Dear Catechists,

Our work continues on in earnest in many different areas, both new and old. The following are significant events/developments since our last newsletter:

**Catechist Gathering 1/5/09:** This was a remarkable success, with over 100 catechists registering for the day. The catechists were particularly interested in the presentation by John Charadia (CEO, Sydney) regarding the use of art to teach religious education.

**Scalabrini Community Initiative:** Beginning in early September, young Catholics of South American background will begin training as catechists in the Western Area. These young people are currently served by the Scalabrini Fathers and have five centres throughout the Sydney Archdiocese. They have agreed to use their training both to serve in public schools and catechise other members of their community.

**Campion College Recruitment:** On Monday 18 May I spoke at a formal dinner of residential students in Campion College. Afterwards, 16 signed up to train as catechists. Training will commence on June 5. These students will serve teaching SRE in Prairewood High School.

**Area Masses:** I have been very happy attending the first round of Area Masses in Sutherland, City, and Concord. Through these meetings I get to meet many more of our wonderful catechists and share their experiences (as well as their fine food!). It is also an honour to meet the various parish priests who work hard to support our catechists.

**Census forms 2009:** So far, 109 parishes have completed their Census 2009 forms. I hope all coordinators found the new format easy to complete. Could all outstanding parishes please submit census forms as soon as possible.

**Curriculum development update:** Please read report on page 10 of this newsletter.

**High School Catechists project:** Good news! Students from Bethlehem, Fairfield Pats, De La Salle Cronulla, and St Charbel's Punchbowl have now commenced teaching in public primary schools.

Upcoming reminders:
- Archdiocesan Catechist Council 17/6/09 2pm – 4 pm
- Bankstown Area Mass St Jerome's 5/6/09 11am
- Western Area Mass Mt Pritchard 19/6/0911am
- Catechist Retreat, Polding Centre 14/8/09 9am

Robert Haddad
From the Faith Education Officers

CONFRATERNITY OF CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE

BANKSTOWN

Marijana Nujic - Faith Education Officer

Congratulations to all the catechists and catechist helpers who have successfully completed the Basic Accreditation course at Regina Caeli Parish, Beverly Hills and St Mary Queen of Heaven Parish, Georges Hall. It was a very inspiring learning journey for all who participated and many friendships were formed. Catechists from neighbouring parishes joined in and a few travelled from afar to attend the classes. Thank you for your commitment, dedication and enthusiasm.

It is now mandatory that coordinators, catechists and helpers are up to date with the CCD Code of Conduct and also the Child Protection Legislation. Child Protection training inservices are underway in many parishes and allow for question time and discussion. For the coordinators who are yet to host an inservice, please give me a call to arrange a mutually convenient time.

In class we have been teaching the children about the Easter Season, Ascension and Pentecost. This beautiful time in the Church calendar allows the children to grow in their faith and love of Jesus, who died and rose from the dead for all of us and sent the Holy Spirit. I encourage you to share your faith journey with the children and utilise various resources and teaching strategies to engage the children's imagination and creativity. This can be done by introducing artwork into the classroom, music, Br Julian's resources, song and drama.

Share ideas with fellow catechists at team meetings and ask your coordinators to provide a list of resources they have available for you to borrow.

I pray that the power of the Holy Spirit be with you and touch the hearts and minds of the children in your class.

You are all in my prayers,

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SUTHERLAND/ST GEORGE

Denise Humphreys - Faith Education Officer

Thank you to all Gymea catechists for hosting the Area Mass this year. Peter Collins, Carmel Torrens, Graham Cashman and the Gymea team did a very good job with the liturgy and luncheon. I was impressed with the celebration cake which had the Gospel verse written on it – good work Charlotte.

The next big event at Miranda CCD Centre will be a session with Br Julian Quinlan on 15 June at 10 am. Br Julian will be teaching the art of story-telling. All catechists are invited to attend this session. There is a CMC module, the Place of Scripture in the Roman Catholic Tradition, starting at Miranda on Friday 5 June. Details of this and all courses and events can be found on page 8 to 9 of this newsletter.

The recent catechist gathering had a very informative session on classroom management. We were shown some examples of school rules and reminded that these can be found in most classrooms. For instance, we have

- A rule for speaking; e.g. raise your hand/one person talk at a time.
- Rules for working; e.g. work quietly/we always do our best.
- A rule for safety; e.g. keep hands and feet to yourself.

Finally, thank you to all parish coordinators for completing and returning the statistics forms on time. This is always a big task. If you need to update your catechists on child protection please contact me. A Child Protection Session will be held at Caringbah parish on Monday 29 June 1.30pm - 3.30pm.

Denise

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The Concord Area is delighted to welcome two new catechists from the Korean Catholic community based at St Stanislaus’ parish, Silverwater, namely, Stephano Kim and Susan Lee. They have commenced teaching in schools within St Ambrose Parish, Concord West. I wish to thank Mrs Frances Gibson, Catechist Coordinator, for welcoming them into her team.

