

## Advent Program

*We are called during this holy time to wait with hope knowing the joys of what is to come with the arrival of Christ. Awaiting Hope is a Diocesan resource that invites all members of the community to gather a circle of people – family, friends, colleagues, ministry teams to reflect mystagogically on the Advent Gospels. This is an opportunity to encounter Christ where we are, to pay attention to what Christ reveals in the scripture and the living tradition of our faith, to share this, to connect it to our life now and to be changed by it.*

TO ACCESS RESOURCE, GO TO: <https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/liturgy/liturgical-year/advent-christmas-1/>



## Newsletter Information

For upcoming events information go to:

[mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/faith-formation/upcoming-events/](https://www.mn.catholic.org.au/church-mission/catholic-life/faith-formation/upcoming-events/)

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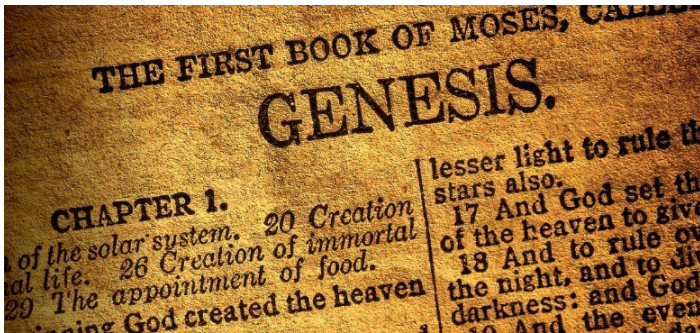
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## Revelation in the Old Testament

The units from the Christian Formation Course are now being offered as short courses.

The first offering is: *Revelation in the Old Testament*

### Over five weeks we will cover:

- The nature of God revealed in the Hebrew Scriptures
- The different types of literature found in the Hebrew Scriptures
- The cycle of biblical themes: creation, call, covenant, exodus, exile
- The call of the prophet
- Biblical prayer.

**When:** Tuesdays, 15 October - 12 November.

**Time:** 6:00pm-9:00pm

**Where:** Diocesan Resource Centre

**Cost:** \$60

### REGISTER AT:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/christian-formation-course-unit-3-tickets-1003286967327>

## BBI course – Catholics, Faith and Science

What does the Catholic Church say about the relationship between faith and science? How are we to approach topics like evolution and the Big Bang theory in our classrooms? How do we engage pupils in conversation about this relationship and why is it important to do so? This short course is for all teachers but those who teach science and those who teach religion may find it of relevance to their work. There will be input from the presenter and opportunities to discuss and share insights and ideas for teaching with other teachers.

**When:** Mondays 28 October & 4 November 2024

**Time:** 4:00pm-5:30pm

**Where:** Diocesan Resource Centre or online

**Cost:** Free

### REGISTER AT:

<https://forms.office.com/r/8wYqgDUbcm>



## Upcoming Library Events

- **Story Time:** Stories, songs, rhymes & craft for children from birth to 6 years. 10.15am  
4 October - Edward the Emu - REGISTER AT: <https://forms.office.com/r/2SCTi9fiFM>  
1 November - Wilfred Gordon McDonald Partridge - REGISTER AT:  
<https://forms.office.com/r/MSCAZL8ejN>
- **Formation Friday:** 1:00pm - 2:00pm  
4 October - Pope Francis - The Letter - REGISTER AT: <https://forms.office.com/r/yqm1Z2tJAH>  
1 November - Communion of Saints - REGISTER AT: <https://forms.office.com/r/1jBEVh2ctj>
- **Book Club:** Come along and discuss your current read!  
19 October at 11am  
REGISTER AT: <https://forms.office.com/r/3mqnJJuBBs>
- **Human Library:** Insights into Catholic Mission - 25 October at 10:15am  
REGISTER AT: <https://forms.office.com/r/X1f5xM55Eu>
- **BBI Short Course:** Catholics Faith & Science 28 October & 4 November 4:00pm-5:30pm  
REGISTER AT: <https://forms.office.com/r/8wYggDUbcm>
- **Formation Films:** The Miracle Club (Lourdes & St Bernadete) - 2 November at 11:00am  
REGISTER AT: <https://forms.office.com/r/1jylH5GsB>

## Amended Opening Hours

Monday & Friday 10am-5pm  
Open 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month

## Boston College: CSTM online: Crossroads

### The Joy of the Gospels

In *Evangelii Gaudium*, Pope Francis calls us to embrace a vision of a Church that engages us in the joy of the Gospel. Take this opportunity to read Pope Francis's document and reflect on your own faith community as a local presence of Gospel joy in the 21st century.

**When:** 2 October - 5 November

**Where:** online

**Cost:** \$60

**Register at:** <https://bostoncollege-stm.catalog.instructure.com/courses/the-joy-of-the-gospel-fall-2024>



### Mission and Spirituality: a Xaverian Journey

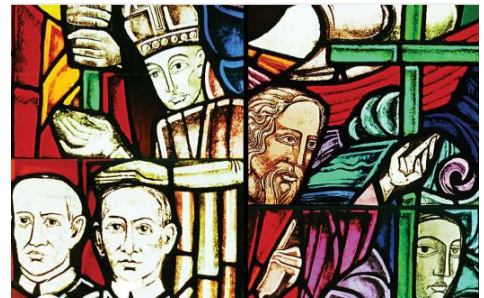
Beginning with the life of Theodore James Ryken, the Founder of the Xaverian Brothers, this course explores the pillars of Xaverian spirituality including the charisma, values, and calls, which continue to animate the mission of the Xaverian Brothers and their partners in mission today. Begins Oct 2. Fee: \$60. Register [here](#).

**When:** 2 October - 12 November

**Where:** online

**Cost:** \$60

**Register at:** <https://bostoncollege-stm.catalog.instructure.com/courses/mission-and-spirituality-a-xaverian-journey-fall-2024>



## Upcoming Events Calendar

DATE	EVENT	VENUE	TIME
2 Oct – 5 Nov	The Joy of the Gospels	Online	
2 Oct – 12 Nov	Mission and Spirituality: a Xaverian Journey	Online	
4 October	Story Time	Diocesan Resource Centre	10.15am
4 October	Formation Friday	Diocesan Resource Centre	1.00pm-2.00pm
15 Oct – 12 Nov	Revelation in the Old Testament	Diocesan Resource Centre	6.00pm – 9.00pm
19 October	Book Club	Diocesan Resource Centre	11.00am
25 October	Human Library	Diocesan Resource Centre	10.15am
28 Oct & 4 Nov	BBI short Course – Catholics Faith & Science	Diocesan Resource Centre	4.00pm – 5.30pm
1 November	Story Time	Diocesan Resource Centre	10.15am
1 November	Formation Friday	Diocesan Resource Centre	1.00pm-2.00pm
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