



have u herd?

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HOLA!

Welcome to the March edition of "have u herd?" and what a crazy start to the year this has been!! With my first experience as being a part of the travelling team on Bishop's In-Service Days, I can certainly say I received a very warm welcome and introduction to the whole diocese. Upon my return it has been full steam ahead with the first Young Catholic's Weekend Experience, Movers and Shakers, Youth Council 2 Bishop and much, much more....

WYD final registrations and full payments are fast approaching. If you are considering a pilgrimage to WYD Spain, I urge you to register now! Final registrations and payments will close strictly on the 15th April 2011! You will be contacted very shortly after April 15th to attend the first WYD preparation session towards the end of April (these sessions are compulsory for overseas pilgrims).

VIVA MADRID!



NEW WEBSITE!

Breaking News! The Diocesan Youth Ministry Website is undergoing a makeover. The new website will be up and running, hopefully, within the next couple of weeks. Keep an eye out for the new website address and check out all the awesome information that will be on there!



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BISHOP'S LENTEN PASTORAL MESSAGE - 2011

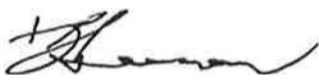
My dear people

I send you greetings as we begin our preparations for the great time of Easter 2011. This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, and I invite you to accept the grace of Lent which is to draw closer to the Lord, to review and renew our own lives and to reach out more generously to one another. I very especially commend to you our Lenten discussion programme "Being Eucharist to Each Other".

While the Eucharist is the heart of our Catholic life, we are meant to take the meeting we have with Jesus Christ, to the people we meet in our family circle and beyond. It is our privilege to take the love and compassion of Jesus, to everyone with whom we share life. We are called to be Eucharist to each other.

I know you will be generous in your response to Project Compassion. Give the Lord a little more of your time through quiet prayer and Scripture reading. Above all, may you rediscover God's incredible love for you and your family.

Happy Lenten journey



Brian Heenan
Bishop of Rockhampton

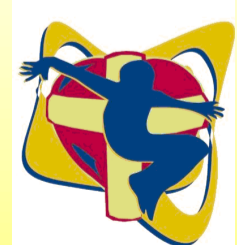
DATE CLAIMERS

- April 8th, 9th, 10th— Annual Conference of the Rockhampton Diocese Catholic Charismatic Renewal.
- April 15th—WYD registrations and full payments due
- April 16th—North Youth Council 2 Bishop
- April 17th—21st—Movers and Shakers
- April 30th—Rockhampton Youth Council 2 Bishop
- May 11th—13th—Year 11 ACTS camp
- July 27th—29th—Year 10 ACTS camp

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Alive and Well

YOUNG CATHOLIC'S WEEKEND EXPERIENCE 2011

Over the weekend of 11th—13th March, 10 young people from around the Rockhampton Diocese as well as myself and Father Chris came together for the first Young Catholic's Weekend Experience. The theme of the weekend "I am the vine, you are the branches", explored how we are called to possess and nurture the 12 fruits of the Holy Spirit in order to be active disciples of Jesus Christ. The weekend proved to be a great success and another retreat will be planned for the near future! Thankyou to those young people who made this such a faith filled and blessed weekend.



ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE ROCKHAMPTON DIOCESE CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

The youth of our diocese and the young at heart are invited to come together for the Annual Conference of the Rockhampton Diocese Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference.

It will be a special time to join together to support, encourage and pray for all pilgrims who are on their journey towards WYD Madrid.

8th, 9th and 10th April 2011.

The keynote speakers for this year are Shayne and Shanelle Bennett (NET Ministries and Emmanuel Covenant Community).

The Conference will be held at The Cathedral College Multi Purpose Building, Rockhampton.

For more information or a registration form, please contact Cheryl Gothmann on 0401 587 364.

"a time for the youth to share their faith and be rejuvenated to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ" (Harvest Tours)

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2011

"Rooted and built up in Jesus Christ, firm in the faith" (cf Col. 2:7)

World Youth Day 2011 is fast approaching! There are 3 official pilgrimages on offer for those young people (18-35) living in the Diocese of Rockhampton.

QLD01: Madrid Direct—Journey directly to Madrid for a WYD week of epic proportions in the company of Pope Benedict XVI and youth of the world.

QLD02: Spanish Days—Experience a Spanish welcome like no other as you are taken in by the vibrant Catholic Community of our host diocese for four amazing days of celebration, cultural exchange and friendship before joining fellow pilgrims in Madrid.

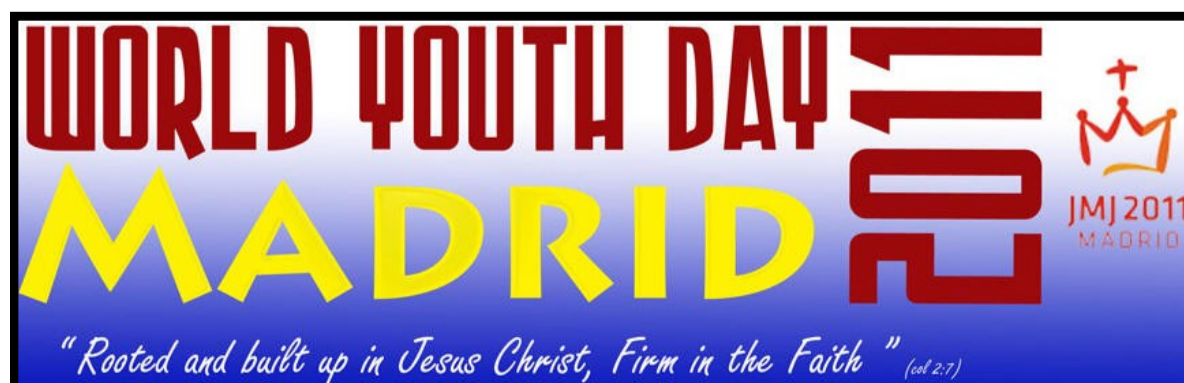
QLD03: Sacred Origins - Set out on an epic journey along the ancient paths of our faith from Lake Galilee and Jerusalem in the Holy Land through the Sinai wilderness to Egypt before joining fellow pilgrims in Madrid.

For more information regarding WYD 2011 please go to

<http://www.wydtours.com/home.html>

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