

# Serving Communities with Courage and Compassion

26 – 28 February 2020  
Melbourne

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## CONFERENCE PROGRAM

*All sessions are at the Catholic Leadership Centre, 576 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne*

### Wednesday 26 February 2020

5:00pm – 6:00pm	Registration opens Light refreshments available	Pre-function Room	
6:00pm – 6:30pm	Smoking ceremony and welcome	Courtyard	Wurundjeri Elder
6:30pm – 8:30pm	Forum: Beyond Surviving to Truthfully Thriving – Continuing our Journey of Listening in Truth and Justice	Celtic Hall	<a href="#">Sherry Balcombe</a> <a href="#">Helen Christensen</a> <a href="#">Peter Hudson (Chair)</a> <a href="#">Helen Kennedy</a> <a href="#">Henry Williams</a>

### Thursday 27 February 2020

8:00am – 9:00am	Registration opens	Pre-function Room	
9:00am – 9:20am	Welcome Opening liturgy	Celtic Hall	<a href="#">Josh Lourensz</a> <a href="#">Peter Hudson</a>
9:20am – 10:25am	Keynote: Margin Call – The Risk of Integrity	Celtic Hall	<a href="#">Francis Sullivan</a>
10:25am – 10:50am	Morning tea	Pre-function Room	
10:50am – 12:00pm	Panel: Putting Courage and Compassion into Action	Celtic Hall	<a href="#">Jocelyn Bignold</a> <a href="#">Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv</a> <a href="#">Joshua Lourensz (Chair)</a> <a href="#">John McCarthy QC</a>
12:00pm – 12:45pm	Briefing: Responding to Natural Disasters	Celtic Hall	<a href="#">Janette Cribbes</a> <a href="#">Jack de Groot</a> <a href="#">Josh Lourensz (Chair)</a> <a href="#">Ursula Stephens</a>
12:45pm – 1:30pm	Lunch	Dining Room	
1:30pm – 3:00pm	Workshop series 1	Breakout Rooms	
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Afternoon tea	Outside Breakout Rooms	
3:30pm – 5:00pm	Workshop series 2	Breakout Rooms	



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5:30pm – 6:30pm	Conference Mass	Chapel	<a href="#">Bishop Paul Bird CSsR</a>
6:30pm – 7:00pm	Conference pre-dinner drinks	Dining Room	
7:00pm – 10:00pm	Conference dinner including the Mary MacKillop Oration	Dining Room	<a href="#">MC: Jenny Glare</a> <a href="#">Speaker: Ursula Stephens</a> <a href="#">Respondent: Monica Cavanagh rsj</a>

## Friday 28 February 2020

7:30am – 9:00am	Breakfast Briefing: Plenary Council 2020 Update	Dining Room	<a href="#">Trudy Dantis</a> <a href="#">Denis Fitzgerald</a> <a href="#">Cath Garner</a> <a href="#">Gabrielle McMullen (Chair)</a> <a href="#">Lana Turvey-Collins</a>
9:00am – 9:05am	Opening prayer	Celtic Hall	<a href="#">Peter Hudson</a>
9:05am – 9:30am	Briefing: Safeguarding Everyone in the Church Today and into the Future	Celtic Hall	<a href="#">Denis Fitzgerald (Chair)</a> <a href="#">Sheree Limbrick</a>
9:30am – 10:45am	Panel: Building a Strong Future for Catholic Social Services	Celtic Hall	<a href="#">Belinda Clarke</a> <a href="#">Tiffany Davis (Chair)</a> <a href="#">Josh Lourensz</a> <a href="#">Claire Victory</a>
10:45am – 11:15am	Morning tea	Pre-function Room	
11:15am – 12:15pm	Keynote: Mission at the Margins – The Call to Uncommon Courage	Celtic Hall	<a href="#">Debra Zanella</a>
12:15pm – 12:30pm	Closing remarks	Celtic Hall	<a href="#">Mark Monahan</a>
12:30pm – 1:00pm	Closing liturgy	Celtic Hall	<a href="#">Peter Hudson</a>
1:00pm – 2:00pm	Lunch	Dining Hall	
2:00pm – 4:00pm	Forum: Mobilising Media for Mission and Advocacy	Celtic Hall	<a href="#">Farah Faroque</a> <a href="#">Sam Patterson (Chair)</a> <a href="#">Andrew Yule</a> <a href="#">Barney Zwartz</a>
4:00pm	Afternoon tea	Pre-function Room	

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## CONFERENCE KEYNOTES, FORUMS, PANELS & BRIEFINGS: IN DETAIL

**Wednesday 26 February**  
**6:30pm – 8:30pm**

**Forum: Beyond Surviving to Truthfully Thriving – Continuing our Journey of Listening in Truth and Justice**

[Sherry Balcombe](#)  
[Helen Christensen](#)  
[Peter Hudson \(Chair\)](#)  
[Helen Kennedy](#)  
[Henry Williams](#)

*This plenary will draw on the enduring wisdom, strength and resilience of our First Peoples. It will capture the lessons learned from the past ten years of Closing the Gap and will address how each of the targets are interconnected. The next phase of Closing the Gap needs to be guided by the principles of empowerment and self-determination, which are so closely aligned with the mission of Catholic social services.*

**Thursday 27 February,**  
**9:20am – 10:25am**

**Keynote: Margin Call – The Risk of Integrity**

[Francis Sullivan](#)

