

# FAITH RESOURCES NEWSLETTER

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A man would do nothing if he waited until he could do it so well that no one could find fault
— Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman

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October 2014

Month of the Rosary

### Michaelmas Term

My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. I and the Father are one.

John10: 28-30 Gospel reading for Our Lady of Fatima

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

With great joy and thanksgiving, we were pleased to celebrate the 40th ANNIVERSARY and BLESSING of REFURBISHED PREMISES on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, 22 June 2014. Fr Brendan Murphy SDB, our PP of Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, St Marys, blessed our refurbished premises, and Mrs Marie Mc Nulty and Mrs Carolyn Giblin spoke eloquently about the history of CNFRI. A very big thank you to all who assisted with this celebration.

CNFRI continues to grow in our apostolic work of spreading the faith. As well as the main centre at St Marys and the smaller centre at the Shrine of Our Lady of Mercy at Penrose Park, our faith resources are regularly displayed after Sunday Mass at parishes throughout the Parramatta Diocese. There has been much interest in the excellent range of faith resources that are now available. If we can help you spread the faith by bringing a selection of faith resources to your parish or event, please contact our Manager to discuss ways we can assist you.

Our website and on-line-shop at <a href="www.cardinalnewman.com.au">www.cardinalnewman.com.au</a> also continues to grow. Most of our store items are now able to be browsed and purchased through our on-line shop.

All this is being achieved for the glory of God by a number of very dedicated volunteers. This work would not be possible if not for the donations received and the efforts of our volunteers. If you would like to join our team of volunteers, or would like to donate, you are warmly encouraged to do so. The details are on Page 6 of this newsletter.

As this is our last newsletter for 2014, the staff and volunteers of CNFRI take this opportunity to thank you for your support during 2014 and wish you a most blessed Christmas season.

Michael Brearley,

President of the Incorporated Association, Cardinal Newman Faith Resources

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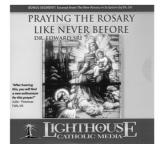
www.cardinalnewman.com.au Book lists and prices Fr Tierney's *Handouts*.

### October—the month of the Holy Rosary

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. There are many beautiful feast days including St Therese of Lisieux. It is probably no coincidence that we think of roses from her feast to the end of the month for the prayers of the Rosary are a spiritual bouquet of roses. There are many beautiful rosaries, spiritual books, DVDs and CDs available to help you with your spiritual journey during this month. We must not forget the turmoil in the Middle East and pray the rosary daily for peace there and throughout the world. Especially poignant are the two feasts of Our Lady less than a week apart: Oct 7th is the feast of the Holy Rosary that was instituted when the Christian world defeated the Ottoman Empire in the great sea battle of Lepanto on Oct 7th 1571. Pope Pius V had the whole Christian world at home praying the rosary whilst the battle raged. Our Lady of Fatima appeared for the last time on Oct 13th 1917 to Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco. The Miracle of the Sun took place on that day. Throughout the apparitions Our Lady constantly asked the children to exhort people to pray the Holy Rosary (as well as sacrifices) for world peace and to save souls. May this month help us to come closer to Our Blessed Mother and renew our fervour as we pray this beautiful prayer.

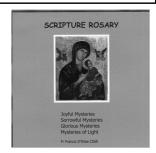
#### **Praying the Rosary Like Never Before with Dr Edward Sri** \$5.00

After listening to this CD you will have a renewed enthusiasm for praying the



#### **Scripture Rosary by Fr Francis** O'Shea \$12.50

Fr O'Shea recites the rosary with several families. In between the decades we hear many traditional hymns being sung. You can perceive the great joy in their hearts as you listen to them.



#### The Mysteries of the Rosary Colouring Book \$4.25

Another beautiful colouring and activity book in the Brother Francis series. It is ideal to help instil the love of the rosary in children from 3-10 years. All twenty mysteries are illustrated.



#### **Statues**

We have a range of beautiful statues of Our Lady under her many titles. Sizes range from 100 mm to 400 mm and prices from \$17.50 to \$49.95.



#### **Devotion to the Sorrowful** Mother \$4.95

The powerful devotion to the Sorrows of Mary is based on Scripture and lives of the Saints. The booklet includes traditional prayers to Our Sorrowful Mother, the Four Special Favours promised to those devoted to her Sorrows, and the Seven Promises to those who meditate on her Tears and Dolours.



#### Our Lady Untier of Knots \$5.00

A small booklet containing the powerful Novena to Our Lady Untier of Knots and explaining its history. This is Pope Francis' favourite Novena.



#### The Day the Sun Danced DVD \$19.95

A beautifully produced animated DVD depicting the story of Our Lady of Fatima, highly recommended. Also available is the traditional film produced in 1952 The Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima+ \$13.95.



