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## **A WELCOME HOME FOR CATHOLICS WHO WANT TO RETURN TO PRACTISING THEIR FAITH**

Catholics Returning Home is a parish based programme of compassion and reconciliation designed to reach-out and invite non-practising or inactive Catholics to “return home” to the Catholic Church. If you feel called to resume active practice of your faith, here’s how to start.

This short, simple four-week course is held each year in different parishes around the Christchurch Diocese, as below.

“I invite all Christians everywhere at this very moment, to a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, or at least an openness to let him encounter them.”

- Pope Francis

When is it being held?

The 2016 programme of Catholics Returning Home continues with a programme to be held in Timaru in September.

Check out [venue and date information](#) here.

To discuss any details call

0508 HOME NOW

(0508 466 366)

To register or for more information then please [contact us](#).

What’s involved:

There are four sessions including an optional supper.

Sessions are free. Each session is self contained, so you may start after session one, or miss one out and catch up later on.

Attendance is always voluntary and completely confidential.

There is no compulsion to continue after any session.

It is largely run by lay members of parishes, many of whom have returned to practising their faith themselves, with support from their priests towards the end of the programme.

Catholics Returning Home team members are open and welcoming and willing to journey with you. They are open to sharing with you about difficult subjects and the many beautiful and wonderful aspects of the Catholic Church.

For more information:

Phone 0508 HOME NOW (0508 466 366)

Catholics Returning Home is one of twelve model programs listed in the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) directory "A Time to Listen...A Time to Heal." The program is used throughout the US and other countries.

We hope to help you in your journey.