

## Bishop's Endorsement



The Church here in the Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle is committed to the ongoing formation of all Catholic people. We need to be a vibrant Church; a Church who makes a difference to our world today. A vibrant Church is one in which all members have the opportunity of solid, challenging adult formation, which brings life experience into conversation with Jesus and his Gospel. The world needs us to be people whose life and ministry emerge from a deep, rich and mature relationship with God. The Christian Formation Course, presented by the Tenison Woods Education Centre and supported by the diocese, offers us a unique opportunity to deepen our life of faith. I encourage you to give it serious consideration.

+ Michael Malone

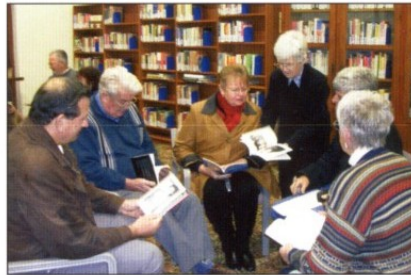
## Participants Speak

'What was critical for me was its sustenance! ... it was like a regular indulgence at a favourite restaurant.'

The most critical factor for me was the generous non-judgmental approach of the presenters.'

The opportunity to share insights and points of view as a group was very important to me. The input ... was challenging and exciting, the opportunity to discuss ... was essential to my understanding and learning.'

'(A point of growth for me) was realizing that the Church was prepared to educate adults and accept the laity as reasonably enlightened, mature beings.'



## Tenison Woods Education Centre

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If you are interested in the Christian Formation Course when it is run in another venue please contact us.

Check our website where you will find information about TWEC under 'What we do': [www.ssjl.org.au](http://www.ssjl.org.au)

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## Christian Formation Course

**Come and See!**  
**A journey to discover your divine potential.**

A course . . .

to allow participants to explore their life's journey and their understandings about Jesus through a program of education within the Catholic Tradition, inspiring them to live more deliberately as his disciples

## Are you looking for an opportunity to ...

- ◆ ponder the meaning of your life experience;
- ◆ meet Jesus anew;
- ◆ look afresh at the Catholic view of life and faith;
- ◆ explore your faith, walk around in it, stretch it to fit your changing adult life;
- ◆ deepen your commitment to living as a disciple of Jesus in the world today;
- ◆ be part of a community who meets weekly to pray, listen, read, reflect, share insights and questions;
- ◆ take time to reflect on what's important to you, to re-charge your spiritual batteries, to grow in faith?



Discover your divine potential

Come and see

## Christian Formation Course Timetable Year 1, 2007

Tuesday Evenings: 6.30pm—9.30pm  
Location: The Chisholm Region  
Venue: TWEC @ Lochinvar

<b>Orientation</b>	<b>Sunday , Feb 4th</b> (10.00am — 4.00pm)
<b>Unit 1.1</b>	Communication and Pastoral Care: Basic Communication Skills. Sun Feb 4th, and Tues 6, 13.
<b>Unit 1.2</b>	Journey of Faith Feb 20, 27, March 6,
<b>Unit 1.3</b>	God's true word March 13, 20, 27, (NOT April 3—Christ Mass)
<b>EASTER HOLIDAYS: APRIL 6 — 23</b>	
<b>Unit 1.3</b> (Continued)	God's true word April 24, May 1
<b>SNAPSHOT</b> Optional	Study Skills: Saturday 28th April 3.00-6.00pm Followed by a shared meal
<b>Unit 1.4</b>	Introduction to Hebrew Scripture May 8, 15, 22, 29, June 5, 12, 19
<b>Unit 1.5</b>	Introduction to Christian Scripture June 26
<b>WINTER HOLIDAYS: JUNE 29 — JULY 16</b>	
<b>Unit 1.5</b> (Continued)	Introduction to Christian Scripture July 17, 24, 31, Aug 7, 14
<b>Unit 1.6</b>	Jesus of History: Christ of Faith Aug 21, 28, Sept 4, 11, 18, 25
<b>SPRING HOLIDAYS: SEPTEMBER 28 — OCTOBER 15</b>	
<b>Unit 1.7</b>	Creeds and Christian Tradition Oct 16, 23, 30
<b>Unit 1.8</b>	Trinity Nov 6, 13, 20, 27
<b>Unit 1.9</b>	Retreat day Sunday, Dec 2 (10.00am — 4.00pm)
<b>Unit 1.10</b>	Reflection and Review Dec 4
<b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS: DECEMBER 4 — FEBRUARY 3 2008</b>	

## Draft Overview of Year 2, 2008

### TERM BEGINS SUNDAY FEB 3

Orientation  
Communication and Pastoral Care: Conflict Management  
The Church's Story  
The Church, Light of the World

### AUTUMN HOLIDAYS: APRIL 11 — 28

The Church, Light of the World (cont'd)  
The Church in the World  
The Church of Maitland-Newcastle  
Prayer Workshops

### WINTER HOLIDAYS: JULY 4 — 21

Prayer Workshop (cont'd)  
Sacramental Life of the Ecclesial Community

### SPRING HOLIDAYS: SEPT 28 — OCT 15

Sacramental Life ... (cont'd)  
Ministry in Today's Church  
Retreat Day (Sun Nov 30)  
Reflection and Review

### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS: DEC 2 — JAN 27, 2009



## Draft Overview of Year 3, 2009

### TERM BEGINS TUESDAY JAN 27

Orientation  
Moral Theology  
Discipleship: The Gospel of Matthew

### AUTUMN HOLIDAYS: APRIL 10 — 27

Discipleship: The Gospel of Matthew (cont'd)  
Word in Life  
Communication and Pastoral Care

### WINTER HOLIDAYS: JULY 1 — 27

Marriage  
Loss and Grief  
Eucharist  
Catholic Liturgy

### SPRING HOLIDAYS: OCT 2 — OCT 19

Catholic Liturgy (cont'd)  
Retreat (Dec 5-6)  
Reflection and Review

### GRADUATION 2010