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## Message from the Dean

Dr John Evangelista

### 2022 Strategic Activities

Thank you to our CTC faculty and staff for all the work and contributions you have made towards the development of our 2022 Strategic Activities.

The vision and mission which we have articulated as part of our long-term strategic intent is made achievable with our focused strategic objectives that will guide us for the next three years (2021-2023). These objectives and its corresponding goals serve as a bridge between our mission-vision and our annual strategic activities. To arrive at the appropriate strategic activities for 2022, the CTC team went through an organisational assessment to allow us to pause for a while to recognise what we have done so far and what the current situation is both internally and externally. Following the organisational self-reflection exercise and mapping of our stakeholders, the team was ready to consider possible strategic activities for 2022. The long list was further prioritised and finalised by the CTC Leadership team taking into consideration the available manpower and material resources.

In this issue of CTC Network, we are sharing with you the complete list of 2022 Strategic Activities so that you might take these into consideration as you individually prepare for the next academic year. A PDF version of the CTC 2022 Strategic Plan is available for those who wish to have a copy.

## CTC Ambassador



Henry Elliot is a student of Bachelor of Theology at our CTC Auckland campus. Henry is one of our CTC Ambassadors who have raised their hands to help us promote the College and share with others their individual experiences.

*Why did you choose to study at CTC?*

I chose to study at Te Kupenga CTC because it has given me the opportunity to further my education in a safe and positive environment. Being in a small classroom makes it much more comfortable for open class discussion and sharing our opinions with fellow students and lecturers. Having both Pastoral and Academic needs met makes learning here enjoyable and without major stress. Theology is an interesting and broad subject to study and the lecturers have such a great passion for what they teach and are dedicated to ensuring that us students reach our full potential.

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## SCHOLARSHIP for STUDY at TE KUPENGA CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE

Bishop Patrick Dunn, the Catholic Bishop of Auckland, is pleased to call for applications for the

### Ruth Miller Scholarship

for study at

### Te Kupenga-Catholic Theological College

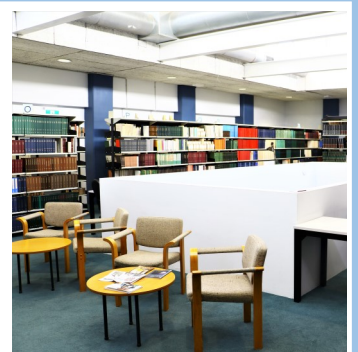
This scholarship will be available for a selected number of people who intent to do one or more Theology papers at Te Kupenga-Catholic Theological College towards a Bachelor of Theology degree in 2022.

**The closing date for applications is  
3 December 2021**

Please contact Catherine Ryan  
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information

**The Colin Library** will re-open on Monday (15 November). Current opening hours will be 9am to 12pm and 1:30 to 4pm. Everyone is welcome to use the library. The usual Covid-19 precautionary measures will apply (ie use of face mask, social distancing, use of tracer, etc.).

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank our Librarian, Mr Mark Hangartner, for supporting our faculty and students in all their library needs especially during the lockdown period. Great mahi Mark!





