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Term 3, 2010

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## From the Director, Robert Haddad

Dear Catechists,

I am glad to provide updates on the following areas:



**Ethics Trial.** The secular ethics trial in schools has now been completed. The State Government has appointed a South Australian academic, Dr Sue Knight, to conduct the evaluation of the trial. An analysis of the trial was completed and submitted on 13 August. It was signed by Cardinal George Pell and Bishop Peter Ingham on behalf of all Catholic dioceses and CCDs in NSW.

**K-6 Curriculum.** The drafts of the revised Year 3 *Teacher Manual and Activity Book* have been completed. Only art work remains, followed by the examination for the Imprimatur. Work has commenced on the new Year 4. It is still expected that both Years 3 and 4 will be completed and available for purchase at the beginning of 2011.

**Year 7-12 Curriculum.** The new Year 7 *Teacher's Manual* with updated artwork has been totally completed. The draft of Year 8 has also been completed and has been submitted for examination for the Imprimatur. Artwork on the completed Year 9 is being revised for 2011. I have received feedback on both Years 7 and 9 so far. Further feedback would be greatly appreciated.

**Launch of new Music CD.** Sydney CCD will be launching a new music CD as part of the revised K-6 curriculum. The new CD will be called *Let's Sing Sing Sing!* and will include 21 new songs based on Old and New Testament themes. It is now available for purchase from Sydney Catholic Books and Resources.

**New Basic 1 Course:** In light of the recent Ethics Trial controversy, CCD Sydney believes that it is important to increase the number of catechists who have some form of Basic Accreditation. Consequently, as of January 2011, CCD will introduce a new Basic One accreditation. See article on page 8 for more details.

**WYD Competition:** CCD will conduct a WYD Competition for public school students in Years 10 and 11 2011 offering \$2000 towards travelling with a planned parish, ethnic, social or family group to Spain in August 2011. See the advertisement on page 11 for more details and eligibility criteria.

Robert Haddad

## From the Faith Education Officers

### EASTERN

#### Robert Milan

This year's Eastern Area Mass, held at St Patrick's Bondi, was attended by 58 catechists. Thank you to Parish Priest Father Thomas Devereux and to coordinator Mrs Shirley Bond for hosting and organising a successful gathering. The weather certainly made the event a challenge, but I am nevertheless thankful for the support of those concelebrating priests and catechists who braved the conditions to be with us on the day.



Recently, CCD Director Robert Haddad commissioned me to re-work the Basic Accreditation Course (BAC), which will be in two parts – Basic One and Basic Two – as of 2011. Basic One will replace the Orientation Program and will incorporate Classroom Management, the Mission of the Catechists, Teaching Strategies, Planning and Teaching Christ our Light and Life, Child Protection, Introduction to the CCD and Basic Theology. I will be taking this program to parishes as part of a cluster throughout February and March 2011. The course will run over two days of four hours each or alternatively a one day program from 9am till 4pm. I plan to schedule 8 to 10 of the Basic One Course. Catechists wishing to attain Archdiocesan Accreditation will now need to complete the Basic One and Two, IAC and AAC.

This year's Annual Catechist Mass sees several of the Eastern Area catechists receiving service and course awards. Congratulations and a warm thank you to Mrs Marie Bechtold of Marrickville and Mrs Shirley Bond of Bondi for 25 years of service; Mrs Catherine Duggan of Edgecliff, Mrs Lee Leo of Malabar and Mrs Lily Sterling of Marrickville for 20 years of service; Ms Clare Ryu of Balmain CMC, Mrs Mary Cain of Annandale, Ms Maria Luiz and Mr Timothy McCarthy of Elizabeth Bay, Jennifer Lynch of Edgecliff and Mrs Pamela Richardson of Mascot for Archdiocesan Accreditation; and to the students of St Clare's College Waverley for their role as Student SRE teacher/assistants. Well done to all.

I hope to see you all in this coming few months. Please feel free to call on me at any time.

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### NORTHERN

#### Philomena Smith

Greetings to all Catechists in the Northern Area. I hope you are settling into Term 3 and enjoying the smell of springtime!



