

**Liturgy Workshop
with an Australian Flavour**
with Sr Verna Holyhead sgs
Scripture scholar, writer and liturgist.

Leura Uniting Church Hall,
cnr Grose and Megalong Streets, Leura.
Saturday, 1st August from 10am to 4pm
Cost: \$15 Concession: \$12
BYO Bible. BYO Lunch.
Morning and afternoon tea provided.
Enquiries and bookings
Peggy 4787 8104 and Jacinta 4757 2290

The workshop will focus on an appreciation of principles of good liturgy that will reveal its pastoral potential and significance for all those who participate. The focus will be on the season of Advent with particular attention given to the celebration of Advent within its Australian context. The day will include input, discussion, and hopefully, the writing of meaningful and inspiring liturgies for the Advent season. Please bring your pen and paper in readiness.

**Spirituality in the Pub
'Blessed Unrest'**

Guest Speakers:

Julie McCrossin
Freelance Journalist,
Broadcaster, Trainer, and
Ambassador for NAPCAN
and

Fr Michael Whelan SM
Marist Father, Lecturer,
and Executive Director
of Catalyst for Renewal.

**Wednesday 15th July
7.30pm - 9.00pm
Gardners Inn Hotel
255 GW H'way, Blackheath.**

Bistro meals from 6.00pm.

For further information,
call Elizabeth - 4787 6198

RCIA - Biennial State Conference (Mudgee)

Don't forget to register for the Biennial RCIA (NSW) State Conference in September. It is only in the neighbouring Diocese of Bathurst - we could always arrange to car pool, too - and it is held over the Wine Festival weekend. Take the 'other half' and make a long weekend of it. Please note that you need to book your own accommodation and, being a busy period for Mudgee, you might need to book earlier rather than later. The focus of the Conference will be the practical issues involved in engaging the community, a topic constantly on our minds.

Diocesan Youth and Young Adult Apostolate Office Temporary Relocation: Due to refurbishment in the building, the Diocesan Youth and Young Adult Apostolate Office will be temporarily relocated on the ground floor for the next three months. We will still be able to remotely access our emails from time to time. Anna Vercellone - Diocesan Youth Coordinator, Diocese of Parramatta, PO Box 6644, Parramatta NSW 2150 Ph: 8838 3419 02 or Mobile: 0409 399 505. Many of you who drop in and borrow resources, etc, have seen the gradual dismantling of the Liturgy office into boxes and will know that many of these resources will now be in storage until our new home on the second floor is renovated and we are able to move in. The accommodation on the ground floor is very limited so most of the resources including white dresses and veils, DVDs, cloths/candles, etc, and most books have had to go into storage. This of course does not include the Parents/childrens resources for the parish process. Email the order form and it will be dispatched as usual.

July Cosmology Morning: This month's Cosmology gathering will be held on Friday, 17th July from 10am till noon at the Good Samaritan House, 3 Valley Road, Wentworth Falls. The morning will include meditation, discussion, morning tea, song and prayer. The theme of the quiet meditation period will be "The Gifts of Winter". Chapter Six of 'Radical Amazement', "I am the Light of the World: Incarnation and Photosynthesis" by Judy Cannato, will be the subject of discussion. All are welcome. Enquiries Sr. Jacinta ~ 4757 2290.

**Parliament of the World's Religions Sydney
Pre-Parliament Event**

Lachlan's Garden Marquee,
Old Government House, Parramatta Park
Cnr Macquarie & Pitt Sts, Parramatta.
Sunday, 2 August, 10am - 4pm

THE PARLIAMENT

The world's biggest inter-faith event, the Parliament of the World's Religions, is coming to Melbourne in December 2009. In the lead-up to the Parliament, a pre-Parliamentary event for Sydney is being held on Sunday, 2 August at Old Government House, Australia's oldest public building, from 10am to 4pm. It will address the seven key topics of this year's Parliament:

- Healing the Earth with Care and Concern;
- Reconciling with the Indigenous Peoples;
- Overcoming Poverty in a Patriarchal World;
- Creating Social Cohesion in Village and City;
- Sharing Wisdom in Search for Inner Peace;
- Securing Food and Water for All People; and
- Building Peace in Pursuit of Justice.

This event will offer a taste of the Parliament experience in a festive atmosphere. It is open to all. Book early as limited places are available.

The Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney is seeking applications for the role of
Director of Music, St Mary's Cathedral.

More information: www.catholicjobsonline.com.au
Applications to Anthony Spata, Polding Centre,
Level 5, 133 Liverpool St, Sydney NSW 2000 or
anthony.spata@sydneycatholic.org.

Applications close 2 August.
Please see noticeboard for further details.

**Diploma of Ageing and Pastoral
Care: Information session**

Wednesday, 26th August at 7pm
at the Institute for Mission,
1-5 Marion St, Blacktown.
Booking or more information:
9831 4911 or ifm@tpg.com.au

YOUTH AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

Don't forget to order your Australian
Catholic Bishops' 2009
Social Justice Sunday Statement:
'Young people and Justice'
see www.acbc.catholic.org.au
for order form or collect it on Saturday
if you are attending the Liturgy
Workshop in the Cathedral Hall.