*What is the root of our calling? What are the deep vision and challenges, the joys and hopes, the griefs and anxieties? This keynote will present a challenging overview of the state of Australian society and the Australian Catholic Church. In the context of the Church's current standing, how do we creatively and courageously traverse our way through the minefield of damage so that we can seize the opportunities for growth, truth and renewal?*

**Thursday 27 February**  
**10:50am – 12:00pm**

**Panel: Putting Courage and Compassion into Action**

[Jocelyn Bignold](#)  
[Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv](#)  
[Joshua Lourens \(Chair\)](#)  
[John McCarthy QC](#)

*This will be an engaging and inspiring panel conversation, which presents a number of case studies that demonstrate where and how those working in the Catholic social services sector have shown great courage and compassion to address a particular need.*

**Thursday 27 February**  
**12:00pm – 12:45pm**

**Briefing: Responding to Natural Disasters**

[Janette Cribbes](#)  
[Jack de Groot](#)  
[Josh Lourens \(Chair\)](#)  
[Ursula Stephens](#)

*The recent bushfires in Australia have highlighted the need for a collaborated, national effort from the Catholic Church and its agencies to provide assistance. This plenary will explore the learnings from the 2009 Black Saturday fires, the current response and will outline the establishment of the new Catholic Emergency Relief Australia.*

**Friday 28 February**  
**7:30am – 9:00am**

**Breakfast Briefing: Plenary Council 2020 Update**

[Trudy Dantis](#)  
[Denis Fitzgerald](#)  
[Cath Garner](#)  
[Gabrielle McMullen \(Chair\)](#)

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## Lana Turvey-Collins

*This session will inform participants on what has been happening in the 'Listening and Discernment Stage' of the Plenary Council, how they can still contribute, what the Working Groups are doing, what is in the Diocesan reports, and who will be attending the First Council Assembly in October 2020. There will be input from speakers and then a chance for participants to discuss the input and how the themes emerging from the listening, discussion and discernment stages might impact upon the provision of Catholic social services, and vice versa.*

**Friday 28 February**  
**9:05am – 9:30am**

**Briefing: Safeguarding Everyone in the Church Today and into the Future**

**Denis Fitzgerald (Chair)**  
**Sheree Limbrick**

*This session aims to provide a briefing to conference delegates regarding the roll-out of the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards for protection of children, an update on audits of Church entities and engagement of Church authorities with the Catholic Professional Standards Ltd processes, and an outline of the integration of measures to protect vulnerable adults as part of the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards framework.*

**Friday 28 February**  
**9:30am – 10:45am**

**Panel: Building a Strong Future for Catholic Social Services**

**Belinda Clarke**  
**Tiffany Davis (Chair)**  
**Josh Lourensz**  
**Claire Victory**

*This panel will provide an opportunity for participants to view the 'way forward in mission' through the lens of the younger generation of leaders in the sector. A selection of current leaders of organisations and programs within Catholic social services will share and reflect on their experiences of the challenges and opportunities that are presenting themselves currently to the sector.*

**Friday 28 February**  
**11:15am – 12:15pm**

**Keynote: Mission at the Margins – The Call to Uncommon Courage**

**Debra Zanella**

*Inspired by Joan Chittister's work A time is now: A call to uncommon courage, Debra will share her reflections on what is meant by uncommon courage, and its place and purpose in the work of faith-based mission-driven organisations and in the life of the faithful, in our time and place. Her reflections will also include the personal and collective conditions that are necessary for courage as we individually and collectively live our birth-right as a people of God.*

**Friday 28 February**  
**2:00pm – 4:00pm**

**Forum: Mobilising Media for Mission and Advocacy**

**Farah Faroque**  
**Sam Patterson (Chair)**  
**Andrew Yule**  
**Barney Zwart**

*This forum will highlight how those working in social services can effectively engage with media to enhance their work in mission and advocacy. Case studies will be shared as to how effective advocacy impacts policy and those we serve. This will be an informative, practical and inspiring forum, which engages with media professionals to gain insight into how to engage with media.*

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## CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

### Session 1, 1:30pm – 3:00pm

#### 1.1 Towards Treaties

[Andrew Gardiner](#)  
[John Lochowiak](#)  
[John Warhurst \(Chair\)](#)

*Australia is the only first world nation with a colonial history that does not recognise its First Peoples in its constitution. There are active movements across Australia to introduce treaties to our society. This workshop will explore the role of treaty in recasting relationships between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians and will explore the background and current moves towards treaties in South Australia and in Victoria. Aboriginal speakers will speak about the significance of treaty and, in a participative forum, enter into dialogue around using the treaty process to advance relations between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians.*

#### 1.2 Respectful, Impactful Formation for Mission

[Linda Di Sipio](#)  
[Sarah Jane Grove](#)  
[Lisa McDonald](#)  
[Gabrielle McMullen \(Chair\)](#)

*This workshop will respond to the mission imperative to offer engaging, inspiring, meaningful formation experiences for a large and diverse staff group. The workshop itself will provide a hands-on formation experience, the elements of which will then be unpacked in order to understand the preparation and intention. Participants will share stories, learn from each other and walk away with an increased understanding of how material can be adapted to diverse groups.*

#### 1.3 The Centrality and Challenge of Child Safety

[Maria Harries](#)  
[Robyn Miller](#)  
[Camilla Rowland \(Chair\)](#)

*This workshop will reflect on recent learnings about building a community that is safe for children in the community at large and within Church institutions. Participants will be exposed to current knowledge of building child safe environments and will be able to share their own experience. The forum will benefit from the experience and wisdom of all participants.*

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## 1.4 Restorative Justice: Signs of Hope

