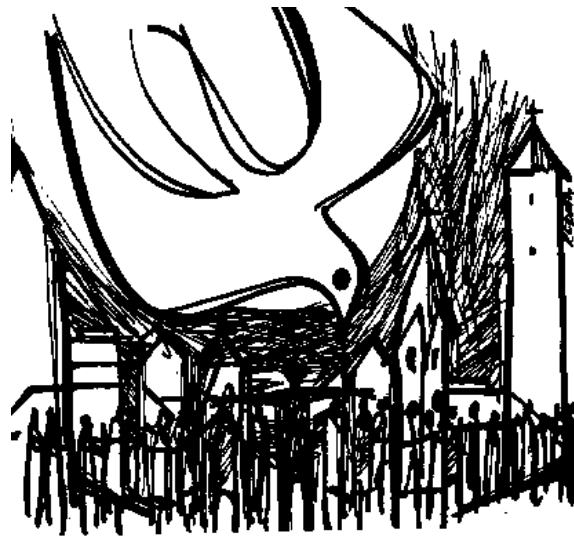


# **DIPLOMA IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES**

## **Pastoral Ministry Stream**

**2016**

**“It is God who gives the growth.”  
(1 Corinthians 3:6)**



Taught by lecturers from the  
**Christchurch Catholic Education Office**

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**The Catholic Institute  
of Aotearoa New Zealand (TCI)**  
*Pūtahi Katorika ki Aotearoa*

The Catholic Institute is registered by the New Zealand Qualifications Authority as a Private Training Establishment under the provisions of the Education Act 1989 and its subsequent amendments.

The Diploma of Religious Studies is approved by the Authority and the Catholic Institute is accredited to teach it.

# **The Catholic Institute of Aotearoa New Zealand (TCI)**

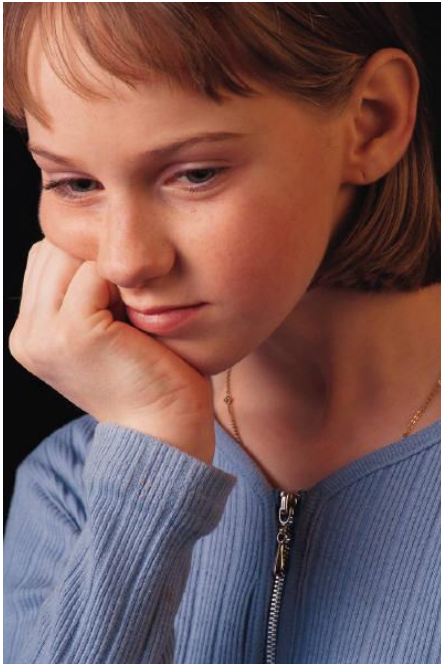
*The Catholic Institute was established by the Catholic Bishops of New Zealand to support their vision of an informed laity who are supported by qualified people working in ministry and for the mission in the world. TCI has been commissioned to provide accessible courses for teachers and trainee teachers to ensure teachers are qualified to teach Religious Education in Catholic Schools and are able to engage in ongoing Professional Development.*

*In 2011 the Council for the Institute was formed by the Trustees who are the New Zealand Bishops.*



*The first Director and inaugural Professor of TCI is Dr Anne Tuohy who began this exciting and demanding role in March 2012. Professor Anne Tuohy has brought many years of experience in tertiary education as a lecturer and head of school in a Catholic University. She continues, along with her staff, to provide high quality information, formation and transformation for our students as part of our desire to assist in the bringing in of God's reign.*

# The Diploma in Religious Studies



*It is possible to complete a Diploma in Religious Studies in one of three streams:*

- *The Pastoral Ministry Stream (which prepares people for ministry roles in parishes and other contexts within the Church)*
- *The Religious Education Stream (which prepares people to teach Religious Education and for positions of leadership in Catholic schools)*
- *The Theological Studies Stream (which prepares people for roles in Catholic schools, parishes, and other contexts within the Church)*

*The Christchurch Catholic Education Office currently provides papers towards the Diploma in Religious Studies (Pastoral Ministry and Religious Education Streams).*