I also wish to extend thanks to Mrs Marilina Masciantonio, Catechist Coordinator, Fr Philip Linder, Parish Priest, and his Assistant Fr Danai Penollar of Sacred Heart Mosman for celebrating the Concord Area Mass on Friday 22 May 2009, as well as all catechists and priests who made the long trek across the bridge. Despite the distance, the event was well attended. Many catechists also had the opportunity to purchase resources from our mobile book shop and meet our new Director, Robert Haddad.

I take this opportunity to announce that there will be a change of Faith Education Officer for the Concord Area as of 1 July 2009. I will be moving into the City Area as Faith Education Officer while Mary Carolan will take over assisting coordinators and catechists in the Concord Area. I would like to offer my deepest gratitude to all coordinators, catechists, Parish Priests and their Assistants for their continued support over the past four years. The Concord Area has been outstanding in all areas of the catechetical apostolate and I salute you on your great commitment, service and enthusiasm. I look forward to meeting my new team in the City and wish Mary the greatest success in the Concord Area.

Robert Milan - Faith Education Officer

The Area Mass held at Daceyville on Wednesday 20 May was a great success and I sincerely thank Fr Jerzy, Fr Michael de Stoop, Fr Laurie Cauchi, Fr Manuel Santiago and Fr Dominic Ceresoli, for celebrating the Mass for us. To Gennie Hage, Rose Houghton and the catechists and parishioners of St Michael’s, thank you for your warm hospitality. It was a great joy to see so many and to experience the wonderful support of our priests and each other on this day.

Thank you to all who have returned their statistics forms. We hope that the extra information gathered and a restructuring of the database will lead to greater efficiency.

As you may know I have been asked to move to the position of FEO for the Concord Area and Robert Milan will be taking over the City Area. This change will take place from the beginning of July. I would like to thank all for their support over the last two and a half years and I look forward to keeping in touch with you and seeing you at various events in the future. I wish Robert well and look forward to meeting the catechists in the Concord Area.

In this month of June we have the Eucharistic Procession on Sunday 14 June from St Patrick’s Church Hill to St Mary’s Cathedral and the Scene event in July. Both these occasions will be great opportunities to witness to and celebrate our Catholic Faith. If you have access to the lessons on the Eucharist provided around this time, last year, it is a good chance to use them again and to promote both events to the students.

Mary Carolan - Faith Education Officer
Greetings to all in the Western Area!

It isn't a coincidence that our Area Mass will be celebrated on the Feast of the Sacred Heart at Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Mt Pritchard on Friday 19 June 2009 at 11am. We are very blessed to have Most Reverend Bishop Terry Brady, who so graciously accepted our invitation, to celebrate the Mass with fellow priests from our parishes.

To help us prepare for this day, I invite you all to join in a novena (nine consecutive days of prayer) for our catechetical apostolate to the Sacred Heart of Jesus starting Wednesday 10 June 2009 (Please see Page 6).

There will also be an opportunity to venerate the relic of St Margaret Mary. I look forward to seeing you at this very special Mass of thanksgiving for all your wonderful work. Family and friends are very welcome.

Interested in learning more about Scripture? You are welcome to join our weekly Bible Study at Smithfield Parish on Mondays from 10 - 11:30am. With up to 16 students attending each week, the study looks at the Acts of the Apostles, examining one chapter each week.

I am currently running a Basic Accreditation Course at All Saints Parish, Liverpool, with many new faces. For those interested, keep an eye out for the Intermediate Accreditation Course running in Term 3.

As the Pauline year draws to a close let us remember the apostles' instructions to “keep fighting the good fight and run the race to the end.”

In Prayer,

Teresa Culjak - Faith Education Officer

Thank you to all parishes:

Given the current financial crisis it is pleasing to note the fantastic cooperation and prompt payment of outstanding bookshop accounts by parishes for their curriculum purchases. Considering the large volume involved during the past six months, only a few accounts remain outstanding at date. Well done to all concerned.

The bookshop website also continues to perform very well, with activity increasing every month. Overseas sales to USA, New Zealand & UK customers indicate the extent and effectiveness of maintaining a website facility. Please visit the website on either one of the following links:

- www.sydneycatholicbooks.org.au
- www.ccdsydney.catholic.edu.au

What's the Difference between an Invoice and a Statement?

Many parishes continue to duplicate payments as a result of not reconciling their financial records adequately. This can be avoided by observing a few basic features;

An Invoice relates to full details of goods purchased, showing purchase date, item description, price of item and the total amount involved. An invoice normally accompanies the goods received.

A Statement is normally issued at the start of the month, details a list of all individual invoices, less payments made, and the total amount outstanding covering all transactions in the previous months.

Sometimes parishes issue a cheque for individual invoice amounts and then also pay the total amount shown on the Statement, without first checking to verify if any of the earlier individual invoices have been paid. Timing differences can also come in to play, such as the cheque is in the mail at the same time the statement is mailed out.

Sound confusing? It's relatively simple once you get the hang of it: first reconcile all the individual invoices shown on the monthly statement (deducting any amounts paid since issue) and then pay the remaining outstanding amount.

Before you process an invoice payment it may be worthwhile waiting until you receive the monthly statement and carry out verification before making payment.