[Deanna Davis \(Chair\)](#)  
[Genevieve Higgins](#)  
[Clint Wardle](#)

*Restorative Justice is a way in which we can rebuild lives and build safer communities. This workshop will model restorative justice practices and highlight first-hand experiences, with a view to sharing of insights from workshop participants.*

## 1.5 Developing Housing or Creating a Community?

[Jack de Groot](#)  
[Netty Horton \(Chair\)](#)  
[Tony Nicholson](#)  
[Sally-Anne Petrie](#)

*Catholic Social services provide a range of innovative housing programs to assist those without housing. This workshop will highlight some of their initiatives.*

## 1.6 Domestic Violence: Awareness, Prevention and Progress

[Janene Evans](#)  
[Lisa Foliaki](#)  
[Sr Cabrini Makasiale](#)  
[Hamish Mephram](#)  
[Felicity Rorke \(Chair\)](#)  
[Michael Tonks](#)

*This workshop will present an overview of the impact of the Victorian family violence reforms, both the positive and negative aspects. Catholic social services colleagues from New Zealand will then present on some of their service delivery programs, which are effectively responding to specific family violence issues. There will be an opportunity for participants to look at some live case scenarios in order to consider the complexities and diversity of possible responses.*

## Session 2, 3:30pm – 5:00pm

### 2.1 Our Culture is our Sanctuary: Trauma-informed Practice from an Aboriginal Perspective

[Jenny Glare \(Chair\)](#)  
[Esmai Manahan](#)

*This workshop aims to give participants an understanding of the importance of culturally sensitive trauma-informed practice and how existing models of practice can be adapted to ensure they include a commitment to Aboriginal cultural perspectives.*

### 2.2 Governance for Mission

[Katherine Juric](#)  
[Gabrielle McMullen \(Chair\)](#)  
[John Warhurst](#)

*Drawing on governance experience, this workshop will demonstrate the scope and significance of governance and will engage and challenge Catholic leaders and*

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*prospective leaders. Principles of good governance will be discussed as well as some of the risks and dangers in practice. Particular emphasis will be placed on addressing governance in the complex Catholic setting, which includes a variety of disparate entities and where lines of responsibility can be complicated.*

## **2.3 The Mission Alive in Regional and Rural Communities**

[Meagan Giddy](#)  
[Michael King \(Chair\)](#)  
[Rhonda Lawson-Street](#)  
[Maryanne Stivactas](#)

*This workshop will provide insights into how particular regional and rural communities are addressing drought-related issues through the provision of social services. Program case studies will be presented, and participants will be able to identify the various roles that can be adopted in order to respond effectively and contribute in drought-affected areas.*

## **2.4 Eco-justice: The Cry of the Earth and the Cry of the Poor are One**

[Andrew Hamilton SJ](#)  
[Bernard Holland \(Chair\)](#)  
[Bronwyn Lay](#)

*This workshop will explore how we can strategically address climate change and ecological harms which are already impacting in a variety of ways on the most marginalised in our society. There is much work being done by different organisations and advocates in this area, so it is important to come together and explore the different variants of ecological justice and begin to define a common vision for the Catholic social services sector going forward.*

## **2.5 Parishes as an Integral Part of Social Services**

[Alana Crouch](#)  
[Denis Fitzgerald \(Chair\)](#)  
[Cathy Hammond](#)  
[Mark Phillips](#)

*There is a richness of depth and diversity in the role parishes can play as providers of services to the community, and in mutual support between parishes and social service agencies. The speakers will present a number of vibrant examples of current practice, with input invited from workshop participants of their experience and wisdom.*

## **2.6 Advancing Dignity and Equality within the Framework of the NDIS**

[Helen Burt](#)  
[Tony Hollamby \(Chair\)](#)  
[Anne Kirwan](#)

*Disability services in Australia are undergoing tumultuous change with major implications for people with disability, service providers and members of the community. This workshop will draw on the lived experienced and perspective of participants and service providers. It will explore how we can work together to ensure that the dignity and wellbeing of people with disability can be kept to the fore.*

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## CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS

	<p><b>Sherry Balcombe, Coordinator, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Victoria</b> <b>Forum presenter</b></p> <p>Sherry Balcombe is an Olkola/Jabaguy woman from Far North Queensland. She has worked for Aboriginal Catholic Ministry for 16 years, initially under the guidance of Vicki Clark, and for the past 4 years as its Coordinator. Sherry is passionate about her work and enjoys supporting her local community on a State and national level. Sherry's dream is to help give Aboriginal children a good education so that, in the future, they can be advocates for all Aboriginal people. She regularly visits children in the Parkville Detention Centre on behalf of the Commissioner for Aboriginal Children and Young People and she is on the Volunteers Advisory Committee. She is also on the selection panel for the Victorian Aboriginal Honour Role and the MacKillop Family Services' Ethos and Culture Committee. Among her many other roles, she supports the Catholic Education Office Melbourne and the Office for Justice and Peace, as well as many schools throughout Victoria.</p>
	<p><b>Jocelyn Bignold OAM, Chief Executive Officer, McAuley Community Services for Women. Panelist</b></p> <p>For the past 10 years Jocelyn Bignold has been the CEO of McAuley Community Services for Women. The Services have a track record of innovation in providing support for women and their children who are experiencing family violence, and women who are homeless. In 2014 Jocelyn gave expert evidence before Victoria's Royal Commission into Family Violence. She is the current chair of the Western Integrated Family Violence Committee and a member of the Victorian Government's Family Violence Housing Assistance Implementation Taskforce.</p>
	<p><b>Bishop Paul Bird CSsR, Bishop of Ballarat. Mass celebrant</b></p> <p>Bishop Paul Bird CSsR is the eighth Bishop of Ballarat, appointed in October 2012. He joined the Redemptorist congregation in 1968. He studied for four years at the Redemptorist seminary in Wendouree in Ballarat, completed his seminary studies at the Yarra Theological Union in Melbourne, and was ordained to the priesthood in 1975. In 1987 the Bishop was appointed superior of the Redemptorist community at Brighton in Melbourne and commenced 20 years of service as editor in the congregation's publications ministry, <i>Majellan</i> Publications. He is currently the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference representative on the Catholic Social Services Australia Board.</p>

