

NEWS

NEW STAFF MEMBER AT CRA SECRETARIAT

The CRA Secretariat welcomes Gillian Lee as Team Administrative Assistant. Gillian will be working four days per week, Monday to Thursday inclusive, and is contactable on secretariat@catholicreligious.org.au or phone 02 9557 2695.

CRA PATHWAYS – CURRENT ISSUE AVAILABLE

Find the latest issue of [CRA Pathways](#) here, with news and inspiring stories of Religious.

CATHOLIC MISSION – LATEST NEWS

The latest news and stories from Catholic Mission can be found in [Mission Today Digital](#).

EVENTS/WEBINARS

2023 CRA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

Registration is closed and fully subscribed with 140 participants. [View the programme](#) at the CRA website.

Title: *Daring to Dream*

Dates & Venue: Monday, 31 July to Thursday, 3 August 2023 at Novotel Parramatta

CRA EVENTS WITH JAMES ALISON – SAVE THE DATE/S

CRA is bringing James Alison to Australia in September-October 2023. James Alison is a Catholic theologian, priest and author known for his firm and patient persistence in promoting truthful conversation and dialogue in the Church with regard to matters LGBTQIA+ and for his pastoral outreach in the same sphere. While the full programme is being finalised, ***please save the dates*** for CRA-hosted events:

- Tuesday, 19 September 2023 (Melbourne, in-person) One-day CRA event in the afternoon, details TBC
- Tuesday, 26 September 2023 (Sydney, in-person) One-day CRA event in the afternoon, details TBC
- Thursday, 28 September 2023 (Sydney, in-person & Zoom) Afternoon CRA workshop for Religious & co-workers in ministry (schools, hospitals, aged care workers or others).
- Monday, 16 October 2023, 12.00 – 4.00 pm (North Perth, in-person) – CRA Workshop

Further details to come, to be advertised in the CRA Bulletin and at the [CRA Events](#) webpage.

CRA WELLBEING SEMINAR – REGISTER NOW

This in-person Seminar, held in Brisbane, features speakers from St Vincent’s Brisbane Palliative Care team and from Southern Cross Pastoral Care team, to help with the difficult conversations and with understanding the best of care towards the end of life.

Title: Quality Care at the End of Life
Date & Time: Wednesday 27 September 2023, 9.30 am to 4.00 pm
Venue: Brisbane International Virginia, Sandgate & Zillmere Rds, Boondall QLD
Registration: Register [online using Humanitix](#) or at the [CRA Events](#) webpage
Further information: Stephen Middleton | P: 02 9557 2695 | E: cpc@catholicreligious.org.au

ONLINE CONVOCATION – SYNOD ON SYNODALITY

Australasian Catholic Coalition for Church Reform, Yarra Theological Union and Garratt Publishing invite you to a virtual discussion on the key issues set out in the *Instrumentum Laboris* for the upcoming Synod.

Title: Synod on Synodality – A new kind of Church
Date & Time: Thursday 27 July 2023, 7.00 pm (AEST) via Zoom
Registration: [Free registration](#) at this link

FOLLOW-UP EVENT TO MISSION ONE-HEART MANY VOICES (MOHMOV)

This mini-MOHMOV online formation event with Dr Stephen Bevans SVD looks at how we are moving from *Mission Ad Gentes* to *Mission Inter-Gentes*. This is a complimentary formation event, open to all.

Title: Mini-MOHMOV
Presenter: Dr Stephen Bevans SVD
Date & Time: Thursday 3 August 2023, 2.00 – 3.30 pm AEST
Registration: [Register free](#) at this link

ACU ONLINE PUBLIC LECTURE - WOMEN DEACONS & THE SYNOD

Australian Catholic University invites us to an online public lecture presented by Dr Phyllis Zagano (Hofstra University, New York), live via Zoom on the topic of women deacons. [Download the flyer.](#)

Title: Women deacons and the Synod – What happens now?
Date & Time: Monday 7 August 2023, 10.00 - 11.30 am (AEST)
Registration: \$10 (\$5 student, concession) Register online by 4 August at the [ACU website](#)

MARY MACKILLOP FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS 2023

Mary MacKillop Place and the Sisters of Saint Joseph extend an invitation to celebrate the Feast Day of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop on Tuesday, 8 August. Visitors will have the opportunity to visit the Mary MacKillop Memorial Chapel, attend Mass, pray at St Mary’s tomb, and visit the Mary MacKillop Museum. Mary MacKillop memorabilia, ‘ethica’ Peruvian products, and light refreshments will be on sale.

Title: Mary MacKillop Feast Day Celebrations 2023
Date & Opening Time: Tuesday, 8 August 2023; 7.30 am to 3.30 pm
Venue: Mary MacKillop Place, North Sydney
Further information: Download the [media release](#) for details

ACCOMMODATION

LORETO SISTERS SEEKING SYDNEY ACCOMMODATION

The Loreto Sisters are seeking a 3-4 bedroom unit or townhouse in the lower North Shore area, Sydney. We would be grateful to hear from any Congregation which might have one available for 12-24 month rent. Please call Alison Brown, COO, Loreto Centre, on 03 88320402.

EMPLOYMENT

BUNDABERG QLD PARISH 2024 – LITURGY, MUSIC, SACRAMENTS, RCIA COORDINATOR

The Catholic Parish of Bundaberg is recruiting for a full-time Liturgy/Music/Sacraments/RCIA Coordinator. For a position description, please email bundaberg@rok.catholic.net.au. Applications close 4 September. [Click here](#) for more information or contact the parish 4151 6666 to speak to the Executive Officer.

RESOURCES

NEW CRA PUBLICATION



[Our Stories. Our Lives. Our Mission: Catholic Religious in Australia](#) is published by Catholic Religious Australia and St Pauls Publications, 2023. [Read](#) the recommendation of Peter Jones OSA. Email sales@stpauls.com.au to purchase the book at the special pre-launch prices for Religious.

CARMELITE CENTRE MELBOURNE

The [Carmelite Centre](#) in Melbourne programme offers opportunities for spiritual reflection and growth on a daily, weekly and monthly basis. It welcomes donations to [support this work](#).

THE LIGHTER SIDE 🤔 OF AGEING!

"Old age comes at a bad time." – San Banducct

"It's paradoxical that the idea of living a long life appeals to everyone, but the idea of getting old doesn't appeal to anyone." - Andy Rooney

"I was thinking about how people seem to read the Bible a lot more as they get older, and then it dawned on me — they're cramming for their final exam."- George Carlin

"We don't grow older, we grow riper." - Pablo Picasso

"There's one advantage to being 102, there's no peer pressure." - Dennis Wolfberg

