



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE OF AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND
Te Rōpū Wāhine Katorika o Aotearoa
WELLINGTON ARCHDIOCESE:

NEWSLETTER: NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2021

*Very happy to report that your Council Members
have all had their double Covid-19 vaccination.*



ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION with Joy Cowley "Bringing CHRIST TO BIRTH IN THE WORLD"
Friday, 12th November 2021 at Our Lady of Kapiti, 20 Milne Drive, Paraparaumu. Hosted by the
CWL Wellington Archdiocesan Council. Need to be double Covid-19 vaccinated and have
registered prior by Monday, 8th November (capped at 100). 10.30am to approx. 2pm. BRING own
packed lunch and drink bottle. Masks to be worn and Koha offering on entry. Please RSVP
promptly to the Archdiocesan Secretary, Karen Saunders on archdio.sec@gmail.com

PARAPARAUMU BRANCH has regrettably gone into recess. On behalf of the CWL Wellington
Archdiocesan Council and Members, sincere thanks are extended to the Branch for their 55 years of Faith
and Service, not only to their Parish but to the wider Archdiocese.

WELLINGTON ARCHDIOCESAN CONFERENCE 2022



Wednesday, 16th March, 1pm to 5pm at St Joseph's Social Centre, Devon Street
West, New Plymouth, followed by Conference Dinner and Entertainment.

Thursday, 17th March 9am to 12 Noon. We have applied for funding for a bus
which will take us all to New Plymouth – early start! We have booked some
rooms at the Brougham Heights Motel, Brougham Street (just around the corner
from the Conference venue). New Plymouth will organise a packed lunch for us

on Thursday as we head home. We would like to visit Parihaka before leaving New Plymouth. If
you are interested, registration forms will be available early in 2022.

Te Rewa Rewa Bridge

*Some think it looks like a breaking wave, and others a whale skeleton. Regardless of how you view it, this
cycleway and pedestrian bridge is another great spot to visit in Taranaki.*

ARCHDIOCESAN COUNCIL HAVE MORE TO SAY OVERLEAF

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

May God's graces and blessings

be bestowed upon you all in abundance.

Susan Lloyd, President & Archdio Council Members





Advent '20 I was unpacking the family Christmas Crib that I have grown up with all my life. We were rehearsing our choir Christmas Music and one of them was, The Shepherd's Pipe Carol by John Rutter, a particular choir favourite. I had never noticed the Shepherd with his pipes adorning the crib in 60+ years. Our maestro Douglas Mews, always had some interesting bits of information regarding the history of the carols. It was quite the revelation and maybe we had become more observant with our lockdowns. Who knows. The connection was very strong, between

my music and our family memories. The crib sits on my father's piano every year. My wish for you all this Christmas, is to be connected, to a memory, to a place, to a person, to feel safe, as we negotiate the maze that is now before us.

Karen Saunders, Archdiocesan Secretary.

"Tell me 10 reasons why it cannot be done instead of 10 ways to get it done" *Karen*

A Christmas Letter from Jesus

*When you look for me at Christmas,
You won't need a special star.
I'm no longer just in Bethlehem.
I'm right here where you are.
You may not be aware of me
amid the celebrations.
You'll have looked beyond the stores,
And all the decorations.
But if you take a moment
from your list of things to do,
To close your eyes and say a prayer.
I'm waiting here for you.
You're the one I want to be with.
You're the reason that I came!
And you'll find me in the stillness
Where I'm whispering your name.
Christine Paterson, Archdiocesan Chaplain*



Take Time

Take time to laugh, it is the music of the soul
Take time to think, it is the source of power.
Take time to pray, it is a source of perpetual youth.
Take time to read, it is the fountain of wisdom.
Take time to pray, it is the greatest power on earth.

Christina Dwyer



It's the thought that counts. Don't use this as an excuse for not doing something – most people aren't telepathic. Greet your friends and relatives; send that card or letter; let them know you are thinking of them at Christmas. "It's better to give than receive". You could get a card or a letter back – so "a win/win." "Spread the love." P.S. It could work with Mission Communities too!

Anne Lumb

Christmas Mint Balls

Crush 2 pkts of Chocolate Mint biscuits either in a kitchen whiz or by hand. Transfer to another bowl add enough cream cheese to combine. I use my hands then roll into small balls and coat in chocolate hail. Keep in the fridge and can be frozen. Enjoy!!!

Pat O'Connor



PEACE ON EARTH WILL COME TO STAY
WHEN WE LIVE CHRISTMAS EVERY DAY.

Wishing you all a happy Christmas with
Your loved ones.

Kathleen Emmerson



*"Be careful what you do in the garden.
The potatoes have eyes, the corn has ears,
and the beanstalk."*

Susan Lloyd



The gifts, the cards, the Christmas tree,
Are just the lead-up to the day for me.
Then with pageantry and music, Midnight Mass
is the start of a day of love and family, of all that
warms my heart.



*"A stable once held something inside it
that was bigger than our whole world."
C. S. Lewis*

Diane Glynan

Archdiocesan Treas



MEMORIES

"How nice it is to be as busy as a little bee
But nicer still to give a little Happiness every day."

(My mother wrote this in my autograph book in 1954)

Carolyn Johns