

CTC Net # work

A fortnightly newsletter of Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College

IMPORTANT DATES

- 18 March - L7 Auckland Staff Meeting
- 25 March - CTC Faculty Academic Seminar
- 31 March - CTC Online Event
- 01 April - Faculty and Staff Lenten Recollection

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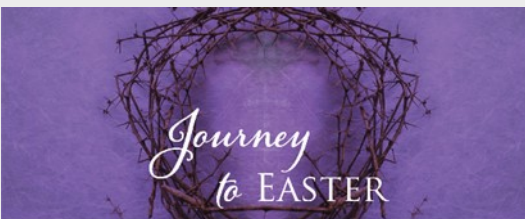
Praying the Holy Rosary at CTC



It has been a delight to see our students and staff gather together every Monday and Thursday praying the Holy Rosary at 12:05 pm in the CTC Chapel. **Special intentions are offered for world peace especially for Ukraine and Russia.** Some of our online students have been joining as well via Zoom. Everyone is cordially invited to join either on campus or via Zoom:

Click [here](#) to join.
Meeting ID: 818 6435 4871
Passcode: 253896

Lenten Recollection



The CTC Leadership team would like to invite all Te Kupenga and CTC Faculty and Staff to a Lenten Recollection on the 1st of April from 2:00pm to 4:00pm. This will be held at the CTC campus and can also be accessed live online. The link to this activity is [here](#).

The Lenten meditations and reflections will be led by Fr Tim Costello and a talk will be given by Catherine Lipski.

Message from the Dean

Dr John Evangelista

As the saying goes, "Time flies when you're having fun"! It's hard to believe that we are already week 5 into the new academic year.

We are currently accepting Expressions of Interest for the Graduate Certificate in Leadership and Catholic Culture (GCLCC) programme which commences in July 2022. The initial feedback for the programme from leaders of various Catholic organisations (especially from Catholic schools) has been very encouraging.

Likewise, the initial interest for the Friends of CTC membership has been inspiring.

We thank our team for their dedication to our students and the tireless work they have been doing for the community

Books! Books! Books!

We are all excited with the imminent move to St Columba Center by mid-April.

Mark, our very efficient and hard-working librarian, have been trying to manage the library move. One of the tasks is to review the current wide collection we have and choose which ones will go to the new site. There are several duplicate copies and some which have come from the Wellington library which will not be included in the move. They are all currently located at CTC Auckland campus Lecture Room 2 and will remain there until the end of

April to give time for staff and students to choose and collect any books you might want to include in your personal collection. They are quite an impressive collection. Please feel free to invite your friends and contacts to go over the books and if they wish to keep some of them.



What's new at Colin Library

Mark Hangartner

The Bible in Maori

The Colin Library has examples of Bibles and prayer books printed in [Maori](#), and we would always welcome more. The story of the CMS and Henry Williams translations is well told at on the Bible society [website](#), as well as [here](#). Many of the first Catholic missionaries had copies of this text, some of our copies have their names inscribed such as one used by Fr Melu.

There is a new bilingual version: see here the well known Psalm: Ko Ihowā tōku Hēpara

The Divine Shepherd
A Psalm of David.
23 The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.
2 He makes me lie down in green pastures;
3 he leads me beside still waters;
4 he restores my soul.
5 He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Ko Ihowā tōku Hēpara
He himene nā Rāwiri.
23 1 Ko Ihowā tōku hēpara,
e kore ahau e hapa.
2 Ko ia hei mea kia takoto ahau ki ngā wāhi tarutaru hou;
e ārahi ana ia i ahau ki te taha o ngā wai āta rere.
3 Ko ia hei whakahoki ake i tōku wairua;
e ārahi ana ia i ahau i ngā ara o te tika he whakaaro ki tōna ingoa.

We need you

The Colin Library is in **urgent** need of volunteers to help in packing our wide collection of books for the move to St Columba Centre. Kindly approach Mark Hangartner if you wish to be involved. Nga mihi.