Firstly, I would like to congratulate all the Northern area awardees for the Annual Catechist Mass which is going to be held on Sunday 26 September. All catechists are welcome to attend. A big thank you must go to the recent Advanced Accreditation graduates for your commitment and dedication to studies and to all who have attended the accreditation courses run so far this year. They are an enjoyable opportunity to learn about and deepen our faith.

I will hold a Basic Accreditation Course at Holy Spirit North Ryde on Mondays (see page 6). I encourage all who have not completed any courses to attend as it is an excellent opportunity to learn and fine tune elements of your classroom practice and increase your theological understanding.

I'm starting to plan the next year ahead as 2011 is going to be a busy year. I am open to suggestions from catechists as to the courses, days, and events/retreats you would like to have in the Northern area. Please contact me via email or phone should you have any suggestions or require any assistance.

I would like to leave you with a short reflection to Mary MacKillop, as we count down to her canonisation, I ask you pray to her as she is an inspiration to us.

God of the pilgrim, Mary MacKillop  
trusted your guidance in her journey of life  
and deepened her confidence in your will.

May we renew our trust  
in your Providence to lead us in hope.

May we relish the sacred  
in the ordinariness of our lives.

May we grow in the fullness of your love  
and the depth of your mystery.

We ask this through Jesus Christ the way,  
the truth and the life. Amen.

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## From the Faith Education Officers

### SOUTHERN

#### Denise Humphreys

Once again we are nearly up to the last term in the year. Please check with your coordinator – often the last lesson for the year is a lot earlier than you expect. Allow time to get those Advent and Christmas lessons ready (and start preparing for 2011). Hopefully some of you will be able to attend the Catechist Gathering at Lidcombe on 15 October and get a boost of enthusiasm for this task.



Thank you to all the Year 5 and Year 6 catechists who enabled their students to enter the Archdiocesan Art Competition – The Christmas Story. Ten CCD entries will be chosen to be part of an Art Exhibition in the crypt of the Cathedral during the Advent and Christmas season. A further set of entries will be on display in the CCD City office in December.

A number of catechists completed both the Basic and the Intermediate courses. There will be an Advanced Course held at Miranda in Term 4 starting on Monday, 18 October.

This year we have a number of catechists in our area who have suffered loss or serious illness in their families. I would ask you to keep these people in your prayers and especially remember Bexley, Gympie, Hurstville South, Oatley and Miranda parish groups.

Term 4 is often the time parishes start recruiting for the next year. Each coordinator should have a recruitment package for this purpose. Please contact me if you need help in this area. Once again I would like to thank you for all the support you give to me. I hope you all have an enjoyable term.

Denise



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### CENTRAL

#### Sarah Ayoub

Greetings to all in the Central area. I hope you are all well and enjoying the start of a new term.



Term 3 at the CCD has been a busy one, especially as we prepare for the celebration of the Annual Catechist Mass. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the coordinators who provided the details of catechist awardees, and congratulate everyone who will be recognised at the event for their efforts, whether they are a long-serving catechist, a high school catechist, or a catechist who has finished their accreditation courses.

I will also be preparing for a catechist retreat which is going to be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Earlwood, and I urge you all to keep in mind that I will be contacting your coordinators to invite you to the event, which will consist of a talk, prayer and a shared lunch.

The past term brought with it some positive highlights, including the expansion of Catholic Scripture into Kingsgrove North High School. I look forward to ensuring more positive gains as the year progresses and we move into 2011.

I have also participated in the CWF appeal, helped to recruit catechists at both the SCENE Vocations Expo and the Fullness of Truth tour and held the Advanced Accreditation Courses at St Felix in Bankstown these past few weeks. In addition, I have continued to teach and visit many of you in schools and also caught up with your coordinators at our meeting in August. And excitingly, I joined other CCD staff in a day of First Aid Training and Accreditation, so that we may serve you and our students better.

I thank you all for all your hard work and your efforts, and in particular your responses that make our work flow smoothly. I am thankful for your assistance and look forward to sharing many more CCD milestones with you in the coming months.

God Bless,

Sarah

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## From the Faith Education Officers

### WESTERN

#### Teresa Culjak

Greetings to all in the Western Area!

