

## **Susan Apathy**

Susan spent the earlier part of her teaching career in state schools, then she spent 20 years in Catholic education. She was an English teacher. Then she was appointed deputy CEO of the New Zealand Catholic Education Office where she spent 19 years, until 2019. She is passionate about developing lay leaders for today's church. She is a parishioner of both Our Lady of the Kapiti and Otari parish.

## **Catherine Gibbs**

Catherine is an experienced Catholic educator having served in Caritas and The Catholic Institute, helping people grow deeper in their faith. She is known for sharing her passion for teaching the Catholic Social Teaching principles and for promoting *Laudato Si'* in the archdiocese. She currently serves as the co-director of the National Liturgy Office and also administers the *Food For Faith* online prayer resource. Catherine is from Te Awakairangi.

## **Mary Jackson Kay, rc**

Mary is a Cenacle Sister. As a Cenacle Sister, Mary accompanies people in their faith journey as a spiritual director and retreat director, facilitator, and mentor. Mary is also involved in the formation of future spiritual directors with Te Wairua Mahi, Ignatian Spirituality New Zealand. Mary is from the Our Lady of the Kapiti Parish.

## **Cecily McNeill**

Cecily is a journalist and a musician. She served as the Editor of Welcom archdiocese monthly newspaper from 2005 to 2014. Cecily is passionate about social justice and continues to write about this subject. She has been a member of the music ministry of St. Anne's Newtown. Cecily has also finished a masters in theology from the Australian Catholic University.

## **Bridget Taumoepeau**

Bridget is a trained psychiatrist. In her retirement she took up theology with particular interest in Church History. She is active in several parish and diocesan ministries, including lay faith formation, and writes for various Catholic publications. Launch Out is Bridget's resource person on the theology of the laity. Bridget is a parishioner of St. Joseph's, Levin.