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Diocese of Waterford & Lismore

NEWSLETTER

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GO MAKE DISCIPLES SAVE THE DATES

The launch of our Diocesan Pastoral Plan "GO MAKE DISCIPLES" will be held on Sunday 9th June in the Cathedral.

COME & SEE! VOCATIONS RETREAT

Is God calling you to be a priest? "Come & See" exploring priesthood retreat.

LIGHT FEVER EVENTS

Light Fever will take place on Saturday 1st June 2019 from 1.45 pm to 4.45pm in the Cathedral Waterford.

Go Make Disciples Save the dates

The Launch dates for our Diocesan Pastoral Plan – GO MAKE DISCIPLES – have been arranged. The primary launch will be held on Sunday 9th June, Pentecost Sunday, during the 12 noon Mass in the Cathedral, Waterford.

Three launch dates have been arranged for the three areas of the diocese as follows:

Monday 17th June – Minella Hotel Clonmel

Tuesday 18th June – Park Hotel Dungarvan

Wednesday 19th June – St. John's Pastoral Centre Waterford

Each evening will begin at 7.30pm.

These events are open to anyone who would like to attend. Light Refreshments will be provided. More information will be available closer to these dates.

PRAYER INTENTION OF THE POPE

May 2019

God of Kindness, you created your children to live united in you, in communion with one another. During this month, we pray for Christians in Africa, that they may open themselves to your presence and to your reconciling action in the midst of the division of this world. May your grace move hearts to forgiveness and mercy, with a sincere desire to build peace and nurture hope in the future, especially among the poorest and the young.
We ask this, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Holy Family Mission Family Day

Holy Family Mission Family Day will be held on Sunday 19th May from 10am until 3pm. The day will include Mass, Talks for the Adults, Children and Teen Activities, Food, Prayer and Lunch.

It is a donation only event and all are welcome. Booking is essential info@holyfamilymission.ie or 052-6133181

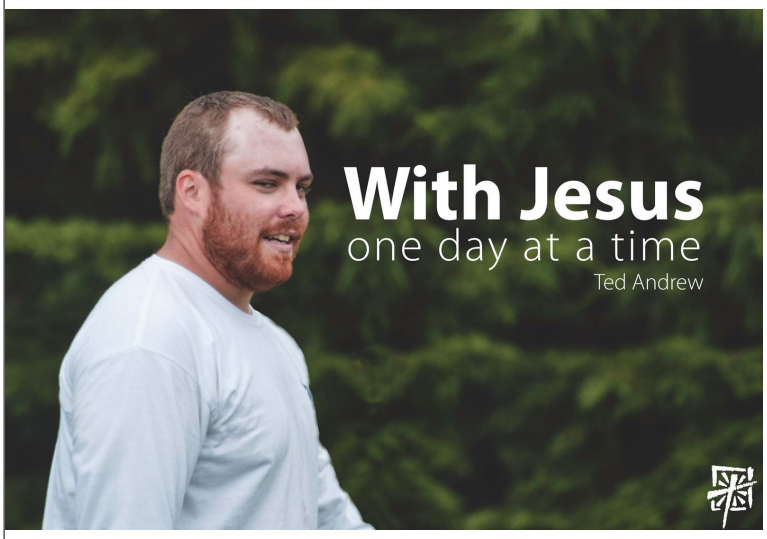
Death of Ted Andrew from NET Team

I regret to inform you of the death of Ted Andrew who was part of the first NET Ministries Team here in the diocese. Ted passed away losing a two year battle with cancer. He had commenced treatment in Dublin and then went back home to Canada.

Ted is very fondly remembered. He filled his 8 months in the diocese with lots of prayer and work visiting schools and parishes, doing his best to spread the knowledge and love of the Lord Jesus.

Please remember Ted in your prayers and also his Mum and Dad and two brothers in Alberta, Canada as well as all of his NET colleagues, especially Elaina, Dillion, Leah and Sophie who, along with Ted, formed that first NET Team here.

May he rest in peace.



"Come & See!" Vocations Retreat

Is God calling you to be a priest? For some it's a moment of discovery. For most, it's growing awareness that develops over time. For all, it's a moment in time when an internal stirring suggest the next step towards a clearer focus on "God's call in my life". It is not necessarily a call to priesthood, but a call to consider a possibility.

This "Come & See" exploring priesthood retreat is an opportunity for Catholic men (18 and over) to meet priests and seminarians, to hear about how they heard their call, how they discerned what God was asking them and what is involved being a priest and of seminary formation.

The weekend will commence on the morning of Saturday May 18th and will conclude on early afternoon on Sunday May 19th. The location for this retreat is in the National Seminary in St Patrick's College in Maynooth.

For more information please email info@vocations.ie or contact your diocesan vocations director: Rev Billy Meehan PP – St. Mary's, Clonmel (052-6122954) or Rev Shane O'Neill CC – Tramore (051-391868)

Light Fever Events

The date is Saturday 1st June 2019 from 1.45 pm to 4.45pm in the Cathedral Waterford.

Light Fever involves Eucharistic adoration, the sacrament of reconciliation, scripture, prayer ministry, music ministry, street evangelisation with a candlelit church.

The dates for the year ahead are as follows: 10th August, 23rd November, 21st December, 28th December.

All are welcome.

Pray for Pilgrims

Please keep in your prayers pilgrims who will travel to Lourdes on the Diocesan pilgrimage from June 5th to June 10th. 500 people will travel to Lourdes this year, all helping to look after 96 sick people from throughout the Diocese. We pray for a prayerful pilgrimage, and a safe journey for everyone.

Songs of Praise

A songs of praise type event will be held in Mount Melleray on Sunday May 26th. Choirs and singers are invited from the Diocese to be part of this event.

Rehearsal will be held from 2pm to 4pm, with the Liturgy Celebration at 5pm.

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

The novena to Our Mother of perpetual Help continues each Monday at 7.30pm in St. Mary's Parish Church, Dungarvan until Monday, June 24th.

Prayer and Praise

A morning prayer group takes place in the parish centre, St. Joseph & St. Benildus Church, Waterford every Thursday morning at 11.00am. All are welcome. For further information please contact 051-878977.

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O merciful, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary! Amen.

If you would like to have your information included into this newsletter please contact St. John's Pastoral Centre by email marydee@waterfordlismore.ie or phone 051-874199.