Position Vacant

**The Tribunal of the Catholic Church
(Parramatta Office) has a vacancy
for an Office Manager (Full Time).**

Tasks include secretarial duties, MYOB
proficient (Accounts, Payroll, BAS, etc).
Other computer skills such as Word
and Excel are also necessary.

The position also requires excellent
communication skills both written and
verbal for advising on marriage nullity
cases. The highest level of
confidentiality is essential. Interested
persons should apply in writing
addressing their applications to the
Tribunal's Director, Fr Peter Blayney,
PO Box 6026, Parramatta, 2150.

Please mark the envelope:
Application for Office Manager.



AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE
National Office for Liturgy

Archbishop Mark Coleridge (Chairman)
Archbishop Denis Hart
Bishop Max Davis
Bishop Kevin Manning

Below is an excerpt from a letter by Fr Peter G. Williams, Executive Secretary Bishops Commission for Liturgy (dated 27 May 2009).

“One of the most compelling images that remains in my mind after World Youth Day in Sydney last July took place during the Vigil at Randwick the night before the Papal Mass.

Before an estimated crowd that evening of 250,000 young people from Australia and around the world a young Aboriginal “hero” woman received the lighted candle from the Holy Father that then was spread throughout the entire crowd of pilgrims. It was an amazing experience to see that light gradually make its way to every pilgrim. It is a reminder to us in the Catholic community that the Light of Christ still needs to enlighten the hearts and minds of many who live in this nation, and all of us have a responsibility to spread that light wherever we find ourselves...”

<http://www.faithdoingjustice.com.au/docs/ATSISLiturgy2009.pdf>

Kija – Aboriginal ‘Our Father’

You are our Father, you live in heaven. We talk to you, Father, you are good.
You are our Father, you live in heaven. We talk to you, Father, you are good.

We believe your word, Father. We your children, give us bread today.
We believe your word, Father. We your children, give us bread today.

We have done wrong and we are sorry. Help us, Father, not to sin again.
We have done wrong and we are sorry. Help us, Father, not to sin again.

Others have done wrong to us, and we are sorry for them, Father, today.
Others have done wrong to us, and we are sorry for them, Father, today.

Stop us from doing wrong, Father. Save us from the evil one.
Stop us from doing wrong, Father. Save us from the evil one.

You are our Father, you live in heaven. We talk to you, Father, you are good.
You are our Father, you live in heaven. We talk to you, Father, you are good.
Father, you are good. Father, you are good.

Bring forth the kingdom

Marty Haugen
USED WITH PERMISSION, WORD OF LIFE
INTERNATIONAL LICENCE NO. 2201

You are salt for the earth, O people.
Salt for the Kingdom of God!
Share the flavour of life, O people;
Life in the Kingdom of God!

**Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy,
Bring forth the Kingdom of peace,
Bring forth the Kingdom of justice;
Bring forth the City of God!**

You are a light on the hill, O people;
Light for the City of God!
Shine so holy and bright, O people;
Shine for the Kingdom of God!

You are a seed of the Word, O people;
Bring forth the Kingdom of God!
Seeds of mercy and seeds of justice,
Grow in the Kingdom of God!

We are a blest and a pilgrim people;
Bound for the Kingdom of God!
Love our journey and
love our homeland;
Love is the Kingdom of God!

God’s messenger

Awake in the morning and the first thing you do, thank God for it... This day is blessed by God, it is God’s own and now let us go into it. You walk in this day as God’s own messenger; whoever you meet, you meet in God’s own way. You are there to be the presence of the Lord God, the presence of Christ, the presence of the Spirit, the presence of the Gospel – this is your function on this particular day.

Metropolitan Anthony (1914-2003)



Go Now You Are Sent Forth

L. Watt
USED WITH PERMISSION, WORD OF LIFE
INTERNATIONAL LICENCE NO. 2201

Go now, you are sent forth to live what you proclaim; to show the world you follow Christ, in fact, not just in name.

Go now, you are sent forth to walk this troubled earth; to share your faith with those you meet and prove your real worth.

Go now, you are sent forth as God’s ambassador; by serving Him in those we meet we love him more and more.

Go now, you are sent forth and Christ goes with you, too. Today you help his kingdom come in everything you do.

**Blue Mountains NAIDOC Art Festival
“Honouring Our Elders,
Nurturing Our Youth” ~ 3 - 17 July 2009
Café Memento, Blackheath**

and Katoomba, at the Workshop, Goldsmith Place near Gearins Hotel. Also at Lawson, Springwood & Glenbrook. Local Aboriginal art and events across the Blue Mountains. For more information: contact Jo, Blue Mountains Aboriginal Culture & Resource Centre, ph 4782 6569 or email cdw@acr.org.au

NAIDOC Concert 12 July, 10am-3.00pm
Richmond Park, Windsor St, Richmond
Live performances; stalls; children’s activities. For more information: contact Merana Aboriginal Community Association for the Hawkesbury Inc, ph 4588 5144.