A fortnightly newsletter of Te Kupenga Catholic Theological College

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IMPORTANT DATES

05 August - Faculty Academic Seminar (Updates on Penal Law by Msgr Brendan Daly)

12 August - Board of Studies Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENT / PANUI



Welcome to our new L7 students who have started their CTC journey this second semester:

Lynne Cocks (GradDipTh)

JC Curtin (BDiv)

Conor Entwistle (BDiv)

Hoskins, Mike (GradDipTh)

McKenzie, Stacey (GradDipTh)

Mikaele Kolio, Sale (BDiv)

Newton, Thomas (BDiv)

Phan, Dung (BDiv)

 $Ramos,\,Randall\,(GradDipTh)$

Welcome also to the new semester 2 students on distance for the NZ Certificate in Christian Studies and NZ Diploma in Christian Studies.



Message from the Dean

Dr John Evangelista

Welcome to the second semester of the 2022 academic year. It is nice to have our students back in our classrooms and a warm welcome to all our new students who have started their CTC journey this second semester.

We also accompany Fr Monty Bamford as he commences his priestly ministry after his ordination on the 16th of July.

Indeed, life is a journey. The Church is the pilgrim People of God journeying towards our heavenly

home. Along the way, we are given opportunities to encounter holiness in our daily lives nourished by the Word and the Eucharist.

Haere mai!



Welcome from Pastoral Care

Mayte Ramos

Welcome to a new semester of studies!

Here is some information that both new and returning Level 7 students might find useful during your studies.

Student representation:

You can contact your <u>student representatives</u> with your concerns, ideas, suggestions, questions, and any other matter of your student life.

Henry Elliott is the student representative in both the Board of Studies and the Academic Advisory Board. So for academic and student questions, suggestions, or initiatives, you can email him. Lita van Bunnik is the student representative in the Library Committee. Address your email to her if you have any concerns, questions, or suggestions about the library.

Academic support:

Your first point of contact for academic support is always your lecturer. We are here to help you and support you, so please do not hesitate to contact us if you have questions or are having problems with any aspect of your courses.

However, you have also other support channels that you might want to use.

Mark Hangartner, our librarian, is very knowledgeable and helpful. Contact him if you need any guidance with library or research.

If you need help with your essays' structure and

grammar you can contact <u>Catherine Lipski</u> for support, particularly if English is your second language.

For any concern, complaint, or problem, contact <u>John Evangelista</u>, Dean (Fr. Merv Duffy is on sabbatical for the duration of this semester).

Pastoral Care:

If you need support or have concerns you can contact <u>Brendan Daly</u> if you are an international student; or me, <u>Mayte Ramos</u>, if you are a domestic student. As your Pastoral Care representatives, we are happy to hear you, guide you, and support you during your time at CTC.

Contact with UNDA:

If you have any troubles with UNDA (University of Notre Dame Australia), with things like Blackboard, UNDA Library access, enrolment, etc., your person of contact is Mr George Stanton, Registry and Student Support Officer.

Every staff member at CTC is here to help you and support you. We all want to see you succeed in your studies. So please, do not hesitate to reach out if you need anything.

This Friday 29th we are having our first College mass for the semester at 12:10pm at Sacred Heart Church, followed by shared lunch (BYO) at the College. You are all invited!

Have a great semester!



CTC Staff Feature

Know more about your lecturers and staff. In this issue, we talked to Sr Susanna and here are her answers to our questions.

Tell us something about yourself

My name is Sister Susanna. I am a Korean sister who belongs to the congregation called the Sister Disciples of the Divine Master. I studied theology at Good Shepherd college between 2011 and 2014 and then went to Rome to do further study in Liturgy at the Pontifical Athenaeum of Saint Anselm. I came back to Korea at the end of 2019. Since 2021 I've been giving online lectures at CTC via Zoom as I'm waiting for my work visa from NZ immigration.

What professional activity/research are you busy with these days?

As I am new to teaching at tertiary level, I am preparing my lectures and revising some I have already written. This semester I'm going to teach liturgical art/music/architecture and spirituality as well. I'm currently researching some particular themes of spirituality in the Church's history, alongside the charisms of particular congregations. It is very interesting work.

