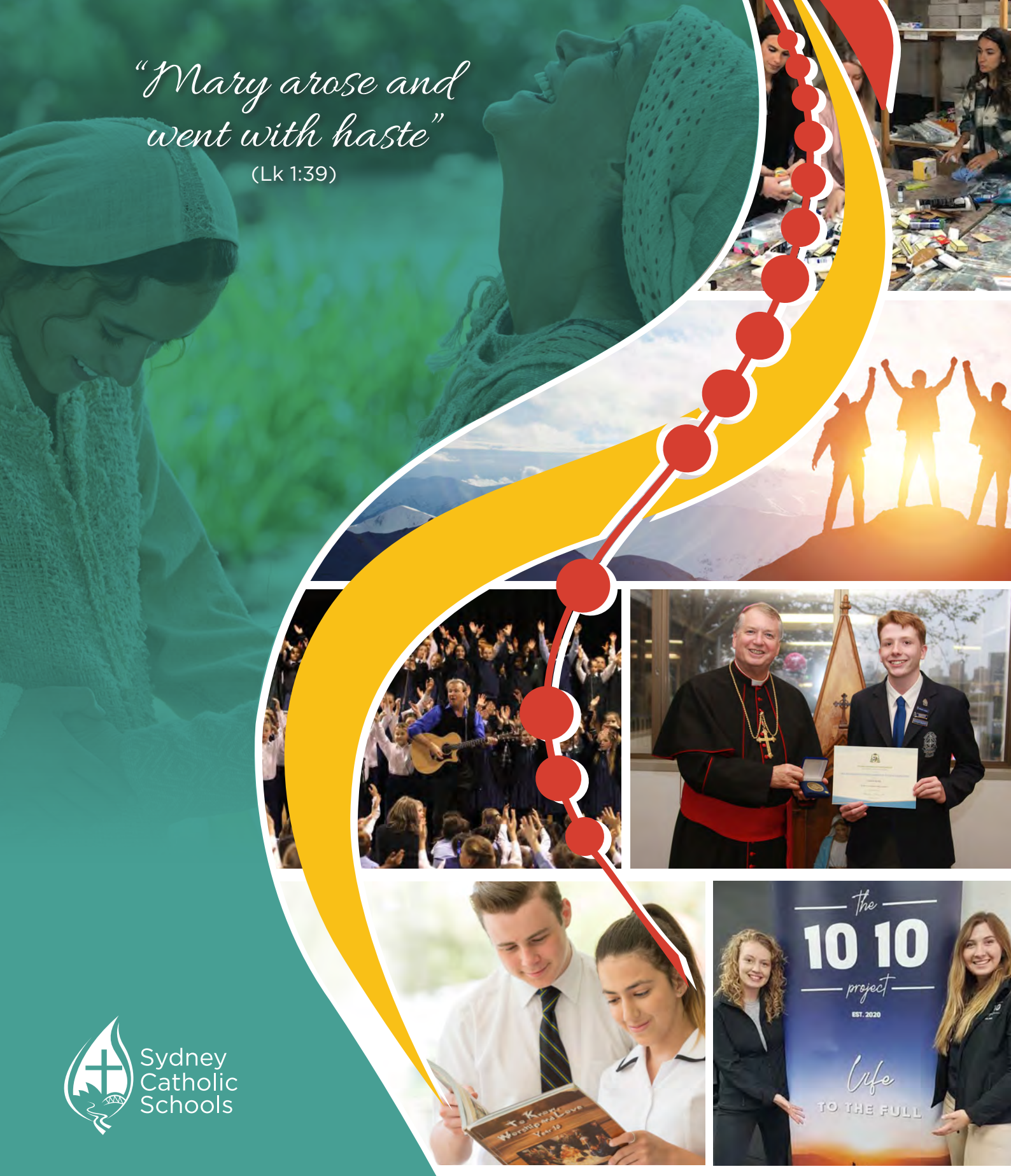


*"Mary arose and  
went with haste"*  
(Lk 1:39)



2022

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# STAFF FAITH FORMATION





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## Growing in Faith

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9762-2)

**Tuesday, 8 March - Friday, 11 March**

This four-day residential live-in course is designed for teachers in their fourth - tenth year of teaching, who are seeking a deeper faith formation opportunity. It is especially applicable to those aspiring to formal religious leadership (REC) in the short-to-medium term.

**THEME:** "Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ" (2 Peter 3:18).

**VENUE:** St Joseph's Spirituality and Education Centre (8 Humphreys Road, Kincumber South).

**TIME:** Arrival time on Day 1 is 8.00am for registration and check-in. Departure time on Day 4 is 3.00pm

**REGISTRATION:** Admission to the course is via PHRIS enrolment with the simultaneous submission of an application form and the principal's endorsement form via email to [christopher.neaves@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:christopher.neaves@syd.catholic.edu.au). This application form can be obtained by emailing Christopher Neaves.

Please note all participants must complete both the PHRIS enrolment and the relevant forms in order to complete the registration process.

**FUNDING:** System release funding is available for successful applicants.

**COST:** All course costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this course equates to 40 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 25 participants

**CONTACT:** Christopher Neaves on 0475 835 098 or [christopher.neaves@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:christopher.neaves@syd.catholic.edu.au).

## RETREATS FOR BEGINNING TEACHERS STARTING IN SYDNEY CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

This is a three-phased retreat program conducted over three years for teachers new to Sydney Catholic Schools (SCS). Teachers in their first and second year of teaching with SCS will have a two-day residential retreat program at a particular venue. Teachers in their third year of teaching with SCS will have a one-day retreat programme. The same retreat programme is offered on multiple occasions. These retreats are compulsory and are offered to permanent, temporary and casual teachers new to SCS. Please register early in order to secure your preferred retreat option.

This retreat program is in accordance with the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Systemic Catholic Schools, Archdiocese of Sydney' policy, for Category B.

## Beginning Teachers' 1st Year Retreat (BT1)\*

**I: Thursday, 28 - Friday, 29 April**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9739-7)

**II: Thursday, 12 - Friday, 13 May**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9739-8)

**III: Thursday, 2 - Friday, 3 June**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9739-9)

**IV: Thursday, 18 - Friday, 19 August**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9739-10)

**V: Thursday, 10 - Friday, 11 November**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9739-11)

This two day residential retreat is for all teachers (permanent, temporary or casual) who are in their **first year** of teaching in Sydney Catholic Schools, in accordance with the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Systemic Catholic Schools, Archdiocese of Sydney' policy, for Category B. The same retreat program is offered on multiple occasions. Please register early to avoid disappointment in gaining your preferred dates.

**THEME:** 'Called'

**VENUE:** Benedict XVI Retreat Centre (347 Grose Wold Road, Grose Vale).

**TIME:** Arrival time on Day 1 is 8.30am for registration and check-in. Departure time on Day 2 is 3.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** As part of the Beginning Teachers' orientation to teach in Catholic schools, 1 day of release funding will be funded by the Mission and Identity Directorate.

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 15 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 35 participants per retreat option

**CONTACT: Option I & III:** Dominique Farah on 0439 497 947 or [dominique.farah@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:dominique.farah@syd.catholic.edu.au).

**Option II & IV:** Anita Sicari on 0436 949 703 or [anita.sicari@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anita.sicari@syd.catholic.edu.au).

**Option V:** Elsa Manu on 0407 202 013 or [elsa.manu@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:elsa.manu@syd.catholic.edu.au).



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## Beginning Teachers' 2nd Year Retreat (BT2)

- I: Thursday, 19 - Friday, 20 May**  
(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9740-6)
- II: Thursday, 9 - Friday, 10 June**  
(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9740-7)
- III: Thursday, 16 - Friday, 17 June**  
(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9740-8)
- IV: Thursday, 27 - Friday, 28 October**  
(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9740-9)
- V: Thursday, 3 - Friday, 4 November**  
(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9740-10)

This two day residential retreat is for all teachers (permanent, temporary or casual) who are in their **second year** of teaching in Sydney Catholic Schools, in accordance with the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Systemic Catholic Schools, Archdiocese of Sydney' policy, for Category B. The same retreat program is offered on multiple occasions. Please register early to avoid disappointment in gaining your preferred dates.

**THEME:** 'Formed'

**VENUE:** St Joseph's Centre for Reflective Living (64 Mackillop Drive, Baulkham Hills).

**TIME:** Arrival time on Day 1 is 8.30am for registration and check-in. Departure time on Day 2 is 3.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is available from the Mission and Identity Directorate for both days of this retreat.

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 15 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 35 participants per retreat option.

**CONTACT: Option I & V:** Ivanka Rancic on 0436 682 679 or [ivanka.rancic@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:ivanka.rancic@syd.catholic.edu.au).

**OPTION II & IV:** Christopher Neaves on 0475 835 098 or [christopher.neaves@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:christopher.neaves@syd.catholic.edu.au).

**OPTION III:** Cheryl Fernandez on 0472 877 842 or [cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au).

**\*Cancellation Fees:** Participants withdrawing from this course must provide at least 7 days notice prior to the start of the course, otherwise schools will be liable to pay the course cost in full.

**Disclaimer:** This course is subject to COVID-19 regulations that are applicable at the time of the course and may be amended as necessary to ensure compliance with current government regulations should the restrictions change.

## Beginning Teachers' 3rd Year Retreat (BT3)

- I: Friday, 26 August**  
(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9741-5)
- II: Friday, 16 September**  
(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9741-6)
- III: Friday, 21 October**  
(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9741-7)
- IV: Friday, 28 October**  
(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9741-8)

This one day reflection opportunity is provided for all teachers in their **third year** of teaching in Sydney Catholic Schools (permanent, temporary or casual). Please register early in order to secure your preferred date.

**THEME:** 'Sent'

**VENUE:** The pilgrimage will begin at Mary Mackillop Place (80 William Street, North Sydney), continue to St Patrick's Catholic Church (20 Grosvenor Street, Sydney), and finish at St Mary's Cathedral (St Mary's Road, Sydney).

**TIME:** 8.30am (for a 9.00am start) -3.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this retreat.

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 5 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 25 participants per retreat option

**CONTACT: Option I:** Ivanka Rancic on 0436 682 679 or [ivanka.rancic@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:ivanka.rancic@syd.catholic.edu.au).

