

2009 NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF PASTORS & PASTORAL ASSOCIATES

“Building Upon the 5 Foundations of Church Life”

REGISTRATION FORM

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CONFERENCE FEES: \$200 Early Bird (before 30 June), \$300 (after 1 July)

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- Cheque is enclosed (made out to “Pastoral Ministers 2009 Conference”)
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Conference Centre (Shoal Bay Resort & Spa) Phone 1800 18 18 10
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Port Stephens Visitor Information. Phone 1800 808 900 or visit www.portstephens.org.au
The Visitors Information Centre is only too happy to assist with accommodation needs.
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TRAVEL

By train & Bus: Train to Newcastle station and Port Stephens bus to Shoal Bay.

By Plane: Fly into Newcastle (Williamstown) Airport. If you require travel assistance from there please complete below.

I am flying into Newcastle (Williamstown) Airport on flight
arriving atam/pm on(day)

WORKSHOPS

Following each keynote address we will join Breakout Groups. Please indicate your preference (by numbering from 1 to 4) in each of the five keynote areas. Your preferences will be honoured wherever possible but, if not, workshops will be allocated on a “first in, first served” basis.

WORSHIP & PRAYER - Frank Moloney

- Conversing about Lay Liturgical Leadership:** **Sr. Louise Gannon**
What are we learning?

A time to gather, listen, reflect and share on the ministry of Lay Liturgical Leadership – theology, spirituality, issues and questions.

- Creating a Sacred Space** **Silvana Vidaic**

If you feel you cannot create a sacred space come and join us for a practical session that will guide you in being creative for different types of celebrations. It's all to do with simplicity.

- “Gathered In My Name”** **Richard Cootes**

Come and hear this talented Musician present his collection of gentle yet joyous songs for liturgical celebrations.

- Taize** **Judith Keller**

An experience of Taize prayer which blends Scripture Readings and singing/chanting with extended forms of silence.

- Lectio: Ancient wisdom, modern practice** **Sr Veronica McCluskie**

This workshop will explore the beginnings of Lectio Devina in the Rule of Benedict and how it can be used today for individuals and groups. It will include both theory & practice.

- Centering Prayer** **Fr Michael Court**

Brief overview & experience of this prayer form. Gift of Fr Thomas Keating who has “translated” it for so many active people today.

- Funeral Minisry** **Irene Dixon**

Setting up teams to minister to those with life-threatening illnesses & funeral/bereavement ministry. Personal qualities required, insights from existing teams.

LEADERSHIP & STRUCTURE – Lauretta Baker

Emerging Models of Pastoral Leadership

Anne Maree Whenman

Anne Maree attended an international conference on Pastoral Leadership in USA in 2008 and reflects on the implications for the Australian Church.

Engagement & Payment of Ministry Personnel

Anne Byrne

Anne will look at issues and dilemmas involving the employment of parish workers.

God as Noun: Vatican II and the Universal Call to Holiness

Anthony Maher

This paper will consider a Trinitarian understanding of God in relation to mission, leadership & structure within the Church & the future pastoral possibilities which flow from a recognition that the Mission has a Church.

Aust. Network for Pastors & P. A.'s

Fr. Gerry Iverson & Richard McMahon

Examines the current NSW Association of Pastors & P.A.'s and considers the practicalities and benefits of forming a national association.

Living Our Faith in Leadership

Kim Mannix

“Leadership” from experiential, scriptural and theological perspectives. It will offer an opportunity to personally identify strengths and weaknesses in our leadership.

Lay Pastoral Leadership

Sr Maria Joyner & Alva Clay

An exploration of the joys & challenges, strengths & weaknesses of collaborative parish ministry under lay leadership.

“Serving God’s People” Certificate III in Christian Ministry

Sr Anne Surtees

A practical process of forming & informing people for ministry in the local community.

MISSION & OUTREACH – John Chalmers

Bringing God’s love to Single Parents

Madeleine Pizzuti

Explores the needs of single parent families and where they fit into parish life. How the Church can minister to these families enabling them to rediscover Christ in their lives.