*"Do all you can with the means at your disposal and calmly leave the rest to God."* – Mary MacKillop

In the coming month, Australia will receive her first Saint and how blessed we are to be living in this privileged time of Australia's and the Church's history. It is an opportune time to reflect on the life of Mary MacKillop and her way of holiness. Lessons for your students are available and can be downloaded at [www.marymackillopplace.org.au](http://www.marymackillopplace.org.au).

The CCD has also prepared a retreat day at Mary MacKillop Place on Friday 17 September 2010. The day will include the testimony of Kathleen Evans who received the second miracle attributed to Mary MacKillop's intercession. (For more details please see page 6).

Our Western Area is the host of this year's Annual Catechist Mass on Sunday 26 September 2010 at St Mary's Cathedral. It is a beautiful event celebrated by His Eminence, Cardinal George Pell and I hope to see many of you there. There are many services on the day that we need assistance with, ranging from ushers to readers. If you are able to assist on the day, please contact me on the details below. Congratulations to all our awardees.

'Lunch & Learn' is still taking place on a monthly basis and is proving to be quite popular. Please see page 7 for upcoming dates and topics. I am always looking for great presenters and interesting topics, if you have any suggestions, please let me know.

I will be away for a few weeks in October travelling to the Holy Land and attending the Canonisation of Mary MacKillop in Rome. I will keep you all in my prayers as I travel to these holy sites. Please direct any concerns to Head Office on 9390 5122.

Thank you again for spreading the Gospel and building a civilization of love!

Teresa

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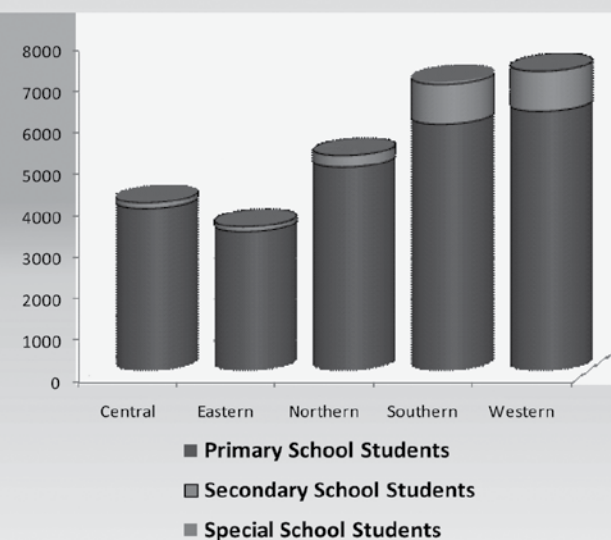
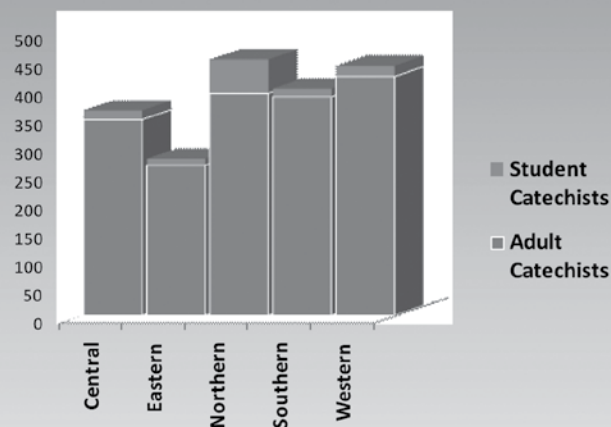
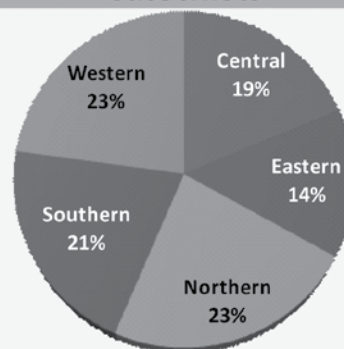
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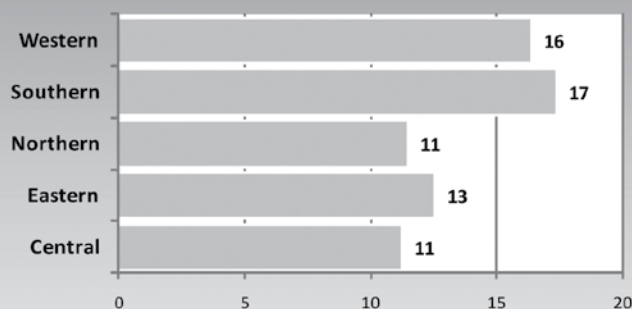





