

## Project Compassion flips into action



Caritas Australia's main fundraising campaign, Project Compassion, is being held again this Lenten season. The campaign will be launched nationally on Shrove Tuesday, 4 March 2003, the day before Lent.

On 'Pancake Tuesday' pancakes will be offered for a donation in communities and schools throughout Australia to raise money for Project Compassion and to help impoverished communities worldwide.

Last year Project Compassion raised more than \$6 million; making it one of Australia's largest public fundraising campaigns for overseas aid. Project Compassion has been running since 1966.

Project Compassion provides Australians with an opportunity to support development programs throughout

the world and enables Caritas Australia to continue to respond to poor countries in times of disaster, through relief aid.

As part of Project Compassion, international speakers from our partner countries will visit Australia to participate in an extensive public speaking campaign for people of all ages. These speaking engagements are extremely powerful and provide Australians with a new perspective on our international neighbours.

Locally, Archdiocesan Director Patricia Burke says that the annual luncheon at Parliament House to support the Project Compassion appeal has been deferred due to the NSW Elections being held on 22 March.

For further information visit [www.caritas.org.au](http://www.caritas.org.au) or contact Caritas Australia on (02) 9956 5799.

## NET team starts in Sydney

CATHOLIC Youth Services' NET team begin their work in Sydney this month.

The National Evangelisation Team will be working in the Archdiocese this year, thanks to the support of the Catholic Education Office.

Under the direction of CYS, the NET team will be working in schools, parishes, and youth groups, and will be based at the new CYS premises at Clovelly.

The team are currently in Brisbane training with other NET teams and will be arriving in Sydney on February 15th.

Members of the 6-person team come from Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne and the United States, and each will be devoting a year of their life to this ministry.

For further information, email Lyndon Cox at CYS, [lyndoncox@bigpond.com](mailto:lyndoncox@bigpond.com)



## New premises for Youth Services

AFTER more than a decade in the inner-west, Catholic Youth Services moved their operations to Clovelly at the end of January.

CYS have relocated to the old convent of the Presentation Sisters. The sisters are moving to smaller accommodation.

Having outgrown the Homebush West office, the CYS Team will have no shortage of room at the new premises. The huge 14-bedroom building has plenty of office space, a beautiful chapel, and stunning ocean views.

Part of the building will be used to accommodate the NET team (see below), which will be managed by CYS. CYS envisage the establishment of an ongoing youth ministry in the long-term, and believe that the new venue will be ideal to cater for their agency's expansion.

The new contact details for CYS are: 7 Fewings St, Clovelly. Email [cys@bigpond.com](mailto:cys@bigpond.com)

## Welcome to Sydney Snapshot

AFTER a break over the Christmas period, Sydney Snapshot returns for 2003!

While many workplaces tend to be relatively quiet over January, Catholic Youth Services has been busy preparing for the relocation of their operations – not to Liverpool St, but to an old convent at Clovelly. Their offices at Homebush were simply too small to handle an ever-expanding repertoire. One such reason is the new NET team, which you'll read about in this edition.

CAEC and the CIS both have interesting programs in Faith formation coming up; Caritas' Project Compassion is highlighted' and we unveil the new name for the building at 133 Liverpool St, which retains our Archdiocese's high regard for the memory of the 1st Archbishop of Sydney, John Bede Polding.

## New Church Offices

THE new Church offices at 133 Liverpool St will be called the Polding Centre.

For further information and updates on the move, please see the separate publication 133 Liverpool St.



Offices named after Archbishop Polding

### CIS

## Certificate in Pastoral Liturgy

FIRST Semester classes for the Catholic Institute of Sydney's Certificate IV in Pastoral Liturgy commence next month. The course is specially designed for parish liturgy planners, liturgical music ministers, RCIA team members, teachers & catechists, and anyone interested in the Church's liturgical life. It will cover areas such as basic theology, spiritual richness, the spiritual life, effective communicating and skills for pastoral planning.

The semester runs for three intensive weekends in March, May and June. For further information, contact the Institute on 9752-9501.

*"Every moment comes to us pregnant with a command from God, only to pass on and plunge into eternity, there to remain forever what we have made of it."*

Saint Francis de Sales

## CAEC Lenten Programme



Lent is a time of waiting, prayer, penance, repentance and works of charity, which prepares mankind for the great feast of Easter.

Catholic Adult Education publish programmes for small group discussion, to assist people in their preparations.

The programmes can be used to a wide array of groups - including parishes, family, young adults, school staff, senior school students, hospitals, visually impaired (Lent program - CD), nursing homes and the workplace.

The Journey to Easter / Lent Program, In Good Hands, is an annual program for years A, B and C.

The five-week adult discussion pro-

gram is based on the Gospels for Lent, and offers opportunities to pray, share insights into the Faith, grow in an understanding of the Scriptures, and relate Faith to life through reflection on real-life stories.

To order or purchase the new program, please contact the Centre on: 9643-3660.

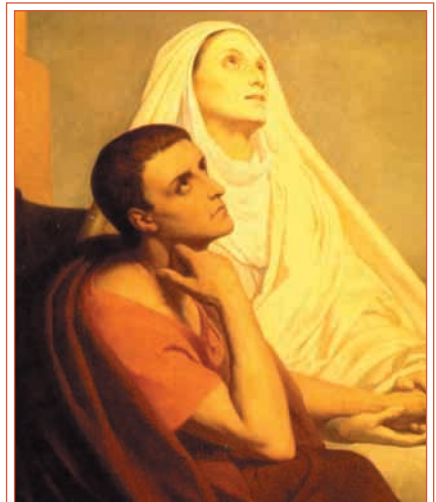


## Feast Days

St Scholastica, Virgin and Patron of Nuns	Feb 10
Our Lady of Lourdes	Feb 11
St Bernadette, Virgin	Feb 18
Chair of St Peter the Apostle	Feb 22
St Gregory II, Pope	Feb 28



St Bernadette of Lourdes



Saint Augustin et sa Mere Monique (St Monica and her son, St Augustin, Doctor of the Church)  
1855, Musee du Louvre, Paris

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