Specialised Workshops

Friday 3 September 2021 from 12.00–1.30pm



Governing from hope not fear

Presenter: Robert Fitzgerald AM, NSW Aging and Disability Commissioner

This Specialised Workshop will explore what it means to govern from a positive position of hope rather than a reactive position of fear. Using his wealth of experience Robert will invite, engage and guide participants to consider together what it means to govern and lead today.

Women, leadership, mission

Presenter: Jo Kenny, Head of the Catholic Life, Education and Mission Services (CLEM), Catholic Education in the Diocese of Wollongong and panel

A panel will converse and explore the gift of women in leadership for mission now. Pope Francis writes: "We need to create still broader opportunities for a more incisive female presence in the Church" (EG 103). What are the top tips for Leadership Now.

Emerging trends in mission in Australia

Presenter: Albano Da Costa SVD, Dorish Maru College (DMC)

This Specialised Workshop will explore, through reflection on the realities, challenges and gifts of being part of the global church, how we might be more responsive to the emerging trends and needs of building the Kingdom of God in Australia and beyond.

Disability and advocacy today

Presenter: Dominic Golding, Policy Officer, National Ethnic Disability Alliance

Join Dominic as he explores disability in light of the Royal Commission and the role of the Church in advocating for the dignity of the human person.

Dreaming a story that helps us take the seven year journey of Laudato Si' without going crazyPresenters: Sally Neaves, Integral Ecology Animator and Mission Ministry Resource Coordinator of the ISMAPNG and Margie Abbott rsm, Igniting Sparks: McAuley Ministries

By entering into the power of creating active hope through experiential processes that will enable participants to warm up to both the pain in the world and an attitude of gratitude which clarifies our thoughts, strengthens our nervous system, and connects us with the Source that enlivens our being.

Formation for leadership – engaging hearts and minds

Presenter: Philippa (Pip) McIroy, Group Mission Integration Manager – Formation and Ethics, Modern Slavery Project Lead, St Vincent's Health Australia

This workshop will explore examples of formative experiences for leaders working in a ministry of the Church which engage the whole self. These kinds of formation provide the individual with the opportunity to tap into a deeper level of their humanity, the inner place from which we operate, of who we really are and who we want to be as individuals, workplaces and societies.

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Our Inclusion Journey - Conversations with Care

Presenters: Eric Robinson, Associate Director, Inclusion (Evangelisation Brisbane, Archdiocese of Brisbane) and Jessica Laidler, Project Office, Inclusion (Evangelisation Brisbane, Archdiocese of Brisbane)

This session will begin by explaining the journey of inclusion within the Archdiocese of Brisbane AoB), linking in the Plenary Council, and how the Inclusion Team came to be. Then we will enter into the *Conversations with Care* workshop, which is offered in all parishes across AoB.

Conversation with Care is a community peacebuilding workshop, which focuses on cross-cultural education, unpacking unconscious bias and building rational compassion.

Things we will cover:

- · Empathy and Rational Compassion
- · Unconscious Bias
- Bystander Exercise
- · Cross-Cultural Education
- · Community Peace Building

All that participate in this workshop will be listened to, better understood and leave with a greater understanding of the diverse society we live in, with the overall aim of becoming more Christ-like individuals and more inclusive parishes.

The Uluru Statement from the Heart

Presenters: Evelyn Parkin, Quandamooka woman and Dean Parkin, Director, From the Heart

The Uluru Statement from the Heart is an invitation from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to "walk with us in a movement of the Australian people for a better future". This Specialised Workshop will explore this historic opportunity to reimagine our nation.

Reform and renewal in the Catholic Church

Presenters: Trish Hindmarsh, Educator

- Be inspired by Christ's mission of renewal and reform (Luke 4:18) ... to announce the Good News to all
 creation, heal the broken-hearted, give sight, bind up wounds, liberate from slavery, turn the old order
 on its head.
- 2. Revisit Vatican Council II and its call to Church to renewal and reform
- 3. Refresh Catholic Social Teaching, a modern interpretation of Jesus' Gospel, a guide and method for ongoing renewal and reform.
- 4. Welcome the 'synodality' Pope Francis as a means of Church renewal and reform of our Church.
- **5. Recognise** The Plenary Council as a call to renewal and reform of the Australian church.

Engaging Parish Leadership and involvement of lay people

Presenters: Gerard Mckernan, priest and parish lay leaders

This Specialised Workshop will help participants by giving examples of present lay participation as well as showing a webinar with New Zealand parish leaders.