Outreach to Catholics Absent from Sunday Worship

Richard McMahon

Evaluates programmes such as Catholics Returning Home, Reconnect and others aimed at welcoming back Catholics to Sunday worship. What approaches are most needed?

Seasons for Growth

Lyn Dowling/ Benita Tait

An educational programme that supports individuals and families as they deal with change, loss & grief. It is a small group programme primarily offered through schools and provides a safe and creative way for children to explore feelings, memories, loss & grief.

What Is Eco-Justice?

Jill Finnane

How can ordinary people in ordinary parishes be encouraged to understand and work for eco justice? Explore initiatives such as community gardens in church grounds and linking in to broader ecological campaigns.

The Evangelising Parish

Sr Patricia Boland

Evangelisation involves a whole parish or a whole community; one cannot become or continue to become a Christian on one’s own.

We Each are Made in the Image Of God

Jacinta Wall & Carmen Karauda

The inclusion and care of people in our parishes who have disabilities and those who are aging. How we can encourage them to have a full and active role in the parish.

Mission & Outreach to Youth

Sean Finucane

Practical ideas on how to reach young people in our modern world. Entering into the new and complex lives of youth using their medium to lead them to the fullness of Jesus Christ.

FORMATION & EDUCATION – Virginia Bourke

Special Religious Education

John Donnelly

This ministry’s core mission focus is evangelisation. Let’s explore how we keep focussed upon being Good News in State Schools.

Beginning Theology/Foundations

Chris Cavanagh

The content and support provided for two adult theology programs which can be studied at home. Can be undertaken for personal development or a Certificate III or IV in theology.

Sacramental Programmes

Fr Paul Monkerud

Exploring how these Programmes might optimise faith formation, community building and outreach in a Parish.

Educating for Life

Sr Patricia Boland

The making of a Christian takes a lifetime. Everything that happens in one’s life contributes to that formation if we interact with it. Let’s increase our awareness.

Exploring Ecological Conversion

Jill Finnane

Ecological conversion as advocated by Pope John Paul II is about understanding interconnectivity, stewardship-, sharing in God’s creation and building connections and dialogue with those individuals and organisations that have led the way in championing ecological action.

What Good News are you proclaiming today?

Fr. Brian Mascord

By Baptism we are called to live in Christ. This is our Vocation. Using the CVMA resource “Holding Nothing Back” we will examine that call and how we promote it in all aspects of our life.

The Good News on the Net

Virginia Ryan

Using technology to facilitate adult formation and overcome the tyranny of distance.

IDENTITY & COMMUNITY – Frank Devoy

Images of God

Sr Gisella Durante

How do we imagine God? How do you best describe the Mystery we call God? At times our image of God is beyond expression, deeper than words, ever-new, dynamic & evolving.

Aboriginal Spirituality and Family Relationships

Louise Campbell

Louise Campbell is a highly sought after speaker whose manner of conveying the Aboriginal story and experiences touches deeply all those witnessing her talks.

Parish Secretary – Frontline Welcomer

Gayle Anderson

The personality of the parish office is unique – no other business office is run like this! A look at the varied role of parish secretaries and their place in the mission of the Church.

Ministry for Welcome & Hospitality

Janette Davidson

Practical ideas on how to welcome visitors, newcomers, inactive & disaffected members of the community and apply this to all parishioners.

Conversations about Catholics

Sr. Alice Sullivan & Anne McLean

Come and hear about a parish based programme that runs over 3-4 sessions that aims to re-connect -school families to the Church.

Juggling 101: Keeping Life in Balance

Sr Anne Surtees

A conversation around holding family, life, ministry & play in a healthy tension that enables the minister to enjoy and be inspired by all that is happening.

Screen Saved ??

Tracey Edstein

The Editor of the Diocese of Maitland Newcastle “Aurora” will explore using the media to spread the Gospel in a parish context. Bring copies of your parish newsletter to share.