## The Diploma in Religious Studies (Pastoral Ministry Stream)

*The Diploma in Religious Studies (Pastoral Ministry stream) is offered in Christchurch Diocese in response to the Diocesan Pastoral Plan and the desire for continued formation of people across the Diocese.*

*The Diploma in Religious Studies (Pastoral Ministry) consists of papers in theology, scripture and pastoral ministry. The course enables participants to enrich their own understanding of the Catholic faith and acquire the knowledge and skills required for ministry roles in parishes and / or other church contexts. It is open to all adults.*



# Diploma Programme Structure

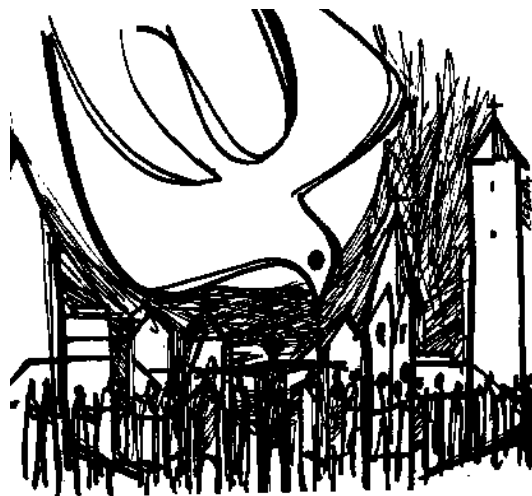
*Those enrolled in the Diploma in Religious Studies (Pastoral Ministry stream) are required to complete a total of eleven papers – six at the 100 level (stage one) and five at the 200 level (stage two).*

*At the 100 level, students must complete the following papers:*

- *PM101 Church and Ministry*
- *PM102 Introduction to Liturgy*
- *TH101 Introduction to Catholicism*
- *TH102 Introduction to Theology*
- *SC101 Introduction to the Old Testament*
- *SC102 Introduction to the New Testament*

*At the 200 level, students are required to select:*

- *PM203 Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*
- *One other 200 level Pastoral Ministry paper*
- *TH203 Understanding Church*
- *One 200 level Scripture course*
- *One elective course in any of the theology, scripture, pastoral ministry and religious education fields at the 200 level*



*Students are required to demonstrate competence in each course by the completion of set assignments.*

***All Catholics, both lay and ordained, are responsible for the mission of the Church. Since the Second Vatican Council, we have become increasingly aware that the question has changed from the priest himself saying "How am I going to manage?" to the parish saying "How are we going to respond?" Christ's work belongs to us all!***

***(Pastoral Plan for the Diocese of Christchurch)***

# What is Offered in Christchurch Diocese

*In 2016 the following Diploma in Religious Studies (Pastoral Ministry Stream) papers will be taught in Christchurch Diocese. Other papers are available through Distance Learning.*

<b>100 Level Papers Taught in Christchurch Diocese in 2016</b>		
<p>PASTORAL MINISTRY</p> <p><b>PM101 Church and Ministry</b></p> <p><b>PM102 Introduction to Liturgy</b></p>	<p>SCRIPTURE</p> <p><b>SC101 Introduction to the Old Testament</b></p> <p><b>SC102 Introduction to the New Testament</b></p>	<p>THEOLOGY</p> <p><b>TH101 Introduction to Catholicism</b></p> <p><b>TH102 Introduction to Theology</b></p>
<b>200 Level Papers Taught in Christchurch Diocese in 2016</b>		
<p>PASTORAL MINISTRY</p> <p><b>PM203 RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</b></p> <p><b>PM206 Traditions of Prayer</b></p> <p>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION</p> <p><b>RE201 What Makes a School Catholic</b></p>	<p>SCRIPTURE / RELIGIOUS EDUCATION</p> <p><b>SC206 RE200 The Synoptic Gospels</b></p> <p><b>SC208 Women in the New Testament</b></p>	<p>THEOLOGY / RELIGIOUS EDUCATION</p> <p><b>TH201 / RE200 Understanding Sacraments</b></p> <p><b>TH203 Understanding Church</b></p> <p><b>TH204 The Liturgical Year</b></p>