If you could write a book about your life, what would the title be?

His great love for a trouble maker sister

Who is/are the persons that have made the most impression on you?

Certainly, I say first my mum and dad. And in my career as a liturgist, I would like to mention

Sr Susanna Yun pddm



Fr Cassian Folsom OSB who was my professor for liturgical books at Sant' Anselmo. He is not only one of the great liturgists but also a humble Benedictine monk. Through him I've learned both the beauty and value of liturgical books and the way to love Jesus more as a religious sister.

What is your favourite Gospel passage/ scene?

Jesus turned and saw her. "Take heart, daughter," he said, "your faith has healed you." And the woman was healed at that moment (Mt 9:22). Whenever I feel weak bodily or mentally this passage always gives

me huge strength and courage to go further. He cares for me... always.

Name 3 books that you have really enjoyed reading

The Seven Storey Mountain by Thomas Merton, The Keys of the Kingdom by A. J. Cronin and The Little Prince by Antoine de Saint-Exupéry.

What would we most likely find you doing on the weekend?

Adoration at the chapel in the morning and after lunch you can find me on the hills enjoying the fresh air and wind, with the sounds from the trees

What's the top destination on your must-visit list?

Heaven(!) not only for visiting but also for living in forever! But on this side, I would like to visit Christchurch in NZ.

What's one of your favourite memories from the past year?

The first day of my lecturing at CTC. Looking back on that day, I cannot help having a big smile, thanking God and my first students at CTC.

If you could make one rule for everyone in the world to follow, what would it be? Sorry, I've tried to think about that over 10 mins. But still nothing comes up in my mind. (I wish we could live in the world without any rules... only following the love of God). Do whatever He tells you!!!:)

What Our Students Say

"Thank you very much for your support throughout the course, it certainly gets you thinking and I will highly recommend it to others!" "I am using what I learned during my studies in my teaching (Religious Education). It is definitely 'coming in handy' everyday."

"A good grounding received. May look at some specific papers in future but not another qualification (Age 75)"

"I feel like I am able to serve others well with what I learned." "I still have lots to learn but CTC gave me good amount of tools and resources to start from." "The new buildings at Vermont Street will be much more suited to study."

"I feel as if I have gained more of spiritual connection with my faith. Meaning that I have taken what I've learnt particularly from the Theology, Ethics and Biblical Studies papers and applied it to my own life and the ways that I view the world, read/understand the Bible and communicate with God through all things."



Glenn has been in formation for the permanent diaconate for three years and will be ordained a Permanent Deacon in October 2022. As part of his formation Glenn completed the New Zealand Certificate in Christian Studies - Pastoral Ministry from which he graduated at his Taupo parish Mass on 26 June 2022. Glenn recommends his course of study saying:

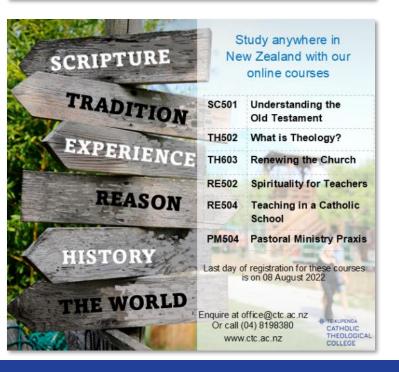
"I have really enjoyed the course. It has greatly increased mu understanding of the Catholic Church, its history and our relationship with Jesus Christ. I highly recommend anyone who wants to further their knowledge in the faith to give it a go."



Upcoming Events / Courses

Bishop Steve Lowe, Apostolic Administrator and the Diocese of Hamilton announce the Ordination to the Order of Priests of ADAM JAMES KIRKEBY Saturday 6th August 2022 Cathedral of the Blessed Virgin Mary 494 Grey Street, Hamilton At 11:00am

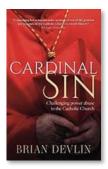




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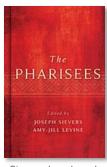
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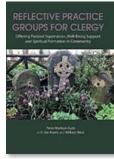
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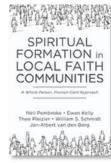
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