**Option II:** Anita Sicari on 0436 949 703 or [anita.sicari@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anita.sicari@syd.catholic.edu.au).

**Option III:** Cheryl Fernandez on 0472 877 842 or [cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au).

**Option IV:** Bernadette Bridle on 0436 679 890 or [bernadette.bridle@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:bernadette.bridle@syd.catholic.edu.au).



# FAITH FORMATION

## Principals' Retreat

**I. Thursday, 28 - Friday, 29 July**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-8747-3)

**II. Monday, 22 - Tuesday, 23 August**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-8747-4)

This two day residential retreat is open to all principals employed in Sydney Catholic Schools and will explore the dimension of 'witness', assisting principals to meet the Currency requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Systemic Catholic Schools, Archdiocese of Sydney' policy, for Category E.

**THEME:** 'Mary arose and went with haste.' (Luke 1:39).

**VENUE:**

**Option I:** The Hermitage (843 old South Rd, Mittagong).

**Option II:** St Joseph's Spirituality and Education Centre (8 Humphreys Road, Kincumber South).

**TIME:** Arrival time on Day 1 is 8.30am for registration and check-in. Departure time on Day 2 is 3.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this retreat.

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 15 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 20 participants

(a minimum of 10 attendees is required)

**CONTACT:**

**Option I:** Christopher Neaves on 0475 835 098 or [christopher.neaves@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:christopher.neaves@syd.catholic.edu.au).

**Option II:** Ivanka Rancic on 0436 682 679 or [ivanka.rancic@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:ivanka.rancic@syd.catholic.edu.au).

## Assistant Principals' Retreat

**Thursday, 20 - Friday, 21 October**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1162)

This two day residential retreat is open to all assistant principals employed in Sydney Catholic Schools. The retreat will explore our personal response to the 'voice of God', assisting assistant principals to meet the Currency requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Systemic Catholic Schools, Archdiocese of Sydney' policy, for Category E.

**THEME:** 'Mary arose and went with haste.' (Luke 1:39).

**VENUE:** St Joseph's Centre for Reflective Living (64 Mackillop Drive, Baulkham Hills).

**TIME:** Arrival time on Day 1 is 8.30am for registration and check-in. Departure time on Day 2 is 3.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this retreat.

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 15 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 35 participants

(a minimum of 10 attendees is required)

**CONTACT:** Christopher Neaves on 0475 835 098 or [christopher.neaves@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:christopher.neaves@syd.catholic.edu.au)

## Proficient Teacher Accreditation Release Days

*\*For participants attending the BT1 Retreat.*

There are 12 in-school release days available for full-time teachers who are working towards Proficient Teacher Accreditation.

These days are divided into the following categories:

**Beginning Teacher** (code: 00CD)

**Mentor and Supervisor** (code: 00CE)

These days can be taken throughout the period that the teacher takes to achieve Proficient Teacher Accreditation.

The way in which these days are used is determined by the teacher, their mentor and supervisor. Teachers enrolled in the Beginning Teachers' 1st Year Retreat can use 1 of these days drawn from the Beginning Teacher category. The second day will be funded by M&I (release funding code will be provided to you at the conclusion of the retreat).





# FAITH FORMATION

## Religious Education Coordinator (REC) Retreats

**I. Thursday, 23 - Friday, 24 June**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9742-4)

**II. Thursday, 21 - Friday, 22 July**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9742-5)

**III. Thursday, 4 - Friday, 5 August**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9742-6)

Each REC in Sydney Catholic Schools is now required to attend a System retreat at least once every two years. This two day residential retreat is open to all primary and secondary RECs employed in Sydney Catholic Schools. Three options will be offered each year. The retreat options in 2022 will explore our personal response to the 'voice of God', assisting RECs to meet the Currency requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Systemic Catholic Schools, Archdiocese of Sydney' policy, for Category E.

**THEME:** 'Mary arose and went with haste.' (Luke 1:39).

**VENUE:**

**Option I:** Mt Carmel Retreat Centre  
(247 St Andrews Rd, Varroville).

**Option II:** Benedict XVI Retreat Centre  
(347 Grose Wold Road, Grose Vale).

**Option III:** St Joseph's Centre for Reflective Living  
(64 Mackillop Drive, Baulkham Hills).

**TIME:** Arrival time on Day 1 is 8.30am for registration and check-in. Departure time on Day 2 is 3.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this retreat.

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 15 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 30 - 35 participants per retreat (a minimum of 10 attendees is required)

**CONTACTS:**

**Option I:** Christopher Neaves on 0475 835 098 or [christopher.neaves@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:christopher.neaves@syd.catholic.edu.au).

**Option II:** Ivanka Rancic on 0436 682 679 or [ivanka.rancic@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:ivanka.rancic@syd.catholic.edu.au).

**Option III:** Anita Sicari on 0436 949 703 or [anita.sicari@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anita.sicari@syd.catholic.edu.au).

## Youth Ministry Coordinators' Retreat

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1163-1)

**Thursday, 5 May - Friday, 6 May**

This overnight retreat is designed as a time of reflection and prayer, allowing participants to be inspired and renewed in their role as missionary disciples within their school communities.

**THEME:** 'Mary arose and went with haste.' (Luke 1:39).

**VENUE:** Benedict XVI Retreat Centre  
(347 Grose Wold Road, Grose Vale).

**TIME:** Arrival time on Day 1 is 8.30am for registration and check-in. Departure time on Day 2 is at 3.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is available for one day of this retreat (provided participants attend both days).

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this day equates to 15 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**CONTACT:** Cheryl Fernandez on 0472 877 842 or [cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au).



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## Middle Leaders' Retreat

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9744-2)

**Thursday, 1 - Friday, 2 September**

This two day residential retreat is offered to all middle leaders currently employed in Sydney Catholic Schools. The retreat will explore our personal response to the 'voice of God', and will support middle leaders in meeting the Currency requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Systemic Catholic Schools, Archdiocese of Sydney' policy, for Category C.

**THEME:** 'Mary arose and went with haste.' (Luke 1:39).

**VENUE:** Mt Carmel Retreat Centre  
(247 St Andrews Rd, Varroville).

**TIME:** Arrival time on Day 1 is 8.30am for registration and check-in. Departure time on Day 2 is 3.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this retreat.

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 15 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 25 participants (a minimum of 10 attendees are required).

**CONTACT:** Anita Sicari on 0436 949 703 or [anita.sicari@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anita.sicari@syd.catholic.edu.au).

## Family Educators' Retreats

**I: Friday, 4 March (one day)**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1164-1)

**II: Thursday, 28 - Friday, 29 July (two days)**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1164-2)

**III: Thursday, 11 - Friday, 12 August (two days)**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1164-4)

**IV: Friday, 19 August (one day)**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1164-3)

**V: Thursday, 17 - Friday, 18 November (two days)**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1164-5)

This two day residential retreat (with one-day options in March and August) will explore our personal response to the 'voice of God' in the context of the Family Educator role.

**THEME:** 'Mary arose and went with haste.' (Luke 1:39).

**VENUES: Option I:** Mt Carmel Retreat Centre  
(247 St Andrews Rd, Varroville)

**Option II:** St Joseph's Centre for Reflective Living  
(64 Mackillop Drive, Baulkham Hills).

**Option III:** Mt Schoenstatt Spirituality Centre  
(230 Fairlight Rd, Mulgoa).

**Option IV:** St Joseph's Centre for Reflective Living  
(64 Mackillop Drive, Baulkham Hills).

**Option V:** Benedict XVI Retreat Centre  
(347 Grose Wold Road, Grose Vale).

**TIME:** Please note arrival time for the 1 day option is 8.30am. Additionally for the 2 day options, arrival time on Day 1 is 8.30am for registration and check-in, and departure time on Day 2 is 3.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this retreat.

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in the 2 day retreats equate to 15 hours of formation for RE Currency. However participation in the 1 day retreats equate to 5 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 30 participants

**CONTACT:**

**Option I and III:** Bernadette Bridle on 0436 679 890 or [bernadette.bridle@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:bernadette.bridle@syd.catholic.edu.au).

**Option II:** Anita Sicari on 0436 949 703 or [anita.sicari@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anita.sicari@syd.catholic.edu.au).

**Option IV and V:** Elsa Manu on 0407 202 013 or [elsa.manu@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:elsa.manu@syd.catholic.edu.au).



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## Support Staff Retreat

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1165-1)

Thursday, 10 - Friday, 11 November

This two day residential retreat is offered to support staff currently employed in Sydney Catholic Schools. The retreat will assist staff to meet Currency requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Systemic Catholic Schools, Archdiocese of Sydney' policy, for Category A.

**THEME:** 'Mary arose and went with haste.' (Luke 1:39).

**VENUE:** Mt Carmel Retreat Centre  
(247 St Andrews Rd, Varroville).

**TIME:** Arrival time on Day 1 is 8.30am for registration and check-in. Departure time on Day 2 is 3.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this retreat.

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 15 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 30 participants  
(a minimum of 10 attendees are required)

**CONTACT:** Bernadette Bridle on 0436 679 890 or [bernadette.bridle@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:bernadette.bridle@syd.catholic.edu.au).



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## Inner City Pilgrimage

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9747-2)

Friday, 27 May

Staff employed in Sydney Catholic Schools have the opportunity to experience this time of spirituality and reflection. Please register early to secure your place.

This pilgrimage will begin at Mary MacKillop Place (80 William Street, North Sydney) with prayer and reflection at the tomb of St Mary MacKillop of the Cross, followed by a silent walk across the Harbour Bridge to St Patrick's Catholic Church (20 Grosvenor Street, Sydney) for Mass, finishing with a tour of the Crypt at St Mary's Cathedral (St Mary's Road, Sydney).

**THEME:** 'Mary arose and went with haste.' (Luke 1:39).

**TIME:** 9.00am (for a 9.30am start) -3.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** Limited system release funding is available upon request.

