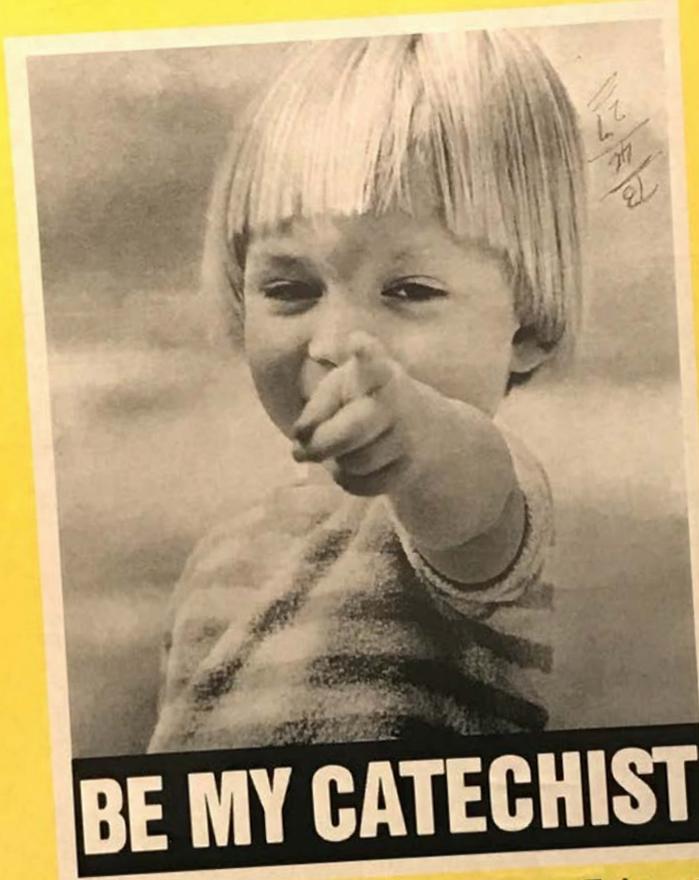


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CATECHIST NEWSLETTER

Welcome to TERM 3, 2019

Thank you for your faithful service to our Parish children in public schools.

All Catechists, family members and friends are welcome to celebrate the annual Catechist Mass in the Cathedral, 2.00pm-3.30pm Sunday 29th September, with Bishop Tony Randazzo, Very Rev Michael McLean, Episcopal Vicar for Education. See page 19 for training and long service awardees.

This newsletter offers a few quick classroom tips. Please be assured that you can call upon the CCD team to discuss "tips & tactics" and in-class support any time. We are also continually updating our training courses to meet emerging needs.

I highly recommend attending ongoing/refresher training. We enjoy the fraternity of other Catechists in sharing what works. This is how the Confraternity (Con/With-frati/brethren) has handed on tried and tested Catechist toolbox tips for 483 years now.

Next year marks the 60th Anniversary of CCD (in Australia) providing training courses and curriculum. Some Catechists have requested CCD leads a Diamond Jubilee Holy Land pilgrimage. See page 9-12 for details.

May you continue to delight with your students in teaching the approved curriculum, *Christ our*



Light and Life, and be blessed as you are sent forth from your Sunday Masses to gather our children in Jesus' name.

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Classroom Management Tips

The most common question heard from catechists is, "How do I manage classroom behaviour?"

For some of your students their only experience of the Catholic faith might be attending the SRE lesson in your class. If this becomes a negative experience, they may form a negative image of God.

Remember, good discipline is positive guidance towards right behaviour, which is more effective than punishment for wrong behaviour. Model gentleness and use a firm tone only when necessary.

Here are 10 helpful tips:

- 1.** Be well prepared and organised. Read your teacher's manual. Part of classroom management is knowing exactly what you are teaching.
- 2.** Gain the attention of the whole class before giving instructions. Some suggestions include, ringing a bell, clapping hands, and hands on heads.
- 3.** Know students by name and use their name when praising or correcting behaviour.
- 4.** Reinforce good behaviour. Give praise as frequently as possible. You might say, "Amy, thank you for being a great listener," or "Jack, I'm delighted to see you working so well today."
- 5.** Keep students involved. You do not have time to do everything. Find a task that the students can do regularly like handing out books, setting up



the prayer place, helping with technology or collecting books at the end of the lesson.

6. Stay on the move by circulating around the room frequently to avert potential behaviour problems.
7. Use simple visual or verbal cues when misbehaviour occurs. Make eye contact to convey to the student that the misbehaviour was not totally overlooked. If practicable, you may choose to walk over to where the misbehaving student/s are seated and teach from there momentarily.
8. Intervene as soon as possible in order to prevent a misbehaviour from occurring. You might say, "Sam, may I help you with your work?"
9. AVOID being overly strict for minor discipline problems such as wavering attention, distractions and chatting. Instead, remind the students of the expectations (rules) and procedures of the classroom.
10. Develop a system for handing out books and marking the roll.

Tips for Marking the Roll

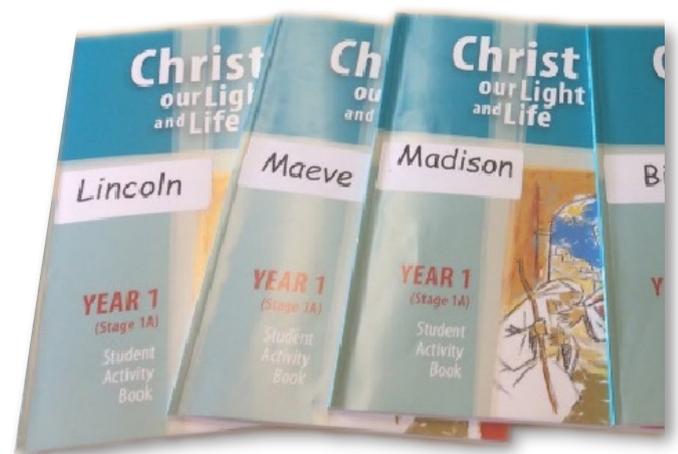
Once you are familiar with the students in your class, the following tips can be applied to save lesson time:

- ✓ Rather than calling out the roll, count the students when you first arrive and then ask who is missing.
- ✓ After you have handed out the activity books, see which books are left over and use that as a reference for marking absent students.
- ✓ As students are busily working, quietly mark the roll by seeing who is present and who is absent.



Tips for Handing out Books

- ✓ Depending on class size, nominate 1-3 students to be in charge of handing out the activity books. These same students will be responsible for the whole term. New students can be chosen each term. This can be applied to Years 2-6.
- ✓ The picture shows how one catechist organises the activity books. When the students first arrive, one student gets the activity books and places them on a table with the names showing. This allows the catechist to start the prayer and lesson. Then, when it is time to use the activity books, the students can easily find their book and any left-over are the students who are absent.





Pope Saint Pius X reminds us ...“The Church has cultivated and fostered the progress of the arts unceasingly, admitting to the service of religion all things good and beautiful that human talent has produced, down through the ages” (*Motu Proprio, Tra Le Sollecitudini* Instruction on Sacred Music, 1903. Paragraph n. 5.)

