

# SYDNEY SNAPSHOT

June 2003

Newsletter of the agencies in the Archdiocese of Sydney

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## Pentecost Pastoral Letter to the young people of Sydney

His Grace sent out a Pastoral Letter to the Young People of Sydney on Pentecost Sunday, 8 June 2003 on the subject of Leadership.

A series of consultations with senior students and young adults was held in April 2003 where the subject of leadership was discussed. The Catholic Education Office Sydney and Catholic Youth Services facilitated these workshops.

Underlying the concept of Christian leadership is Jesus' example of washing the feet of his disciples.

Copies can be obtained from Margaret O'Reilly on ext 191.



## Welcome to Sydney Snapshot

WELCOME to the June edition of Sydney Snapshots. We have a new initiative for the Sudanese Catholics through the Immigration Office, a new Learning Network through Centacare and a new Convenor of the University of Sydney Chaplaincy team, as well as the annual Mass to honour the Catechists organized by CCD.

Sydney Snapshots is all about keeping staff informed about the activities of the Agencies of the Archdiocese. If your agency has a new program, staff member or activity, please let us know so it can be communicated to all staff of the Archdiocese. Deadline for material is the Monday of the last week of the month (23 June, 28 July etc). Please email [media@sydney.catholic.org.au](mailto:media@sydney.catholic.org.au)

If your agency has any upcoming events or stories of interest that could be published in 'Sydney Snapshot', please send it to Catholic Communications, phone (02) 9390 5300 or fax (02) 9390 5306. \*Please note that the editorial deadline is the beginning of the last week of each month.

## Welcoming a new face at the University of Sydney Chaplaincy

THE Catholic Chaplaincy at the University of Sydney has welcomed its new Convenor, Mr Stephen Lawrence.

Stephen has been working in Rome for the past three years as the Director of the Emmanuel Community's International School of Mission & Evangelisation having worked previously at the Catholic Youth Ministry in Melbourne. Prior to working in the Church Steve had a 12 year career as a professional AFL footballer at the Hawthorn Football Club. He is married to Annie and they have four children with a fifth due in July.

The SU Catholic Chaplaincy is presently working on sending a coach-full of students to the IMCSA Annual Conference (International Movement of Catholic

Students Australia) in Melbourne from July 11-13. This Conference is open to all tertiary students across Australia and will address the theme "Christ in the University". It will feature speakers including Bishop Mark Coleridge (Episcopal Vicar for Tertiary Education), Mrs Anna Krohn (Director, Catholic Adult Education, Melbourne Archdiocese) and Dr. Tracey Roland (Dean JPPI Institute, Melbourne). The conference will also include forums on vocations and faith in contemporary politics. For more information on the Trip contact Anthony McCarthy (Deputy Convenor, Catholic Chaplaincy) on 0402 128 073 or [mccarthy@chaplain.usyd.edu.au](mailto:mccarthy@chaplain.usyd.edu.au)

## Annual Mass for Catechists

THE Annual Mass for Catechists will be held in St Mary's Cathedral on Trinity Sunday (15 June 2003). Archbishop George Pell will be the Principal Celebrant and be joined by the priests of the Archdiocese.

The Annual Catechist Mass provides an opportunity for the Archdiocese of Sydney to recognise two groups of catechists. The first group comprises those catechists who have successfully completed one of the education courses conducted by the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine. The second group comprises those catechists who have given loyal service to their parish communities for twenty or twenty-five years. It is pleasing to note that 38 catechists have completed

their training (72 hours) and will receive the Catechist Accreditation Certificate. Nine catechists will also receive the Catechist Ministry Certificate (which requires a further 150 hours).

The second group of catechists to be recognised are those who have provided loyal service to the Church over a long period of time. In this regard, twenty catechists will receive Apostolic Blessings in recognition of their twenty years of service and fifteen catechists will receive their Cardinal Freeman Medals acknowledging their twenty-five years of service to religious education.

Anyone from other agencies would be most welcome to join us for this important celebration (Mass commences at 2.00pm).

## Centacare Learning Network

CENTACARE have just launched the Learning Network to facilitate Centacare's professional development, Client vocational training, school to training pilot program and St Patrick's Programs.

More information can be obtained from Centacare Learning Network, Cnr Devonshire and Riley Sts, Surry Hills.

Ph: 8306 2319

Fax: 9310 3340

## Immigration Office to open new Centre to cater for Sudanese Catholics

A new Pastoral Centre to minister to the growing influx of Sudanese Catholics to the Archdiocese was opened on Sunday, 8 June 2003.

Tresa Diing has just been appointed as Sydney Sudanese Pastoral Care Worker. In this role she will be responsible for the care of new Catholic arrivals from Sudan. Tresa will gather a group of volunteers to assist in her work of setting up a Centre for meetings, prayer and cultural activities.

The Centre will be based at Flemington.

## The Mystery of the Eucharist

THE Catholic Adult Education Centre is hosting an evening Seminar on the Encyclical "Ecclesia de Eucharistia" entitled The Mystery of the Eucharist.

The program will include:

- *The Eucharist in the Early Church*  
Mr Robert Haddad, Lumen Verum Apologetics
- *The Background to the Encyclical*  
Fr John Flader, Director, Catholic Adult Education Centre
- *The Encyclical "Ecclesia de Eucharistia"*  
Fr Anthony Robbie, Adm, St Dominic's Flemington
- *Rekindling Eucharistic Adoration*  
Mrs Christine McCarthy, Society for Eucharistic Adoration

The Mystery of the Eucharist will be held on Thursday, 3rd July at 7:30pm at The Catholic Centre, 3 Keating St, Lidcombe. Suggested donation \$5

Supper will follow. Parking is available on site.

For further information please phone 9643 3660 or visit our website:

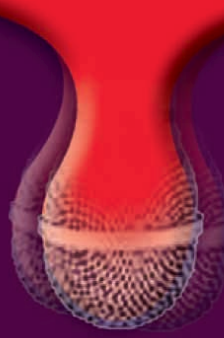
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## Feast Days during June




- 11 St Barnabas, Apostle
- 13 St Anthony of Padua
- 15 Trinity Sunday
- 21 St Aloysius Gonzaga
- 22 The Body and Blood of Christ
- 24 Birth of John the Baptist
- 27 Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
- 28 Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 29 Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles

# YELL



## A Catholic Song Writing Competition 2003

Calling for original contemporary songs about Catholic faith and life, for use in Catholic Youth Ministry with teens and young adults

For more information, contact **CYS House** on **9665 5344**