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 5 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 20 participants  
(a minimum of 10 attendees are required)

**CONTACT:** Cheryl Fernandez on 0472 877 842 or [cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au).



# FAITH FORMATION

## God's Grace In My Life:

### CLOVELLY TO BONDI EMMAUS EXPERIENCE

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9748-2)

**Friday, 25 March**

Join us as we reflect upon the Easter story of the disciples on the Road to Emmaus. What can we learn from their encounter with the Risen Lord? Discover moments of God's grace in your life as we enjoy the coastal walk from Clovelly to Bondi. This one day reflection opportunity is provided for all staff of Sydney Catholic Schools. Please register early to secure your place.

**THEME:** 'God's Grace in My Life'

**VENUE:** Clovelly Surf Life Saving Club (Bundock Park, Donnellan Cct, Clovelly).

**TIME:** 8.30am (for a 9.00am start) – 3.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** Limited system release funding is available upon request.

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 5 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 20 participants  
(a minimum of 10 attendees are required)

**CONTACT:** Cheryl Fernandez on 0472 877 842 or [cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au).



## Servant of God Eileen O'Connor Retreat

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1166-1)

**Friday, 4 November**

A day of discovery and reflection on Eileen O'Connor and her community of 'Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor'. Come along to discover the life and work of a most courageous and remarkable woman, possibly Australia's next Saint! Discover how her humble service answered the call of Jesus: 'Stand up as a witness to what you have seen.'



**THEME:** 'Mary arose and went with haste.' (Luke 1:39).

**VENUE:** Eileen O'Connor 'Our Lady's Nurses for the Poor' (35 Dudley St, Coogee).

**TIME:** 8.30am - 2.30pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this retreat.

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 5 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 25 participants per retreat  
(a minimum of 10 attendees are required)

**CONTACT:** Anita Sicari on 0436 949 703 or [anita.sicari@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anita.sicari@syd.catholic.edu.au).

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# FAITH FORMATION

## Vinnies 'SWAP'

(Special Works Awareness Program)

### RETREAT FOR SCECS AND OSHC EMPLOYEES

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9749-2)

**Friday, 6 May**

The 'SWAP' Retreat brings alive Catholic Social Teaching Principles. This retreat enables participants to see how their beliefs can practically change the lives of others for the better. The emphasis is on how participants can use their faith to see, judge and act when encountering need. Participants will be exposed to a number of programs and services that are specifically aimed to meet the needs of the most vulnerable within our society.

This retreat celebrates ordinary people doing extraordinary things in the name of Christian charity and desiring to provide friendship and hope to those who are the most vulnerable.

**THEME:** St Vincent de Paul Special Works.

**VENUE:** Vinnies Head Office  
(32-36 Hampstead Rd, Auburn).

**TIME:** 10.00am-2.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** Release funding is not available for this retreat.

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Early Childhood Services.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 4 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 25 participants per retreat  
(a minimum of 10 attendees are required)

**CONTACT:** Elsa Manu on 0407 202 013 or [elsa.manu@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:elsa.manu@syd.catholic.edu.au).



## 'Two Wings' Leadership Retreat

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1167)

**Thursday, 24 - Friday, 25 November**

This retreat is for 30 young teachers recognised as having leadership potential in Sydney Catholic Schools. The retreat constitutes the final component of a year-long formation program in collaboration with the Archdiocese of Sydney spread across the course of 2022. All participants who complete the program will be offered a subsidised pilgrimage to either WYD23, a Eucharistic Congress, or other pilgrimage with the Archdiocese of Sydney.

**As this retreat is now fully subscribed, applications are now closed.**

**THEME:** Two Wings of Faith and Reason.

**VENUE:** Benedict XVI Retreat Centre,  
(347 Grose Wold Road, Grose Vale).

**TIME:** Arrival time on Day 1 is 8.30am for registration and check-in. Departure time on Day 2 is 3.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this retreat.

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 15 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 30 participants per retreat

**CONTACT:** Christopher Neaves on 0475 835 098 or [christopher.neaves@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:christopher.neaves@syd.catholic.edu.au).



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# FAITH FORMATION

## Archdiocesan Family Educator Day

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1168)

**Monday, 21 March**

This one day event is offered to all Family Educators working in Sydney Catholic Schools to in order to enable them to network with colleagues across the Archdiocese, participate in professional dialogue, increase understanding and awareness on specific topics pertinent to the Family Educator role, and share practical ideas to support family faith formation and evangelisation.

**VENUE:** Waterview Function Centre  
(Bicentennial Park, Sydney Olympic Park)

**TIME:** 8.30am–3.30pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this event.

**COST:** All event costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 5 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**CONTACT:** Bernadette Bridle on 0436 679 890 or [bernadette.bridle@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:bernadette.bridle@syd.catholic.edu.au).

## Newly Appointed Family Educators' Induction

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1169-1)

**Monday, 7 February – Tuesday, 8 February**

These two days are to welcome and induct all newly appointed Family Educators across the Archdiocese, and to explain and deepen their understanding of the role of the Family Educator in schools and share ideas and resources pertinent to the Family Educator role.

**VENUE:** SCS Leichhardt Office  
(38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt)

**TIME:** Arrival time for both days is 8.30am  
Departure time is 3.30pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please email the Event Coordinator.

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this event.

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**CONTACT:** Bernadette Bridle on 0436 679 890 or [bernadette.bridle@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:bernadette.bridle@syd.catholic.edu.au).

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**New Employees**

# YOUTH MINISTRY



## YOUTH MINISTRY

### *Pope Francis Award Program 2022*

The Pope Francis Award is a service program offered to students in Year 6 and in Year 7 in 2022 in Sydney Catholic Schools across the Archdiocese. The program is aimed to encourage the involvement of students in their local parish and to reflect and pray about the significance of volunteer service.

#### POPE FRANCIS AWARD PROGRAM (Primary)

The program for Year 6 students essentially involves students completing 20 hours of voluntary service in their Parish (10 hours) and school (10 hours) and completing online faith formation modules under the guidance of a teacher mentor.

#### POPE FRANCIS AWARD PROGRAM (Secondary Pilot)

The program for Year 7 students essentially involves students completing 30 hours of voluntary service in their Parish (15 hours), community service (10 hours), school (5 hours), and completing online faith formation modules under the guidance of a teacher mentor. Pilot schools will be determined in consultation with youth ministry specialists.

**CONTACT:** Cheryl Fernandez on 0472 877 842 or [cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au)



### *'Chosen' Student Retreat*

**Monday, 20 - Tuesday, 21 June**

This two day retreat is offered to Year 7 students participating in the Pope Francis Secondary Award pilot program for 2022. The Pope Francis Award is a service-based initiative involving 45 hours of formation and service in schools and parishes. The retreat will offer students an immersive experience of prayer, sacramental participation and reflection, focussing on the importance of being a witness in the context of school and parish life.

**THEME:** 'Mary arose and went with haste.' (Luke 1:39)

**VENUE:** Benedict XVI Retreat Centre  
(347 Grose Wold Road, Grose Vale).

**TIME:** Arrival time on Day 1 is 9.30am for registration and check-in. Departure time on Day 2 is 2.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** By invitation only for Year 7 students participating in the Pope Francis Awards Secondary program.

**FUNDING:** System release funding is available for accompanying school staff.\*

**COSTS:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**LIMIT:** 80 students, plus one accompanying staff member per school\*

**CONTACT:** Cheryl Fernandez on 0472 877 842 or [cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au).

**\*Cancellation Fees:** Participants withdrawing from this event/retreat must provide at least 7 days notice prior to the start of the event/retreat, otherwise schools will be liable to pay the retreat cost in full.

**Disclaimer:** This event/retreat is subject to COVID-19 regulations that are applicable at the time of the retreat and may be amended as necessary to ensure compliance with current government regulations should the restrictions change.





# YOUTH MINISTRY

## The 10:10 Project - Year 10 Student Retreat



**Thursday, 1 - Friday, 2 December**

This two day retreat is offered to Year 10 students participating in the 10:10 Project pilot program for 2022. The 10:10 Project is a youth-ministry initiative that has been designed in collaboration with the Life, Marriage and Family Office of the Archdiocese of Sydney and The Culture Project. The 10:10 Project aims to deepen student understanding and appreciation of the Catholic Church's teachings on the human person and vocation (with a strong emphasis on marriage and family).

**THEME:** 'I came that they may have life and have it to the full' (John 10:10).

**VENUE:** Benedict XVI Retreat Centre (347 Grose Wold Road, Grose Vale).

**TIME:** Arrival time on Day 1 is 9.30am for registration and check-in. Departure time on Day 2 is 3.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** By invitation only, for Year 10 students participating in the 10:10 program.

**FUNDING:** System release funding is available for accompanying school staff. A subsidy will be provided to support student attendance. \*

**COSTS:** A subsidy of 50% will be provided by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**LIMIT:** 100 students, plus one accompanying staff member per school.

**CONTACT:** Dominique Farah on 0439 497 947 or [dominique.farah@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:dominique.farah@syd.catholic.edu.au).

## Stage 4 and 5 Evangelisation Days

**Stage 5 - Friday, 13 May**

**Stage 4 - Friday, 26 August**

Students from across the Archdiocese of Sydney are invited to attend this event which is a collaboration between Sydney Catholic Schools and Sydney Catholic Youth. It is a day of music, prayer and talks from a variety of speakers.

**THEME:** To be announced in early 2022.

**VENUE:** TBA

**TIME:** Arrival time is 9.00am for registration and check-in. Departure time is 2.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Further information will be provided to schools closer to the date of this event.

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this event.

**COSTS:** All event costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this day equates to 4 hours of formation for RE Currency under the requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Sydney Catholic Schools' policy.

**LIMIT:** Approximately 20 students/accompanying staff per school.

**CONTACT: Stage 5:** Cheryl Fernandez on 0472 877 842 [cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au).

**Stage 4:** Dominique Farah on 0439 497 947 [dominique.farah@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:dominique.farah@syd.catholic.edu.au).



### \*Cancellation Fees:

Participants withdrawing from this event/retreat must provide at least 7 days notice prior to the start of the event/retreat, otherwise schools will be liable to pay the retreat cost in full.