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**Helen Burt, policy adviser.****Workshop presenter**

Helen Burt has worked for over 30 years in the community sector, mostly in faith-based organisations. In that time her roles have included program development, policy work and management. Due to a progressive illness, Helen now uses NDIS services and, at times, undertakes some advocacy around disability-related issues.

**Monica Cavanagh OAM, Congregational Leader, Sisters of St Joseph****Mary MacKillop Oration respondent**

Monica Cavanagh rsj is the Congregational Leader of the Sisters of Saint Joseph and previously served as the President of Catholic Religious Australia. She comes originally from Queensland where she has spent most of her religious life serving people across its five dioceses. She began her years in ministry as a primary teacher. This was followed by experiences in parish pastoral roles, adult education, facilitation and spirituality. An opportunity to undertake studies at the Pacific Mission Institute in Turramurra expanded her horizons around mission theology, which has guided her in her commitments ever since. Monica was involved in the providing of resources and presentations in preparation for World Youth Day 2008 and the canonisation of St Mary MacKillop. Mary MacKillop's life and spirituality embodies the values of courage and compassion which are so integral to this conference. Monica looks forward to being with participants at the conference.

**Helen Christensen, Indigenous Education Officer, Catholic Education Melbourne. Forum presenter**

Helen Christensen was born and raised in Darwin, Northern Territory before settling on Wadda Wurrung Country. Through her mother, Clare, Helen has inherited her Tiwi identity and obligations as a member of the Miyartiwi Skin Group. Her father, Jack, was a member of the Stolen Generation and his cultural connection was the Anmatjere skin group. Helen is passionate about her Aboriginal culture and, through her current role at Catholic Education Melbourne as the Indigenous Education Officer, she is able to educate the wider educational community in Catholic schools about the rich history and culture of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

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	<p><b>Belinda Clarke, Executive Manager Social Impact, CatholicCare Tasmania Panelist</b></p> <p>Belinda Clarke is a recognised leader in social innovation and strategy and is committed to driving social change in complex environments, specifically for individuals and communities where people experience entrenched disadvantage. She has diverse executive and leadership experience across the not-for-profit, healthcare, community, social services, education and business sectors and is the founding director of the Social Impact Program for CatholicCare Tasmania. Belinda is committed to translating Catholic Social Teaching into tangible outcomes for individuals, families and communities. She has held a range of board roles; she is the inaugural Chair of All Round Health and Community Care, a not-for-profit holistic healthcare service which supports marginalised Tasmanians with a Mobile Homeless Clinic and a New Humanitarian Entrants Clinic. Belinda has published in the areas of spirituality, social justice, leadership and education. She has a Master of Education and Leadership with Dean's Honours, has graduated from the Australian Institute of Company Directors, and is currently completing a Master of Social Impact (Business and Law) through Swinburne University.</p>
	<p><b>Janet Cribbes, consultant, facilitator, coach and mentor Briefing presenter</b></p> <p>Janet Cribbes' career spans three decades, working in State government, community services, the private sector and more recently not-for-profit sector. She graduated from La Trobe University with a Bachelor of Social Work and Social Sciences and began her career in alcohol and drug services focusing on prevention and community development, progressing into prevention-education campaigns statewide. Janet has also worked in community health services focusing on HIV/AIDS-prevention education. She then began a private practice working with women dealing with complex childhood trauma. Having grown up as a first generation Australian to Italian immigrants, she understands first hand the challenges facing women and children settling into a new country. Janet's community involvement in voluntary roles has been long and varied; it was this community engagement that saw her elected to Port Phillip Council in 2004-2008 with one term as mayor in 2008. After the Black Saturday 2009 bushfires, Janet established and managed the Community Bushfire Recovery Service on behalf of the Archdiocese of Melbourne and delivered through CatholicCare. She spent five years at CatholicCare, with the last two years as the Director of Fundraising Marketing and Communications. Janet is currently a consultant, facilitator and mentor, working mostly in local government, and Chair of the Board of Wellsprings for Women.</p>

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**Alana Crouch, Director, Catholic Early EdCare  
Workshop presenter**

Since graduating from the University of New England, Alana Crouch has pursued a career pathway in education, working in schools, early learning centres, outside school hours care and kindergartens, and now with Catholic Early EdCare. After being called early in her career to establish an Outside School Hours Care service for a parish in Brisbane, she commenced her leadership journey with the Archdiocese of Brisbane in 2005, moving into her role as Director in 2011. She has been heavily involved in the establishment of many key partnerships, both inter- and intra-agency with a number of dioceses across Australia. Her passion for supporting families and recognising the importance of the Church and communities working in partnership has given her the opportunity to lead and support many wonderful projects and staff, witnessing mission in action.