## CCD Sydney Census 2010

### Catechists



### Average Student Count per Catechist



Accreditation Courses - Term 4, 2010			Catechist Ministry Certificate 2010	
BASIC			TERM 4	
Northern	Mondays - 10am to 2pm Oct 11, 18, 25 & Nov 1, 8, 15	Philomena Smith Holy Spirit Parish Hall 191 Cox's Rd North Ryde		<b>Catholics in History (MI13)</b> <i>Sarah Ayoub</i> Polding Centre 133 Liverpool St, Sydney Thurs & Fri 9:30am–3:30pm October 21, 22
Central	Mondays - 10am to 2pm Oct 18, 25 & Nov 1, 8, 15, 22	Sarah Ayoub St Felix Parish Hall 550 Chapel Rd Bankstown		
Western	Mondays - 6:30pm to 9:30pm Nov 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 & Dec 6	Teresa Culjak John the Baptist Parish Hall 45 Mount St Bonnyrigg Heights		<b>The Place of Scriptures in Catholic Tradition (MC01)</b> <i>Denise Humphreys</i> CCD Miranda 50 Kiora Rd, Miranda Thursdays 10:30am–1:30pm November 4, 11, 18, 25
Eastern	Fridays - 10am to 2pm Oct 22, 29 & Nov 5, 12, 19	Robert Milan Polding Centre 133 Liverpool St, Sydney		
INTERMEDIATE			Fathers of the Church (MI10)	
None scheduled for Term 3			<i>Robert Haddad</i> Polding Centre 133 Liverpool St, Sydney Fridays 10am–2pm December 3, 10	
ADVANCED				
Southern	Fridays - 10am to 2pm Oct 22, 29 & Nov 5, 12, 19, 26	Denise Humphreys CCD Miranda 50 Kiora Rd Miranda		



Mary MacKillop photo courtesy of Sisters of St Joseph.

## Mary MacKillop Retreat

Date: Friday 17 September 2010  
 Venue: Mary MacKillop Place, Mount Street, North Sydney  
 Time: Either as a Morning Session 10am – 11:30am or  
 Afternoon Session: 12:45 – 2:00pm  
 Mass: 11:40am  
 BYO Lunch

\*To pre-book, please ring CCD on 9390 5122 or  
 send an email to [mimi.rivera@ccdsydney.catholic.edu.au](mailto:mimi.rivera@ccdsydney.catholic.edu.au).

There will be an opportunity to visit the Museum on the life of Mary MacKillop individually, before or after the session. For more information on pricing, please visit [www.marymackillopplace.org.au](http://www.marymackillopplace.org.au).

In October, Australia will have her first Saint – Mary MacKillop. This is a privileged time in Australia's Church history. The CCD has put together a wonderful day, an opportunity to learn more about the life and legacy of Mary MacKillop. Highlights will include hearing the testimony of Kathleen Evans – the woman who received the 'second miracle', prayer at Mary's tomb and the celebration of Mass with Bishop Julian Porteous.



Kathleen Evans photo courtesy of Catholic Weekly.

\*Morning and afternoon sessions are identical in content. There are only 80 seats for the morning and another 80 seats for the afternoon session. Hence, this event is offered only to catechists and CCD staff who pre-book. Participants may choose either a morning or an afternoon session.