**Disclaimer:** This event retreat is subject to COVID-19 regulations that are applicable at the time of the retreat and may be amended as necessary to ensure compliance with current government regulations should the restrictions change.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### 10:10 Conference, Sydney

**Friday, 9 September**

The 10:10 Conference is an opportunity for student participants across the 10:10 schools to connect and engage in further formation. The Conference will consist of live music entertainment, keynote addresses, workshop options, opportunities for discussion groups and social time.

**THEME:** 'I came that they may have life and have it to the full' (John 10:10).

**VENUE:** Waterview Function Centre  
(Bicentennial Park, Sydney Olympic Park).

**TIME:** 9.00am–2.30pm.

**ELIGIBILITY:** This conference is open to Year 10 students participating in the 10:10 project only.

**REGISTRATION:** Information on how to register will be disclosed closer to the date of the event.

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this event.

**COSTS:** All event costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this event equates to 30 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**CONTACT:** Dominique Farah on 0439 497 947  
[dominique.farah@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:dominique.farah@syd.catholic.edu.au).

### Youth Ministry Coordinators' Professional Development Day'

**(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1171-1)**

**Tuesday, 19 July**

This gathering will be a professional development opportunity for Youth Ministry Coordinators (YMCs) to engage in workshops exploring the latest Catholic youth ministry research, programs and resources, in order to support and equip them in their role as YMCs.

**VENUE:** TBA

**TIME:** 9.00am – 3.00pm.

**RSVP BY:** Wednesday, 21 June

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this event.

**COST:** All event costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this day equates to 5 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**CONTACT:** Cheryl Fernandez on 0472 877 842 or  
[cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au).



### Archdiocesan Youth Engagement Forums with Tony Farley

**Date:** TBA

A vibrant and engaging forum where students from Years 10-11 are given the opportunity to discuss relevant issues affecting youth, followed by a Question and Answer session with Tony Farley, Executive Director of Sydney Catholic Schools.

**VENUE:** SCS World Square Office  
(Level 23, 680 George Street, Sydney)

**TIME:** 3.30pm–5.30pm.

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this event.

**COSTS:** All event costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**CONTACT:** Cheryl Fernandez on 0472 877 842 or  
[cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:cheryl.fernandez@syd.catholic.edu.au).

## IGNITE Conference Sydney 2022

**Thursday, 29 September – Sunday, 2 October**

After the successful first conference in 2019, the Ignite Conference will return to Sydney in 2022. The conference gathers youth, young adults, families and Sydney Catholic School staff in prayer, praise and worship and provides inspirational and dynamic speakers on a wide range of topics, tailored for different age groups. There will also be a host of stalls and expos.

**THEME:** *'The Moment'* (2 Cor. 6:2).

**VENUE:** Freeman Catholic College (Bonnyrigg Heights).

**TIME:**

Thursday: 4.00pm–9.00pm;

Friday: 8.30am–9.00pm;

Saturday: 8.30am–9.00pm;

Sunday: 9.00am–3.30pm

**REGISTRATION:** Registration information will be provided by IGNITE Youth early 2022.

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this event.

**COSTS:** Generous subsidies for students and staff will be provided by Sydney Catholic Schools. The amount of these subsidies will be announced at the time of advertising

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this event equates to 30 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**CONTACT:** Brennan Sharpley on [brennan.sharpley@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:brennan.sharpley@syd.catholic.edu.au).





# YOUTH MINISTRY

## *Archdiocesan Youth Ministry Coordinators' Network Meetings*

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1172-1)

**Wednesday, 19 October**

This gathering will be a professional development opportunity for Youth Ministry Coordinators (YMCs) in secondary schools within each network to engage in workshops with a variety of experts in the latest Catholic youth ministry research, YMC programs and resources to support and equip them in their role as Youth Ministry Coordinators.

**VENUE:** TBA

**TIME:** 12.00pm–3.00pm

**RSVP BY:** Tuesday, 11 October

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this event.

**COST:** All event costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this day equates to 4 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**CONTACT:** Dominique Farah on 0439 497 947 or [dominique.farah@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:dominique.farah@syd.catholic.edu.au).

## *Archdiocesan Combined Secondary RECs' and YMCs' Meeting*

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1173-1)

**Friday, 25 February**

This one-day gathering will be an opportunity for RECs and YMCs in secondary schools to gather for a day of networking and briefing on Sydney Catholic Schools' plans in 2022.

An invitation is extended to SCS Assistant RECs as well as Congregational and Independent secondary school RECs to attend this meeting.

**VENUE:** Waterview Function Centre (Bicentennial Park, Sydney Olympic Park).

**TIME:** 8.45am (for 9.00am start) – 3.30pm

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search). Congregational and Independent Schools are invited to contact Janina Starkey via email to register.

**FUNDING:** 1 day of system release funding per SCS secondary school will be provided for this event, provided both the REC and YMC attend.

**COST:** All event costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this day equates to 5 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**CONTACT:** REC's - Anthony Munro on (02) 9568 8207 or [anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au);

YMC's - Robert Haddad on 0408 250 727 or [robert.haddad@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:robert.haddad@syd.catholic.edu.au).



# SPECIAL EVENTS



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### *'Remembering Mary' Pilgrimage*

**Tuesday, 27 September – Friday, 7 October**

Sydney Catholic Schools will be offering 30 staff the opportunity to experience a pilgrimage journey exploring the story, landscapes and spirit of our first saint, Mary MacKillop of the Cross.

Starting in Melbourne, pilgrims will journey and visit the following sites, including: Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre; Town of Lara; Apollo Bay; Great Ocean Road; The Twelve Apostles; Portland; Hamilton; Mt Gambier; Blue Lake; Penola; Majella Wines; Robe and Murray Bridge; Victor Harbour; Fairy Penguins tour; Hahndorf; Barossa Valley; Seven Hills Winery and Ignatian Centre. The pilgrimage will conclude in Adelaide with visits to specific MacKillop highlights. A chaplain will accompany the pilgrimage and daily Mass will be offered.

The application process will open on 31 March and close on 31 May, 2022. Any person who is employed by Sydney Catholic Schools who has not received a subsidised pilgrimage or immersion experience in the past may apply.

**For further details contact please contact Robert Haddad on 0408 250 727 or**  
[robert.haddad@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:robert.haddad@syd.catholic.edu.au).

### *The Ultimate Journey in Goodness, Truth and Beauty through Catechism*

**CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF INSPIRATION AND INSTRUCTION OF CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.**

**I: Friday, 4 March**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1170-1)

**II: Monday, 21 March**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1170-2)

**III: Monday, 16 May**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1170-3)

**IV: Monday, 6 June**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1170-4)

**V: Friday, 24 June**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1170-5)

**VI: Monday, 8 August**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1170-6)

**VII: Monday, 5 September**

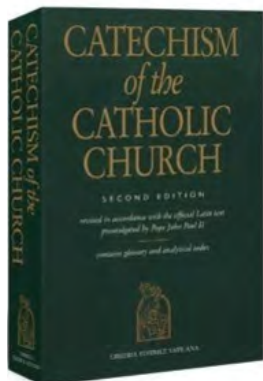
(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1170-7)

**VIII: Monday, 24 October**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1170-8)

**IX: Friday, 11 November**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1170-9)



This course will create a place for educators to enter into creative dialogue with themselves, others and God. Through the journey, they will discover and appreciate the truth, beauty and goodness of living as a Catholic and being a member of the Church. This course will unlock the Catechism's wisdom and beauty to discover its pulsating heart, the Heart of Jesus Christ, and allow participants to be confident in being Christ's voice for the world.

#### VENUE:

- I:** SCS World Square Office  
(Level 23, 680 George Street, Sydney).
- II:** Online, via Zoom.
- III:** Online, via Zoom.
- IV:** Online, via Zoom.
- V:** Dooleys Lidcombe Catholic Club  
(11-17 Church St, Lidcombe).
- VI:** Online, via Zoom.
- VII:** Online, via Zoom.
- VIII:** Online, via Zoom.
- IX:** SCS World Square Office  
(Level 23, 680 George Street, Sydney).

**TIME:** 8.30am–3.30pm

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this event

**COST:** All retreat costs are met by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 16 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** No limit.

**CONTACT:** Ivanka Rancic on 0436 682 679 or  
[ivanka.rancic@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:ivanka.rancic@syd.catholic.edu.au).



## SPECIAL EVENTS



### Life Month

September, 2022

Life Month is a time to raise community awareness around the sacredness of human life and the dignity of the human person in

a manner that is relevant and faithful to the teaching of the Catholic Church.

Life Month will be centred around the theme “Young witnesses of Life and Love” and school communities will have the opportunity to participate in numerous activities for students, staff and parents.

Further information including resources will be made available to schools in the months leading up to Life Month.

**CONTACT:** TBA

### Staff Presentations for 2022

During 2022, RE presentations to staff meetings will focus on the SCS system theme and the Gospel of the Year.

The system theme will be based on the Scripture verse,

***“Mary arose and  
went with haste”***

(LUKE 1:39).

The Gospel for 2022 is Luke’s Gospel.

Schools wishing to book any of these presentations (or others as suggested by the school) may contact Robert Haddad on 0408 250 727 or [robert.haddad@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:robert.haddad@syd.catholic.edu.au).

### St Mary’s Cathedral Crypt Tours

Schools wishing to take students, staff or parents to St Mary’s Cathedral can contact the Mission and Identity Directorate for a guided tour of the Cathedral Crypt.

This tour (in addition to a guided tour of the main body of the Church, booked through the Cathedral) will provide commentary on the history of the Crypt, its construction, the style of architecture, the imagery of the great Celtic Cross floor, the images within the many medallions, the early history of the Catholic Church in NSW, the early priests and bishops of the Colony, the burial plots of previous Archbishops and Cardinals, and the various artworks and statues adorning the Crypt. The tour will be interactive and allow participants to contribute in shared discussions, and question and answer sessions.

