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BULLETIN NOTICES

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RSVP details are essential for adequate catering, seating, handouts etc. We ask that details are kept in notices where included.

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Last Week to Register	Growing Good Men Father and Teenage Son Weekend Experience 25–27 October 2024 Cataract Activity Centre, Appin	
	One of the most important influences in the lives of men is the relationship they had with their father or significant father figure. The encouragement and affirmation that this relationship could, and should, provide, is a key ingredient for how young men view themselves and embrace their faith and gifts as they take their place in the world. Don't miss this life-changing father and son weekend! Spots are limited to just 25 fathers with their sons aged between 12 and 17 years. This is a unique opportunity for dads and their sons to embark on a quest of discovery with Robert Falzon and the team from menALIVE. Register online: https://dow.sh/ggm24	
NEW	Come & See, Go & Make Formation Pathway NOVEMBER REGISTRATION OPEN Campbelltown Tuesday 12 November 7 – 9:30pm Wollongong & Zoom Wednesday, 13 November 7-9:30pm "Principles & Foundations of Come & See, Go & Make" (Module 107). Exploring the three foundations and ten principles of the vision for parishes, understanding a "values" approach to renewal, and making decisions through our values. Register today @ dow.sh/nov2024	

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NEW	Mission Sunday Appeal – Catholic Mission This week, you're invited to partner with the Church in Mongolia to help deliver essential services to people who need it most. Lack of access and social stigma mean that some of the most vulnerable people are not getting the support they require. The House of Mercy will provide a haven for many people, including those affected by homelessness and domestic violence. Without your partnership, people in need will go without the assistance they require. During World Mission Sunday, we are called to "Invite others to the banquet", and we invite you to share the warmth of God's love with our	catholicmission. org.au/mongoli a
	You can support this work by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/mongolia . Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world. Freecall: 1800 257 296	
UPDATED	The Third Week of the Synod Assembly Participants will conclude discussions on the "Pathways" section on Monday, 14 October. From 15–18 October, they will focus on the "Places" section. The Instrumentum Laboris is available at: catholic.org.au/synodalchurch . Theological-Pastoral Fora: on Wednesday, 16 October, the two topics being discussed this Wednesday are 'The mutual relationship Local Church — Universal Church' and 'The exercise of Primacy and the Synod of Bishops'. The fora will be live-streamed via the Vatican news service: YouTube link.	
NEW	Interested in growing your capacity to be fully present to others? An Introductory 40 Hour Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) course is being offered face to face or online via Zoom and would be suitable for kind and caring people wanting to learn more about providing holistic spiritual and pastoral care to patients in hospital, residents in aged care facilities, attendees at school or people in the parish. Applications are currently being taken for this 40 hour course commencing on Tuesday 4 February, 2025, comprising 6 sessions ending on the 11 March, 2025. Times are 9.30 am to 4 pm. Dates are 4,11,18,25 February and 4,11 March 2025. For more information about this course and future courses please contact Carmen Karauda at ckarauda@gmail.com or phone: 0419 430 676	

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NEW	CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION (CPE) 400 HOUR FOUNDATIONAL UNIT Are you interested in: • Growing in knowledge, understanding and developing skills that will enable you to offer effective pastoral and spiritual care. • Deeping your awareness of God's presence in your life and of people's needs, hopes and concerns during times of illness • Becoming more aware of your own values, attitudes and assumptions. CPE Foundational Unit will be offered as an extended, part-time combined face to face and on-line course, conducted two days a month Tuesdays and Wednesday from Tuesday 18 March to Wednesday 12 November 2025. Assistance with pastoral placement is available. Please contact Carmen Karauda at ckarauda@gmail.com or Phone: 0419 430 676 for more information and/or application form. Applications are now open. Please apply early. Applications close 24 January 2025.	
Continuing	Become more like the man you were made to be. REDEEMED is a conference dedicated to fostering spiritual growth, strength, and a supportive brotherhood, empowering men to lead with grace and conviction in their lives and communities. Don't miss out! Spots are limited. First class speakers - Fellowship with other like-minded young men - Hiking - Rafting - Prayer - Formation – Bonfire Date: 1 – 3 November Where: 71 Ryans Lane, Fitzroy Falls Cost: \$250 (including catering and accommodation) Information and tickets at https://www.redeemconf.com/	
NEW each week	The Journey, 20 October – Your Diocesan Weekly Podcast On The Journey This Week: Fr Brian Lucas on service and compassion for World Mission Sunday. Mother Hilda's story on the power of prayer and forgiveness in difficult situations. Plus, Fr Tony Percy, Pete Gilmore, and Fr Mike Delaney. The Journey podcast available at www.jcr.org.au . (Note to Parish Secretaries: Attached is a jpg file or click to download the file for parishes to display on their digital screen)	www.jcr.org.au. Click to download jpg file