For hundreds of years, the Church used painting, sculpture, stained glass, and sacred architecture to inspire and instruct. The role of the arts in supporting these functions was crucial in times when vast numbers of people were illiterate.

During Term 3, catechists teaching Years 5 & 6 SRE are encouraged to explore Christmas Gospel passages from St Luke or St Matthew with their students. This is an opportunity to reflect on the Christmas Story without all the commercialism. Using a modified *Lectio Divina* technique the students reflect and then write a short reflection on the chosen passage. Students are then encouraged to use art as medium to express this reflection. Any of these texts can be used.

YEAR 5

'Journey to Bethlehem' (Luke 2: 3-5)

'Prepare the Way' (Isaiah 40: 3-5)

'The Birth of Jesus and the Visit of the Shepherds' (Luke 2: 9-14)

'The Birth of Jesus and Visit of the Magi' (Matthew 1: 18-25, Matthew 2: 9-12)

YEAR 6

'Journey to Bethlehem' (Luke 2: 3-5)

'The Annunciation' (Luke 1: 26-36)

'The Flight to Egypt' (Matthew 2: 13-15)

'The Birth of Jesus and Visit of the Magi' (Matthew 1: 18-25, Matthew 2: 9-12)

Each year we receive over 100 entries for this competition from students in our public schools. Ten of these entries are then chosen to be part of the Christmas Story Art Exhibition. Artworks are judged both on their artistic merit and on the artist's original personal self-reflection of the chosen Scripture.

This competition is open to all Year 5 & Year 6 students who attend Catholic SRE. Artwork can be prepared on A3 cartridge paper 110gsm in landscape or portrait mode. There is no need to frame or laminate these artworks. Each artwork must have the student's reflection on the scripture passage attached. These artworks will be judged in **Week 1 Term 4**.

We also need the following information:

- Child's full name and age
- School's full name and suburb
- Child's year
- Artwork title

The artworks should be sent or hand delivered by Friday 27 September to:

- Your Area Faith Education Officer (FEO), or
- CCD City Office, 6th Floor, Polding Centre or
- Miranda CCD Office, 50 Kiora Road Miranda



Christmas Story Art and Reflection in the Classroom

Lectio Divina, divine reading, is a form of prayer that involves four stages.

St. Francis of Assisi and St. Ignatius of Loyola recommend a form of meditation wherein the person praying imagines him or herself immersed in the scene:

How does the overall impression make you feel?

What are your senses (sight, hearing, smell) telling you?

We need to help the student see how the Christmas Story is relevant and personal to their lives. We need to help them encounter Christ in some way or at least recognise that Christ has something he wants to say to us through this text. You could use this modified form of *Lectio Divina* over four lessons to help your students produce a reflection and artwork. Please contact your FEO should you require any further information or assistance with the Christmas Art lessons.

Lectio (Listen): Students are invited to listen to the passage with the ear of the heart and let the words sink in deeply. *What do we know/learn from this passage?*

Mediatito (Reflect): Students are invited to reflect on the passage paying attention to how it speaks to them personally. There may be a word or phrase that stays with them. How does this relate to me? According to Pope Benedict XVI, meditation during *Lectio Divina* seeks to answer, *“What does this say to me, today, and to my life?”*

Oratio (Respond): Students are invited to respond through a short passage about their personal connection with the Scripture and what they then chose to draw. Guiding students through filling out a ‘Think Chart’ (below) helps them to write about what they believe.

Contemplatio (Contemplation): This is the artwork stage. Contemplation is a gift from God. The minds and hearts of students may be inspired to see the deeper meaning of the Scripture and to create beautiful art, which becomes an avenue of grace.

THINK CHART				
ITEM	WHAT?	Personal	Scriptural	Artistic
Subject Matter	Scripture	<i>How does your choice of subject matter relate to your family, culture, an event or experience in your life?</i>	<i>In what ways does the chosen scripture deepen your faith, stimulate your imagination, or lead you to reflection and prayer?</i>	<i>Is your work an appropriation of, or inspired by another artist’s work, or your original work? What is your style, media and intention?</i>

Encourage students to include authentic imagery from the Holy Land reflecting on the historical and spiritual dimensions of the Christmas Story. Through their artwork and writing, our artistically and spiritually gifted students shine a light on the future possibilities for our world and our faith.

Below are examples of students' artworks and reflections:

"I wanted to show the great distance that Mary and Joseph had to travel to reach the little town of Bethlehem, so I wrote the names of some significant places along the way. The journey reminded me of our journey through Advent that leads to the baby Jesus in the Manger in Bethlehem."

"I have chosen to do a picture of a star with the Holy family in the star to represent Jesus as the Light of the World. The Magi and Shepherd are going to visit the King, Jesus. I did a washed-out watercolour background with some bright, white stars. My interpretation of this drawing is to show that Jesus is the Light of the World."

"The birth of Jesus to me is the birth of LOVE, JOY, PEACE and HOPE to the whole world. With Jesus' humble birth I understand that humbleness in a person can help them to share the love, peace and joy of Christ with everyone around them. There are no facial features in my artwork because the features may resemble one particular group of people. My thought is that every person can look at the Holy Family as being a part of their own community, this way the birth of Christ is not limited to one group of people but for the entire universe."

"My artwork is about the birth of Jesus and how the stars were shining above him when this miracle of Jesus happened. I have used soft pastels and crayons to make it seem very peaceful and happy. It is based on Matthew 2: 7-12. Mary is shown contemplating Jesus, her new baby and in the background there are the gifts of the Magi. These represent the first Christmas gifts. I included the praying hands because my scripture teacher tells us that the best gift we can give Jesus is prayer."



We begin our journey at the Crossroads...

In today's world, many are the voices that call out to us in all directions. How do we discern the Lord's voice and choose the surest path? Faith Time is an opportunity to come together and receive relevant faith formation topics, to pray and share together ... to be inspired! Priests will be available for Confession. Food and drinks too will be available for purchase.

The setting will take place in a beautiful and relaxed atmosphere at:

Crossroads Hotel

Hume Hwy & Camden Valley Way, Casula NSW 2170

10:30-12:30pm

Friday 6 September 2019

RSVP: teresa.culjak@ccdsydney.catholic.edu.au

We live in a self-centered culture that all too often leaves us feeling empty and dissatisfied. A fuller view of God and His glory is the perfect antidote. Please join us as we embark on this journey at Crossroads. Friends and family are welcome.

Catechist Gathering

Topic 1: Preparing for Christmas Lessons

Topic 2: Special Needs Children

- how to cater for them in your SRE class

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MEAL CODES:

(B) = Breakfast (L) = Lunch (D) = Dinner

DAY 1: SAT 16TH MAY 2020 – DEPART FOR JORDAN

DAY 2: SUN 17TH MAY – ARRIVE AMMAN - MT NEBO - DEAD SEA

Theme: Glimpsing the Promised Land

Arrive today into Jordan's capital Amman. Travel west by coach to ascend Biblical Mt Nebo for a spectacular opening Mass. Here, at the site where the Old Testament opened its door to the land of the New, Moses looked over into the Promised Land and blessed Joshua who was to lead the Israelites under God's protection (Joshua 1:6-9). Also see the stunning collection of Byzantine mosaics preserved within the shrine.