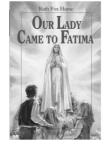
#### Rosaries

There is a range of rosaries available ranging in price from \$1.50 to \$35.00. Our rosaries begin with small plastic ones for children through to beautiful crystal beads suitable as gifts.



#### **Our Lady Came to Fatima by** Ruth Fox Hume \$14.00

The Fatima story is one of the most momentous events in a war-ridden world particularly poignant in the light of today's crisis in the Middle East. All the books in the Vision series are amazing saint stories for children 8-18 years.



#### Our Lady of Fatima by Father Lovasik \$2.80

A beautifully illustrated picture book with simple text to bring the understanding of Our Lady's appearance to the three children of Fatima and her exhortation to pray the Rosary for World Peace.



#### **Our Blessed Mother Carry-Me-**Along Board Book by George Brundage \$7.95

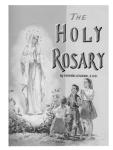
This book provides clear, simple images of Mary and text to introduce children to the many graces and gifts of God's Holy Mother. Suitable for 12mths-4 years.



#### The Holy Rosary by Father Lovasik \$2.80

Father Lovasik gives a brief explanation of each mystery of the Holy Rosary, together with Rev Jude Winkler's Scriptural Rosary for Children (\$2.80) it is highly recommended for 3-8 year olds.





### November—the month of the Holy Souls

These poor souls suffer immense pain and rely solely on us to pray for them. In this day and age one must never forget them as so many people are caught up in the busy secular world and do not acknowledge that Purgatory exists. It means there are less people praying for them. Many books are available that validate their sufferings and the tremendous value our prayers have. Remembering that we are the Church Militant, we will one day need others to pray for our souls. By giving good example and encouragement to the young by praying for the Church Suffering, there may be someone willing to pray for us after we die. St Gertrude whose feast is November 16<sup>th</sup> was asked by Our Lord to spread the following prayer: Eternal Father I offer you the Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son Our Lord Jesus Christ in union with the Masses offered throughout the world today for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory. (It was later modified slightly by the Church to include sinners in the world and in our families.) See also Handsouts No. 37 Dies Irae.

#### **Purgatory by Father Frederick** Faber \$7.60

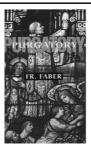
Fr. Faber explains two classic Catholic views of Purgatory, basing his discussion on Catholic teaching and the revelations of saintly souls like St. Catherine of Genoa, in her Treatise on Purgatory, also, available in her book of Spiritual Doctrine for \$23.95



Arranged as 30 Days for the Holy Souls, this book engraves in our hearts and minds an indelible understanding of Purgatory and the excruciating pains of the souls detained there. It reminds us how desperate they are for our prayers, sacrifices and Mass intentions.

#### **Hungry Souls: Supernatural** Visits, Messages and Warnings from Purgatory \$18.70

Gerard Van Den Aardweg recounts many stories of earthly visitations from the dead in Purgatory, which have been verified by the Church. Not only are we told of their sufferings and asked to pray for the souls, we are also exhorted to reform our lives to shorten our own excruciating time there.



# Purgatory And What They Reveal

# HUNGRY SOULS

#### Charity for the Suffering Souls by Rev John A. Nageleisen \$27.50

This book is a profound, confronting, complete treatment of Purgatory showing its sufferings, consolations and duration. It tells us how we can assist the Poor Souls, and when we do how deep is their gratitude, as well as God's reward to us for helping them. It is deeply moving and highly recommended.

#### The Biblical Basis for Purgatory by John Salza \$24.20

In The Biblical Basis for Purgatory, John Salza offers the definitive scriptural explanation of this distinctively Catholic doctrine.



#### **Devotion to the Precious Blood** \$4.95

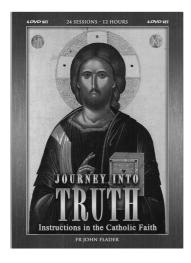
This powerful booklet gives a whole new appreciation for the Precious Blood of Christ and opens up hearts to love Jesus, putting our souls in touch with the spiritual riches of His Precious Blood.

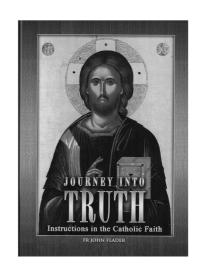


#### **Catechetics**

#### Journey into Truth by Fr John Flader Book \$29.95 DVDs (set of 4) \$99.95 Special Offer—both for \$99.95

For anyone interested in furthering their understanding of the Catholic Faith, the DVD set contains 24 half hour talks explaining the truths written in the Catechism of the Catholic Church in an easy to understand manner. It helps us live out the message of Christ in our daily lives. The book contains an introduction and full text of each talk, questions for discussion and a series of simple points to remember. This is a must for RCIA groups, adults, youth groups, teachers, catechists and families.