**Trudy Dantis, Director, Australian Catholic Bishops Conference National Centre for Pastoral Research. Briefing presenter**

Dr Trudy Dantis is the Director of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference National Centre for Pastoral Research (formerly the ACBC Pastoral Research Office). She has a PhD in pastoral studies from the University of Divinity as well as degrees in community resource management and social work. Trudy is the author of two books, including *A Handbook for Building Stronger Parishes* (2016), and has co-authored several books and research reports, including the recent *Listen to What the Spirit is Saying: Final Report for the Plenary Council Phase 1*. Trudy is an Honorary Research Associate of the University of Divinity and a board member of the Christian Research Association.

**Deanna Davis, General Manager, Family and Community Services,  
Centacare Catholic Diocese of Ballarat. Workshop participant**

Deanna Davis joined Centacare in April 2007. Her current portfolio responsibilities include Mental Health Services, Family Services, Out Of Home Care, Family and Relationship Services [Family Relationship Centre, Family and Property Dispute Resolution, Family Law Counselling, Family Law Pathways, Counselling, Parenting Support and Education and Pastoral Care (School Chaplaincy)], Homelessness Support, Advocacy Services, Housing Support, My Aged Care, HACC, No Interest Loan Scheme, Emergency Relief and the Clemente Program. Her previous roles encompass 22 years with the Department of Health/Human Services, including General Services Manager Lakeside Psychiatric Hospital and Mental Health Policy and Program development, facilitating implementation of both state and Federal Government initiatives. She has a long-standing involvement within sector networks at a regional, state and national level, and has participated on

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	<p>numerous consultative committees/working parties as well as chairing many regional networks. Deanna holds a number of executive/governance positions on various committees across the health and community services sector.</p>
	<p><b>Tiffany Davis, Communications Manager, Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne. Panel participant</b></p> <p>Tiffany Davis leads the Communications Team in bringing a renewed sense of Gospel boldness and creativity to the work of the Archdiocese of Melbourne through its many channels of evangelisation. She has led a number of communications initiatives, events and resources for the Archbishop's Office for Evangelisation (AOFE) over the last seven and half years. Prior to AOFE, Tiffany was Program Manager in Communications at the Office for Youth. Deeply committed to her faith and parish life, Tiffany has in the past served as chairperson of her local Parish Council (St Mary's Greensborough) and Graphic Designer for its newsletter, <i>The Marianist</i>. She holds a master's degree in integrated marketing communications and an undergraduate degree in liberal arts and humanities. She is currently completing a Postgraduate Diploma in Divinity at Catholic Theological College.</p>
	<p><b>Jack de Groot, CEO, St Vincent de Paul Society NSW Workshop and briefing presenter</b></p> <p>Jack de Groot is CEO of the St Vincent de Paul Society NSW. Prior to taking on the role in August 2016, he had senior executive roles in the not-for-profit sector. He was CEO of Caritas Australia for 13 years and part of the Group Executive of St Vincent's Health Australia for 3 years. He currently serves on a number of boards, including St John of God Healthcare and the University of Notre Dame Australia, and is Chair of the Implementation Advisory Group that monitors the Catholic Church's implementation of the recommendations of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse. He has served on government advisory, industry and community groups.</p>

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**Linda Di Sipio, Mission Education and Formation Lead, St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne. Workshop presenter**

Linda Carla Di Sipio is Mission Education and Formation Lead at St Vincent's Hospital Melbourne. She is responsible for facilitating the formation program *Inspired to Serve* as well as creating bespoke formation experiences for the staff at St Vincent's Hospital. Her research interests are in staff formation in Catholic schools and hospitals using an adaptation of the Ignatian Spirituality Exercises. Linda presented her findings at the First International Conference for Catholic Religious Educators in Malta in 2018. They have also been published in the second edition of *Global Perspectives of Catholic Religious Education*. She is currently studying a Master of Spiritual Direction to assist her with understanding and developing formation in Catholic healthcare.

**Janene Evans, General Manager, Safety and Resilience, Good Shepherd Australia New Zealand. Workshop presenter**

Janene Evans is the General Manager of Safety and Resilience for Good Shepherd. Her qualifications include Bachelor of Arts [Social Science and Arts (Hons)], Diplomas in Community Development and Business and a Postgraduate Certificate in Housing Policy and Management. Janene was the recipient of an Australian Postgraduate Award at Swinburne University in 2006. She has worked within the community sector for over 20 years, predominantly in family violence, homelessness and child youth and family services. Janene has held senior roles in a number of not-for-profits, including Berry Street, Hanover (now Launch), Emerge Women's Refuge, Wesley Mission Victoria/Uniting Vic Tas, Women's Domestic Violence Crisis Service (now Safe Steps) and The Salvation Army.

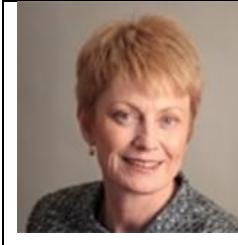
**Farah Farouque, Principal Advisor Public Affairs and Policy, Brotherhood of St Laurence. Forum panelist**

Farah Farouque is Principal Advisor Public Affairs and Policy at the Brotherhood of St Laurence. In this key role, she shapes political advocacy and strategic communications for the organisation, including directing its high impact campaign for youth employment. Farah joined the community sector in 2012, after an award-winning career as a senior writer at *The Age* covering social and legal policy, Victorian and Federal politics and the creative arts. Farah's journalism career for *The Age* took her to hotspots from the Canberra Press Gallery, where she worked for three years when Paul Keating was Prime Minister, to Bali after the 2002 bombings. Her toughest assignment was reporting from coastal Sri Lanka following the Boxing Day tsunami for *The Age* and sister paper *The Sydney Morning Herald*. In Melbourne, Farah chairs the board of The Social Studio, a not-for-profit social enterprise using fashion and design as a platform to empower and provide training to young people from refugee backgrounds.

