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In Perth for 2 events



8 February 2012

The Spiritual Significance of the New Cosmology

The New Cosmology invites us to embrace a more expansive view of the universe and our place in it. Beyond the materialistic and mechanistic understanding of classical science, there prevails today an enlarged and expansive view of creation, rapidly changing people's worldviews. In its grandeur, elegance and paradox, the new vision illuminates the mystery within which we live and move. We need a larger and deeper sense of spirituality, elements of which have prevailed in indigenous faith systems for many millennia. The old and the new converge in a fascinating synthesis.

7-9pm

Como Catholic Parish Centre

45 Thelma St, Como

(\$10 contribution at the door suggested)

15 February 2012

The Changing Nature of Contemporary Spirituality

Spirituality is essentially about spirit-power, and spirit-power is the basis of the energy that constitutes everything in creation – an insight long known to indigenous peoples all over our world. In the past *Spirituality* was understood as a sequel to religion: religion came first and spirituality followed later. In recent decades spirituality is outpacing religion, leaving a great deal of confusion in its trail, but also empowering many people into a more adult sense of faith and meaning.

7-9 pm

Loftus Community Centre

99 Loftus St, Leederville

(\$10 contribution at the door suggested)

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