# About the Papers – Christchurch

*In 2016 the following papers are offered in Christchurch:*

<b>Dates / Times</b>	<b>Papers</b>	<b>Descriptions</b>
Day 1: 15 Jan Day 2: 18 Jan Day 3: 19 Jan 9.00am-4.00pm each day (Fri, Mon, Tues)	<b>SC208 Women in the New Testament</b>	The New Testament shows clearly that women led the way in faith and discipleship. By examining the texts of the New Testament, participants will be introduced to characters who may have been overlooked in traditional presentations.
Session 1: 25 February Session 2: 29 February Session 3: 3 March Session 4: 7 March Session 5: 10 March Session 6: 14 March 5.00pm-8.00pm each day (Thurs and Mon)	<b>PM102 Introduction to Liturgy</b>	The Second Vatican Council called for full, active, conscious participation by all in the liturgy. This course is designed to familiarise participants with the principles of liturgy and to give them an overview of those dimensions of liturgy so intrinsic to the life of the Church.
Day 1: 18 April Day 2: 19 April Day 3: 20 April 9.00am-4.00pm each day (Mon, Tues, Wed)	<b>TH204 The Liturgical Year</b>	This course looks at the Church's annual liturgical cycle through which the whole mystery of Christ, from his Incarnation to the day of Pentecost and the expectation of his coming again, is recalled and made present. The course emphasises the Church's major feasts and seasons, exploring their theological, liturgical, spiritual and pastoral implications for the lives of the baptised.
Day 1: 22 April Day 2: 26 April Day 3: 27 April 9.00am-4.00pm each day (Fri, Tues, Wed)	<b>TH101 Introduction to Catholicism</b>	Catholics hold certain beliefs, which affect the way they think about themselves, other people and the world. Those beliefs are found in Scripture and Tradition, celebrated in the Liturgy, articulated by the Church teaching authority and witnessed to in the lives of Christians.

<b>Dates / Times</b>	<b>Papers</b>	<b>Descriptions</b>
Session 1: 3 May Session 2: 10 May Session 3: 17 May Session 4: 24 May Session 5: 31 May Session 6: 7 June  6.00pm-9.00pm each day (Tues)	<b>SC101 Introduction to the Old Testament</b>	Written over a long period of time, the Old Testament describes God's relationship with God's chosen people. Who were these people? What was this relationship about? When did it happen? This course will introduce participants to the key events, dates, places and people of the Old Testament.
Session 1: 5 May Session 2: 12 May Session 3: 19 May Session 4: 26 May Session 5: 2 June Session 6: 9 June  5.30pm-8.30pm each day (Thurs)	<b>PM203 RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</b>	The <i>Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults</i> (RCIA) and the <i>Rite of Christian Initiation of Children of Catechetical Age</i> (RCIC) are the ordinary way that the Catholic Church now welcomes new members. This course aims to give participants an appreciation of the RCIA process and an opportunity to explore its periods and rituals. It will also suggest possible ways of ongoing development.
Session 1: 14 June Session 2: 16 June Session 3: 21 June Session 4: 23 June Session 5: 28 June Session 6: 30 June  6.00pm-9.00pm each day (Tues and Thurs)	<b>SC206 RE200 The Synoptic Gospels</b>	The Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke are known as the "synoptic" Gospels. This course will present an overview of the three Gospels to show how each evangelist presents the same Christ in a different but not contradictory manner from the others, and how the differences in presentation can deepen our own faith in Christ.
Day 1: 11 July Day 2: 12 July Day 3: 13 July  9.00am-4.00pm each day (Mon, Tues, Wed)	<b>RE201 What Makes a School Catholic</b>	What makes a school Catholic? What is meant by "Special Character"? What is the role of teachers, Boards of Trustees and others, in maintaining and enhancing the Catholic character of a school? This course draw on Church documents, other current writings, and the experience of participants to provide some answers to these and related questions.
Day 1: 18 July Day 2: 19 July Day 3: 20 July  9.00am-4.00pm each day (Mon, Tues, Wed)	<b>PM206 Traditions of Prayer</b>	This course provides an introduction to different forms of prayer that over the centuries have become part of the Catholic tradition. The nature and elements of Christian prayer will be explained. Participants will have the opportunity to explore characteristics of different forms of prayer and to "taste" a variety of ways of praying.