His Holiness Benedict XVI, on his pilgrimage to the Holy Land in 2009, said this while here on Mt Nebo: "Here, on the heights of Mount Nebo, the memory of Moses invites us to 'lift up our eyes' to embrace with gratitude not only God's mighty works in the past, but also to look with faith and hope to the future which he holds out to us and to our world." We too can seize this opportunity to thank God for our journey as we anticipate the blessings to come in the days that follow.

We continue to our hotel on the shores of the Dead Sea. Here we will unwind and take the ideal opportunity to float in the salty waters said to have healing qualities.

Dead Sea overnight (D)

DAY 3: MON 18TH MAY – DEAD SEA TO BETHLEHEM

We make a visit to **Bethany Beyond the Jordan**, one of the most recent archaeological and religious discoveries. The five springs here form a tributary of the Jordan River, believed to be the **Baptismal site of Jesus** by John the Baptist.

We then cross the border into the Holy Land of Israel known as the land of the "fifth Gospel". Continue to **Bethlehem**, the City of David.

Bethlehem overnight (BD)

DAY 4: TUE 19TH MAY – BETHLEHEM

Theme: The Birth of Jesus

We firstly travel out to **Ein Karem**, the birthplace of St John the Baptist and **Church of the Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth** "Why should I be honoured with a visit from the mother of my Lord?" (Lk 1:43). Pilgrims may choose to pray a mystery of the Rosary here as we walk up to this church dedicated to 'The Magnificat' – 'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord' (Lk 1:46). From here we come to the **Church of St John the Baptist**, built over a natural grotto

identified as the saint's actual birthplace.

Continue to **Shepherd's Field** to celebrate Mass in a local cave to commemorate the appearance of the angels to the shepherds on that first Christmas night (Lk 2:8-16).

Our day will culminate at the **Church of the Nativity**, the oldest complete church in the Christian world (6th century) and birthplace of Jesus. Bow low and enter the grotto through the Door of Humility as we descend to the **Holy Manger** where a silver star in the floor marks the actual spot where Jesus was born. The star's inscription reads in Latin: Hic de Virgine Maria Jesus Christus Natus Est (Here of the Virgin Mary Jesus Christ was born).

We will then visit the **Milk Grotto**, under the custody of the Franciscans in the Holy Land. The legend recalls how Mary spilt some milk while breast feeding baby Jesus in the cave and this is the reason for the "white" stone of the cave. Tradition also tells us that this site is the burial place of the innocent victims killed by Herod the Great after the birth of Jesus.

Bethlehem overnight (BD)

DAY 5: WED 20TH MAY – VIA NAZARETH TO GALILEE

Theme: The Formative Years of Jesus

We depart Bethlehem and journey north to **Nazareth**, the town of Jesus' childhood. Explore nearby **Nazareth Village**, an authentic non-profit re-creation of the village life of Nazareth as in the days of Jesus. Here we will take a parable-rich walk back in time along the path which brings to life the environment and atmosphere which shaped Jesus' early years and ministry. Complete our memorable visit with a fascinating **first-century meal** in a stone-dining area typical of the days of Christ.

Back in Nazareth township we enter inside the **Basilica of the Annunciation** where a traditional cave becomes the focal point as we ponder Mary's response "Let it be done to me according to thy word" (Luke 1:38). After celebrating Mass, we will visit the nearby **Church of St Joseph**.

Travel on to our hotel on the shores of **Lake Galilee ... "Go to Galilee and you will find him there"** (Mt 28:7).

Sea of Galilee overnight (BLD)

DAY 6: THU 21ST MAY – CAESAREA PHILIPPI, CANA & MT TABOR

Theme: The Transfiguration

Travel north this morning to **Caesarea Philippi** near the base of **Mt Hermon**, where the springs of **Banias** form the source of the Jordan River. In

this tranquil place Jesus spent some quiet time with his disciples and later commissioned Peter "And I tell you, you are Peter and on this Rock I will build my church" (Mt 16:13).

We then come to the village of **Cana** where Jesus, at the request of His Mother, performed his first miracle transforming the water into wine at the wedding feast (Jn 2:1-11). Here, married couples may take the opportunity to renew their wedding vows, and single and widowed pilgrims will receive a special blessing.

Proceed to the foot of **Mt Tabor** before ascending by taxis up the narrow winding road leading to the majestic summit. Here Our Lord's divinity shone forth in the **Transfiguration** (Mt 17:1-2). After Mass in this breathtaking setting we will better understand Peter's words 'Lord it is good for us to be here'.

We then return to our hotel before dinner.

Sea of Galilee overnight (BD)

DAY 7: FRI 22ND MAY – SEA OF GALILEE

Theme: The Public Ministry of Jesus

Our spectacular day of pilgrimage begins at **Capernaum**, the once fishing village of the first apostles Peter, Andrew, James & John which also became the home town of Jesus and the scene of many of his miracles. Here he worshipped and taught in the synagogue where he promised the Eucharist by saying: 'I am the bread of life ... unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you' (John 6:48-53).

Continue to **Nof Ginosar Kibbutz**, within which is preserved the **1st century 'Jesus boat'** painstakingly raised and restored from the muddy lakebed in 1986.

Set off from here on a traditional sailing vessel for a spectacular Harvest highlight – a private Mass floating in the centre of **Lake Galilee**. Here we will recall the miracles of Jesus calming the storm and appearing to the apostles walking on this very water.

Continue back to the shore to enjoy a traditional 'St Peter's fish' lunch to commemorate our Galilee experience.

By the shores of the lake we come to **Tabgha** - site of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes (Mt 14:20), and **Church of Primacy of Peter**. Here Jesus challenged Peter and each one of us 'Do you really love me, feed my sheep'.

Sea of Galilee overnight (BLD)

DAY 8: SAT 23RD MAY – VIA MT CARMEL & CAESAREA MARITIMA TO JERUSALEM

Theme: The Beatitudes

Ascend the **Mount of Beatitudes** for Mass as



Garden of Gethsemane



Lake Galilee

we take time in this special place to ponder Jesus' message of happiness – the Sermon on the Mount (Mt 5:1-12). Surrounded by prayerful gardens overlooking the north western shore of Lake Galilee, the eight sides of the church represent the eight beatitudes given by Jesus. We then farewell Lake Galilee as we travel west to the Stella Maris Monastery at **Mount Carmel**. In the lower cave, Elijah was said to have meditated on his victory over the false prophets of Baal (1 Kings 18:1-40).

Journey south to the crusader port of **Caesarea Maritima**, built by Herod the Great. The centurion Cornelius was baptized here by Peter, becoming the first gentile convert to Christianity (Acts 10). Also see the harbour from which St Paul was taken to Rome.

Finally, we journey on and up to **Jerusalem** – the City of our God.

