnight

Church of the Good Shepherd, 88 South Circular Road, Gladstone Park

Come along for a wonderful evening of fellowship, music and entertainment. Music on the night will be provided by Sam the Man, featuring hits of the 1960s–1980s. BYO drinks and eats, although limited numbers of biryani packs will be available on the night. Seating is limited to 130, on tables of 8 or 10, so get in early.

Cost: \$12

Details and bookings: Dalrene and Gary Pompeus on 9335 4742 or 0404 009 326

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/WashAwayTheWinterBlues.pdf>

ARCHBISHOP'S CATHOLIC MAN BREAKFAST SERIES

Thursday 14 September, 7–9am

CQ Club, 113–123 Queen Street, Melbourne

The Catholic Man Breakfast Series is an opportunity for men to gather and be encouraged and inspired in their faith. The event is hosted by His Grace Archbishop Denis Hart. This time we will hear Daniel Wells, 243 game player with North Melbourne, now playing with Collingwood after crossing as an unrestricted free agent at the end of last season. Hear Daniel tell his story as interviewed by John Canavan. As Daniel says, football is what he does. His faith is who he is!

Cost: \$45

Details and bookings: Michael Bohan on 0439 172 465 or michael.bohan@menalive.org.au

MASS FOR OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Sunday 17 September, 2.30pm

St Brigid's Church, Corner Nicholson Street and Alexandra Parade, North Fitzroy

The Servants of Mary (the Servites) invite you to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows with a program which includes the Servite Rosary, Mass, a procession and solemn Benediction. You are cordially invited to come along, to honour and pay your respects to Our Lady, for the sorrows she endured during her mortal life in order to bring about the redemption.

Details: 9347 8191

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/Mass4OurLadyOfSorrows.JPG>



SAVE THE DATE

ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Saturday 28 October, 2pm

St Brigid's, 378 Nicholson Street, North Fitzroy

Catholic Concern for Animals, Australia invites you to the 2017 Blessing of the Animals, with celebrant Bishop Hilton Deakin. The ceremony takes place on St Brigid's front lawn. Come with or without your pet animal (under due control). If there is rain, the service will go ahead under cover. There's plenty of parking. Refreshments will follow.

Cost: Free

Details: johndrennan1934@yahoo.com

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/BlessingsOfTheAnimals.pdf>

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL: REGISTRATIONS OPEN

The Australian Catholic Youth Festival will be held in Sydney this year, from Thursday 7 December to Saturday 9 December. This year's Festival will welcome over 15,000 young people and will include bishops and Catholic speakers from around Australia, along with international guests, including possibly the world's most popular Christian musician, Matt Maher. Early bird registrations are now open. Don't miss out!

Details: <http://www.cam.org.au/youth/ACYF-2017/Overview>

Register: <http://www.youthfestival.catholic.org.au/register>

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<http://www.cam.org.au/portals/0/2017/ParishUpdateFlyers/PU28/AustralianCatholicYouthFestival2017.pdf>

GRIEF TO GRACE: HEALING THE WOUNDS OF ABUSE

Sunday 8 to Friday 13 April 2018, Hobart, Tasmania

'Grief to grace: Healing the wounds of abuse' is a spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held in Hobart next April.

Details: Request an application from Anne on 0407 704 539 or info@griegtograces.org.au

Website: www.griegtograces.org

GENERAL NOTICES

CHILD SAFE ENVIRONMENT DIRECT TRAINING: BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

A Child Safe and Child Friendly culture is one in which awareness is maximised and risk minimised. As champions of this culture, all parish staff, leaders, volunteers, priests and deacons should attend the Direct Training sessions. As part of the Archdiocese commitment to creating and maintaining a child safe environment, CatholicCare over the past 2 months has been conducting Child Safe Environment Train the Trainer sessions. Now, bookings for the 20 Direct Training sessions are open. These sessions will run for 2.5 hours in 20 locations across Melbourne and Geelong. They will focus on child safety and the Victorian standards and legislative requirements.

Bookings: www.ccam.org.au/childsafes

Details: CatholicCare on 9287 5555



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