**LENGTH OF TOUR:** 45-60 minutes.

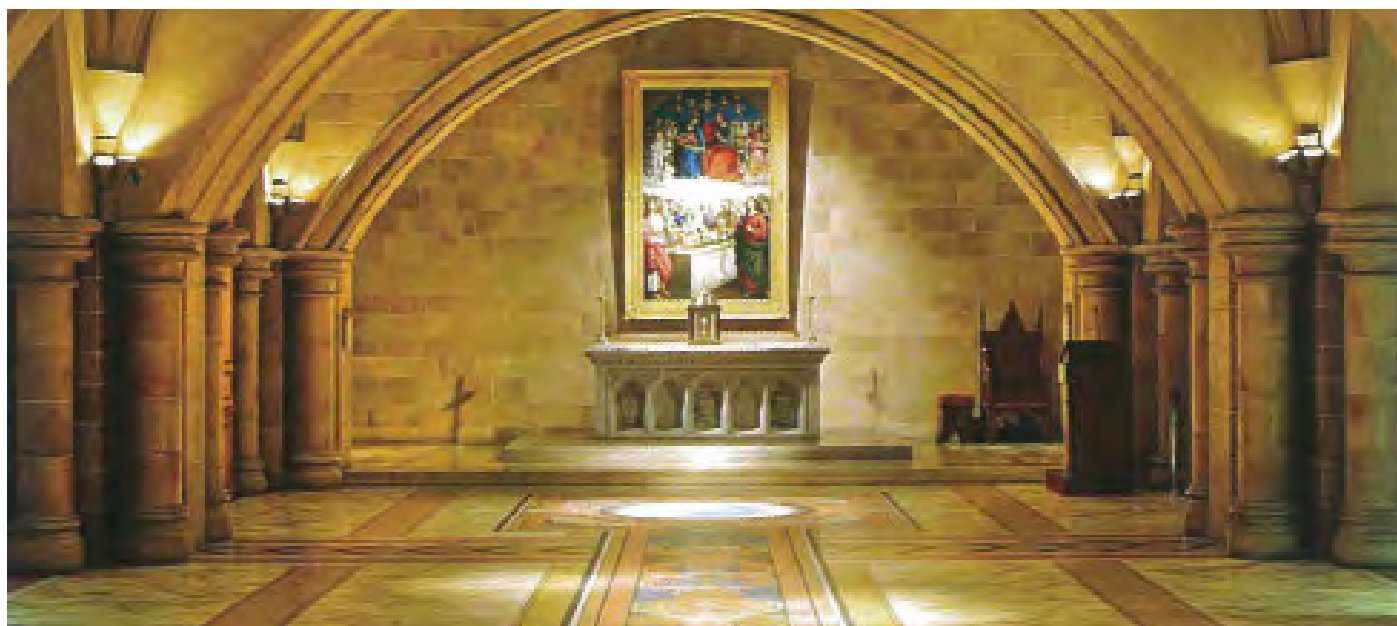
**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this retreat equates to 1 hour of formation for RE Currency.

**LIMIT:** 25 students/staff per tour\*

**CONTACT:** Robert Haddad on 0408 250 727 or [robert.haddad@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:robert.haddad@syd.catholic.edu.au)

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## SPECIAL EVENTS



***“Mary arose and went with haste” (Lk 1:39)***

**This scripture quote has been chosen by Pope Francis for the theme of the XXVIII World Youth Day that will take place in Lisbon, Portugal, in August 2023.**

In his Apostolic Exhortation, *Christus Vivit*, Pope Francis challenged young people to be courageous missionaries:

**“Where does Jesus send us? There are no borders, no limits:**

**He sends us all. The Gospel is not for some, but for everyone” (CV 177).**

World Youth Day (WYD) is a gathering of young people from all over the world with the Pope and aims to provide all participants with an authentic experience of the universal Church, while at the same time fostering a personal encounter with Jesus Christ.

During 2022, Sydney Catholic Schools will be preparing to once again send students and staff pilgrims to World Youth Day. The Mission & Identity Directorate will be arranging visits to secondary schools to conduct information sessions, working closely with REC's and YMC's, to inspire students and staff to attend WYD in Lisbon as pilgrims. Secondary schools will also be asked to nominate staff to accompany students as Pilgrim Group Leaders.

Primary staff will also be invited to attend as staff pilgrims.

**The main events in 2022 that will involve students and staff include:**

- One year out event (August)
- A social event for staff pilgrims (December)
- A two day retreat for Pilgrimage and Bus Group Leaders.

**Contact:** Glen Thompson (Specialist Archdiocesan Liaison) 0475 829 540 or [glen.thompson@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:glen.thompson@syd.catholic.edu.au).

***Pope Francis is asking you...  
Will you be that courageous missionary?***

# PRAYER

## World Youth Day Lisbon 2023

Our Lady of the Visitation  
you who arose and went with haste  
towards the mountain to meet Elizabeth  
lead us also to meet  
all those who await us  
to deliver them, the living Gospel:  
Jesus Christ, your Son and our Lord

We will go in a hurry,  
with no distraction or delay,  
but with readiness and joy.

We will go peacefully,  
because those who take Christ take peace,  
and wellbeing is the best wellbeing.

Our Lady of the Visitation,  
with your inspiration, this World Youth Day  
will be the mutual celebration of the Christ we take,  
as You once did.

Make it a time of testimony and sharing,  
fraternization, and giving thanks,  
each of us looking for the other who always wait.

With you, we will continue  
on this path of gathering,  
so that our world will gather as well  
in fraternity, justice and peace.

Help us,  
Our Lady of Visitation,  
to bring Christ to everyone,  
obeying the father,  
in the love of the spirit.





# RELIGIOUS LEADERSHIP AND LEARNING



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The dynamic landscape of Catholic education requires the ongoing identification and formation of quality future leaders, capable of dealing with a diversity of challenges. There is a need to ensure that our schools are not only centres of excellence and innovation in teaching and learning, but also vibrant faith communities.

In *Catholic Schools at a Crossroads*, the Bishops of NSW/ACT committed that our schools should be:

- truly Catholic in their identity and nature;
- centres of 'New Evangelisation'; and
- led and staffed by people who will contribute to these two goals.

*In light of these goals and the overall vision and mission of our system, priority is given to religious leadership.*

## PEARL

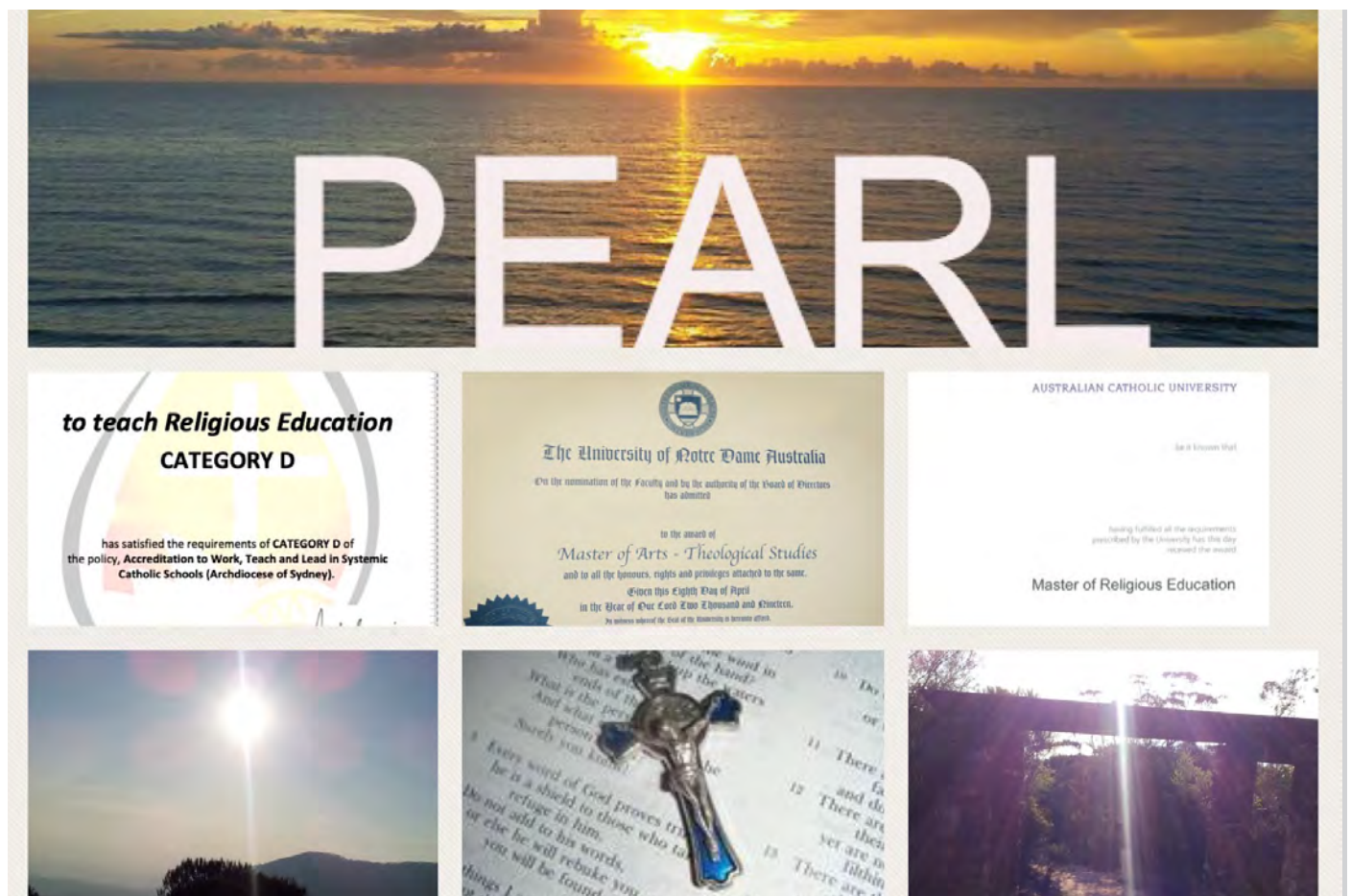
### *(Program for Emerging and Aspiring Religious Leaders)*

PEARL is a three-day program including:

- PEARL Gathering Day
- PEARL Into the Deep - Leadership and Curriculum
- PEARL Leadership Conference

However, teachers may register in the 'Liturgy, Prayer & Sacraments' course and obtain an additional 5.5 hours of RE Currency.