Jerusalem overnight (BD)

DAY 9: SUN 24TH MAY – JERUSALEM

Theme: The Agony in the Garden

Begin our Jerusalem pilgrimage as we proceed up to the **Mt of Olives** to visit the '**Pater Noster Church** where Jesus taught His disciples the Lord's Prayer (Mt 6:7-15). Enjoy a panoramic view and photographic opportunity over the city. View also the **Ascension Dome** believed to mark the place where Our Lord ascended into heaven. The small round building contains a stone imprinted with what is said to be the footprint of Jesus.

Walk down the Palm Sunday Road as pilgrims to the **Garden of Gethsemane**, where we will enter the **Church of the Agony** containing the rock upon which Jesus is said to have prayed before his arrest. Here we will celebrate our group Mass. Prepare then for a memorable pilgrim highlight as we move to the **private garden for a secluded time of prayer** and reflection surrounded by ancient olive trees.

Visit the **Israel Museum** for a fascinating outdoor orientation viewing of the **Second Temple Scale Model of Jerusalem** as it was in the time of Jesus. In the adjacent **Shrine of the Book Museum** we view the Dead Sea Scrolls with our own eyes.

Jerusalem overnight (BD)

DAY 10: MON 25TH MAY – JERUSALEM

Theme: The Passion of Jesus

Today we come to Mt Zion to the house of the High Priest Caiaphas and into the **Church of St Peter in Gallicantu** commemorating Peter's triple denial of Jesus. On its roof rises a golden rooster atop a black cross recalling Christ's

prophecy that Peter would deny him three times 'before the cock crows'.

Enter the **Cenacle room of the Last Supper** (Upper Room) where we commemorate the institution of the Eucharist and the later descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. After Mass and time here to sit and reflect we will continue to the **Church of the Dormition** identified as the place where the Virgin Mary died or 'fell asleep' as the name suggests.

Return to the Mount of Olives to visit the **Domus Flevit Church**, built on the site where Jesus wept over Jerusalem (Lk 19:41-44).

Enjoy the remainder of the afternoon at leisure.

Jerusalem overnight (BD)

DAY 11: TUE 26TH MAY – JERUSALEM

Theme: The Death & Resurrection of Jesus

Arise very early this morning as we return to the Old City of Jerusalem to commence our **Stations of the Cross**, beginning from the **Antonia Fortress** where Jesus was condemned to death. We pray and follow in Our Lord's footsteps along the actual **Via Dolorosa** to culminate at the site of **Calvary** where we will celebrate Mass here in the **Church of the Holy Sepulchre**. Walk the stairway climbing to the actual site where the Cross of Jesus once stood. The glass panels reveal the natural rock below which we may come to touch with our pilgrim hands. Also enter the **Tomb of Christ**, the site believed to be where Our Lord lay buried for three days before rising from the dead.

After breakfast back at our hotel we re-enter the Old City precinct to the **Church of St Anne**, said to be built over the birthplace of the Virgin Mary. Continue to the adjacent **Pool of Bethesda** where Jesus healed the paralysed man (Jn 5:2-9). See the **Lithostrotos (pavement)** in the Ecce Homo convent and the **Flagellation and Condemnation Chapels** which so vividly commemorate the last hours of Jesus' life. We then come to the vicinity of the **Temple Mount** to view the **Dome of the Rock**, **El Aqsa Mosque** and the **Western Wall** (once known as the Wailing Wall).

Enjoy the remainder of the afternoon at leisure.

After dinner we will gather for a Group Reflection, reflecting upon the past special days of pilgrimage.

Jerusalem overnight (BD)

DAY 12: WED 27TH MAY – DEPART HOLY LAND

We farewell Jerusalem this morning as we are transferred back to Amman airport for our flight connections home. (B).

DAY 13: THU 28TH MAY – ARRIVE AUSTRALIA

ROME EXTENSION 5-NIGHT POST TOUR OPTION

DAY 12: WED 27TH MAY – FLY TO ITALY

We farewell Jerusalem this morning as we are transferred to Tel Aviv airport for our flight connections to Italy. On arrival at **Rome** airport we will be met and transferred to our centrally located accommodation.

Rome overnight (BD)

DAY 13: THU 28TH MAY – ROME PILGRIMAGE - THE MAJOR BASILICAS

Celebrate this morning a spectacular Mass at **St Peter's Basilica** before coming to the nearby **Vatican Museums**. Wander the spectacular chambers leading to the **Sistine Chapel** to view Michelangelo's masterpieces, including the magnificent fresco of the Last Judgment. Continue through to the awe-inspiring **St Peter's Basilica**, the largest church in the world for an informative exploration. Our guided tour will feature among other highlights Michelangelo's stunning **Pieta**, the **tomb of Pope St John Paul II**, the great **Confessional** and the **Crypt** containing the tombs of several Popes.

In the afternoon, visit the impressive **St Mary Major Basilica**. Onwards to the **Basilica of St John in Lateran** (First Papal residence) and the adjacent **Holy Stairs** brought from Jerusalem to Rome in 326AD by St Helena (as a favourite of pilgrims, these steps may only be ascended on the knees). Visit also the **Basilica of Santa Croce in Gerusalemme** with its extraordinary collection of relics from the Holy Land.

Rome overnight (BD)

DAY 14: FRI 29TH MAY – ROME PILGRIMAGE

We begin our day at the **Church of the Gesu** for Mass, frequented by our own St Mary of the Cross during her time in Rome. This Church remains the Mother Church of the Jesuit Order (1568) and it is here where **St Ignatius of Loyola** lies in repose. Adjacent to the church we will visit the **Ignatian Rooms**. Visit the **Church of St Ignatius** with its amazing ceiling painted to look like a dome.

We then enter the **Chiesa Nuova** on the Corso Vittorio Emanuele which houses the body of **St Philip Neri**. Here we can seek his powerful intercession at the conclusion of our pilgrimage.

In the afternoon we make a special visit to the **Congregation of the Doctrine of Faith**, **Congregation for the Causes of Saints** and the **Congregation for Divine Worship and the Sacraments**, where we will meet with either the Prefect or a staff member and have a brief presentation on what their congregation does



and have a short time of Q & A's. (Subject to availability and confirmation.)

Rome overnight (BD)

DAY 15: SAT 30TH MAY – ROME PILGRIMAGE - SAINTS & MARTYRS

This morning we enter into the most visited attraction in Rome - the **Colosseum**. In 1749, Pope Benedict XIV declared the Colosseum a sacred site, as it was a place where early Christians had been martyred. View also the **Circus Maximus** and the **Roman Forum** en route.

Journey this afternoon out to the majestic **Basilica of St Paul Outside the Walls**. Originally consecrated in 324, the saint's tomb is visible now under the Papal Altar. We will celebrate a wonderful Mass here as a special tribute to the Church's greatest evangelist.

Continue then to the ancient **Catacombs** for a memorable guided tour to marvel at these underground burial tunnels for Christians and Hebrews. Return to our hotel for some free time before dinner.