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	<p><b>Denis Fitzgerald, Former Executive Director, Catholic Social Services Victoria. Workshop and briefing participant</b></p> <p>For 12 years until October 2019, Denis was Executive Director of Catholic Social Services Victoria, where his focus included reflection on mission and its practical implications in Catholic social services providers and parishes. Earlier careers were as an Australian diplomat and a senior executive with the Victorian Government. Denis has qualifications in philosophy, business, public policy and theology. Among his current engagements are governance roles with a number of service organisations, volunteer service in prison ministry and local parish roles.</p>
	<p><b>Lisa Foliaki, social worker Workshop presenter</b></p> <p>Lisa Foliaki was born in Tonga but migrated to Auckland, New Zealand when she was 14 years old. She attended the University of Auckland where she gained a Master of Arts in sociology. Lisa has worked as a social worker, community worker and lecturer as well as a health planning and funding manager. She is currently a contract worker with several organisations, including Catholic Social Services where she is involved in the ongoing implementation of the Pacific Living without Violence program.</p>
	<p><b>Andrew Gardiner, Chief Executive Officer, Dandenong and District Aborigines Co-operative Limited. Workshop presenter</b></p> <p>Andrew Gardiner is a proud descendant of the Wooroondjeri clans of the Woi-wurrung people, whose traditional country covers the place we now call Metropolitan Melbourne, and since 2006, he has been accepted as an Elder and elected to the management committee and new Board of the Wooroondjeri Woi-wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation. In 2009 Andrew was appointed as the Chief Executive Officer of the Dandenong and District Aborigines Co-operative (DDACL) and remains so today. In 2014 he was appointed as a 'Respected Person' to the Koori Court, a part of the Magistrates Court of Victoria. In 2017 he was appointed to the Southern Metropolitan Partnerships and to the Community Advisory Committee of Ambulance Victoria. In 2018 Andrew was elected as Co-Chair of the DHHS South Division Aboriginal Governance Committee, which provides direction to the new Korin Korin Balit Djak strategy and other government initiatives. In the same year he was elected to the Board of the Victorian Aboriginal Health Service. Last December Andrew was elected to the First Peoples Assembly of Victoria and occupies the Wooroondjeri RAP Reserved Seat on this Assembly. He is committed to Aboriginal Community Controlled Health, social inclusion, improving the health outcomes and broader service and justice needs of Aboriginal people, and upholding the cultural heritage and rights of traditional custodians.</p>

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**Cath Garner, Group Director, Mission and Cabrini Outreach, Cabrini Health Australia. Briefing participant**

Cath Garner has worked at Cabrini Health for a total of 25 years. She has a background in nursing and education and, in 2002, she was appointed as Mission Integration Officer, joining the Executive Committee in 2007. She has worked in Australian healthcare for almost three decades in a wide range of key clinical, staff development and management roles. She holds postgraduate degrees in education, information systems, theology and innovation/service management. She oversees Cabrini Health's social outreach program.

**Meagan Giddy, Team Leader and Family Worker, CatholicCare Wilcannia-Forbes. Workshop presenter**

Meagan Giddy is a Team Leader and Family Worker for CatholicCare Wilcannia-Forbes, situated in the small rural community of Nyngan. She has a background in counselling and social work and has been running parenting programs, infant massage classes and playgroups over the last four years for CatholicCare. Meagan has recently taken on a two-year project, the 'Wellbeing Mobile', a counselling and wellbeing outreach service that provides regular visits to families living on drought-affected properties around Nyngan.

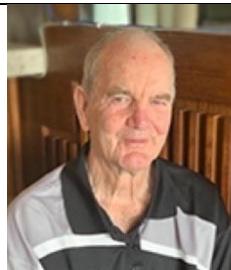
**Jenny Glare, General Manager, Heritage and Information Service, MacKillop Family Services. Workshop participant**

Jenny Glare is the General Manager, Heritage and Information Service at MacKillop Family Services (MFS). She is responsible for a support service for former residents of MFS's founding agencies. At the heart of this work is a commitment to assisting people who grew up in Catholic children's homes to locate records and understand their family and childhood history. The Heritage and Information Service has been acknowledged within Australia and internationally as an exemplar of best practice in supported release of records to people who grew up in care. In 2016 Jenny's contribution was recognised as the recipient of the Victorian Government's Department of Health and Human Services' Robin Clark Award for Inspirational Leadership. In 2017, Jenny received national recognition at the Hesta Community Sector Awards as the recipient of the Unsung Hero Award. She is Deputy Chair of Catholic Social Services Victoria.

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**Sarah Jane Grove, Mission Integration Manager, St Vincent's Hospital Sydney Network. Workshop presenter**

Sarah Jane Grove is a Mission Integration Manager in the St Vincent's Hospital Sydney Network. Her professional background is in religious and pastoral leadership in the education sector and she has postgraduate qualifications in counselling and theology. Her current role involves engaging staff in formation and assisting them to make meaningful connections, across their divergent roles, with the shared mission and values of St Vincent's Health Australia (SVHA). This role allows her to contribute, with colleagues, to Inclusive Health projects at SVHA and the work of various committees. Sarah Jane enjoys the opportunity to be rejuvenated through nature and gardening. Ignatian Spirituality is of particular interest, Sarah Jane, having been baptised at St Francis Xavier's Lavender Bay, Sydney, maintains a strong connection with that parish.

