Catholics Returning Home

is a four week support program that aims at helping Catholics return to the Church.

This program is designed* to recognise the feelings of each participant

- * to help each participant to understand that they're not alone.
 - * to give the participant the opportunity to view things in a new light.

You may know of a friend, or a family member who has talked about 'coming back'. Please pass this leaflet on to them, or an even better idea; Come along with them for support

The list of reasons for leaving could be a long one;

And everyone wonders how to start a return journey:

Maybe it's as easy as trusting the feeling that you want to do something now.



Below is a direct but abbreviated comment from a previous program participant which may be viewed in full on our Facebook page

"I turned my back on my church for 25 years because I was so angry with the innocence taken from so many children and I thought I would never forgive... But to live with anger and hate was taking a toll on me and I considered: why am I letting the demons take more of me than they already have?

I returned to my Catholic Church under the Catholics Returning Home programe.

I was able to vent and explain why I had become to distrust and hate so much ...

The love [that I now feel in my church] has opened my heart and helped me to understand. How can I possibly guide and love when I felt so much hate."

Ellen Bucello

St Patrick's Parish

Warmly invites you to join us commencing

August 7, 2018

or

February 5, 2019



"To all those who have wandered away from their spiritual home I say, Come Back!
The Church opens her arms to you!
The Church loves you!"

Pope John Paul II Randwick Racecourse

How Can I do this?

A simple option to act on your interest in this program is to lodge this coupon at the Parish Office by hand, or directly to Father, or mail to 76 York Street, East Gosford, and we'll be in touch with you.

[All details are confidential]

Name	
Preferred Contact Method	Please indicate below which would be your preference.
Contact No	
Best Time to Call	
Email Address	

Perhaps you may like to contact us directly by phone or email, as below

St Patrick's Parish

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E: patsgos@acs.net.au
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The Parish Office is adjacent to the church building, which faces York Street.



Catholics Returning Home 2018/2019 @ St Pat's 5 Week Programme Schedules [Choose the schedule that suits you better!]

Tuesdays

August 7, 2018

Information Evening

August 14

Welcome,
I ntroductions, Overview,
Video-viewing & Discussion

August 21

The Church Today;
Changes since Vatican II Discussion

August 28

Explanation of the Mass

September 4

Explanation of the Sacrament of Penance & Discussion

Tuesdays

February 5, 2019

Information Evening

February 12

Welcome,
I ntroductions, Overview,
Video-viewing & Discussion

February 19

The Church Today;
Changes since Vatican II Discussion

February 26

Explanation of the Mass8

March 5

Explanation of the Sacrament of Penance & Discussion

Each session is from 7.30-9pm and we ask you to meet us in the church building.

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Not from Gosford Parish?

If you are a Central Coast resident, you are more than welcome to join our programme; however, you're not that local and you'd prefer your own parish please contact your relevant Parish Office to check on their Catholics Returning Home Programme