Rome overnight (BD)

DAY 16: SUN 31ST MAY – ROME PILGRIMAGE (FEAST OF PENTECOST)

Papal Events (Subject to the Pope's presence in Rome)

We will proceed to St Peter's Square where the Holy Father is expected to celebrate **Holy Mass for the Feast of Pentecost**. He will then pray the Regina Coeli in celebration with pilgrims from around the world.

Some free time will be afforded this afternoon to discover the sights of Rome. Strolling through the streets is like walking through the pages of a history book. Indulge in a gelato or enjoy a coffee while absorbing and admiring the history of this ancient city. Marvel at the Pantheon; toss a coin into the Trevi fountain.

This evening we will set out early to the lively **Trastevere** district and visit the lovely **Church of Santa Maria in Trastevere**. Stroll on to enjoy a wonderful Italian evening of food and traditional at a traditional Italian restaurant as a fitting celebration on the birthday of the Church and our final night of pilgrimage!

Rome overnight (BD)

DAY 17: MON 1ST JUNE – DEPART ITALY

OR Continue with Oberammergau extension. (B)

DAY 18: TUE 2ND JUNE – ARRIVE AUSTRALIA

OBERAMMERGAU POST TOUR OPTION

DAY 17: MON 1ST JUNE – FLY ITALY TO MUNICH

We farewell the Rome today as we fly to Germany. Upon arrival our coach takes us south to the vicinity of the village of **Oberammergau**, home to the world-renowned **Passion Play**.

Every ten years affords pilgrims the great privilege of witnessing the world-renowned Passion Play of Oberammergau. For over 300 years this picturesque village in the Bavarian Alps has re-enacted the passion of Jesus, and people of every religious denomination have been drawn to this cherished spectacle.

Oberammergau overnight (BD)

DAY 18: TUE 2ND JUNE – OBERAMMERGAU - THE PASSION PLAY

The history of the Oberammergau Passion Play begins in 1633. During the Thirty Years' War, after much suffering and also many deaths caused by the plague, the surviving population of Oberammergau vowed that they would perform the "play of the suffering, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ" every ten years if they were spared from extinction. At Whitsun in 1634 they kept their promise for the first time. As early as the middle of the 18th Century spectators came to Oberammergau from all parts of Germany, attracted by the great power and mystique of the play. In 2020 the village will perform the play for the 42nd time, maintaining the continuity of this unique world-famous event.

Over 2000 participants bring the story of Jesus of Nazareth to the ears and eyes of the audience in a five-hour presentation on the imposing open-air stage. Almost half of the inhabitants of Oberammergau enact with great devotion the story of Jesus, whose message gives billions of people hope and strength. The play covers the period of Jesus entering Jerusalem and continues up to his death on the Cross and his resurrection.

Today is the highlight of our pilgrimage when we attend the **Passion Play**.

Oberammergau overnight (BD)

DAY 19: WEDNESDAY 3RD JUNE – DEPART GERMANY (B)

DAY 20: THURSDAY 4TH JUNE – ARRIVE AUSTRALIA

PRICING TABLE

TOUR CODE	PV3120
DATES	Sat 16 May - Thu 28 May
AIR & TOUR	\$6,490* Twin Share per person
SINGLE ROOM	\$1,690 Supplement
TIPPING	\$220 per person

* Prices are based on a minimum group size of 40 paying pilgrims, calculated as at June 2019. Prices remain subject to possible changes in the unlikely event of significant exchange rate variations, airfare increases or minimum group size contingencies.

ROME EXTENSION (5 NIGHTS)

DATES	Wed 27 May - Mon 1 Jun
AIR & TOUR	\$2,590* Twin Share per person
SINGLE ROOM	\$1,090 Supplement
TIPPING	\$90 per person

* Prices are based on a minimum group size of 30 paying pilgrims, calculated as at June 2019

ROME & OBERAMMERGAU (7 NIGHTS)

DATES	Wed 27 May - Thu 4 Jun
AIR & TOUR	\$4,590* Twin Share per person
SINGLE ROOM	price upon application
TIPPING	\$135 per person

* Prices are based on a minimum group size of 30 paying pilgrims, calculated as at June 2019

INCLUSIONS

AIRFARES: International return Economy Class airfare from Sydney • Flight(s) Tel Aviv to Rome and Rome to Munich for extensions (N.B. Airlines taxes are included on standard itinerary and subject to fluctuations).

ACCOMMODATION & MEALS: Moderate standard hotel and religious house accommodation with breakfast and dinner daily • 2 lunches in the Holy Land.

MISCELLANEOUS INCLUSIONS: Deluxe Air Conditioned Coach touring • Professional Pilgrimage Escort / Local Guides • Sightseeing and Entrance Fees • Fully Escorted by Pilgrimage Chaplain • Porterage at hotels • Harvest Backpack, Pilgrims Journal and Tour Wallet.

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Update on Interactive Whiteboard (“SMART Board”) Lessons

A number of Catechists have noted that their “SMART Board” software Version 11.4 no longer works in schools.

The providers of the SMART Board software, SMART Technology, have advised CCD that the software we are licenced to use (Notebook Version 11.4) is no longer available. The current version in use is Notebook Version 19. Whilst this new version is not a free download, there is a 45-day FREE TRIAL Period.

A SMART Tech consultant advised us that, following the FREE TRIAL period, a user is still able to use the Version 19 software to view CCD's SRE COLAL resources; however, you will not be able to use the full package, i.e. create lessons, make changes or make the games work. It will be like using a PDF program.

PLEASE NOTE: for those Catechists who have software Version 11.4, which IS STILL WORKING in your schools, this message does NOT apply to you, i.e. DO NOT update to the latest Version 19.



In schools where Version 11.4 no longer works, below are instructions for Catechists who may want to DOWNLOAD the Version 19 software to trial:

Go to: <https://education.smarttech.com/en/products/notebook/download>

Under: *DOWNLOAD TYPE

Select: I'd like a free download of SMART Notebook basic version (this means a free 45-day trial)

You will then be asked to complete an online form with your name, etc.

Once this is completed, click to the 'I agree ...' statement.

Before CLICKING on the SOFTWARE DOWNLOAD, select which Operating System you use, i.e. Mac or Windows, then CLICK DOWNLOAD.

This will DOWNLOAD THE SOFTWARE and then INSTALL THE SOFTWARE.

(Note: this process will take from 15 to 30 minutes depending on your INTERNET SPEED)

The SOFTWARE WILL ASK FOR A PRODUCT KEY (this is NOT REQUIRED on the 45-day FREE Trial Period)

This is all that you are required to do to start your free 45-day trial. If you have any issues, please contact SMART Tech Support directly on 1800 861 129.

“The Bigger Picture” . . .

Interactive Whiteboards are expensive for schools to buy and maintain. Therefore, there is an emerging trend in schools to replace “SMART Boards” with new tablet-based systems that have lower set up costs and compatibility advantages. This may mean that “the writing is on the wall” for Interactive Whiteboards, which may one day disappear from classrooms altogether, as did video players and cassettes.

