Graduate Certificate in Teaching Meditation



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Note:



o extra time at end,



Scope of the GCTM







Ravenna, mosaic, 6th cent.

source of life and nourishment, welcoming, safety, wholeness, beauty, all creatures, vulnerability,

AIMS

- 1. To understand the tradition(s) of meditation in context
- 2. To cultivate our own personal practice
- 3. To develop the skills to lead meditation and prayer in a wide variety of settings

Experiential approach - 3 Units

Units of Course

a. 'Meditation: the evolving tradition'

- discovering one's own spiritual gift,
- the practice of silent meditation
- the richness of the Christian spiritual experience over the centuries,
- the distinctive character of Christian meditation
- Mindfulness, Buddhism etc.

Units of Course

b. 'Meditation and Wellbeing'

- What is 'wholeness' in body, mind and spirit?
- Healing and enhancement
- Practice of praying with the Scriptures = Lectio Divina.
- Psychology and spirituality.
- The value of the aging process.

Units of Course

c. Teaching Meditation and Prayer

- Leading meditation and prayer in different contexts
- Classrooms, Schools, Parishes, Homes, Chaplaincy, Prisons, Aged-care Facilities, Retreat & Meditation Centres...
- Facilitation skills
- Brings together the different aspects of the course portfolio

Organisation of the Course GCTM

a. 1 year or over a longer period

b. towards an award; or as an auditing student

c. each Unit involves:

- 24 hours of activity in preparation for
- 12 hours 'on-line F2F sessions'(via Zoom) spread over the year on 3 Saturdays (per unit)
- Timetable: https://ctc.edu.au/study/timetable/

d. Supported by MACS as sponsored study: sponsoredstudy@macs.vic.edu.au

(For teachers from other dioceses please contact your local Catholic Education Office to discuss accreditation and sponsorship opportunities)

e. Fulfills the requirements of Meditation Australia

Enrolment and Further Questions

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Visit our website – 'How to Enrol' <u>https://ctc.edu.au/study/how-to-enrol/</u> (This includes info on fees and fee help)

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Free Resource, power point – to be sent