CTC Staff Feature

Fr Bernard Teo CSsR

Know more about your lecturers and staff. In this issue, we talked to Fr Bernard and here is a summary of his personal and professional background.



As for my favourite scripture passage, I love particular the story of the Woman at the well in Chapter 4 of John's Gospel. In fact, I made the saying of Jesus to her as to how I would want to live my life as an ordained minister – "the Water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life"

The people I have great admiration for at this point of my life are Nelson Mandela, Gandhi, the Rev Dr. Martin Luther King, Pope John XXIII, and Pope Francis. My view is that people like these belong to the Beatitudes as proclaimed in the Sermon on the Mount

If I were to be asked about one Rule for living, I would say with great modesty: Live life to the fullest with simplicity, respect, thanksgiving, and deep gratitude to God for the extraordinary gifts of nature with their diversities of personalities and life.

My Favourite Books: Walter Kasper *Mercy: The ESSENCE of the Gospel and the KEY to CHRISTIAN LIFE*; Pope Francis: *the CHURCH of MERCY: A VISION FOR THE CHURCH*; Ronald Rolheiser: *Against an Infinite Horizon – The Finger of God in our Everyday Lives*

Bernard Teo CSsR is a Redemptorist priest and lecturer in Moral Theology in the Bachelor and Graduate Diploma programmes.

Singapore, and helped introduce the RCIA into the Singapore Archdiocese. In 1985, I started my postgraduate studies in moral theology at the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., obtaining my doctorate in 1989. In 1991, I began teaching at the Yarra Theological Union in Melbourne, Australia. In the intervening years, I had spent short stints teaching in Singapore and Davao in the Southern Philippines as well. About 5 years ago, my community sent me to Auckland to be a resource person and also to be part of the young international Redemptorist mission team together with our Kiwi confreres here. Currently I commute between Melbourne and Auckland.

The New Code of Pastoral Care

Mayte Ramos, Pastoral Care Lead

Outcome 2: Learner voice

CTC seeks to understand and respond to the diverse student voices and wellbeing and safety needs in a way that upholds our students' mana and autonomy.

In order to achieve this CTC commits to:

- Proactively building and maintaining effective relationships with our students by having clear and active channels of communication
- Working with diverse students to develop, review, and improve student wellbeing and safety strategic goals, strategic plans and practices
- Providing formal and informal processes for actively hearing, engaging with, and developing the diverse range of our students voices and those of their communities
- Providing timely and accessible resources to our students to support them and their learner communities to develop the necessary skills to enable them to participate fully in decision-making processes
- Providing timely and accessible information to our students to increase transparency of CTC's decision-making processes
- Having an effective process for resolution of students' complaints and grievances
- Complying with the Dispute Resolution Scheme

New Staff

We wish to welcome Caitlin Plummer who is the new Site Coordinator for Auckland supporting Susan Wilson, the Assistant Dean for Certificate and Diploma programmes.

Caitlin was born in Auckland and spent some time in Australia. She holds a BA in History and Theology from the University of Auckland and preparing to study towards her MA. She is passionate about history and world religions and believes that much of history needs to be understood through a religious lens. Her previous role at the Howick Historical Village taught her a lot about New Zealand and Auckland history.

In her free time, you will find her at the museum, art gallery, movie theatre or at a restaurant with a glass of red wine.

Welcome to the CTC whanau Caitlin!



Images of God



"But who do you say I am?"

Images of God, mental well-being and Pacific young women

Thursday, 31 March 2022
6:30-8:00pm
Via Zoom

Presenter:
Therese Lautua

Come and join us online as Dr Therese Lautua talks about the significance of Christianity for the spiritual and mental wellbeing of young Christian, multi-ethnic Pacific women. She will take us through the different images of God and how this impact mental well-being.

Click [here](#) to register for this free event.

Therese is a PhD graduate in Theology from the University of Auckland. Her passion is in increasing Pacific academic scholarship in the areas of Theology and mental well-being.