

CTC Net # work

A fortnightly newsletter of Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College

IMPORTANT DATES

27 July - Research Committee Meeting

13 August - Library Committee Meeting

20 August - Board of Studies Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENT / PANUI

Welcome to Semester 2 2021! A special welcome to all new students joining this semester!

*** Students helping Students ***

Student Representatives are contact points for any support, concerns or ideas you have about student life at the College. This applies to both on-campus and distance students.

For Academic Matters, contact me

For Library Matters, contact Lita van Bunnik

We want to hear from you! Feedback is essential for maintaining or improving your student life at Te Kupenga-CTC. Any feedback either positive or negative will be great. Confidentiality is kept for all submissions. You can find feedback forms in the Student Common Room Moodle Page.

We are here to help you! Feel free to reach out to either me or Lita anytime!

*** Rosary Group Announcement ***

"To recite the Rosary is nothing other than to contemplate the face of Christ with Mary."

- Pope Saint John Paul II

This is an invitation to join a group praying the Most Holy Rosary **every Tuesday and Thursday at midday in the CTC Chapel**. (During lecture weeks only) It is completely optional and no commitment is required. Please bring your own rosaries or there will be spare rosaries available if needed. If you don't know much about the rosary, guides will be available in the Chapel.

Check out popular Catholic youtuber Matt Fradd's testimony:

[Why I Pray the Rosary](#)

Regards,

Joseph Mijares

Message from the Dean

Dr. John Evangelista

We welcome everyone to the second semester of our 2021 academic year. In a special way, we welcome all our new students to the CTC family.

We are proud to share with you the good news that our very own Kelly Ross has been appointed as the new Vicar for Education for the Archdiocese of Wellington. **Nga mihi nui kia koe.**

Last weekend, we witnessed the ordination of Fr Isaac Fransen at the Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Hamilton. Let us continue to keep Fr Isaac in our prayers.

It is inspiring to see the rich diversity of roles and responsibilities we all have in the Church as reflected in our CTC family as we strive to work towards a *"Humanity in love with the Person and Gospel of Jesus Christ"*.

New Appointment



Nga mihi nui kia koe.

Congratulations to Kelly Ross on her appointment as the new Vicar for Education of the Catholic Archdiocese of Wellington. Kelly was formerly the Secondary Religious Education Coordinator and Catechetical Studies Coordinator for the diocese. She is also one of our L5/6 lecturers.

The Vicar for Education is the Archbishop's representative appointed to exercise local

jurisdiction in "all things" pertaining to Catholic Education. In addition to exercising the ordinary powers which belong to the Archbishop in matters relating to Catholic education in the Archdiocese, the Episcopal Vicar:

- oversees the educational activities of the Catholic Schools Education Services (formerly Catholic Education Centre);
- carries out the proprietary responsibilities of the Archbishop as member of the Council of Proprietors of Catholic Integrated Schools, and the Association of Proprietors of Integrated Schools;
- engages in negotiations with the regional and national offices of the Ministry of Education in relation to Archdiocesan schools' Integration Agreements, and initiates research and planning for their further development;
- monitors maintenance and strengthening of the Catholic character of the schools.

Workshop on Te Tiriti o Waitangi

On 8th July, staff from Te Whanganui-a-Tara / Wellington Te Kupenga office, along with colleagues from other Te Whanganui-a-Tara / Wellington-based and Papaioea / Palmerston North-based organisations attended a day-long workshop on Te Tiriti o Waitangi at the Home of Compassion in Tapu Te Ranga / Island Bay. The day was facilitated by Victoria Owen from Groundwork. Groundwork work alongside organisations who want to improve their understanding of Te Tiriti o Waitangi and create systemic, enduring change in order to eliminate systemic injustice in all its manifestations. Groundwork help those they work with to better understand the history of Aotearoa New Zealand and, as a result, to better understand modern-day relationships and modern-day life in our country. Core to this work is responding to the questions, “How might we, those of non-Māori descent, be the honourable people, tāngata tiriti, that the rangatira



thought they were entering into relationship with in 1840?” and “How might we make tangible and real a world that holds true to Te Tiriti o Waitangi?”

Sacred Ordination to Priesthood



Fr Isaac Fransen was ordained by Hamilton Bishop Stephen Lowe at the Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary on 17 July. Fr Isaac entered the Holy Cross Seminary and studied at CTC in 2015 .

RCIA Ministry Course Commences



The RCIA ministry course started last 16-17 July at St Columba Centre. It was participated by 52 attendees from 17 parishes in the Auckland Diocese. The first part focused on the history and theology of the rite and unpacking the rite particularly the Rite of Initiation. Interesting lectures and discussions were facilitated by Fr Merv Duffy and Sr Sian Owen.

The course will conclude on 06-07 August.