## CCD Calendar

### Sep 2010

17 Sep (Fri)	For details, refer to opposite page	Mary MacKillop Retreat	Mary MacKillop Place Mount Street, North Sydney
26 Sep (Sun)	2pm – 5pm	Annual Catechist Mass	St Mary's Cathedral St Mary's Road, Sydney

### Oct 2010

15 Oct (Fri)	10:30am – 1:30pm	Catechist Gathering	Lidcombe Catholic Club
21 Oct (Thurs)	9:30am – 3:30pm	Catholics in History (CMC MI13), Day 1 by Sarah Ayoub	Polding Centre, 133 Liverpool St, Sydney
22 Oct (Fri)	9:30am – 3:30pm	Catholics in History (CMC MI13), Day 2 by Sarah Ayoub	Polding Centre, 133 Liverpool St, Sydney

### Nov 2010

4 Nov (Thurs)	10:30am – 1:30pm	Scriptures in Catholic Tradition (CMC MC01), Day 1, by Denise Humphreys	CCD Miranda 50 Kiora Rd, Miranda
5 Nov (Fri)	9:15am – 2:00pm	Lunch & Learn: Which came first, the Church or the Bible?	St Gertrude's Parish 8 Justin St, Smithfield
11 Nov (Thurs)	10:30am – 1:30pm	Scriptures in Catholic Tradition (CMC MC01), Day 2, by Denise Humphreys	CCD Miranda 50 Kiora Rd, Miranda
18 Nov (Thurs)	10:30am – 1:30pm	Scriptures in Catholic Tradition (CMC MC01), Day 3, by Denise Humphreys	CCD Miranda 50 Kiora Rd, Miranda
25 Nov (Thurs)	10:30am – 1:30pm	Scriptures in Catholic Tradition (CMC MC01), Day 4, by Denise Humphreys	CCD Miranda 50 Kiora Rd, Miranda
26 Nov (Fri)	10:30am – 3pm	Life Members Function	Lidcombe Catholic Club

### Dec 2010

3 Dec (Fri)	9:15am – 2:00pm	Lunch & Learn: Questions and Answers with a Catholic Priest	St Gertrude's Parish 8 Justin St, Smithfield
3 Dec (Fri)	10am – 2pm	Fathers of the Church (CMC MI10), Day 1 by Robert Haddad	Polding Centre, 133 Liverpool St, Sydney
10 Dec (Fri)	10am – 2pm	Fathers of the Church (CMC MI10), Day 2 by Robert Haddad	Polding Centre, 133 Liverpool St, Sydney

## LUNCH & LEARN



“Lunch and Learn” is a monthly gathering to help catechists grow together in their Catholic Faith. It is held on a Friday, at St Gertrude's Parish, 8 Justin Street, Smithfield.

The next Lunch and Learn is on **3 Sep 2010**

9:15am Mass  
9:45 -10:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
11:00am The Sexualisation of Girls  
By Ms Mary Joseph  
12:30-2:00pm Lunch (Please bring a plate to share)

You are welcome to attend all or part of the program.

**RSVP Essential:** CCD on 9390 5122

**Lunch & Learn topics in coming months:**

Friday 5 Nov 2010  
Which came first, the Church or the Bible?  
By Alex Pace

Friday 3 Dec 2010  
Questions and Answers with a Catholic Priest.  
By Fr Terrence Mary Naughtin



# NEW BASIC ONE COURSE FOR 2011



New and existing catechists without accreditation can complete a new eight-hour Basic One program. Catechists who complete Basic One will only need to complete a further 16 hours study to qualify for full Basic Accreditation.

The current controversy concerning the secular ethics course has seen attention focused in the mainstream media on the quality of SRE teaching and catechist qualifications. Some commentators hostile to SRE in public schools have publicly stated that many Scripture teachers are unqualified and unprofessional, teaching simplistic fundamentalist messages.

In response, the Sydney Anglican Diocese has recently decided to make accreditation for all their Scripture teachers compulsory from the beginning of 2011. All Sydney Anglican Scripture teachers will now be required to complete at least 10 hours of courses before entering classrooms to teach SRE, plus a further two hours of continuous education each subsequent year.