### **December—the month of the Divine Infancy**

There are many profound spiritual writings and reflections concerning Advent as we prepare for the coming of the baby Jesus. St Francis de Sales and Pope Benedict are of particular value to the reader. The wonderful feasts of St Francis Xavier, St Nicholas, the Immaculate Conception, St Lucy and St John the Evangelist are but a few that fall in December. Also available are a number of cribs and figurines to add to the wonder and joy of the Christmas mystery. Christmas cards with authentic nativity scenes are available from \$2.50 a packet. A Nativity range of Christmas wrapping paper and Christmas gift labels are also available. Due to continuous requests the beautiful Tan wall Calendars, Mary and the Saints, Life of Our Lord and The Angels are again available for you at the same price as last year \$19.95. 2015 Saints Calendar & 16 Month Daily Planner Spiral Bound is also held at last

year's price of \$24.95. See also Handouts No. 6—The Great 'O' Antiphons for Advent II (available from the website)

#### **Advent and Christmas: Catholic Customs & Traditions \$5.00**

This small booklet sets out the rich heritage of customs practised by Catholics during the four weeks of Advent in preparation for Christmastide including cribbing, St Nicholas, St Lucy and carols. Joanna Bogle continues to explain the rich traditions of Boxing Day and the 12 days of Christmas and Candlemas.

#### **Advent, Christmas and Epiphany** CTS Pamphlet \$1.00

A small concise pamphlet which explains the Church's customs and Traditions during these seasons.

#### Celebrating Christmas by Rev Jude Winkler \$2.80

Rev Winkler explains Christmas customs and Traditions so that the young can understand the true meaning of Christmas. Some ancient pagan traditions like the Christmas tree were used by missionaries to explain truths of the Catholic Faith and have remained with us

### **The Crib and Other Christmas Traditions CTS Pamphlet**

This pamphlet has a concise explanation of the Christmas Crib and other Christmas traditions.

#### **New Companion to Advent and** Christmastide \$5.00

This booklet offers fascinating insight and explanation of Advent, Christmas and Epiphany from the time of December to February.

#### The King is Born DVD \$14.45

From the exceedingly popular Brother Francis series comes this amazing production. Children will be left in no doubt as to the true meaning of Christmas when they watch it. Like all the Brother Francis DVDs it has catchy rhymes and comes with an activity book (\$4.25). Ages 2 and up.



#### Celebrating Advent with the Jesse Tree by Rev Jude Winkler \$2.80

**Advent and Christmastide with** 

shopping frenzy culminating on Christmas

sources, the fathers of the Church, saints and

For those searching for more than the

Eve, this collection drawn from biblical

inspiring Christians, leads us closer to the

appreciate the graces of this precious time.

baby Jesus, helping us to receive and

the Saints: Prayers and

**Meditations \$5.00** 

Highly recommended for 3-10 year olds to understand Advent. Rev Jude Winkler explains in simple terms using the stories from the Old Testament the meaning of the Jesse Tree so that we realise why God chose the descendants of Jesse, as the line from which the Saviour was to be born



#### **Christmas Novena with Benedict** XVI \$5.00

The nine days running up to Christmas are a time of 'prayer and devotion so that we may be ready to receive the Child of Bethlehem'. In this booklet, each day has prayers, scripture readings and meditations taken from the writings of Pope Benedict.



#### Light in the Christmas Season by Benedict XVI \$7.00

Using themes of love and peace, Pope Benedict, guides us the scripture and liturgy of Advent and Christmas tide, showing how to live by God's signs.



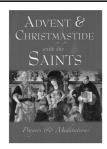
#### The Story of the Birth of Jesus by Rev Jude Winkler \$2.80

Another beautiful picture book in the St Joseph series, in which Christ's birth is simply and realistically related by Rev Winkler. It is suitable for 2-8 year olds.



#### My Golden Christmas Book by Rev Thomas J Donaghy \$16.95

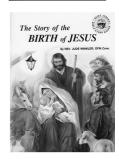
A beautifully illustrated board book with gilt edges depicting the story of Christmas for the very young.













# **Teenage and Children's Fiction**

Teenage and children's books are worth giving as Christmas presents. The market is flooded with evil fantasy that subtly draw the young from their Faith. By starting with the young and giving them good books about the Faith we sow the seeds of the future. Many books are available that suit a new baby and others are engaging for late teens. There are many Catholic writers now whose works are of top quality and extremely interesting and exciting. Regina Doman and Christian M Frank weave the Catholic faith into their works and show the young that it is normal to go to Mass and live a good life. Mary Fabyan Windeatt has written 20 teenage novels about the saints and there are 30 books from Vision that deal with Saints and good people. Older readers can appreciate the works of Chesterton, Belloc and Louis de Wohl. A range of Bethlehem books are still in print and worth considering. We have a large range of good wholesome DVDs and CDs for all age groups that need a good home.