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Continuing	Cross + Generation Technology Program This program is a partnership between CatholicCare, Catholic Education DoW, Corpus Christi (Oak Flats) and Holy Spirit College (Bellambi). The program pairs students with seniors to assist you with technology. Bring in your device, either your phone, laptop or tablet and the students will assist you with becoming more confident and familiar with downloading apps, sending messages, using google maps or other help you may need. Refreshments will be provided at each session. AVAILABLE SESSIONS: Corpus Christi, Oak Flats Friday 25 October 11am-1.30pm Friday 8 November 11am-1.30pm Friday 22 November 11am-1.30pm Friday 6 December 11am-1.30pm Holy Spirit College, Bellambi Thursday 7 November 10am-11am Thursday 7 November 10am-11am Thursday 5 December 10am-11am Thursday 5 December 10am-11am Thursday 6 December 10am-11am Thursday 7 November 10am-11am Thursday 7 November 10am-11am Chase join us in this unique opportunity to connect with seniors, and students for some information sharing in a fun relaxed setting here at the high school. Places will fill quickly, so please contact Jane Hollier Parish and Community Officer CatholicCare on 0417018152 or janeh@catholiccare.dow.org.au	
Continuing	A Jubilee Year 2025 Pilgrimage to Rome & Krakow with Fr Marek Dutkiewicz Departing Thursday 01 May 2025 and returning on 13 May 2025 Pilgrimage Itinerary (10 Nights/13 Days) Cost: \$10,690.00 per person/twin room basis Single Room Supplement = \$2,250.00 per person. Please refer to the flyer for full itinerary and inclusions. For more information, please contact St Paul's Moss Vale Parish office on (02) 4868 1931	Click to download flyer
NEW each week	A vocation view Greatness in the Kingdom is found not in ruling and lordship, but in service. Daily, we must put the needs of the other before our own. (Mark 10:35-45) If you want to talk about your vocation, please contact the diocesan vocations director, Fr Duane Fernandez at vocations@dow.org.au	

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Continuing	Want Netflix for Catholics? Get 'FORMED' Free for DoW Parishioners Join hundreds of other families around the Diocese of Wollongong in nurturing your faith at home, in your own time and at your own pace? FORMED is a fantastic Faith Formation Resource library website containing thousands of faith formation documentaries, courses, movies, audio, and books covering all aspects of our Catholic faith. Materials for both adults and children. To register for FORMED: Go to www.formed.org Click 'Formed for Individuals' button. Enter your email address. Submit. Type 'Wollongong' into the box. Then click the Diocese's name and address (38 Harbour St) which will appear. Click Next. Enter your name and email address. You'll get a confirmation email asking you to sign in and then follow the prompts.	
NEW each week	Social Justice Points In Laudato Si', I offered a brief resumé of the technocratic paradigm underlying the current process of environmental decay. It is "a certain way of understanding human life and activity [that] has gone awry, to the serious detriment of the world around us". Deep down, it consists in thinking "as if reality, goodness and truth automatically flow from technological and economic power as such". As a logical consequence, it then becomes easy "to accept the idea of infinite or unlimited growth, which proves so attractive to economists, financiers and experts in technology". In recent years, we have been able to confirm this diagnosis, even as we have witnessed a new advance of the above paradigm. Artificial intelligence and the latest technological innovations start with the notion of a human being with no limits, whose abilities and possibilities can be infinitely expanded thanks to technology. In this way, the technocratic paradigm monstrously feeds upon itself. - Laudate Deum – Pope Francis - To All People of Good Will on The Climate Crisis	
Continuing	Get Connected with what is on around the Diocese Every week, there are many great opportunities to be part of special events, courses, free resources and to nurture and encourage you and your family in your faith. Stay informed by subscribing at dow.sh/stayingconnected or visit dow.sh/weeklybulletin to see a full list of notices sent to Parishes weekly.	