If you require further assistance or clarification of any of the above please do not hesitate to contact this office.

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We would like to extend an invitation to all women catechists in the Archdiocese of Sydney to attend our quarterly retreat Mary Day at Good Shepherd Seminary, Homebush.

This day will be looking at the different aspects on the vocation of woman taking Mary, the new Eve as our role model.

**Venue:** 50-58 Abbotsford Road, Homebush 2140

**Date:** Friday 17 July 2009

**Time:** 10am – 2pm.
Morning Tea available at 9:45am.

**What to bring:** A Bible, pen and paper and a plate to share for lunch.
Mass and Confession will be available.

**RSVP Essential:** CCD on 9390 5122

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**Mary Day Retreat**

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**Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

**O my Jesus, you have said:** “Truly I say to you, ask and you will receive, seek and you will find, knock and it will be opened to you.” Behold I knock, I seek and ask for the grace of......

1. A deeper love and friendship with our Lord
2. Effectiveness in the classroom in spreading the Gospel
3. An increase in catechists across the **Western Area** to cover all classes
4. A greater presence in high schools
5. For all students and their families

Our Father...Hail Mary...Glory Be to the Father....Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.

**O my Jesus, you have said:** “Truly I say to you, if you ask anything of the Father in my name, he will give it to you.” Behold, in your name, I ask the Father for the grace of......

Repeat prayer intentions 1 to 5.

Our Father...Hail Mary....Glory Be To the Father....Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.

**O my Jesus, you have said:** “Truly I say to you, heaven and earth will pass away but my words will not pass away.” Encouraged by your infallible words I now ask for the grace of......

Repeat prayer intentions 1 to 5.

Our Father....Hail Mary....Glory Be to the Father....Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.

Heart of Jesus, for whom it is impossible not to have compassion on the afflicted, have pity on us miserable sinners and grant us the grace which we ask of you, through the Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, your tender Mother and ours.

**Say the Hail, Holy Queen and add:**

*St. Joseph, foster father of Jesus, pray for us.*

— St. Margaret Mary Alacoque
The Life and Example of Mary
A Retreat for Catechists
By Fr John Bullock LC

Friday 14 August

Polding Centre - Taylor and Barlow Room
Level 8, 133 Liverpool St, City

9:00am  Registration
9:15    Introduction and First Meditation
10:15   Morning Tea
10:45   Silent Prayer in the Chapel
        – Confessions available
11:15   Second Meditation
12:15pm Prayer
12:30   Mass
1:00    Lunch and Conclusion

Catechists Coordinators are requested to contact Mimi Rivera on 9390 5122 by Monday 3 August with the number of catechists from their parishes who wish to attend this retreat.
### Accreditation Courses 2009

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**Notes:** Catechists can avail of Catechist Ministry Courses (CMC) courses prior to completion of Accreditation Courses. In such case CMC Certificate will be awarded only after full accreditation.
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Curriculum Update

By Robert Haddad

I am sure that all catechists by now have heard of the CCD’s plans to reform the *Christ our Light and Life* curriculum K-6 as well as our plans for a new High School curriculum 7-12. Well, I am glad to report that steady progress is being made on both fronts. It is my intention throughout the remainder of 2009 to provide catechists with an update of where we are at. This is our first report:

**K-6 Teacher Manuals:** I have personally taken responsibility to reformat all *Teacher’s Manuals*. K-5 so far have been completed. This revision involves reducing the number of lessons from 35 to 32 and increasing the font size of text from 10 to 12.

**K-6 Activity Books:** The new Year 1 *Activity Book* has been completed. Kindergarten is three-quarters complete. Our graphic designer has commenced work on Years 2 and 3. This work involves merging the old *Student and Home Activity Books* into one book, reducing the number of lessons from 35 to 32, making all activities simpler and more age appropriate, improving the depictions of Jesus and Mary, and decreasing the weight of the books by more than 250 grams each.

**New Covers K-6:** All new covers for *Teacher Manuals* and *Student Activity Books* K-6 have been completed. There will now be a separate colour cover for each particular year so that catechists can easily distinguish Year 1 from Year 2 and Year 3 from Year 4, etc. Each *Activity Book* will also be designated by its Year rather than by its Stage. For example, Year 1 will be entitled Year 1, not Stage 1A; Year 2 will be entitled Year 2, not Stage 1B, and so on (see front cover for examples).

**High School Modules 7-12:** The Faith Education Officer for Bankstown, Marijana Nujic, has completed revising all the text for the new High School Modules 7-12. Topics include: Pilgrimage; the Cross and Icon; Penance and Reconciliation; the Mass and Eucharist; the Holy Spirit and Witness. The final phase involves formatting all the material and combining it with appropriate graphics to ensure a professional presentation. This project will be finished and available for purchase by early November.

**Curriculum Development Officer:** A new staff member will be added to the ranks of the CCD as of July 1. The appointed person will be employed three days per week to produce new 45 minute lessons Years 7-12, revised Accreditation Courses for catechists, updated Parish Handbooks, and eventually, assist in the production of new sacramental programs.
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