The Sydney CCD has always been concerned in providing adequate accreditation and training for our catechists. Currently, catechists are encouraged to complete Basic, Intermediate and Advanced Accreditation courses, totaling 72 hours. In addition, there are a further six core and four elective subjects for catechists who wish to acquire the Catechist Ministry Certificate. However, concerns remain about the total number of catechists who choose not to undertake any form of accreditation. Currently, our census data indicates that only 40% of Sydney catechists have completed at least Basic Accreditation. There is a need to increase this percentage.

To achieve this it is proposed to make available a new Basic One accreditation for

new and existing catechists commencing at the beginning of 2011. All new catechists and existing catechists without accreditation will be encouraged to complete an eight-hour program divided in two parts and offered over two days.

It is important to emphasise that there are no plans to make Basic One compulsory or a prerequisite to teach SRE. Nevertheless, the CCD highly recommends that all catechists consider this new course. Furthermore, those catechists who complete Basic One will only need to complete a further 16 hours study to qualify for full Basic Accreditation.

In order to get as many catechists as possible to complete this new qualification it is proposed that Faith Education Officers (FEOs) will offer it during the beginning-of-year Orientation Meetings, as well as throughout the year on week days, week ends, and during evenings. It is also envisaged that FEOs will accredit individual catechist coordinators to teach Basic One to their own catechists. This is to ensure that as many catechists as possible can access and complete this course.







## Annual Catechist Mass 2010

All catechists are invited to attend the Annual Catechist Mass on Sunday 26 September. The Mass to be celebrated by Cardinal George Pell will commence at 2pm in St Mary's Cathedral followed by afternoon tea in the College Hall. For catering purposes, please let your parish catechist coordinator know if you are coming.

Certificate of Accreditation Awardees		Apostolic Blessing for 20 Year Awardees	
Central Area	Southern Area	<div>20</div>	Lee Leo
Lubica Dvorak	Frank Burns		Veronica Leva
Marie Fanuli	Pauline Farrugia		Antonia Maiuolo
Mary Glen	Geraldine Green		Mimi Monaci
Constantine Rodrigues	Suzanne Madden		Maria Pagano
Therese Neang Sophon	Mary Anne Mallon	Marjorie Dixon	Jacqueline Parker
Eastern Area	Josephine Mamo	Catherine Duggan	Lily Beatrice Sterling
Mary Cain	Tracy McEwan	Rita Fernando	Sylvia Wicks
	Veronica Pak	Terry Leek	
	Angela Parmeter		
	Thomas Parmeter		
	Nathalie Yamine		
Pamela Richardson		Cardinal Freeman Medal for 25 Year Awardees	
Western Area	Northern Area	<div>25</div>	Carmel Portelli
	Eileen Baptiste		Betty Stepkovitch
	Heidi Marie Castro		Michele Sullivan
	Cecilia Marie Cotter		Amelia Tripodina
	Lynette Crowley		Rose Twyman
Elizabeth Giusti	Theresa Horvath	Maria Wood	Lina Maria Xuereb
John Hickey	Jennifer Gek-Neo Kung	Michele Marshall	Carmen Vella
Luke Jones	Lisa Ma	Christine Margaret	
Patricia Lucchini	Yvonne Marchon	Cardinal Gilroy Award for 40 Year Awardees	
Jesmin Perera	Rose Dearden	<div>40</div>	Feyona van Stom
Frances Rossini	Peter Scicluna		
Norma Verjoustinsky	Souad Shahla	Catholic Schools with Student Catechists	
Catechist Ministry Certificate Awardees	John Tanti	Bethlehem College	Patrician Brothers College
	Mary Wong	De La Salle College	Rosebank College
		Domremy College	Southern Cross V College
		Holy Cross College	St Charbel's College
		Marist Sisters College	St Clare's College
Clare Ryu	Veronica Ascoli		

# ARCHDIOCESAN CATECHIST GATHERING

**FRIDAY, 15 OCTOBER 2010  
10.00AM - 1.30PM**

**DOOLEYS LIDCOMBE CATHOLIC CLUB  
24-28 JOHN STREET, LIDCOMBE**

## Guest Speakers/Topics:

- 10:00 am **Introduction and Welcome**  
Robert Haddad, Director CCD
- 10:30 am **Tricks and Magic**  
Creative use of magic tricks  
to enhance imagination and learning  
Fr Michael Court SDB, Engadine Parish Priest and catechist
- 11.30 am Break for refreshments
- 12.15 pm **Let's Sing Sing Sing!**  
Twoby2 sings a selection of songs from their CD album  
*Let's Sing Sing Sing! Volume 1*  
which accompanies the Third Edition of the  
Christ Our Light and Life K-6 Curriculum
- 1:15 pm **Closing Remarks and Acknowledgements**