<b>Dates / Times</b>	<b>Papers</b>	<b>Descriptions</b>
Session 1: 27 July Session 2: 3 August Session 3: 10 August Session 4: 17 August Session 5: 24 August Session 6: 31 August  5.30pm-8.30pm each day (Wed)	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TH203 Understanding Church</b></p>	This course looks at the Catholic Church's understanding of itself from the time of the Second Vatican Council, particularly as expressed in the document <i>Lumen Gentium</i> , the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church. <b>This paper is compulsory for all students completing a Diploma in Religious Studies.</b>
Session 1: 4 August Session 2: 8 August Session 3: 11 August Session 4: 15 August Session 5: 18 August Session 6: 22 August  5.00pm-8.00pm each day (Thurs and Mon)	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PM101 Church and Ministry</b></p>	This course examines different understandings of Church as expressed in the documents of the Second Vatican Council. The course considers the significance of liturgy, the meaning of mission and ecumenism, and the role of ordained and lay ministers within the Church.
Session 1: 1 September Session 2: 5 September Session 3: 8 September Session 4: 12 September Session 5: 15 September Session 6: 19 September  6.00pm-9.00pm each day (Thurs and Mon)	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SC102 Introduction to the New Testament</b></p>	The New Testament describes the life and teachings of Jesus of Nazareth and the beginnings of the Christian Church. It was written (in the light of faith in the Resurrection) by a number of people using a variety of literary forms. This course is designed to familiarise participants with the content and world of the New Testament.
Day 1: 26 September Day 2: 27 September Day 3: 28 September  9.00am-4.00pm each day (Mon, Tues, Wed)	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TH201 / RE200 Understanding Sacraments</b></p>	This course will give an overview of the theology of the sacraments and their place in the life of the Church today. It will help participants to renew their own appreciation and understanding of them.
Session 1: 13 October Session 2: 17 October Session 3: 20 October Session 4: 27 October Session 5: 31 October Session 6: 3 November  5.00pm-8.00pm each day (Thurs and Mon)	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>TH102 Introduction to Theology</b></p>	Theology is "faith seeking understanding". This course will examine the context, content and fields of theology as well as highlighting selected perspectives and issues. Participants will be enabled to connect their own faith story with the story found in Scripture and Tradition, and witnessed in the lives of Christians.



## About the Paper – Greymouth

*In 2016 the following paper is offered in Greymouth:*

<b>Dates / Times</b>	<b>Papers</b>	<b>Descriptions</b>
Session 1: 7 April (Thurs) 4.15pm to 7.15pm Sessions 2 & 3: 8 April (Fri) 9.00am to 4.00pm Session 4: 13 May (Fri) 4.15pm to 7.15pm Sessions 5 & 6: 14 May (Sat) 9.00am to 4.00pm	<b>SC101</b> <b>Introduction to</b> <b>the Old</b> <b>Testament</b>	Written over a long period of time, the Old Testament describes God's relationship with God's chosen people. Who were these people? What was this relationship about? When did it happen? This course will introduce participants to the key events, dates, places and people of the Old Testament.

## About the Papers – Timaru

*In 2016 the following paper is offered in Timaru:*

<b>Dates / Times</b>	<b>Papers</b>	<b>Descriptions</b>
Session 1: 11 August (Thurs) 4.30pm to 7.30pm Sessions 2 & 3: 12 August (Fri) 9.00am to 4.00pm Session 4: 9 September (Fri) 4.30pm to 7.30pm Sessions 5 & 6: 10 September (Sat) 9.00am to 4.00pm	<b>SC206 RE200</b> <b>The Synoptic</b> <b>Gospels</b>	The Gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke are known as the "synoptic" Gospels. This course will present an overview of the three Gospels to show how each evangelist presents the same Christ in a different but not contradictory manner from the others, and how the differences in presentation can deepen our own faith in Christ.