**Please note:** Teachers who complete the program will be eligible to receive Level C accreditation under the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Systemic Catholic Schools, Archdiocese of Sydney' policy. All PEARL days contribute hours to maintaining RE currency at Category D or E under the 'Work, Teach, Lead' framework.



# RELIGIOUS LEADERSHIP AND LEARNING

## PEARL Gathering Day

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1184-1)

**Friday, 25 March**

This is the first day in the PEARL program and is aimed at teachers identified as having the potential to serve in a significant leadership role (e.g. Religious Education Coordinator).

The focus of the day is the 'call' to leadership, research on leadership in a Catholic school setting, and the importance of a Professional Learning Plan.

The day will include a 'consultancy session' where participants can refine their plan and collectively engage with research, system documents, the 'Australian Professional Standards for Teachers', with highly experienced school and system leaders. Participants will also be made aware of the mentoring nature of the program and the indicators of effective Catholic leadership.

Participants will finish the day with a Professional Learning Plan that will assist them in building their own leadership capacity, allowing them to map a journey towards senior school leadership.

**VENUE:** SCS Leichhardt Office  
(38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt)

**TIME:** 8.45am–3.45pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** Limited system release funding is available upon request.

**COST:** All course costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this course equates to 9 hours and 15 minutes of formation for RE Currency.

**CONTACT:** David Ivers on (02) 9568 8212 or [david.ivers@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:david.ivers@syd.catholic.edu.au).

## PEARL “Into the Deep”

### RELIGIOUS LEADERSHIP AND CURRICULUM

**2021 Cohort: Thursday, 24 March**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1185-1)

**2022 Cohort: Tuesday, 31 May**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1184-2)

This is the second day in the PEARL program. The focus will be on leadership (especially religious leadership) and communication, 21st century schooling, the Australian Curriculum and curriculum integration, innovation and using e-Learning to support good pedagogy. Participants will be given a 'leadership observation tool' and encouraged to journal their findings in preparation for the PEARL Leadership Conference.

Participants will reflect and explore contemporary research that broadens their knowledge and understanding of the leadership skills necessary to be an effective school leader, and contextualise contemporary research on leadership to school and system priorities.

**VENUE:** SCS Leichhardt Office  
(38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt)

**TIME:** 8.45am–3.45pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this event.

**COST:** All course costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this course equates to 9 hours and 15 minutes of formation for RE Currency.

**CONTACT:** David Ivers on (02) 9568 8212 or [david.ivers@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:david.ivers@syd.catholic.edu.au).





# RELIGIOUS LEADERSHIP AND LEARNING

## PEARL Leadership Day

**2021 Cohort: Thursday, 12 May**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1185-2)

**2022 Cohort: Thursday, 25 August**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1184-3)

This is the third day in the PEARL program. The focus of the day is authentic Catholic school leadership, and further exploration of the contemporary research on leadership and learning. Participants will have the opportunity to network with a range of educational and community leaders, pose questions and explain how they may be able to adapt the information to their school context and engage with the wider community.

Throughout the day, there will be the opportunity utilising a consultancy method used by the Harvard Graduate School of Education, for participants to revisit, evaluate and revise their Professional Learning Plan. On completion of the program, participants will demonstrate an understanding of the research and system documents via the 'leadership observation tool' and journal. Participants will also demonstrate an understanding of the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers, and how they can be used to build their own leadership capacity through continued use of a Professional Learning Plan.

**VENUE:** SCS Leichhardt Office  
(38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt)

**TIME:** 8.45am–3.45pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** Limited system release funding is available upon request.

**COSTS:** All course costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this course equates to 5 hours and 30 minutes of formation for RE Currency.

**CONTACT:** David Ivers on (02) 9568 8212 or [david.ivers@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:david.ivers@syd.catholic.edu.au).

## PEARL Elective Day

**LITURGY, PRAYER & SACRAMENTS**  
(Professor Clare Johnson)

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1186-1)

**Friday, 12 August**

This elective day will focus on Liturgy, Prayer and Sacraments. Throughout the day teachers will contextualise contemporary thinking on Liturgy and Prayer, targetting both their professional needs and school-system priorities. They will explore their understanding of Prayer, Liturgy, liturgical principles and key Sacraments, whilst broadening their knowledge and understanding of the effective leadership skills necessary for a vibrant liturgical and prayer program.

Participants will explore the key documents that underpin the preparation of a liturgical and prayer program for schools and address questions such as 'What is Liturgy?', 'How do I prepare a prayer service or liturgy for the school?', and 'How do I build religious leadership in the area of prayer and liturgy with staff?'.

*\*Pre-course readings are required to be completed prior to the day.*

**VENUE:** SCS Leichhardt Office  
(38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt)

**TIME:** 8.45am–3.45pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this event.

**COST:** All course costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.

**CONTACT:** David Ivers on (02) 9568 8212 or [david.ivers@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:david.ivers@syd.catholic.edu.au).

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# RELIGIOUS LEADERSHIP AND LEARNING

## PEARL Twitter Forum

**SESSION 1: Monday, 18 May**

**SESSION 2: Monday, 17 August**

**SESSION 3: Monday, 12 October**

*\*Additional sessions may be added at the request of teachers.*

This Twitter Forum will include questions based on identified themes and areas covered in the PEARL program, and is open to all interested educators. The forum is moderated by @SCS\_RE and runs for at least one hour per session. Please note #SCSPEARL will be used for all three sessions.

Participants will engage with other educators from Australia and potentially around the world. By engaging in the sessions they will demonstrate a commitment to continuous professional learning by exploring educational ideas, contextualising contemporary research on leadership to school and system priorities, and sharing relevant research that broadens and improves practice.

Teachers will be able to download the PDF copy of the session via [reonline.sydccatholic.schools.nsw.edu.au](https://reonline.sydccatholic.schools.nsw.edu.au).

### SESSION TOPICS:

- **SESSION 1 - Topic: Catholic schools are called to be distinctive and to give witness to.....?**

#### GUEST MODERATORS:

**David Ivers**, Specialist: Religious Leadership  
Sydney Catholic Schools

**Andrew Murray**, Principal - Catholic High School,  
New Zealand.

- **SESSION 2 - Topic: How do we nurture students' love of learning through a Catholic pedagogy that fosters the development of the intellect, moral knowledge, and understanding and reasoning in a relational, social and cultural context?**

#### GUEST MODERATORS:

**Anthony Munro**, Specialist: Religious Education  
(Secondary) - Sydney Catholic Schools

**Andrew Murray**, Principal - Catholic High School,  
New Zealand.

- **SESSION 3 - Topic: How do Catholic educators assist students to know, understand and celebrate their Catholic faith?**

#### GUEST MODERATORS:

**David Neilson**, Education Officer: Blended Religious  
Learning - Sydney Catholic Schools

**Andrew Murray**, Principal - Catholic High School,  
New Zealand.



**THEME:** Hebrews 13:7-8.

**VENUE:** Online mode participation  
(Twitter account required).

**TIME:** 7.00pm–8.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**ACCREDITATION:** Each Twitter session equates to 1 hour of formation for RE Currency under the requirements of 'Work, Teach and Lead' framework. Participants may choose to attend one or more sessions.

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# RELIGIOUS LEADERSHIP AND LEARNING

## *CALL Program*

### (CATEGORY-C ACCREDITATION LEADERSHIP LEARNING PROGRAM)

**Tuesday, 17 - Wednesday, 18 May**

**(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1187-1)**

This program fulfils the requirements for accreditation at Category C (Middle Leaders) under the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in a Systemic Catholic School' policy. This two day program will be in blended learning mode; the program will run twice per year however with at least half of the program being completed online.

#### ASPECTS OF THE PROGRAM MAY INCLUDE:

- The Mission of the Catholic Church
- The Archbishop's Charter for Catholic Schools Catholic Life and Culture
- Pastoral Care
- Scripture, Prayer and Liturgy
- Christian Leadership
- Faith Formation of Staff
- Partnership with Families and Parishes Catholic Ethical and Social Teaching
- Catholic Worldview across the Curriculum.

**VENUE:** SCS Leichhardt Office  
(38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt)

**TIME:** 8.45am-3.45pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**COST:** All course costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this day equates to 24 hours of formation for RE Currency under the requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Sydney Catholic Schools' policy.

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# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CURRICULUM PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



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## *First Year Primary RECs' Induction Program*

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1175-1)

**Friday, 6 May**

This event will give new Religious Education Coordinators in Primary schools an opportunity to gather for networking. The program includes an overview of areas of responsibility and support available.

**VENUE:** SCS Leichhardt Office (38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt).

**TIME:** 8.45am (for 9.00am start)–3.30pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**RSVP BY:** Friday, 29 April

**FUNDING:** Funding is available for this event.

**COST:** All event costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this day equates to 2.5 hours of formation for RE Currency under the requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Sydney Catholic Schools' policy.

**CONTACT:** Jodie Micallef on (02) 9568 8248 or [jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au).

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CURRICULUM PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



## Second Year Primary RECs' Induction Program

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1176-1)

**Friday, 13 May**

This event will give new Religious Education Coordinators in Primary schools an opportunity to gather for networking. The program includes an overview of areas of responsibility and support available.

**VENUE:** SCS Leichhardt Office  
(38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt).

**TIME:** 8.45am (for 9.00am start) –3.30pm

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**RSVP BY:** Friday, 29 April

**FUNDING:** Funding is available for this event.

**COST:** All event costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this day equates to 2.5 hours of formation for RE Currency under the requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Sydney Catholic Schools' policy.

**CONTACT:** Jodie Micallef on (02) 9568 8248 or [jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au).

## Archdiocesan Primary Religious Education Coordinators' Gathering

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9761-2)

**Friday, 18 March**

This event will give Religious Education Coordinators in Primary schools an opportunity to gather for a day of networking and briefing on Sydney Catholic Schools' plans in 2021.

