



## Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre e-News



### Invest in your Spiritual Health

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As the end of the year fast approaches, you might consider setting aside a time next year when you can come back to Santa Teresa to **be with God. In particular, the 'Year of Grace – Starting Afresh from Christ' (Pentecost 2012 – Pentecost 2013)**, an initiative of the Catholic Bishops of Australia invites all Catholics to contemplate the face of Christ. Whether it be a day of individual quiet reflection, a group spiritual formation program over a few days or a more extensive directed retreat, plan to come and be with Jesus amidst the beauty of this special place. Contact Patrick Cremin to make a booking on Ph. 32864011



### Wisdom from Santa Teresa



How great is the power of Prayer! ..... Like children who do not know how to read, I say very simply to God what I wish to say, without composing beautiful sentences, and He always understands me. For me, prayer is an aspiration of the heart, it is a simple glance directed to heaven, it is a cry of gratitude and love in the midst of trial as well as joy; finally, it is something great, supernatural, which expands my soul and unites me to Jesus.

### Soul Space

A three year spiritual formation program for Archdiocesan staff **has been developed to provide space in people's busy lives to** nurture their spiritual journey. Beginning with a one day reflection on the spiritual journey in Year 1, Soul Space focuses on the ways we relate to God through prayer in Year 2 before exploring the richness of Catholic sacramentality in Year 3. Staff from the various Church agencies (Catholic Education, Centacare, Administrative Service, Faith & Life) and our parishes and deaneries are finding these days of reflection and formation both enriching and renewing. Please contact Patrick Cremin if you want to receive a brochure about Soul Space.



### Looking for a special Christmas gift - consider a Santa Teresa Gift Voucher



What an amazing gift this would be for someone you love. Imagine their delight when they discover that you have offered them a day; an overnight stay or a weekend at Santa Teresa to nurture their relationship with God. A day package including meals begins at \$40, an overnight stay \$125, and a weekend \$250. Spiritual direction can be arranged at further cost. Contact Patrick Cremin for further details.

## Donations for Sacred Furnishings and Art

Santa Teresa seeks your generosity to continue to acquire liturgical items (eg a set of vestments, hymnals, music keyboard and sanctuary lamp) as well as art works to designate various areas (eg Benedict, Chisholm, Carmel and Joseph wings) and specific projects such as a distinctive Marian feature and providing bibles in each room.

Donations of any amount would be greatly appreciated. Prayers are offered regularly for donors and their intentions.

Please send donations to:

*Resource Development Office*

*Attention: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre*

*Catholic Archdiocese of Brisbane*

*GPO Box 282 Brisbane, Qld 4001*

*or phone the office on 3336 9406 with credit card donations.*



## Art Work at Santa Teresa



For the past twelve months, Santa Teresa has been blessed with the loan of twelve paintings by Kerry Holland (pictured), a Brisbane artist whose work is informed by her Christian faith and influenced by Ignatian spirituality. While the brick walls are currently blank, there will be a display of the art of Camille Masson-Talansier **following her 'Living the Honest Life' exhibition currently being held at St John's Anglican Cathedral from October 14 till November 15.** These art works will be available for purchase. I am grateful for these Christian artists for enriching our Santa Teresa home with their artistic creations, providing a window into the mysteries of God at work in our world.

## Advent Retreat & Christmas Centre Closure

There is an Advent retreat (either 6 or 8 days) run by the Faber Centre of Ignatian Spirituality from Thursday 8 December till Friday 16 December. Contact the Faber Centre Ph. 07 3368 2450 for details.

The Centre closes for a Christmas holiday break from Saturday 17 December till Saturday 14 January.

Every blessing for the remainder of 2011 and I look forward to welcoming you back to Santa Teresa in 2012 .

Blessings,

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