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Bulletin Highlights

Corpus Christi - Year A

18th June 2017

Fr Joe's 25th Anniversary



Parishioners are encouraged to set aside Sunday 27th August for the 10 AM Mass and the reception afterwards in the Council Auditorium across the road. Should be a truly wonderful celebration.



The St Vincent De Paul Society

Though so often far from visible, there remains many people are struggle financially in our own neighbourhood. A critical shortage of money can so easily bring heavy strain and tension to family relationships. On behalf of our church, and more particularly our parish, Vinnies tries to offer support and assist according to circumstances. A "Winter Appeal" is being conducted this weekend in our own parish. An opportunity to make a contribution will be available as people leave the church. Please try to support with the customary generosity. Thanks in anticipation.



Awareness Mass

Our parish enjoys a special privilege this Saturday evening 17 June in being able to host the *Awareness Mass*. It is at this time we're able to have in our presence quite a few people who have been associated with Mater Dei in different ways over the years, as well as others who have also become part of a fraternity that is known as the "Good News Community". After Mass, a little food and refreshments will be available for all who would like to enjoy a little *convivium*.



CONFIRMATION: By this weekend, all families will need to have returned a form advising of the candidates' confirmation name and sponsor. Without this information the parish confirmation register and the certificates cannot be completed. Forms are available after Mass if required. Families can also collect bookmarks if away last weekend. At Masses this weekend, the Confirmation medals will be blessed and distributed. Families need to remain after Masses for their rehearsals. In terms of preparation, it's still possible for the candidates to make a heartfelt confession next Saturday morning from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM. Parents are also encouraged to avail themselves of this opportunity. For this coming week, parents are asked to read p. 35 and assist their children

complete the home activity on p. 36.

The Art of Empathy

Have you ever found yourself stuck for words – at a funeral, or when a friend starts to cry, or when you don't want to say the wrong thing? White Lady Funerals invite you to hear Doris Zagdanski who is regarded as one of Australia's most accomplished educators on the art of empathy – the secret to saying the right things to someone who is sad, hurt, lonely, overwhelmed and/or grieving. The presentation has been scheduled for Tuesday 11 July from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM at the White Lady Funeral Home 124-128 Elizabeth Drive Liverpool. All are welcome and light refreshments will be provided. If interested in attending please phone 9602 6001 by Friday 7 July. Bookings are essential.