Brisbane Northern Rivers Deanery

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To all parents/care givers

Brisbane Northern Rivers Deanery encompasses the Parishes from Stanley River (Kilcoy/Woodford), Caboolture (inc Bribie Island and Beachmere), Burpengary (including Deception Bay), Petrie (including Dayboro), Pine Rivers (Bray Park/Strathpine) and Holy Cross (Redcliffe/Mango Hill/North Lakes/Griffith). As the Dean working with the Deanery Pastoral Council which is comprised of representatives of all of these Parishes, it is our role to support opportunities that embrace the Archdiocesan priorities of “Jesus, Communion, Mission”.

The upcoming Ignite Youth Conference, “Awaken” to be held in September Holidays is one such opportunity. This conference is being held in our own district and is recognised as the largest such Catholic event in Australia.

I would like to encourage the young people of our communities to attend this conference. There are many opportunities for them to hear guest speakers, partake in workshops, and participate in rallies that will bring new experiences of celebration to them. There are age specific programs for primary and high school aged students to participate in.

This is a time for them to mix with other young people on a journey of discovery about themselves and their relationship with Jesus and others. The Deanery Pastoral Council is offering some financial support to those young people in school years 6 to 9 who wish to attend. I believe there is something positive to be gained from the experience, and the opportunity to know others from your community in attendance.

The Conference also has programs for other primary age, and post high school/university ages. More details can be found on the website www.igniteconference.com.au

If you are interested in attending, please contact your Parish Office.

Yours sincerely

Very Rev Michael McCarthy
Dean