**Andrew Hamilton SJ, Senior Writer, Jesuit Communications  
Workshop presenter**

Andrew (or Andy by choice) Hamilton is a Jesuit priest who is a senior writer at Jesuit Communications and works in media and advocacy at Jesuit Social Services. For many years he taught theology and church history at the United Faculty of Theology. He continues his long-standing work with refugees and writes on issues connected with them.

**Cathy Hammond, Executive Manager Mission and Outreach, CatholicCare Sydney. Workshop presenter**

Cathy Hammond is Executive Manager, Mission and Outreach, CatholicCare Sydney, the social services agency of the Archdiocese of Sydney. Cathy leads the Mission and Outreach Team, promoting the services of the agency, working predominately with parishes and schools. Cathy's love of mission and development work, her formal qualifications in theology, and her personal faith journey, give her a unique voice as she seeks to promote CatholicCare's mandate of human dignity and justice for all. Cathy has previously held positions with Caritas Australia, The Cardoner Project, and Broken Bay Diocese, enabling Cathy to experience the global Church in action.

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	<p><b>Maria Harries AM, Chairperson, Catholic Social Services Australia Board Workshop presenter</b></p> <p>Maria Harries is Adjunct Professor at Curtin University's School of Occupational Therapy and Social Work and Senior Honorary Research Fellow in the School of Population Health at The University of Western Australia. She runs her own consulting practice and continues her research and also her role as research supervisor of a number of doctoral students. She works with State and national organisations involved with people who have experienced 'care'. Maria was the inaugural Chairperson of MercyCare WA. She has held many leadership positions within the mental health and broader social services sector in Western Australia and nationally. In addition to her "portfolio of other retirement commitments", in 2014 Maria assumed the role of Chairperson of Catholic Social Services Australia.</p>
	<p><b>Genevieve Higgins, Manager, Community Justice Programs, Jesuit Social Services. Workshop presenter</b></p> <p>Genevieve Higgins is the Manager of Community Justice Programs at Jesuit Social Services. She has been working in the areas of Restorative Justice and Restorative Practice for over 10 years, both as convenor and program coordinator. Her experience involves working with schools, courts and community to design and develop programs that are restorative, as well as convening in these contexts.</p>
	<p><b>Tony Hollamby, consultant and ontological coach Workshop participant</b></p> <p>Tony Hollamby has over 20 years experience at the executive level, the last 15 years as a chief executive officer in the health and disability sectors. In his last roll he stewarded St John of God Accord through transition to the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS). Tony has been invited to participate in national forums by both the National Disability Insurance Agency and NDIS to describe the successful transition of Accord into the NDIS. Tony currently works as a consultant and is also an ontological coach.</p>

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**Bernard Holland, Director, Catholic Earthcare****Workshop participant**

Bernard Holland is Director of Catholic Earthcare, the ecological agency of the Catholic Church in Australia. He has a background in education as a Catholic school teacher and principal and, in recent years, has been Director of Eco-Schools Global, a student-led environmental education program in 67 countries. He has just released a trial program for Catholic Earthcare-certified schools and is currently devising a certification process for Catholic parishes as well. Given his mission is to bring the Catholic Church in Australia together to enact *Laudato Si'*-inspired actions, he is also convening a convocation titled *Bringing our hearts together to care for our common home*, in Melbourne at the Catholic Leadership Centre on 4-5 September 2020. Bernard has four children and four grandchildren and wants to make a positive difference to our world.

**Netty Horton, CEO, CatholicCare Greater Melbourne Gippsland****Workshop participant**

Netty Horton joined CatholicCare in 2017 as CEO. She has spent most of her career working with and advocating for people who are disadvantaged across the community. Netty has a master's in public policy, is a Churchill Fellowship recipient, and a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, and has had vast community and not-for-profit experience. Previous positions include Territorial Social Programs Director for the Salvation Army, Southern Territory General Manager of Community Services for St Vincent de Paul Society's Aged Care and Community Services, and CEO of the Council to Homeless Persons. Netty has served as chair of the Ministerial Advisory Committee on Homelessness, and as a member of the Prime Minister's Council on Homelessness. She is also currently a member of the Federal Aged Care Sector Committee.

**Peter Hudson, Network and Member Support Coordinator, Catholic Social Services Victoria. Liturgy coordinator and forum participant**

Peter Hudson has been involved in Catholic education, community development and spiritual formation for the past 40 years. His qualifications and experience are in education, human resources and spirituality. He has been Network and Member Support Coordinator at Catholic Social Services Victoria (CSSV) for the past five years where he has developed and delivered a range of workshops on the principles of Catholic Social Teaching to member organisations at board, management and personnel levels. He has also contributed to the wide range of CSSV programs, conferences and documentation that have been offered across the Catholic sector during this time. Peter brings to his involvement a passion for justice, his commitment

