



Cathedral Notices.....

“In marriage, the joy of love needs to be cultivated” (Pope Francis).

NEW LOOK ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL WEBSITE, FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM PAGES Come visit our new website: www.stmaryscathedral.org.au/ like our facebook page: www.facebook.com/stmaryssydney/ and follow our new Instagram page: [@stmaryscathedralsydney](https://www.instagram.com/stmaryscathedralsydney) for all the up-to-date news and events that will be happening at the Cathedral in 2018!

THE CATHEDRAL CHOIR present 'Miserere' a concert given by candlelight in the Crypt of St Mary's Cathedral. Featuring Allegri's Miserere, MacMillan's Miserere and works by Byrd, Bruckner, Victoria & Gesualdo. **Friday, 16 March 7pm & Sunday, 18 March 2pm.** Tickets are only \$30 and can be purchased from <https://www.stickytickets.com.au/63921> otherwise at the door (if tickets still available).

AQUINAS ACADEMY COURSE.
Developing your own spirituality I:
Presenter: Michael Whelan SAM & Marie Biddle, RSJ. 4 Wednesday evenings: 6.00–8.00pm; **Unit 1 Feb 7 – 28, 2018.** Level 5, 141 Harrington Street, Sydney. **\$144.**
Special concession for those who cannot attend all sessions: Cost per session: \$40. Please register so that notes will be available. For information & enrolment: 02 9247 4651, secretary@aquinas-academy.com / www.aquinas-academy.com.

The Bishop's Blend: Looking to network with other young Catholic professionals and learn how to live your faith in the workplace? Then join the Most Reverend Bishop Richard Umbers, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney on **Tuesday, 27 February 2018 at 7.00am at the Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel Sydney** for The Bishop's Blend, a quarterly breakfast series for young professionals. Online booking is essential. For more information and to purchase tickets go to <https://thebishopsblendthirdedition.eventbrite.com> or contact us at bishopsblend@sydneycatholic.org.

TELL YOUR MPs: HANDS OFF OUR FREEDOMS! Take action to defend religious freedom and parental rights over the education their children receive. Contact your local federal MP today to demand your freedoms are protected in any legislation for same-sex marriage. For more information and to contact your MP got to: www.marriagealliance.com.au

Walk the Lenten Journey on your Mobile Phone! The Xt3 Lent Calendar 2018 App is available for download on Apple and Android devices (search for Xt3 Lent) and can be viewed from the website: www.xt3.com/lent. The Lent calendar will run from Ash Wednesday to Divine Mercy Sunday. Each day will unlock a new video, meditation or podcast, to help you prayerfully journey through Lent. The theme for the Xt3 Lent Calendar 2018 is *"Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus."*

GODPARENTS AND SPONSORS wanted for adults who are to be baptised or received into the Church at Easter at St Mary's Cathedral. We are looking for mature Catholic adults who are willing to befriend and help new Catholics. Training given. For more information, please contact the RCIA team: godparents@mailforce.net / 0410 659 908 or speak with Fr Emmanuel or Fr Don.

SYDNEY ARCHDIOCESE FUNDRAISING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. Please phone Amanda on 1800 753 959 or email fundraising@sydneycatholic.org for more information.

EMBRACE. Embrace is St Mary's group for young adults aged 18-35 yrs old from all cultures and backgrounds. We meet every Sunday after the 6.00pm Mass at St Mary's Cathedral House, adjacent to the Cathedral. Our activities and youth projects are designed to support spiritual development and encourage active practice of our faith. **For 18 February**, Embrace will host **Dr Robert Tilley of the Catholic Institute Sydney** who will give a talk on *'The Bible is Catholic'*. For more information ring 0404 008 870 embrace@stmaryscathedral.org.au.

POSITION VACANT. Communications & Development Manager Council of Catholic School Parents NSW/ACT. Permanent full-time position. Sydney CBD-based. For further information please contact Anthony Spata at REACH Human Resources, on 0402 210 055. Applications close **27 February 2018**.

TOURS OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL: Our tour guides would love to take you through the history of our mother church in Sydney on **weekdays** at **10am, 10.30am** and a visit at **1.45pm or 2pm**. To book please contact the Cathedral office on **(02) 9220 0400** or info@stmaryscathedral.org.au. A **minimum** tour group number of **10 required**; also no tours on Fridays as the Crypt can be closed at short notice.

CALLING ALL ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL CHOIR ALUMNI! If you are a former chorister of the St Mary's Cathedral Choir and wish to be involved in our 200th anniversary celebrations, please get in touch with Music Administrator, Hannah Burt, at music@stmaryscathedral.org.au. We look forward to celebrating this milestone with you all!

CATHOLICCARE. Short-term Foster carers urgently needed. CatholicCare supports a team of foster carers who can look after children for a few weeks or months when they cannot live safely at home. If you are interested in learning more about becoming a short-term foster carer, come to our **free open evening** on Thursday, **01 March** at **6pm** in **Lewisham** Call our **CCareline Team** on **13 18 19** to find out more.

ST CLARE'S COLLEGE EX-STUDENTS' REUNION. All former students are invited to attend a reunion at the college on **Sunday, March 4**. Cost is \$30. Our theme this year is *"A Farewell to the Nuns"*, who are leaving the parish after 135 years. For more information contact Daphne Brady on **9428 3082** or at rogerhorton@bigpond.com.