## 2022 STRATEGIC ACTIVITIES

SO1: Bring gospel values to the forefront of our work.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provide support for pastoral care collaterals.</li> <li>2. Organise "retreat in daily life" (online version) for Holy Week.</li> <li>3. Feature staff and their work in CTC newsletter</li> <li>4. Visible Catholic symbols featured in new campus.</li> <li>5. Focus on Pope Francis' Gaudete et Exsultate</li> </ol>
SO2: Be a voice for social justice within and outside the Church.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Support research on social justice and environmental issues.</li> <li>2. Contribute social justice work in publications, conferences &amp; social media.</li> <li>3. Sensitize students re. social justice &amp; environmental crisis through theological teaching.</li> <li>4. Feature the mission and work in the field of social justice during regular Faculty seminars.</li> </ol>
SO3: Engage with more people across all of Aotearoa New Zealand.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Improve website, social media, newsletter - up-to-date content including other languages.</li> <li>2. Support marketing work done with secondary schools.</li> <li>3. Improve Moodle experience for students. Transfer all current Canvas courses to Moodle.</li> <li>4. Utilise video more in course materials.</li> <li>5. Explore a dedicated App for CTC students.</li> <li>6. Raise the profile of CTC (including course offerings) within NZ Catholic community.</li> <li>7. Promote the Colin Library as Catholic Library for NZ (market our 'jewel').</li> <li>8. Explore what it would take to be able to provide downloads of books.</li> <li>9. Promote Language weeks</li> <li>10. Develop ways to upskill staff on online and remote learning technology.</li> <li>11. Explore collaboration with Pacific bishops.</li> <li>12. Engage with ethnic chaplaincies and Maori Vicars.</li> <li>13. Collaborate with Katekita still working in the North.</li> </ol>
SO4: Provide training and resources to inspire and grow current and future generations for Church leadership	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Work together with CIS-UNDA for BTh/BDiv offering.</li> <li>2. Revive GCLCC programme .</li> <li>3. Promote RCIA ministry course.</li> <li>4. Ensure library infrastructure in place at new site.</li> <li>5. Foment opportunities for collaboration among faculty across curriculum levels.</li> <li>6. Support work done in the dioceses on Church leadership and pastoral care roles.</li> </ol>
SO5: Strengthen and grow our organisation for a sustainable future.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Strengthen relationships with key partners.</li> <li>2. Create a prospectus for all programmes.</li> <li>3. Create a video about CTC to be used on website, events, etc.</li> <li>4. Evaluate marketing and communications strategies used in 2021.</li> <li>5. Create a robust succession planning and hiring process.</li> <li>6. Support our staff in their professional development initiatives.</li> <li>7. Launch Friends of CTC.</li> </ol>

## CTC Ambassador

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*What have you enjoyed about CTC?*

Since studying with Te Kupenga, I have found that not only am I getting a quality education, but my faith is being enriched in many ways. I have learned many things about Our Heavenly Father and our Church that I never knew and it has made me more confident in expressing the wonders of God and his son Jesus Christ in a meaningful way to others. Being Māori and Samoan, it's comforting to know that there are networks and staff on hand to support Māori and Pasifika students in all fields. Along with extremely helpful Lecturers, I have found that all staff and students are just as supportive and are always willing to lend a helping hand.

*Who would you recommend CTC to?*

Te Kupenga CTC is a tertiary provider that I would encourage anyone to enrol in. The priesthood and religious life, teaching, lay ministerial roles, further educational opportunities among others and anyone who might want to develop their faith are all avenues that a degree with CTC can lead to. From Church History to Philosophy to Biblical Studies to Pastoral Studies and Canon Law, Theology truly is a broad subject where you can explore your own interests. I would especially encourage young lay Catholics, whether it's your first year out of high school or you're not sure about what the right path is for you; check out our website and you may find that CTC is exactly what you were looking for.

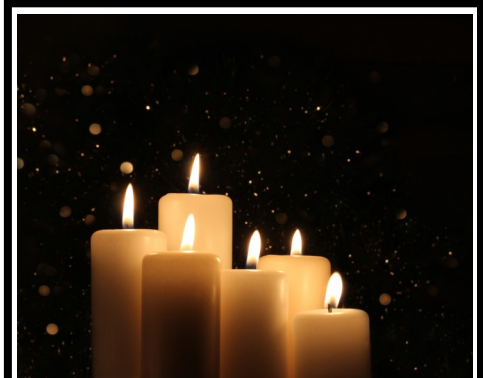
To watch Henry's interview, go to: [CTC Facebook Page](#)

## New Publication by Dr Rocio Figueroa



CTC Lecturer Dr Rocio Figueroa together with Dr David Tombs co-authored the recently published book **Sexual Violence in the Context of the Church: New Interdisciplinary Perspectives** (original in German: *Sexualisierte Gewalt in kirchlichen Kontexten, Neue interdisziplinäre Perspektiven*). Drs Figueroa and Tombs wrote the chapter on *Living in Obedience and Suffering in Silence*.

## Requiem eternam dona eis Domine



In this month of November when our holy Mother the Church invites us to pray for all departed souls, we pray for all members of our CTC family and all our family and friends who have gone before us. May they rest in peace.