**VENUE:** Waterview  
(Bicentennial Park, Sydney Olympic Park).

**TIME:** 8.30am (for 9.00am start)–3.30pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

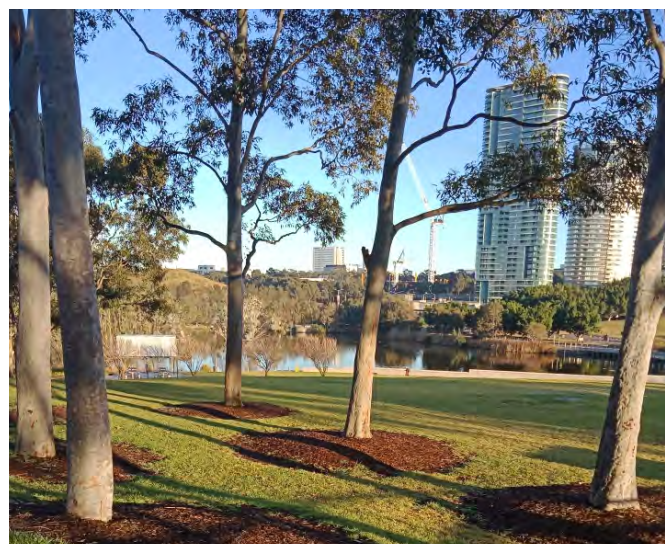
**RSVP BY:** Wednesday, 25 February

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this event.

**COST:** All event costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this day equates to 5 hours of formation for RE Currency under the requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Sydney Catholic Schools' policy.

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# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CURRICULUM PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

## RECs' Professional Learning Communities

### (PRIMARY)

North Sydney & Harbour & Botany-Randwick East

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1180-1)

Term 2 - Thursday, 19 May

Term 3 - Thursday, 11 August

Term 4 - Thursday, 27 October

St George & Botany-Randwick West

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1180-2)

Term 2 - Friday, 20 May

Term 3 - Friday, 12 August

Term 4 - Friday, 28 October

City West & Ashfield-Olympic Park

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1180-3)

Term 2 - Thursday, 26 May

Term 3 - Thursday, 18 August

Term 4 - Thursday, 3 November

Ryde & Auburn-Lakemba

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1180-7)

Term 2 - Thursday, 9 June

Term 3 - Friday, 19 August

Term 4 - Friday, 4 November

East Hills & Sutherland Shire

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1180-5)

Term 2 - Thursday, 2 June

Term 3 - Thursday, 25 August

Term 4 - Thursday, 10 November

Aerotropolis & South West & Horsley

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1180-6)

Term 2 - Friday, 3 June

Term 3 - Friday, 26 August

Term 4 - Friday, 11 November

The REC's Professional Learning Communities (Primary) is an opportunity for senior school leaders in Religious Education to engage with colleagues to improve practice, understanding professional ethics and responsibilities and to understand the requirements of their role as a part of the Sydney Catholic Schools' network.

#### VENUE:

**North Sydney-Harbour & Botany-Randwick East**

SCS Leichhardt Office (38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt).

**St George & Botany-Randwick West**

SCS Leichhardt Office (38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt).

**City West & Ashfield-Olympic Park**

SCS Leichhardt Office (38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt).

**Ryde & Auburn-Lakemba**

SCS Leichhardt Office (38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt).

**East Hills & Sutherland Shire**

SCS Leichhardt Office (38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt).

**Aerotropolis & South West & Horsley**

Liverpool Catholic Club

(424/458 Hoxton Park Road, Prestons).

**TIME:** 8.45am (for 9.00am start) -3.30pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this event.

**COST:** All event costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Completing these professional development days will contribute 12 hours for RE Currency under the requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Sydney Catholic Schools' policy.

**LIMIT:** 25 participants

**CONTACT:** Jodie Micallef(02) 9568 8248 or

[jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au).



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## *RECs' Professional Learning Communities*

### (SECONDARY)

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2000-9763-2)

**Term 2 - Wednesday, 4 May**

**Term 3 - Friday, 22 July**

**Term 4 - Friday, 2 November**

The REC's Professional Learning Communities (Secondary) is based on research by Hord (1997) indicating that for "staff, being part of a professional learning community reduces teacher isolation, increases commitment to the mission and goals of the school, creates shared responsibility for the total development of students, creates powerful learning that defines good teaching and classroom practice, and enhances understanding of course content and teacher roles". Research by Thompson, Gregg and Niska (2015) indicate a correlation between effective professional learning communities and development of leadership capabilities for those holding such positions in schools. As such, the RECs' PLCs will provide RECs with the opportunity to participate in professional learning and dialogue targeted to their specific professional needs in the area of religious education and evangelisation.

#### VENUE:

**Term 2 and 3** - SCS Leichhardt Office  
(38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt).

**Term 4** - SCS World Square Office  
(Level 23, 680 George Street, Sydney)

**TIME:** 8.45am (for 9.00am start)–3.30pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this event.

**COST:** All event costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Completing this professional development day will contribute 12 hours for RE Currency under the requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Sydney Catholic Schools' policy.

**CONTACT:** Anthony Munro (02) 9568 8207 or [anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au).



## *The Art of Storytelling*

**Option I: Tuesday, 28 June**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1177-3)

**Option II: Tuesday, 13 September**

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1177- 2)

The Art of Storytelling will unpack the key aspects of the storytelling pedagogical approach in the Primary Religious Education Curriculum. The course will explore the ways young children learn, with a focus on the research of the spiritual and faith development of children.

#### VENUE:

**Option I:** SCS Leichhardt Office  
(38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt).

**Option II:** Liverpool Catholic Club  
(424/458 Hoxton Park Road, Prestons).

**TIME:** 8.45am (for 09.00am start) –3.30pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (Login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**RSVP:** **Option I:** Friday, 10 June

**Option II:** Friday, 26 August

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available

**COST:** All event costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this day equates to 5 hours of formation for RE Currency under the requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Sydney Catholic Schools' policy.

**LIMIT:** 30

**CONTACT:** Jodie Micallef on (02) 9568 8248 or [jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au).





# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CURRICULUM PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



## Archdiocesan Combined Secondary RECs' and YMCs' Meeting

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1173-1)

**Friday, 25 February**

This will be an opportunity for Religious Education Coordinators in secondary schools and Youth Ministry Coordinators to gather for a day of networking and briefing on Sydney Catholic Schools' plans in 2022.

An invitation is extended to SCS Assistant RECs as well as Congregational and Independent secondary school RECs to attend this meeting.

**VENUE:** Waterview Function Centre (Bicentennial Park, Sydney Olympic Park).

**TIME:** 8.45am (for 9.00am start)–3.30pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search). Congregational and Independent Schools are invited to contact Anthony Munro via email to register.

**RSVP BY:** Friday, 11 February

**FUNDING:** 1 day of system release funding per SCS secondary school will be provided for this event, provided both the REC and YMC attend.

**COST:** All event costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this day equates to 5 hours of formation for RE Currency under the requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Sydney Catholic Schools' policy.

**CONTACT:**

RECs - Anthony Munro on (02) 9568 8207 or [anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au).

YMCs - Robert Haddad on 0408 250 727 or [robert.haddad@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:robert.haddad@syd.catholic.edu.au).

## Studies of Religion Masterclasses: Student and Teacher Curriculum Events

### TERM 2

Wednesday, 25 May

Wednesday, 1 June

Wednesday, 8 June

Wednesday, 15 June

Wednesday, 22 June

### TERM 3

Wednesday, 24 August

Wednesday, 31 August

Wednesday, 7 September

The Studies of Religion Masterclasses are an opportunity for Year 12 students and their teachers to extend their knowledge in components of the Year 12 syllabus, in preparation for the HSC Trial Examinations. Masterclasses are presented by experienced RECs, HSC Markers and by experts from various religious traditions.

**VENUE:** Via Zoom.

Links to be confirmed prior to each session.

**TIME:** 3.30pm–4.30pm.

**REGISTRATION:** No registration is required

**CONTACT:** Anthony Munro on (02) 9568 8207 or [anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au).



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# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CURRICULUM PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

## Trial HSC SoR Marking Workshop

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1316-1)

**Term 3, Week 4 (Monday, 8 August)**

This workshop is for Year 12, Stage 6 Studies of Religion teachers. It will allow teachers to understand and participate in assessment moderation activities to support consistent and comparable judgements of student learning using CSSA HSC trial examination scripts.

The marking session will be led by experienced HSC markers. Actual CSSA trial scripts will be used to moderate and collaboratively explore consistent and comparable judgements of students' work.

Through a collaborative process of marking student scripts, each teacher will develop an improved understanding of what constitutes an exemplar script and be able to give constructive and effective feedback to their students about their achievement relative to their learning goals.

Teachers may elect to include the Australian Professional Standards 5.2.2 and 5.3.2 as part of their Elective PD hours.

**VENUE:** SCS Leichhardt Office  
(38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt).

**TIME:** 8.45am (for 9.00am start)–3.30pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** Limited system release funding is available for this event. Requests for funding must be made in writing prior to the day.

**COST:** All event costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Completing this professional development day will contribute 3 hours for RE Currency under the requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Sydney Catholic Schools' policy.

**LIMIT:** 50 participants

**CONTACT:** Anthony Munro on (02) 9568 8207 or [anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au).



## Year 10 Strand Days - Catholic Liberal Arts Focus

The Strand Days will explore both theology and pedagogy in the Year 10 Religious Education Curriculum. Participants will receive input about Strand content through a Catholic Liberal Arts lens. The day will allow time for the embedding of Catholic Liberal Arts teaching and learning strategies into programs.

Participants will need to bring their school's teaching and learning program for the respective Strand Day attended.

It is an expectation that each school sends one participant to each Strand Day.

**Strand A: Term 1, Week 8 – Wednesday, 23 March**  
(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1181-1)

**Strand C: Term 4, Week 5 – Friday, 11 November**  
(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1181-2)

**Strand D: Term 2, Week 3 – Wednesday, 11 May**  
(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1181-3)

**Strand E: Term 3, Week 2 – Wednesday, 15 February**  
(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1181-4)

**Strand B: Term 4, Week 3 – Wednesday, 26 October**  
(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1181-5)

**VENUES:**

**Strands A, B, D and E:**

SCS Leichhardt Office (38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt).

