

Christchurch Diocesan Report to CNME

30 March, 2012, Wellington.

FOCCUS

The total number of engaged couples completing FOCCUS in 2011 was 41, this compares with 54 in the 2010 year. To date, eight couples have completed, or are about to begin FOCCUS. We look forward to using Commit, the New Zealand based inventory pre marriage preparation programme, within the next few months.

Marriage week 12-19 February, 2012

With the help of Mike Stopforth, material promoting marriage week was distributed to the parishes in the Christchurch diocese. We used this opportunity to promote the St Valentine's Day Mass and the Marriage Training Weekend.

Marriage Educators' Committee

The Christchurch marriage educators' committee held a meeting on the 2nd of February. One of the items discussed was the making of a leaflet with ideas on how couples might better cope with the stresses of the Christchurch earthquake and aftershocks.

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