#### Catholic Reluctantly: Book 1 in the John Paul II Series by Christian M. Frank \$15.00

When several families banded together to start a new "truly" Catholic School seven teenagers who had nothing in common arrived on the first day to begin their studies in an old rundown building that has a mysterious history.



Issues of Faith and morals are subtly dealt with as we hear of the progression of John Paul II High School students in the mysterious old building. Christian Frank shows a deep understanding of the teenage mind as each character struggles with life issues.

#### Catholic Philosopher Chick Makes Her Debut by R. Bratten Weiss and R. Doman \$21.00

When Catelyn Frank leaves home to study Philosophy she encounters a roommate from hell, seven chauvinistic men and the bewildering feeling she is about to meet Mr Perfect, but can her love of Thomas Aquinas garner her classmates' respect?

#### **Black as Night: A Fairy Tale** Retold by Regina Doman \$18.50

The 2<sup>nd</sup> of Regina Doman's famous Fairy Tales Retold, Black as Night, is a modern day retelling of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. It tells how jealousy and immorality destroys a family but can the seven monks save Snow White? Recommended for 13 years and up.

#### The Midnight Dancers by Regina Doman \$16.00

A simple, entertaining, modern day retelling of The Twelve Dancing Princesses. It is essential reading for 13 years and up.

#### Take It to the Queen by Josephine Nobisso \$19.50

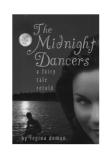
A new fable where the author uses a humble young girl to intercede with their king when they oppose him. Young readers get a firsthand glimpse of Mary's role in salvific history. This tastefully illustrated book is an ideal Christmas gift.



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#### Trespasses Against Us Book 2 in the John Paul II series by Christian M Frank \$15.00

Highly recommended for teenage boys and girls from 13 years, this book like the first helps teenagers learn their faith and understand their resentments and feelings of self-consciousness as they grow up in modern day society.

#### Undercover Papist Book 4 in the John Paul II series by Christian M Frank \$15.00

The final book in this series sees the mystery and drama surrounding the premises in which their new school is housed reach its climax. The different stages of the characters' Catholic Faith development is evident in the way they handle the dangers that surround them

#### Shadow of the Bear by Regina Doman \$16.00

A thrilling tale in which a prince in disguise races against time to catch a killer and rescue a fair maiden. It is the first of Regina Doman's exciting Fairy Tales Retold and is a must read for 13 and up!

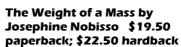


#### **Waking Rose by Regina Doman** \$25.00

In this exciting modern day retelling of Sleeping Beauty, Regina Doman excels herself as we watch the development of all the characters and see them deal with the evils of abortion, extortion and murder, all the while standing up for their Catholic faith.



The 5<sup>th</sup> book in Regina Doman's thrilling teenage Fairy Tale series, Alex O'Donnell and the 40 Cyber Thieves is an enchanting tale of adventure, mystery and real romance- the kind that lasts. Meet a knight and his lady in a modern fairy tale.



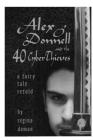
Nothing can describe the value of a Mass and the author cleverly relates this story leaving children with no doubt about the immeasurable graces received at Mass.

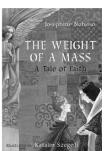








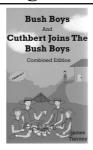




## **Teenage and Children's Fiction**

Bush Boys / Cuthbert Joins the Bush Boys (2 books in 1 volume) Bush Boys and Bush Rangers Bush Boys on the Move New Boys in the Bush by Fr James Tierney \$16.50 each (set of 5 books / 4 volumes \$45)

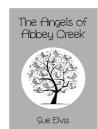
Father Tierney's Bush Boys series now available for the special price of \$45 for the set of 4.











#### The Angels of Abbey Creek by Sue Elvis \$20

In Australia, where Christmas is in summer and dads like to play cricket, is a small town. Not far from this town, along a narrow, winding road, is the village of Abbey Creek. And on the edge of this village, nestled among the shady gum trees, is a sprawling brick house. This is the home of the Angel family: Mum, Dad, Edward, Kate, Joe, Celeste, Lizzie and Annie. And this is the story of their very adventurous year! It's a year full of happy days and magic moments, of camping in the bush and perfect beach holidays, of feast days and birthdays and even a First Holy Communion. The year has exciting days and disastrous moments, with racing bushfires, naughty birds and scurrying mice. And it's full of surprises. The biggest surprise of all happens on Christmas Day! The Angels of Abbey Creek contains 22 individual adventurous stories which fit together to tell the tale of one exciting year!

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