

# CTC Net work

A fortnightly newsletter of Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College

## IMPORTANT DATES

- 01 June - New intake for Safeguarding in the Catholic Church in Aotearoa New Zealand (SCCANZ)
- 04 June - NCRS Presentation of new RE Curriculum
- 11 June - CTC Graduation

## ANNOUNCEMENT / PANUI

The faculty academic seminar scheduled for Friday 28 May has been postponed for next semester.

### Excerpt from the Apostolic Letter of Pope Francis “Antiquum Ministerium”

(Instituting the Ministry of Catechist)

“5. Without prejudice to the Bishop’s mission as the primary catechist in his Diocese, one which he shares with his presbyterate, or to the particular responsibility of parents for the Christian formation of their

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## Priestly Ordination



**CTC Alumni Chani Thomas Park** received his sacerdotal ordination from Bishop Michael Gielen on the 15<sup>th</sup> of May at the Cathedral of St Patrick and St Joseph in Auckland. Bishop Patrick Dunn, Bishop Emeritus Denis Browne and six priests who helped Fr Park in his vocation journey concelebrated the Mass. Fr Park’s vocation journey is featured in the May 30 issue of NZ Catholic.

## CYAC visits CTC Auckland campus



25 Young People from the Catholic Young Adults Community (CYAC) visited the CTC Auckland Campus on the evening of the 17<sup>th</sup> of May 2021. The night started in the College Chapel where Fr Merv Duffy explained the history of the building and key features in the Chapel. The college tour continued through the library where many were amazed at the vast collection of books. Many are intending to join the library and be

frequent users of it. This was followed by a presentation of Fr Merv about theology, revelation and faith. A Q&A session followed with discussions ranging from very deep theological questions to information about studying at CTC. Many walked away very happy carrying the CTC marketing kits, flyers and boxes of free books. For more information about CYAC, check out their Facebook page or email [aklcyac@gmail.com](mailto:aklcyac@gmail.com).

And we have a name!

**Congratulations to Fr Merv Duffy  
for our newsletter title!**

**Thank you so much to all who have  
sent their ideas. They are all brilliant!**



# Message from the Dean

Dr. John Evangelista

## Gospel values brought to the forefront of our Work

The first pillar in our Strategy Map reminds us that all the Work we are doing at CTC should have both its foundation and manifestation in the Gospel values. What we impart to our students and to others in our teaching and our examples should be founded in our own desire to live the Gospel values in our daily lives.

A spiritual writer of recent times found great clarity about what is important in life as he lay dying of cancer: ***“Any activity, even the purest, even on behalf of the church, is empty if it is not sustained by a life of prayer and suspended from the cross.”***

## CTC 2021 Graduation

CTC will recognise the intense time of learning, commitment, and hard work of our students in their respective degree levels during the coming 2021 Graduation Ceremony. The formal event will take place on the 11th of June 2021 at 5:00pm at the Sacred Heart Church followed by a reception dinner at the St Columba Center (40 Vermont Street).

## PhD Graduation

CTC Bachelor of Theology student, Mark Bond, will be conferred his PhD degree in English Literature on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of June during the 2021 Auckland University Graduation at the Spark Arena. Mark focused his doctoral research on depictions of cyclic male mobilities in certain post-WWII U.S. fictions, theorising that these fictional mobilities can be read as a metaphor for the double-binds faced by mid-century American men, and thus act as a counternarrative to the post-war assumption that automobiles, roads, and other forms of post-war mobility are unproblematic and personally fulfilling.  
**Ngā mihi me ngā mea tino pai katoa!**

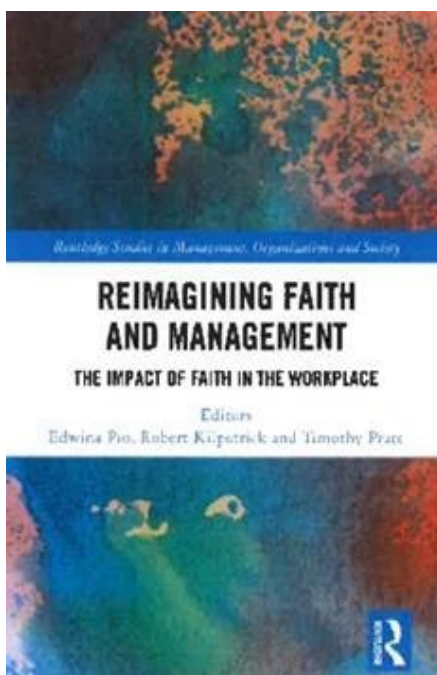


## Welcome back



We welcome back Huong Dinh as he returns to New Zealand in order to resume his studies at the College after being stuck in Vietnam due to the Covid pandemic. **Tất cả những điều tốt đẹp nhất và Chúa phù hộ!**

## Check out this new book



We are proud to share with you the new book edited by Professor Edwina Pio who is the Chair of our Academic Advisory Board. The book, “Reimagining Faith and Management: The Impact of Faith in the Workplace” brings together 27 authors from different continents and ethnicities, different cultures and practices, and different religious traditions, focusing on the golden rule that can be found in every religion. This theme is the shimmering thread that weaves its way through the book and glistens as the signpost of hope in all the writers' thinking. It seeks commonalities over differences – unity and harmony in diversity.

**Mihi nui rawa atu.**

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children, recognition should be given to those lay men and women who feel called by virtue of their baptism to cooperate in the work of catechesis. This presence is all the more urgently needed today as a result of our increasing awareness of the need for evangelization in the contemporary world, and the rise of a globalized culture. This requires genuine interaction with young people, to say nothing of the need for creative methodologies and resources capable of adapting the proclamation of the Gospel to the missionary transformation that the Church has undertaken. Fidelity to the past and responsibility for the present are necessary conditions for the Church to carry out her mission in the world.”