**Strand C:**

SCS Central Office (Level 23, World Square, Sydney)

**TIME:** 8.45am (for 9.00am start)–3.30pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search)

**FUNDING:** One day release funding is available for one participant per school.

**COST:** All event costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.\*

**ACCREDITATION:** Completing this professional development day will contribute 5 hours for RE Currency under the requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Sydney Catholic Schools' policy.

**LIMIT:** 50 participants

**CONTACT:** Anthony Munro on (02) 9568 8207 or [anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au).



# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CURRICULUM PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



## *Teachers New to Studies of Religion*

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1178-1)

### **Term 2, Week 1 - Friday 29 April**

For teachers who are new to Studies of Religion or looking to refresh their practice, this Professional Development day will explore the nature of the course and how to teach it in a way that allows students to relate the content to their lives. Teachers will explore the nature of assessment in Studies of Religion, including the provision of feedback. Conscious of the diversity of learners in the classroom, participants will explore contemporary pedagogical practices and useful tools to equip students for the HSC.

Teachers may elect to include the Australian Professional Standards 2.1.2 and 2.2.2 as part of their Elective PD hours.

**VENUE:** SCS Leichhardt Office  
(38 Renwick Street, Leichhardt).

**TIME:** 8.45am (for 9.00am start) – 3.30pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**FUNDING:** Release funding is available for this event

**COST:** All event costs are covered by Sydney Catholic Schools.

**ACCREDITATION:** Completing this professional development day will contribute 5 hours for RE Currency under the requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Sydney Catholic Schools' policy.

**LIMIT:** 30 participants

**CONTACT:** Anthony Munro on (02) 9568 8207 or [anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au).

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# ADDITIONAL EVENTS



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### *Short Course on Catholic-Jewish Relations and Catholic Education*

**TERM 1, 2022**

**Term 1 - Weeks 4-7**

2022 will mark 70 years since the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965). Among the Council's many achievements, it marked a turning point for Catholic-Jewish relations. In Term 1 (Weeks 4-7), a special short course will be held on Catholic-Jewish relations and our renewed understanding of Judaism and the Scriptures in the spirit of Vatican II.

Held online (through Zoom), it will take place weekly for an hour over four weeks. Two speakers from the Catholic tradition will be joined by two from the Jewish tradition. There will be ample time for audience interaction. This short course is being organised by the Centre for Studies of the Second Vatican Council of the Australian Catholic University, in collaboration with Sydney Catholic Schools, the Sydney Archdiocese for Ecumenical and Inter-religious Relations and representatives of the Jewish community (ECAJ and NSW Jewish Board of Deputies).

More details will be provided closer to the date.

**VENUE:** ONLINE, via Zoom.

**NUMBER OF SESSIONS:** 4

**SESSION DURATION:** 1 Hour

**INTENDED PARTICIPANTS:** Any teacher. Particularly relevant to Teachers of Religious Education, HSIE and English.

**REGISTRATION:** Please [click here](#) to view the registration instructions for this course.

**COST:** Sydney Catholic Schools will cover all course costs for Sydney Systemic School teachers.

**ACCREDITATION:** Completing this professional development day will contribute 4 hours for RE Currency under the requirements of the 'Accreditation to Work, Teach and Lead in Sydney Catholic Schools' policy.

**LIMIT:** 30 participants

**CONTACT:**

Anthony Munro on (02) 9568 8207 or [anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:anthony.munro@syd.catholic.edu.au).

Emmanuel Nathan at ACU on [emmanuel.nathan@acu.edu.au](mailto:emmanuel.nathan@acu.edu.au).

### *Christian Meditation Formation Day*

(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: TBC)

**TBA**

This workshop will introduce teachers, catechists, Family Educators, parents and others who care for children to the practice of Christian meditation. The workshop will bring the teachings of this gentle and ancient prayer into the contemporary world of our schools, classrooms and homes. In this workshop we offer ways and provide support to introduce meditation to children and people of all ages.

**THEME:** 'A Gift for Life'

**FACILITATOR:** The World Community for Christian Meditation Australia (NSW).

**VENUE:** St Francis Xavier Parish Hall (Mackenzie St, Lavender Bay).

**TIME:** 9.00am-4.00pm.

**REGISTRATION:** To register, please go to [www.wccmaustralia.org.au](http://www.wccmaustralia.org.au) (click 'Events' tab and then 'Calendar' to download the booking form).

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this retreat.

**COST:** \$100.00 per person (includes lunch).

**ACCREDITATION:** Participation in this course equates to 5 hours of formation for RE Currency.

**CONTACT:** Christian Meditation NSW - Penny Sturrock on 0409 309 344 or [tortonia@bigpond.net.au](mailto:tortonia@bigpond.net.au); Sydney Catholic Schools - Jodie Micallef on (02) 9568 8248 or [jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au).



**\*Cancellation Fees:** Participants withdrawing from this retreat must provide at least 7 days notice prior to the start of the retreat, otherwise schools will be liable to pay the retreat cost in full.

**Disclaimer:** This retreat is subject to COVID-19 regulations that are applicable at the time of the retreat and may be amended as necessary to ensure compliance with current government regulations should the restrictions change.

## ADDITIONAL EVENTS

### *The Light of Hope and Peace Artists' Retreat*

*\*For Primary RECs and Stage 3 Teachers leading the Christmas Story process in classrooms.*

**Friday, 24 June - Sunday, 26 June**

This live-in workshop will engage teachers, Religious Education Coordinators and art specialists in the complete process of creating a work of art and reflective writing for annual 'The Christmas Story Art Exhibition and Competition'. All materials are provided in an experiential, spiritual, practical and educational experience that will enable participants to facilitate more effectively the work of their students. Participants will explore this timeless gift while illustrating, painting and expressing personal artistic reflections on the Scripture.

**FACILITATOR:** John Charadia and guest tutors

**VENUE:** Mt Carmel Retreat Centre  
(St Andrew's Road, Varroville).

**TIME:** Arrival time on Day 1 is from 4.00pm for registration and check-in.  
Departure time on Day 3 is 2.30pm.

**REGISTRATION: Step 1:** Contact John Ransom, Centre Manager at the Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, to book your participation via 0435 857 690 and email [bookings@mtcarmel.com.au](mailto:bookings@mtcarmel.com.au).

**Step 2:** Once you have booked with the Mt Carmel Retreat Centre, Varroville, email your participation to: John Charadia [john.charadia@dow.catholic.edu.au](mailto:john.charadia@dow.catholic.edu.au) and Jodie Micallef [jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au)

**RSVP BY:** Friday, 20 May

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this retreat.

**COST:** \$350 per person – including all meals, accommodation and art materials.\*

**LIMIT:** 20

**CONTACT:** Jodie Micallef on (02) 9568 8248 or [jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au).



### *The Pedagogy of Creative and Reflective Thinking*

*\*For Primary RECs and Stage 3 Teachers leading the Christmas Story process in classrooms in 2023.*

**(PHRIS ACTIVITY CODE: 2001-1179-1)**

**Monday, 28 November**

This professional learning workshop will engage primary teachers, Religious Education Coordinators and art specialists in the process of leading in classrooms the annual 'The Christmas Story Art Exhibition and Competition'. All materials are provided in an experiential, spiritual, practical and educational experience that will enable participants to facilitate more effectively the work of their students.

**FACILITATOR:** John Charadia

**VENUE:** University of Notre Dame Australia, Broadway Campus (128-140 Broadway, Chippendale).

**TIME:** 8.45am (for 09.00am start) –3.30pm.

**REGISTRATION:** Please register via PHRIS (login to your PHRIS account > Self Service > Learning and Development > Learning > Search Catalog > Advanced Search).

**RSVP BY:** Friday, 4 November

**FUNDING:** System release funding is not available for this retreat.

**COST:** Sydney Catholic Schools will cover course participation costs for Sydney Systemic School teachers.

**LIMIT:** 20

**CONTACT:** Jodie Micallef on (02) 9568 8248 or [jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jodie.micallef@syd.catholic.edu.au).

### *The Clancy Prize Religious Art Exhibition*

**Friday, 21 May - Sunday, 30 May**

The annual Clancy Prize Exhibition is open to all Sydney Catholic Schools secondary students. It is a celebration of our students' creativity and spirituality, expressed through visual arts, inspired by Cardinal Edward Clancy.

**THEME:** 'Celebrating 200 Years of Catholic Education in Australia'.

**FACILITATOR:** Sydney Catholic Schools.

**VENUE:** McGlade Gallery, Australian Catholic University, Strathfield Campus.

**TIME:** 9.00am–4.00pm.

**COST:** Free

**CONTACT:** Ivanka Rancic on 0419 302 458 or [ivanka.rancic@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:ivanka.rancic@syd.catholic.edu.au).



# ENGAGE A FACILITATOR



Follow these steps to obtain approval BEFORE you engage an external facilitator.

ONLY REQUESTS APPROVED BY YOUR PRINCIPAL SHOULD BE SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION.

## STEP 1 RESEARCH

Choose a facilitator based on the topic/subject matter and outcomes you want to achieve from this event.



## PRINCIPAL'S APPROVAL STEP 2



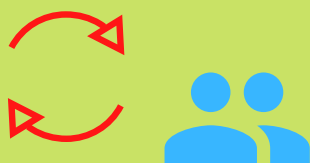
Seek approval from your principal once you've done your research.

## STEP 3 SUBMIT THE FORM

Complete the External Facilitators' form with as much information and as early as possible.



## REVIEW STEP 4



Your form will be reviewed by the relevant directorate and the final outcome will be communicated to you.

### ENQUIRIES

If you have further queries regarding this process please contact the Mission and Identity team via [mi@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:mi@syd.catholic.edu.au) or the Education and Research team via [angela.maroya@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:angela.maroya@syd.catholic.edu.au).

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For further information regarding any of the events listed in this Professional Development Calendar, please contact the relevant event coordinator listed. However, for general enquiries, please contact the Mission and Identity team via [mi@syd.catholic.edu.au](mailto:mi@syd.catholic.edu.au).