## Papers to be negotiated

*In 2016 courses may also be taught at the Thomas' Centre, Timaru North. Course titles, dates, times and lecturers to be confirmed.*

# Lecturer Details

Lecturers	Papers
<p><b>Eleanor Capper</b> RSJ            MA Theology (Notre Dame, Indiana), MEd Admin (Massey), (Post Grad Dip Pastoral Theology (Heythrop, London), BA (Massey), TTC (Christchurch College of Education)</p>	PM101 Church and Ministry PM102 Introduction to Liturgy PM206 Traditions of Prayer TH101 Introduction to Catholicism TH102 Introduction to Theology TH201 / RE200 Understanding Sacraments
<p><b>Marianne Daly</b>            MA Theology (Notre Dame, Indiana) BS (Creighton University, Nebraska)            Catechetical Certification, Level III (Nebraska), Teaching Certificate (Nebraska)</p>	PM203 RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults TH203 Understanding Church TH204 The Liturgical Year
<p><b>Cushla O’Connor</b>            BTchLg (Cant), Dip Tch (ChCh), MRE (ACU)</p>	RE201 What Makes a School Catholic
<p><b>Kathleen Rushton</b> RSM            PhD (Griffith), MA Rel Stud (Leuven), STHB (Leuven) BA (Canterbury), Dip Tchng, TCC</p>	SC101 Introduction to the Old Testament SC102 Introduction to the New Testament SC206 RE200 The Synoptic Gospels SC208 Women in the New Testament

## Venue – Christchurch

*All papers are taught at the Christchurch Catholic Education Office, 122 Barbadoes Street, Christchurch.*

## Venue – Greymouth

*SC101 Introduction to the Old Testament is taught at John Paul II High School, 10 Alexander Street, Greymouth.*

## Venues – Timaru

*SC206 RE200 The Synoptic Gospels is taught at Roncalli College, Wellington Street, Timaru. A paper may also be taught at the Thomas’ Centre, Timaru North. Course titles, dates, times and lecturers to be confirmed.*

## **Entry Requirements**

*The Diploma in Religious Studies (Pastoral Ministry Stream) is open to all adults, especially those involved in or preparing for ministry roles in parishes and other contexts within the Catholic Church.*

## **Assessment**

*Assessment is an essential requirement and is ongoing throughout the course.*

## **Duration of the Course**

*Each of the papers includes 18 hours of lectures / classes. Most students take three or four years to complete the Diploma.*

## **Order of Papers**

*The papers can be studied in any order, but it is strongly recommended that students complete the 100 level papers (stage one) before attempting those at the 200 level (stage two).*

## **Distance Learning Option**

*Papers for the Diploma in Religious Studies (Pastoral Ministry Stream) can also be taken by correspondence through The Catholic Institute. A combination of on-site study for some papers and Distance for others is possible.*

## **Study Path**

*Those who have already gained the Certificate in Pastoral Ministry will have completed the level one papers required for the Diploma in Religious Studies (Pastoral Ministry). To be awarded the Diploma they must complete an additional five level two papers.*

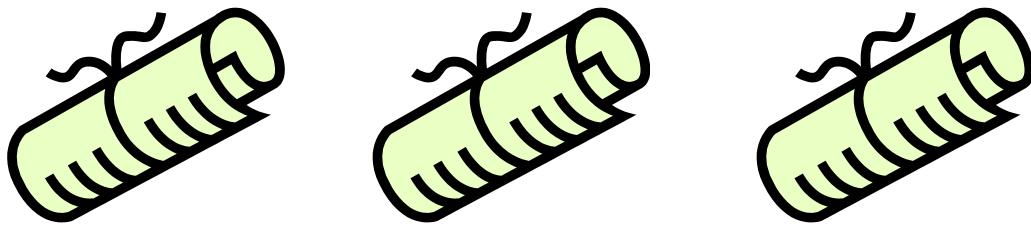
## **Personal Interest**

*Those who wish to attend papers but not complete the assessments are most welcome to enroll as Personal Interest students.*

# The Diploma in Religious Studies (Pastoral Ministry Stream)

A course for those involved in ministry in parishes and in other areas of Church life in Aotearoa New Zealand

Open to all adults.



## Enrolment Information

***Application / Enrolment Forms and the Prospectus for 2016*** are available on enquiry from the course co-ordinator. Enrolment for the course must be done ***prior to the commencement of the course***.

Students fill in ONE Application / Enrolment form for the year indicating the papers they intend to study that year.

### **TCI Course Co-ordinator**

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