Australian School Values

Integrity

Fair Go

**Honesty and
Trustworthiness**

Freedom

Doing your best

Respect

**Care and
Compassion**

Responsibility

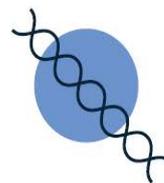
**Understanding,
Tolerance and
Inclusion**

Our relationship with **JESUS** and his **VIRTUES** that Catholic SRE teaches supports the **NSW Student Wellbeing Framework** and the Australian School Values

**SRE provides key
benefits including:**



- An effective **values education** that empowers student decision making, fosters student action and assigns real student responsibility



- Important **psychological benefits** to students' health and wellbeing



- **Strengthening the multicultural fabric** of Australian schools



- Creating **safe places** for students to explore deeper questions of identity

Student Catechist Program News

Catholic High School students helping in public primary schools

The student catechist program continues to gain momentum with the addition of Marcellin College Randwick students who will begin helping in the Randwick area in Term 3. I would like to thank Mr. Andrew Tosti, Catechist at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Randwick, for initiating the move with Marcellin College. Together we discussed the implementation of this program with Marcellin's Director of Faith & Mission, Mr Chris Shields. With thanksgiving, Marcellin College has piloted the program with a view to engaging a number of students in 2020.

We also are excited about the involvement of a World Youth Day student-pilgrim, Kiara, from Brigidine College Randwick who is inspired to share the Catholic faith. Through the support of her parents and Brigidine College, Kiara has completed all the Level One initial training units and

will commence catechesis at a local Randwick public school. Thank you to all high school students for your commitment and leadership in this mission.

The Eastern Area has seven Catholic High Schools involved with a view to continuing to grow the already successful Student Catechist Program.

Below is feedback from Ms Sue King, Catechist Coordinator of St Brigid's Parish, Marrickville, in observation of Casmir College Marrickville students on two separate occasions:

"Hi John [Mr. John Abi-Elias is the Director of Religious Education and Formation at Casimir College Marrickville]. Peter and Matthew did an excellent job today teaching the stations of the Cross to Year 6. They were well prepared and fully covered the subject. They involved all students in the lesson and assisted



Robert

them when they needed help. Their timing was amazing, finishing the final prayer right on the bell. I wish I had their sense of timing."

"On 12 April, Samuel and Jayden took the Year 6 students for an Easter lesson. They were also well prepared and did an excellent brain storming session about how we can be Easter people. The students really enjoyed this part of the lesson. It is a pleasure having these young men take the Year 6 class."

I wish to also welcome Randwick Boys High School as a new school. There are currently 56 students from Year 7 to Year 10 whose parents have granted permission for them to attend SRE classes. I take the classes on a weekly basis every Wednesday. It is wonderful to listen to the boys' questions that show forth their growing faith as we discuss and explore our relationship with God.

Robert Milan

Eastern Area CCD Faith Education Officer



Invitation

Annual Catechist Mass at St Mary's Cathedral

2.00pm Sunday 29th September followed by afternoon tea

We invite all Catechists, family and friends to celebrate with Bishop Tony Randazzo, Fr Michael McLean (Episcopal Vicar), clergy and their Catechists who are receiving training and long service awards.

Photos: Bishop Tony Randazzo presenting 50 years of service plaques to Merryl and Dianne at the Annual Mass in September 2017.

EASTERN AREA City & Eastern Deaneries

Half the year has finished. Well done! I hope that the past two terms have gone well for you. If you need any help or are feeling stressed, please speak to your coordinator or a more experienced catechist and you are most welcome to contact me via my contact details, below.

A number of Catechists are recognising the need to refresh areas of Classroom Management. We at the CCD highly recommend you to attend 'refresher' and ongoing training courses to further enrich your catechetical service. It is also very important, in fact mandatory, that all catechists continue to

update their Safeguarding Training. The updated SRE Safeguarding training by the CCD also satisfies Parish requirements. Keep in mind Safeguarding training may be completed either online or face-to-face. Please contact the CCD Office on 9307 8330 to enrol for training.

A reminder that the Eastern Area Coordinator meeting is scheduled for Monday 22 July 2019 at the Polding Centre from 10am till 12pm.

I encourage you to help your students participate in the Christmas Art Competition that commences in July with entries required by the last day of Term 3 in September. This



Robert

competition is open to all Year 5 & Year 6 students (see pages 4-6 for details).

Have a blessed Term 3.

Robert Milan

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WESTERN AREA South-West & Western Deaneries

Greetings to all in the Western Area! Our Western Area Mass was held on Friday 12th July at Mary Immaculate Parish, Bossley Park. It was an opportunity to unite in thanksgiving and praise for all the wonders the Lord had done and will continue to do through our catechetical ministry. It was also an occasion to catch up with familiar faces and friends.

Our motto of 'West is best' certainly rings true at our Area Masses with a large number of catechists attending the celebration. It was great! A big thank you and congratulations to our Mary Immaculate Catechist team who worked tirelessly preparing and organising a wonderful experience for all.

The Western Area held a new

evangelisation event "Faith Time" at Crossroads Hotel, Liverpool, last term. Fr Peter Strohmayer gave a great teaching. The morning also included free coffee and biscuits, lucky door prizes, confession and prayer. This event is held in a secular arena witnessing Christ's love to hotel staff and patrons. It also provides an opportunity to invite family and friends to hear the Gospel in a relaxed atmosphere. A special thank you to Joanne Rapisarda (John the Baptist, Bonnyrigg) and her family for co-leading this initiative. Our next Faith Time will be held on Friday, 6th September, 2019. See page 7 for details.

This term, St Joseph's, Moorebank will be hosting a Level 1 Training Course for both new and existing



Teresa

catechists. In Term 4, St Gertrude's, Smithfield will be hosting a Level 3 Training Course. Bookings are essential. See pages 21-22 for dates.

May the presence of the Holy Spirit permeate our souls so that our lives radiate Christ's love and fragrance changing, the atmosphere everywhere we go.

Teresa Culjak

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CENTRAL-NORTHERN AREA Central, Concord & Northern Deaneries

Dear Catechists, we hope you have had a happy and fruitful Term 2. It is hard to believe that half of the year has gone already.

During the past two terms, we have been blessed to have 12 seminarians from Good Shepherd Seminary, Homebush, on mission in our high schools. These young men are in the third year of their formation and experience as catechists is part of their pastoral formation program.

The seminarians have been taking classes at Burwood Girls, Concord High, Epping Boys, Strathfield Girls, Ashfield Boys and Homebush Boys. The students have been inspired by the faith journey of these devout young men as well as their knowledge of the Bible and the Catholic faith. It is a delight to be in

the classroom with them and to witness their commitment to the students and their faith. Their multi-cultural backgrounds have brought a richness to their classes. Their willingness to step out of their comfort zones and overcome their language barriers has been inspirational.

The highlight of their classes has been the live music, complete with guitars and singing of hymns. It has been wonderful to hear the students singing along with great enthusiasm. We would like to thank the gentlemen for their dedication and look forward to working with them next semester.

