

NEWS

NEW CRA RESOURCE LAUNCHED

Restoring and Nurturing Right Relationships is a new publication produced by CRA as a national resource to support Religious Institutes in their continual development of initial and ongoing formation practices and processes. Read the [media release](#). Download the digital version of the publication or purchase a hard copy at the [CRA website](#). You are invited to the [launch](#) of this resource on 21 November, see *Events* below.

VIDEO RECORDING – JAMES ALISON FORUM

At the James Alison Forum hosted by Catalyst for Renewal, held on 27 September 2023 in Kirribilli, Geraldine Doogue facilitated a conversation led by James Alison, and assisted by Finn Stannard, on “What does radical inclusion really mean for a modern synodal Church?” CRA shares the [recording](#) here.

MIDDLE EAST CRISIS

In a [media release](#) Caritas Australia reports that a Caritas Jerusalem employee has been killed while sheltering with her family in Gaza. Donations to the Gaza Crisis Appeal can be received at [this link](#).

The Executive Council of Australian Jewry has launched the [#SetThemFree](#) campaign to bring attention to the plight of 200 Israeli civilians held in captivity by Hamas, and calls for their immediate release.

LEADERSHIP CHANGES - LORETO SISTERS

The new [Province Leadership Team](#) for the Loreto Sisters in the Australia & South East Asia Province has been announced.

LETTER FROM THE SYNOD

Mark O’Connor FMS, Vicar for Communications for the Diocese of Parramatta, is reporting on the Synod of Bishops on Synodality in Rome and shares his latest reflection in [Catholic Outlook](#).

JESUIT MISSION - GIFT FOR CHANGE

As the Christmas season approaches, there is an opportunity to purchase a [Gift for Change](#) from Jesuit Mission Australia. Replace a traditional present with the gift of nourishment, independence, education or emergency response to support vulnerable communities in need.

2024 MANDORLA ART AWARD

With a prize pool of over \$50,000, [Mandorla](#) is Australia’s most significant thematic Christian art prize. Entries are now open for the 2024 Mandorla Art award. For more information, visit the [website](#).



Pope Francis announces prayer vigil & day of fasting for peace on Friday 27 October

EVENTS/WEBINARS

RITUAL OF REMEMBRANCE – CRA RELIGIOUS OF QUEENSLAND

The Ritual of Remembrance is an annual Religious of Queensland network event.

Title: Ritual of Remembrance (see [webpage](#) and download [flyer](#))
Date & Time: Thursday 2 November 2023, 10.30 am (Brisbane time)
Venue: St Vincent's Chapel, Sisters of Mercy, 131 Queens Road Nudgee QLD
Registration: <https://events.humanitix.com/ritual-of-remembrance>
Livestream link: The link will be provided closer to the date, through the CRA Bulletin

CRA BOOK LAUNCH – IN-PERSON AND ONLINE

Please join us at the launch of RESTORING AND NURTURING RIGHT RELATIONSHIPS, a Resource to Guide the Formation of Religious for Ministry. Please [click here](#) to download the book launch invitation.

Title: Book launch – *Restoring and Nurturing Right Relationships*
Date: Tuesday, 21 November 2023
Time: In person: 4.30 – 6.00 pm; Online: 5.00 – 5.30 pm (AEDT)
Venue: ACU Peter Cosgrove Centre, 8 Napier Street, North Sydney
Registration: Register for [in-person launch](#); Register for [online launch](#) - a Zoom link will be sent three business days prior to the launch

CRA ONLINE SEMINARS - ECO-SPIRITUAL PRAXIS TODAY

These CRA online seminars focus on ecological spirituality, with practical exercises and thoughtful exploration to foster confidence among participants, empowering them to return to their congregations, capable of cultivating, practicing, and celebrating ecological spirituality. [Download the flyer.](#)

Title: Eco-Spiritual Praxis Today
Dates: Tuesday 21 and 28 November 2023, 9.30 am – 12.00 pm AEDT
Speakers: Margie Abbott; Sally Neaves; Sue Martin
Audience: Leaders, Leadership teams, Ecology Advocates, those in formation for mission
Registration: Cost: \$80 Per Person for the two seminars (No option to register for one seminar)
To register, [click here](#) and find further information at the CRA [Events](#) webpage.

CTC ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION

There is an invitation to join an online information session to learn more about study options at Catholic Theological College (CTC). [Download the flyer](#) and visit the [CTC website](#) for further details.

Title: CTC Online Information Session
Date: Monday, 30 October 2023 at 7.30 pm (AEDT)
Registration: Bookings essential, [register here](#)

BISHOP VINCENT PRESENTS CHRISTOPHER WHITE

As part of the *Bishop Vincent Presents* series (Diocese of Parramatta), Vatican correspondent and Pope Francis expert Christopher White from the National Catholic Reporter is coming to Australia for a series of free events in Parramatta and Melbourne. [Find further details here.](#)

Title: Bishop Vincent Presents Christopher White

SYDNEY EVENT

Date: Thursday 9 November 2023, 6.00 – 7.30 pm AEDT

Venue: Our Lady of Mercy College, Parramatta - Ailsa Mackinnon Community Centre,
2-6 Victoria Rd, Parramatta NSW

Registration: [Download the flyer](#) and register for the [Sydney event](#)

MELBOURNE EVENT

Date: Thursday 16 November 2023, 5.00 – 6.30 pm AEDT

Venue: Newman College, 887 Swanston St, Parkville VIC

Registration: [Download the flyer](#) and register for the [Melbourne event](#)

ACCOMMODATION

SYDNEY ACCOMODATION AVAILABLE

The Dominican Sisters currently have two small, one-bedroom units for rent. The units are set in a cluster of seven, located in Strathfield, with easy access to public transport and shops. Enquiries: (02) 9744 9511.

HOLIDAYS AT SANTA CASA QUEENSLIFF

Santa Casa, in Queenscliff Victoria, invites enquiries from members of Religious Institutes. It has places available for holidays from 27 December 2023 – 10 January 2024; 12 – 26 January 2024; and 28 January – 11 February 2024. Cost is \$115 per night, fully catered. Bed linen and towels supplied. Contact Lizzie santacasa@ismapng.org.au or phone 0418 194 261.

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