Places are limited. Catechist Coordinators are asked to contact **Mimi Rivera (9390 5122)** by **Friday 8 October** with the number of catechists from their parishes who wish to attend the Catechist Gathering.

# WRITE IN AND WIN \$2000 TOWARDS WYD MADRID 2011



The Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD) is subsidising **ten** Catholic public secondary school students from the Sydney Archdiocese to attend World Youth Day in Madrid in August 2011 as part of a planned parish, ethnic, social or family group. CCD is offering **\$2000** to each of ten students who successfully participate in the WYD Writing Competition.

To be eligible for the Competition you must:

- ★ Be attending a public secondary school and be in Year 10 or Year 11 during 2011.
- ★ Be known to the parish priest and participate or contribute to parish life.
- ★ Submit one 300 word essay by Monday 1 November 2010.

The essay must be entitled ***Why I want to attend World Youth Day in Spain.*** It must be typed and include your full name, address, phone number, parish details, year level, public school and name of WYD group you wish to travel with. Winners will be notified by December 3.

Send your completed essay to:

Robert Haddad  
Director, Confraternity of Christian Doctrine  
Archdiocese of Sydney  
PO Box A286 Sydney South NSW 1235



## Confraternity of Christian Doctrine

For more information contact the CCD on (02) 9390 5122  
Alternatively, you can speak with your Parish Priest.



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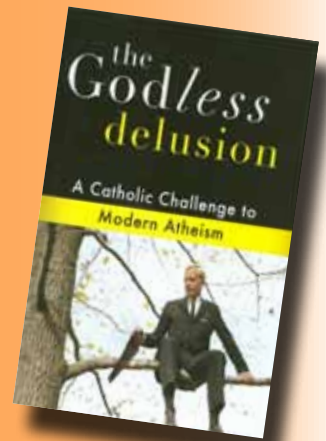


## *Through Their Eyes Sharply:*

### *A Cultural Mission of the Sisters of St Joseph*

Explores the personal experiences of sisters, teachers, parents and students involved in Catholic schools. Their memories evoke both the positive and harsh realities of school life. The author, Aileen M. Farquer, was Congregational Leader of the Sisters of St Joseph (Blessed Mary MacKillop's order) from 1996-2001.

**\$30.00**

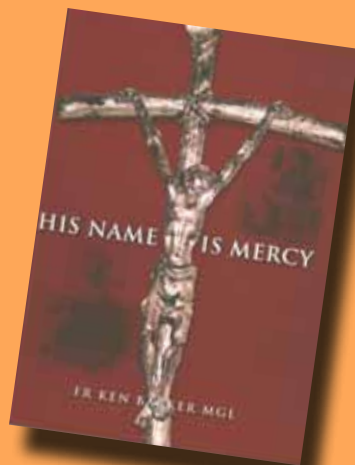


## *The Godless Delusion:*

### *A Catholic Challenge to Modern Atheism*

Patrick Madrid and Kenneth Hensley present solid, compelling reasons for believing in God. The book also exposes contradictions in the atheists' view on life and religion.

**\$25.00**



## *His Name is Mercy*

Fr Ken Barker MGL argues passionately that without justice mercy will not be complete. He makes a strong case for mercy through the use of stories about remarkable human beings who, faced with hurt and violence, have chosen to forgive rather than to seek vengeance.

**\$22.95**



## *Let's Sing Sing Sing! Vol 1*

By popular request, CCD delivers a new music CD for classroom use. The CD produced by Twoby2 contains 21 lively and upbeat songs that children can easily learn and sing along. Most songs connect directly with lessons in the Third Edition of the Christ our Light and Life K-6 Curriculum. Available now!

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