We hope the remainder of the year goes well for you all and that you are guided by the Holy Spirit in the wonderful work you do.



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Top right: Faith time, cafe talk, free coffee & prayer. **Middle Top:** Feeding of the 5(000) seminarians after Homebush Boys High SRE. **Top Left:** Seminarian with guitar in action. **Below:** Primary & High School Catechists at Campsie for initial training.

SOUTHERN AREA St George & Sutherland Deaneries

Denise Humphreys and Josie D'acchio
- Southern Area Faith Education Officers



Denise



Josie

WELCOME TO TERM 3

The Area Mass is always a time for celebration and sharing and this year was no exception.

Thank you to all the Gynea catechists at St Catherine Laboure for making the event such a beautiful and joyous occasion.

We also extend our gratitude to the parish priests who were able to attend.

The event was a great opportunity to catch up with many of you, which was well attended by over 100 catechists.

Once again our travelling special guest, "Pope Francis" was well received and many photos were taken. **THANKS TO ALL for your efforts.**



■ Please have all Archdiocesan "Christmas Story" competition artwork and reflection for students in Years 5 and 6 in your hands by the last day in Term 3 (Friday 27 September). CCD needs the artworks before the start of Term 4.

■ We hope to see many of you at our Annual Catechist Mass at St Mary's Cathedral at 2pm on Sunday 29 September. The Southern Area is hosting the Mass this year. Please let us know if you are able to volunteer on the day as we need helpers for the afternoon tea.

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2019 Award Recipients

Catechist Mass at Cathedral

Saint John Paul II Award- 50 years service

Neutral Bay Feyona van Stom

Cardinal Gilroy Award- 40 years service

Como-Oyster Bay Pamela Andreallo
 Mt Pritchard Carmen Rose Caruana
 Brighton-Le-Sands Tina Lenzo
 Haberfield Ross Maio
 Five Dock Linda Palamara
 Sefton Anna Parasyn
 Five Dock Denise Pettenon
 Five Dock Wendy Volpatti

Life Member Award- 30 years service

Bankstown Teresita Andres
 Concord Elvira Arcella
 Fairfield Sheila Aviet
 Mt Pritchard Connie Ciaramidaro
 Mt Pritchard Gino Ciaramidaro
 Peakhurst Patricia Craven
 Edgecliff Catherine Duggan
 Malabar Lee Leo
 Menai Veronica Leva
 Earlwood Mercede Nardella
 Mt Pritchard Maria Pagano
 Mt Pritchard Marie Roberts
 Liverpool Betty Anne Simpson
 Holsworthy Veronica Tindall

Cardinal Freeman Award- 25 years service

Sutherland Gloria Alwan
 Drummoyne Isobel Boccalatte
 Moorebank Janet Borg
 Caringbah Emily Cassar
 Marrickville Therese Chaina
 Gymea Anne Iffland
 Bankstown Beverley Lamaro
 Mt Pritchard Nancy Lo Bianco
 Liverpool Shirley Lohoar
 Meadowbank Margaret Mohan
 Riverwood Maryann Paterson
 Campsie Vita Repice
 Campsie Loretta Rizk
 Liverpool Elizabeth Ryan
 Cabramatta Mary Vassallo
 Eastwood Elaine Wicks

Apostolic Blessing- 20 years service

Malabar Rose Bonifacio
 Neutral Bay Jillian Christie
 Strathfield South Lorraine D'Aspromonte
 Sefton Terence John Evans
 Mt Pritchard Maria Fimmano
 Mt Pritchard Nelly Gava
 Beverly Hills Elizabeth Gooley
 Earlwood Enid Gossow

Haymarket Shun Beatrice Hai
 Ryde Kathleen Healy
 Maroubra Kathy Liew
 Cronulla Minh Mai
 Menai Dianne Marsden
 Campsie Teresita Moral-Helmrich
 Earlwood Emilie Nader
 Marrickville Laudie Nakhl
 Bass Hill Margaret Nohra
 Penshurst Robyn O'Donnell
 Moorebank Theresa Mary Orphin
 Lurnea Maria Corazon Paras
 Engadine Elizabeth Payne
 Brighton-Le-Sands Doris Pisani
 Campsie Marsha Saad
 Edgecliff Helen Torok
 Caringbah Mary B Treacy
 Waterloo Sandra Truong
 Greenacre Josephine Vincent

Certificate of Accreditation Awardees

Enfield Amelita Alarcon
 Smithfield Lilian Mary Andrew
 Haberfield Loredana Bianco
 Haberfield Les Calvitto
 Oatley Susan Canham
 Sefton Brendan Chow
 Ryde Gabrielle Claridge
 Lurnea Rosemarie Dela Cruz
 Menai Adrian Cajetan Jude D'Mello
 Miranda Mary Fanara
 Como-Oyster Bay Elomai Jacyna
 Malabar John Ernest Lee
 Meadowbank Gemma Martin
 Engadine Peter McAllister-McDougall
 Sutherland Yvonne McDonell
 Como-Oyster Bay Sandra Moore
 Ashfield George Pinto
 Gymea Rima Rizk
 Peakhurst Christiane Sarraf
 Ryde Jane Sing
 Hurstville Margaret Yuk Chu Tham
 North Ryde Mila Walker
 Annandale Qiuying Yu

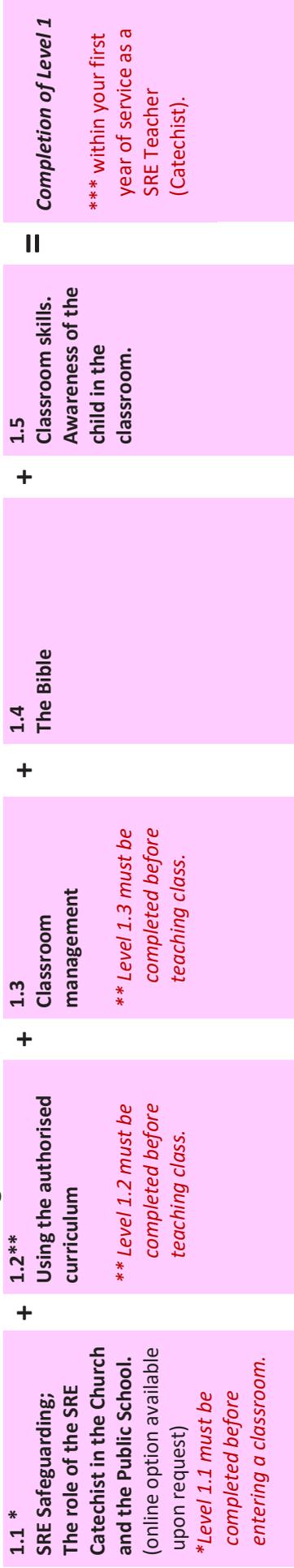
Catholic Schools with Student Catechists

Bankstown La Salle Catholic College
 Burwood Southern Cross Catholic Vocational College
 Casula All Saints Catholic Senior College
 Cronulla De La Salle College Cronulla
 Fairfield Patrician Brothers Catholic College
 Five Dock Domremy College
 Five Dock Rosebank College
 Glebe St Scholastica's College
 Bonnyrigg Freeman Catholic College
 Kensington Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College
 Marrickville Casimir Catholic College
 Milsons Point St Aloysius' College
 Sutherland St Patrick's College
 Sydney St Mary's Cathedral College
 Waverley St Clare's College
 Waverley Waverley College

The Annual Catechist Mass will be held on Sunday 29 September 2019 at St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney commencing at 2.00pm, followed by afternoon tea. All catechists, family & friends are invited to attend.

