



Bulletin Notices 26 August 2026

MPL	Growing as Communities of Mission Thank you to all who took part in last week's Sandhurst Formation Institute. It was encouraging to see people from across the Diocese come together with a desire to create space for people to encounter Jesus, witness to Him through their lives, and build invitational, welcoming communities that draw others into that encounter. An evaluation form will be sent to participants shortly.	
Bishop René RCJ	Renewed and Sent Parish Renewal Summit 2026 1-3 October, St Gregory's College, Campbelltown (western Sydney) Bishop René RCJ strongly encourages Sandhurst Clergy and Parish Leaders to attend this 'Divine Renovation' Summit to see what God is doing in other parishes and discern what it could mean for their own. For more information, go to: https://renewedandsent.com.au Contact your parish priest to discuss an expression of interest to Bishop René RCJ.	Poster
MPL	Formation Opportunities for Parish RCIA Teams 4 x Online Sessions 15, 16, 22, 23 September (7.00 - 8.30 pm) The Mission and Pastoral Life Team (MPL) at the Chancery, in collaboration with experienced local parish RCIA Teams, is offering four online RCIA formation sessions in September. This is designed for current Parish RCIA Teams and priests, and priests/parishioners interested in starting or restarting RCIA in their parish. The sessions will begin with an overview of the RCIA journey and move into each component more deeply in subsequent sessions. The final session offers two streams: Starting Out for those beginning an RCIA process, and Already on the Journey for teams seeking to deepen and strengthen their current practice. Registration via QR Code required. In Person Gathering 17 October 10 am – 3 pm at Holy Rosary, White Hills, Bendigo The day will cover similar topics to the online series above, in a face-to-face environment with more time for interaction and exploration of participant questions. Registration via QR Code required.	Flyer
Kerry Stone	Social Justice Sunday – 30 August On Social Justice Sunday, 30 August, Australia's Bishops call us to respond to growing social division by building a "culture of encounter". Their 2026 Social Justice Statement, <i>Living the Gospel in Times of Social Division</i>, warns that hatred, racism, hostile public debate and violence are threatening the bonds that hold communities together. The Statement reflects on recent events, including the Bondi Beach attack and rising Islamophobia and racism, and offers practical ways to strengthen social cohesion through encounter, respect and solidarity. Read or download the Social Justice Statement: Living the Gospel in Times of Social Division	Download the Statement
Comms Chancery	Sandpiper e-News out this Friday. Subscribe to have it land straight in your inbox or check it out here: https://mailchi.mp/sandhurst/129 (Note: link won't be live until 8:30 am 28 August).	
Glen Avard	Sacred Heart, Cornella celebrates a century of worship Sunday 1, November 2026. Rushworth parishioners are eagerly preparing for the 100th Anniversary celebrations of Sacred Heart Church, Cornella, and are seeking photographs, anecdotes or other material to bring the history of this Church to life. Submissions can be emailed to Glen Avard at jgavard@bigpond.com or posted to 62 Mitchell Street, Colbinabbin 3559.	



Events in August

Rene (Reeny) Burke Muskerry	St Martin of Tours Church, Muskerry 150th Anniversary Celebrations Sunday, 30 August 2026 Mass at 10:30 am You are invited to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the blessing and consecration of St Martin of Tours Church in Muskerry. Starting at 10:30 am with Mass celebrated by Bishop René RCJ, followed by a BYO picnic lunch in the church grounds. All are welcome to join. Contact: Fr Caldow: 5484 1073 or Rene Burke 5432 2283	Poster
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Events in September

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Care for Creation Team	Season of Creation Mass with Bishop René Ramirez RCJ at Huntly Streamside Reserve 11 am Tuesday 1 September 2026 All are welcome to join us as we celebrate the Season of Creation at the Diocese's now traditional outdoor Mass. A BBQ will follow. BYO chair, water bottle, hat!	
Care for Creation Team	Catholic Earthcare Season of Creation Gathering 2026 304 September 2026 3-4 September 2026 10 am – 4:30 pm A nationwide Online Catholic Ecology Event hosted by Caritas Australia. Bringing together 300 participants from across Australia to deepen formation and inspire practical ecological action grounded in faith. Recognising the urgent environmental challenges facing our world, this event responds to Pope Francis' call for ecological conversion and care for our common home. To register to attend this event online go to: https://www.caritas.org.au/soc-gathering/	
Care for Creation Team	Join the Care for Creation Team in the Chancery on Thursday, 3 September as we participate in the Catholic Earthcare Season of Creation Online Gathering. For more details and to express your interest to join us at the Chancery: contact mpl@sandhurst.catholic.org.au	
Mary Zobec Catholic Charismatic Renewal	CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL SANDHURST Retreat Day Saturday, 19 September 2026 at St Brendan's, Shepparton 9:30 am – 3:30 pm Come be refreshed and renewed, encounter the Presence of God Facilitated by Br Massino Chang and Fr Doroteo Bravi from the Community of the Sons and Daughters of God. Starting at 9:30 am with a cuppa, ready for 10:00 am start. Monsignor Peter Jeffrey Centre, St Brendan's, 121 Knight St, Shepparton All welcome Lunch: Please bring a plate to share. An offering will be taken up. Contact: Brigita Hore: 0412 042 196, Mary Zobec: 0427 190 282 Denise Illot: 0407 506 813	



Events in October

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Marg Watson	CWLV Prayer Day 7 October, Holy Rosary White Hills 9:15 am Catholic Women's League Victoria invites you to join them for Mass, Rosary, a Talk and time for building and renewing friendships. BYO lunch, tea and coffee provided. Contact: Margaret 0409 621 080. All Welcome. We would love to see you.	
Wilma McCormack	Marian Festival Sunday 11 October at Sacred Heart Cathedral, Bendigo All are welcome to the 52 nd Marian Festival dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The day starts with Mass at 11:00 am celebrated by Bishop Emeritus Leslie Tomlinson, followed by BYO Lunch (or BBQ available); Festival begins with Rosary procession, followed by Guest Speaker then Benediction, and concludes with afternoon tea. National Costume dress welcome. For more information go to: www.bendigofatima.com Contact: info@bendigofatima.com	Poster

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