



Book Launch with Msgr Brendan Daly  
08 September 2023



## IMPORTANT DATES

15 September – Level 7 Staff Meeting

18–29 September – Level 7  
Mid-semester Break

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Enrolment opens 25 September

Enrolment and re-enrolment for Bachelor of Divinity and Graduate Diploma in Theology for Semester One 2024 starts on 25 September. Last day of enrolment is 24 November.

To apply online, go to  
[www.tekupenga.ac.nz/apply](http://www.tekupenga.ac.nz/apply)

### Holy Name of Mary



On 12th September each year Marists throughout the world celebrate the feast of the Holy Name of Mary. This feast reminds us of the words written by Jean Claude Colin S.M., Marist Founder: "(we) belong by a gracious choice to the family of the Blessed Mary, Mother of God. In her name we are called Marists" (Spirit of the Society of Mary).

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Society of Mary for the work they have done for the Church in New Zealand and in particular, the work they continue to do for the Catholic Theological College. May Mary always protect them and keep them strong in the faith.

## Message from the Director

*Dr John Evangelista*

Greetings! You might have noticed that there is a slight change to the heading of this message. The Governance Board have made some changes to the titles of the CTC Leadership Team. My new title is "Director". Fr Merv Duffy is now the "Dean for Level 7", and Susan Wilson is now "Dean for Levels 5 and 6". Basically, the tasks and responsibilities remain the same, but the title aligns more with the rest of the agencies of Te Kupenga Catholic Leadership Institute.

### Exaltation of the Holy Cross



Yesterday (Sept 14), we celebrated the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, also known as the Feast of the Triumph of the Cross. The feast commemorates three historical events: the discovery of the True Cross in 326, its initial exaltation for public veneration in 335, and the recovery of the Cross from the Persians in 628. Nowadays, this feast also celebrates the boundless impact of Christ's Cross upon all of creation.

More importantly, this feast is a time for us to reflect what the Cross means in our daily lives today and how we put Christ on the Cross at the summit of all human activities inspired by the words: **"and I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all things to myself"** (John 12:32).

## Ministry of Lector



Our students, Ignatius Tungtran and Gerson Badayos, received the Ministry of Lector during the Mass celebrated on 11 September 2023 celebrated by Bishop Michael Gielen in the presence of other bishops and clergy.

## Career Advisors Meeting



We welcomed the career advisors of the Auckland Catholic Secondary Schools to our campus last 01 September. Lunch with our staff and students was shared followed by a presentation of our programmes and career paths for student leavers.

## Retirement of Karen Cairney

After an incredible 27 years of service to Te Kupenga and its predecessor institutions, Good Shepherd College and Mt St Mary's College, Karen is embarking on a new chapter in her life.

A warm "thank you" from all our staff and students! We will definitely miss you and wish you all the best for all your future endeavours.



Left Photo: Karen in her office

Right photo: Karen and Fr John at the opening of Good Shepherd College (now CTC) in 2001

# Upcoming Events

TE KUPENGA  
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## LEADERSHIP WEBINAR SERIES

This webinar series aims to develop leaders and their skills in understanding and addressing the needs of Catholic institutions.

**DATE**  
October 2023 -  
February 2024

**TIME**  
TUESDAYS  
5.30-6.30PM

**REGISTER NOW**

<b>WEBINAR 1</b> Catholic School Boards and Special Character Speaker: Dr Peter Ryan, FSC 03, 10, 17 October 2023	<b>WEBINAR 2</b> Foundations of Christian Leadership Speaker: Dr John Evangelista 31 October, 07 & 14 November 2023	<b>WEBINAR 3</b> The New Curriculum for Religious Education Speaker: Colin MacLeod 28 November, 05 & 12 December 2023	<b>WEBINAR 4</b> Complex Social Issues for School Boards Speaker: Dr Rocio Figueroa 13, 20, 27 February 2024
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**FOR MORE INFORMATION**  
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  tekupenga.ac.nz/leadership

## Catholic Counseling & Psychology Network

Do you provide counseling/ psychological support to those within the Catholic Church?  
 Would you like to connect with others for peer supervision and professional development?  
 Are you interested in the promotion of faith based approaches to improving mental wellbeing?

Come join us!

5pm, Tuesday 10 October 2023  
 Catholic Theological College, 40 Vermont Street, Ponsonby  
 To register interest or for more information please contact:  
 John Evangelista - j.evangelista@ctc.ac.nz or Pam Low - pam.low.psych@gmail.com

## Prayer and the Interior Life

Prayer Retreat for Women

"At the root of prayer is a relationship of love."  
St Teresa of Avila

Sat 7 Oct 3pm - Sun 8 Oct 3pm  
 St Francis Friary & Retreat Centre  
 50 Hillsborough Rd, Hillsborough

Limited Spaces | Bookings essential  
 For more information or to register  
[www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz](http://www.stfrancisretreatcentre.org.nz)