TRAINING COURSE OUTLINE

Level 1 – SRE induction training ***



Level 2 – Understanding the learner / How to get the message across age-appropriately



Level 3 – Holy Spirit gathering a People for God



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2019 - TERMS 3 & 4

LEVEL 1 - SRE INDUCTION TRAINING

1.1 - SAFEGUARDING & ROLE OF THE SRE CATECHIST	
Monday 5 August	Miranda
Tuesday 23 July	City, Polding Centre
Wednesday 16 October	City, Polding Centre
Monday 2 December	City, Polding Centre
1.2 - USING THE AUTHORISED CURRICULUM	
Monday 12 August	Miranda
Tuesday 30 July	City, Polding Centre
Monday 26 August	Moorebank
Wednesday 23 October	City, Polding Centre
Monday 9 December	City, Polding Centre
1.3 - CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT	
Monday 26 August	Miranda
Tuesday 6 August	City, Polding Centre
Monday 2 September	Moorebank
Wednesday 30 October	City, Polding Centre
Monday, 16 December	City, Polding Centre
1.4 - THE BIBLE	
Monday 2 September	Miranda
Tuesday 27 August	City, Polding Centre
Monday 9 September	Moorebank
Wednesday 6 November	City, Polding Centre
1.5 - CLASSROOM SKILLS AND RESOURCES	
Monday 9 September	Miranda
Tuesday 20 August	City, Polding Centre
Monday 16 September	Moorebank
Wednesday, 13 November	City, Polding Centre

2019 - TERMS 3 & 4

LEVEL 2 - UNDERSTANDING THE LEARNER / HOW TO GET THE MESSAGE ACROSS AGE-APPROPRIATE

2.1 - HOW CHILDREN LEARN / THE OLD TESTAMENT	
Wednesday 7 August	Earlwood
Monday 21 October	Campsie
2.2 - THE STAGE 1 CHILD / THE NEW TESTAMENT	
Wednesday 14 August	Earlwood
Monday 28 October	Campsie
2.3 - THE STAGE 2 CHILD / THE STORY OF THE FAITH COMMUNITY	
Wednesday 21 August	Earlwood
Monday 4 November	Campsie
2.4 - THE STAGE 3 CHILD - THE STORY OF THE CHURCH COMMUNITY	
Wednesday 28 August	Earlwood
Monday 11 November	Campsie
2.5 - MORAL DEVELOPMENT / THE SACRAMENTS	
Wednesday 4 September	Earlwood
Monday 18 November	Campsie

2019 - TERMS 3 & 4

LEVEL 3 - HOLY SPIRIT GATHERING A PEOPLE FOR GOD

3.1 - PENTECOST TO THE COUNCIL OF NICAEA	
Friday 23 August	City, Polding Centre
Friday 18 October	Smithfield
Monday 28 October	Miranda
3.2 - CHARLEMAGNE TO THE CRUSADES, EASTERN CHURCH AND WESTERN CHURCH; THE LITURGICAL YEAR	
Friday 6 September	City, Polding Centre
Friday 25 October	Smithfield
Monday 4 November	Miranda
3.3 - THE INQUISITION TO THE REFORMATION; HOLINESS AND SAINTHOOD	
Friday 13 September	City, Polding Centre
Friday 1 November	Smithfield
Monday 11 November	Miranda
3.4 - FROM EUROPE TO THE 'ENDS OF THE EARTH' - THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN AUSTRALIA	
Friday 20 September	City, Polding Centre
Friday 8 November	Smithfield
Monday 18 November	Miranda
3.5 - VATICAN II; THE HUMAN PERSON; CHRISTIAN ETHICS	
Friday 27 September	City, Polding Centre
Friday 15 November	Smithfield
Monday 25 November	Miranda

COURSES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE - BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL

To book, please contact the CCD Office

Email: office@ccdsydney.catholic.edu.au **or phone** 9307 8330 **or online** ccd.sydneycatholic.org

Courses run from 9.45am - 2.15pm unless otherwise noted or advised. Please bring your own lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided.

COURSE LOCATIONS

Campsie	St Mel's Parish, 16 Duke St, Campsie
City	Polding Centre, 133 Liverpool St, Sydney
Earlwood	Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 280 Homer St, Earlwood
Miranda	CCD Centre, 50 Kiora Rd, Miranda
Moorebank	St Joseph's, 231 Newbridge Rd, Moorebank
Smithfield	St Benedict's, Montefano Hall, cnr Neville & Justin St, Smithfield

CCD CALENDAR - JULY TO DECEMBER 2019

Tuesday 16 July	Central Area Mass at 11.00am St Joseph's, 763 Canterbury Rd, Belmore
Wednesday 17 July	Eastern Area Mass at 10.30am Holy Family Catholic Church, 214 Maroubra Rd, Maroubra
Monday 22 July	Eastern Area Coordinators Meeting, Polding Centre, Level 5, 133 Liverpool St, Sydney 10.00am - 12.00pm
Monday 22 July	Start of Term 3
Friday 6 September	Faith Time, Crossroads Hotel, Hume Hwy & Camden Valley Way, Casula NSW 2170. 10.30 - 12.30pm
Friday 27 September	End of Term 3
Sunday 29 September	Annual Catechist Mass, 2.00pm - 3.30pm, St Mary's Cathedral
Monday 30 September - Friday 11 October	School Holidays
Monday 14 October	Start of Term 4
Monday 14 October	Catechist Gathering 10.00am - 2.00pm, Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Hall, 2 Weston St, Fairfield. *If needed, additional parking is available at Fairfield RSL (Across road from the Church)
Friday 22 November	Catechist Retreat - To be confirmed
Friday 6 December	Life Members Function, 12.00pm - 2.30pm, Dooleys Catholic Club, Lidcombe
Friday 20 December	End of Term 3
Monday 23 December - Friday 3 February 2020	School Holidays

Let students know there are lots of young Catholics like them ...

Just before Christmas, 6,000 young Catholics will gather to celebrate Jesus. Please pray with your students for all the young people going to the Australian Catholic Youth Festival in Perth – and for CCD’s Vincent Haber (pictured) and his team who are organising this huge faith-filled event.



Sydney Catholic Youth Pilgrimage to ACYF 19

ACYF is an opportunity to deepen your relationship with Jesus, be empowered to be disciples in the world today and encounter and celebrate the vitality of the Church in Australia. Come join us to participate in Australia’s largest national gathering for young Catholics. The SCY pilgrimage to ACYF is open to 2019 school leavers (Yr 12) and young adults aged between 18 to 30.

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