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Continuing	Catholic Bible Study Thursdays, 7:30-9pm* Xavier Centre, Conference Rooms (behind the Cathedral in Wollongong)	
	Come and explore the Bible with the mind and heart of the Church in an open and friendly environment. All are welcome. Contact Tom Kadmon 0413 927 086 * Thursdays during school term	
Continuing	The Chosen – A TV Series about Jesus – Season 4	
	The Chosen is a new 'free to view', series, now in its fourth season, that beautifully and creatively presents the life of Christ and his followers. The shows are of the highest quality,	
	and it continues to receiving acclaim around the world across denominations. Go to watch.thechosen.tv to watch on your own, or better still with family and friends or as a parish!	
Continuing	Want your community to grow? Try Faith Circles	
	Faith Circles is a weekly resource to help individuals but mainly small groups to come together in Parishes. In doing so it assists in the development of faith and community, a strong desire expressed in our Diocesan feedback from the National Church Life Survey. The weekly Faith Circles resource is available for free to download. It is easy to use with simple questions and prayer points. It is available to download at www.dow.org.au/media-resources/faith-circles/ or have it sent to you each month via email subscription.	
Continuing	An invitation to join electronic parish planned giving from your Parish Finance Council	
	An electronic regular gift provides many benefits. You will find it a secure, convenient and efficient way to regularly support your parish, while also reducing our administration costs. It will also help us to confidently forecast and plan, as we know that we can rely on your support. You can increase, decrease, discontinue or restart your monthly gift at any time. Please visit https://www.dow.org.au/giving2/parishgiving/ to learn of the four simple ways you can support our parish electronically.	

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	The Church has been present at most of the important milestones in your life: your Baptism, your First Holy Communion, at times of great celebration and at times of great sadness. Its many ministries are far-reaching, life-giving and life-saving.	
	By leaving a gift to the Church in your will, you will be leaving a legacy of faith to help ensure that the mission and pastoral outreach that has been important to you will continue, both for today's needs, and for those of our children, our grandchildren and beyond.	
	For information about leaving a gift in your will to your local parish or a ministry of the Church, please visit dow.sh/legacy, call the diocesan representative on 4222 2446, or scan the QR code here	
	(Note to Parish Secretaries: To access this image <u>click here</u>)	
Continuing	CAtHFAMILY CAtHFAMILY brings you a selection of activities, prayer rituals, crafts, and recipes from their website to assist parents and grandparents in being the first educators in faith for their kids. Don't miss CathKids https://cathfamily.org/cathkids-faith-unlimited/	
Continuing	Go Deeper in your Faith with popular & FREE Catholic Podcasts	
	• Bible in a Year Ascension Press will again run the Catholic Bible in a Year Podcast featuring Fr Mike Schmitz and Jeff Cavins in 2024. It remains one of the world's leading podcasts with over 400 million downloads. While a new podcast is released daily, you can do it at your own pace signing up at www.ascensionpress.com/biy and it's not too late to catch up or simply work through at your own pace.	
	• Catechism in a Year This year, Ascension Press will also again run the Catechism in a Year podcast which will slowly and prayerfully read through and break open the Catechism over 365 days. It's not too late to catch up, and the daily podcasts can be listened to at your own pace. It is available at www.ascensionpress.com/ciy	

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Continuing	Men's Rosary Group – an Invitation to all Men Men from the Parish of Rosemeadow invite other men from around the Diocese to join with them on the last Tuesday of the Month to pray the Rosary, commencing at 7pm in Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church, Rosemeadow. Such men's groups are, at this time, springing up around the world to honour Our Lady and to pray for the Church and the World. Mass is celebrated at 6.30pm on Tuesday evening's and you are welcome to also attend this prior to the Rosary if you wish. For more information, please contact David at djbarrett85@gmail.com or phone: 0410 487 630.	
Continuing	Cathedral Books & Gifts Wollongong Cathedral Books & Gifts shop has a wide range of gifts for Baptism, Communion, Confirmation, Missals, books, rosaries, medals, statues, plaques, cards for various occasions, holy cards etc. Operating hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 10am – 2pm Entry via 38 Harbour Street, Wollongong. For any enquiries, please contact 4222 2484.	
Continuing	menALIVE's — reFUEL Weekly Sharing and Journaling Sessions—Every Tuesday 7.30pm reFUEL is a weekly hour-long gathering of men every Tuesday evening on Zoom providing the chance to: break open the Sunday reading using a Lectio Divina style exercise "catch up" with great men from across Australia and New Zealand; gain strength and inspiration by the witness of other men and pray as a group for individual needs and the needs of others. Join via this link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88436558468	