

Third Sunday of Easter - Year C 5th May 2019

### Confirmation Programme 2019

The programme was launched last weekend. Gratitude to all who were present and made an early registration. Parents are invited to collect an enrolment form this week and – if away last weekend – an information timeline as well. The value of the programme is based in large part upon parents and children having a presence at Mass each weekend. If children are feeling unwell on Saturday evening or Sunday morning, parents are asked to please wait until Sunday night before coming unaccompanied by their children who often improve during the day. Thanks.



## Adults Interested in Becoming Catholic ~ Programme soon to begin!

Our parish website offers plenty of information about this process of initiation for adults who have never been baptised or baptised into another Christian denomination. Briefly, however, a programme is administered in our own parish from early June to late November each year in which Father Michael and Father Joe provide a series a talks – generally twice a month – to adults interested in knowing a little more about the Catholic faith.

Quite typically, these people are accompanied by another family member or friend who is already Catholic. So the programme tends to be enriching for all who participate. Feedback from participants from previous programmes has been overwhelmingly positive. There is an excellent resource book that is provided to all the participants. So please contact our parish secretary, Elizabeth, during office hours for more information.

#### Young Adults (18-30)

An invitation is extended to Holy Hour in 2019 at Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church in Rosemeadow. Each night will include Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, praise and worship (various styles), Reconciliation, Liturgy of the Word, short teachings, silence and Benediction.

This will be followed by fellowship and a meal. The assigned Wednesday evenings are from 6:30 PM-7:30 PM and the meal afterwards: 24 April, 22 May, 24 July, 28 August, 23 October



Scheduled for Saturday 1 June 2019 from 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM at the Camden Civic Centre. The occasional speaker is The Hon John Anderson.

John began his political career in 1989 and served as Deputy Prime Minister of Australia. He is a well known politician of deep Christian conviction. Cost is just \$25. Brochures on magazine tables



# Women in Leadership

For women of any age and any experience. For women in formal leadership positions, and for those who exercise leadership without a formal title ... in business, schools, homes, offices, parishes, anywhere. What is it about? The aim is to support women to explore their unique gifts – as people, as women and as leaders.

Framed within the Benedictine tradition, participants will develop the confidence and the skills to understand their value for the world by leading in a range of contexts. They will leave encouraged to do so. The venue itself is significant. Set within the rainforest of Jamberoo Mountain, the quiet contemplative space of the Abbey offers the opportunity to be reflective and to experience the peace, the life and the hospitality of the Benedictine community.

Details July 4-7, 2019 at the Benedictine Abbey, 695 Mountain Road, Jamberoo. Participants are invited to arrive on Thursday afternoon and depart after lunch on Sunday. The cost is \$300 for the talks and accommodation. Bookings are essential on 42360533 or cottageretreats@jamberooabbey.org.au If there are any ladies in the parish who would like to attend and require financial assistance, please contact Father Michael