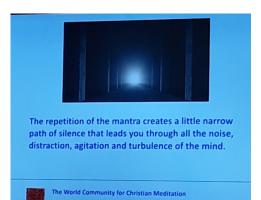


THE TWO DOVES

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What a wonderful weekend it was!!!!—





Fifty teachers, chaplains, school counsellors, and meditators gathered at The Monastery on Thurs. 6th September for A Gift for Life: **Meditation with Children and Young People**. Participants came from Pt Lincoln, Mt Gambier, Tasmania and Perth!!!!

National Conference on *Contemplative Christianity* with Fr Laurence pre-recorded and Sarah Bachelard on Fri. night and Sat. 7th&8th September

















Mission Statement of The World Community for Christian Meditation "To communicate and nurture meditation as passed on through the teaching of John Main, in the Christian tradition, in the spirit of serving the unity of all"



Resources

The ACMC is now known as The World Community for Christian Meditation Australia and it's webpage is now https://wccmaustralia.org.au/

There is a new School of Meditation webpage

at <u>www.theschoolofmeditation.org</u>.

This page includes links to 3 new Online Courses; General Resources; all Publications (where you will be directed to the Medio Media page — the Publishing Arm of the World Community and place to purchase books, CDs and more); and the Multi Media page (all of the talks given throughout the world).

Well worth a look. Enjoy!!!!

Advent Twilight Retreat

Tuesday 5th December, 2018

6-00—8-00 pm

JOY FOR THE WORLD

St Columba's Church Hall 3 Rosevear Street Hawthorn

Tea, coffee & book stall from 5.30 pm. BYO cup

Admission is free

Donation for Friends is welcome

At a special service on Sat. evening 8th Sept we witnessed the reception of Rosemary Raymond (left) and Agnes Ang (right) as Oblate Novices of The World Community for Christian Meditation.. We congratulate Agnes and Rosemary on this next step in their journey of faith and pray for many blessings as they faithfully follow Christ and St Benedict.



Greetings to all

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! I cannot say it enough. <u>Together</u> we made a fantastic weekend for Meditators from all over Australia who attended the National Conference. There were just over one hundred and ten people. Together we explored <u>Contemplative Christianity</u>. Sarah Bachelard pondered the question of what the "rediscovered contemplative way means for the whole practice of Christianity and for the church as a body. [This does not mean] teaching meditation as one form of prayer, but in the life and mission of the whole church being renewed by the contemplative consciousness" (Sarah in her Introductory talk).

We meditated, listened to Fr Laurence, ate, had cuppas, chatted, read, and enjoyed ourselves. And all because of the tireless work of ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS who brought food, made posies, directed traffic, registered our participants, sold books, set up and packed up, welcomed, made sure that the kitchen ran smoothly, and looked after IT and recording.

I received so many positive comments, which I would like to share just a few with you:

"Please pass on my thanks and those of the National Executive and Council to all your members. Your warmth love and hospitality was wonderful to experience"—Mirella, our new National Coordinator.

Thank you, Dianne and all your SA team, for all you

did to organise the conference - I really enjoyed being with everyone and beginning to open up this conversation in our community. Hope to see you again soon! Blessings and thanks, Sarah Bachelard.

We felt so welcomed and affirmed.

It was such a special Conference and Council meeting. I still feel sustained by the love and deep joy" Kath Houston.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! Love.

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GROUP CHANGES:

After many, many years Lina Visentin is stepping down as the Group Leader of **Tranmere** group. Lina has led the group so beautifully in her serene way and I am sure the group will miss her leadership. We all want to thank you for your dedication to your weekly group over these many, many years.

Anne Dudzinski has taken on the role of Group Leader for Tranmere. Thank you so much for enabling this group to continue to meet for, we hope many more years to come. The group will meet at the new time of **4pm Thursdays** at the Meeting Room, St Joseph's Church, Magill Road. All welcome.

The group that meets at Mt Carmel Residental Care **Rosewater** is in recess until February.