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	<p>to networking and his desire to support people in the Catholic social services sector effectively in their quest for quality reflection and informed action.</p>
	<p><b>Katherine Juric, Risk Consultant, Catholic Church Insurance Limited</b> <b>Workshop presenter</b></p> <p>Katherine Juric has been a Risk Consultant for Catholic Church Insurance Limited (CCI) for the past 3.5 years delivering strategic and operational risk management consulting for clients across the health, aged care and education sectors, parishes and religious orders. Her key projects with CCI include work health and safety reviews in the education and aged care sectors, risk control reviews for parishes, introduction of automated risk management databases for clients and involvement in World Youth Day 2019. She has 13 years experience in the areas of work health and safety, return-to-work and risk management in the following industries: hospital and medical, pharmaceuticals, and warehousing, distribution and logistics. Katherine has a Master of Psychology, Bachelor of Social Science (major in Psychology) and Graduate Diploma in Safety Science, and is qualified as a Principal Auditor Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems.</p>
	<p><b>Helen Kennedy, Chief Operations Officer, VACCHO</b> <b>Forum presenter</b></p> <p>Helen Kennedy is a proud descendant of the Trawlwoolway and Plairmairrener clans from North East Tasmania, with strong extended Aboriginal kin and family networks across Victoria. She is currently the Chief Operations Officer of the Victorian Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisation (VACCHO), the peak body for Aboriginal health and wellbeing in Victoria, having held this role since February 2019. She has worked in Aboriginal Affairs for over 25 years in senior capacities across the Aboriginal community-controlled sector as well as government, health, mental health, education and community services. She has a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology as well as postgraduate qualifications in community development and a master's degree in education. Two of Helen's former roles include working as the Assistant Director of Aboriginal Health and Wellbeing and the Principal Policy Adviser for Aboriginal Social Emotional Wellbeing for the Victorian Government's Department of Health and Human Services. Prior to these positions, Helen worked for the Victorian Aboriginal Health Service for seven years as the Family Counselling Services Manager. She is a well-known advocate for addressing underlying trauma and increasing investment to support integrated and wrap-around service models. She also advocates for cultural healing and culturally responsive therapeutic approaches. In 2019, she was asked to represent VACCHO as an expert witness as part of the Royal Commission into Victoria's mental health system. Helen has been a Director of several organisations, including the Yappera Aboriginal Children's</p>

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	<p>Centre, Victorian Aboriginal Child Care Agency and Indigenous Leadership Network of Victoria, and is a founding member of the Melbourne Stars Basketball Club.</p>
	<p><b>Michael King, CEO, CentaCare Kimberley Workshop participant</b></p> <p>Michael King has spent the past 25 years working in the social services sector. Over that time, he has focused a lot of energy on trying to develop new and different ways of providing meaningful service responses able to support people faced with multiple life challenges. For much of those 25 years, he has had the privilege of working with Aboriginal people, both as colleagues and service users, representing most Aboriginal skin and languages groups from across Western Australia. He says, "Each day I come to work I am constantly amazed at the strength and resilience that is consistently displayed by people accessing our support services".</p>
	<p><b>Anne Kirwan, CEO, CatholicCare Canberra and Goulburn Workshop presenter</b></p> <p>Anne Kirwan is a Registered Psychologist with over 20 years experience in the social services sector, and has held the position of Chief Executive Officer of CatholicCare Canberra and Goulburn since 2014. Anne commenced her career working in homelessness services, and has overseen youth, employment, mental health, disability and aged care services during her time with CatholicCare. Anne has held various board positions, including being the President of Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drug Association of the ACT, and is currently on the Catholic Social Services Australia NSW/ACT Branch Committee. Anne holds tertiary qualifications in psychology, leadership and adult mental health, and recently completed the Australian Institute of Company Directors course. She is currently completing her MBA, and is a passionate supporter of the Canberra Raiders.</p>
	<p><b>Rhonda Lawson-Street, Director, CatholicCare Sandhurst Workshop presenter</b></p> <p>Rhonda Lawson's career in the community and government sectors commenced in 1990 and continues uninterrupted to this day. She has been involved with CatholicCare Sandhurst since June 2017 and in the previous 20-plus years performed ten related roles that saw her display her skills and acquire experience in strategic planning, business development, change management, stakeholder engagement, cross-sector partnerships, and program delivery. Rhonda brings a strong focus and true commitment to social justice, collaboration at all levels, organisational and sector development, and empowerment to those experiencing disadvantage.</p>

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## Bronwyn Lay, Ecological Justice Project Officer, Jesuit Social Services Workshop presenter

Dr Bronwyn Lay is the Ecological Justice Coordinator for Jesuit Social Services and the Coordinator of the Climate Change Exchange at RMIT University. With a background in criminal and family law, she completed her doctorate on international land governance at the European Graduate School in 2014. She subsequently worked as a legal consultant for international NGOs and expert organisations on environmental crime, was the Director of the Caux Dialogue on Land and Security in Geneva, and published in a wide variety of forums on the subject of ecological justice. Her book *Juris Materiarum: Empires of Earth, Soil and Dirt* was released in 2016.



## Sheree Limbrick, CEO, Catholic Professional Standards Ltd Briefing presenter

Sheree Limbrick has been inaugural Chief Executive Officer of Catholic Professional Standards Ltd (CPSL) since July 2017. She has led the CPSL team to develop and publish National Catholic Safeguarding Standards and to develop and roll out a national training and development program for Church personnel to support implementation of the Standards. She also has overseen the development and commencement of safeguarding audits in Catholic entities. With more than 25 years experience in child, youth and community services, Sheree is an experienced senior executive, having led organisations in the areas of accreditation and continuous quality improvement, service development and innovation, strategic planning and organisational development. She is committed to organisational accountability, transparency and integrity, and brings experiences in leading initiatives which have helped organisations listen to, and learn from, the experiences of children and vulnerable adults.



## John Lochowiak, Manager, Aboriginal Services, Centacare Catholic Family Services and Head, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, Adelaide. Workshop presenter

Uncle John Lochowiak was born in Coober Pedy and is an initiated Man. He has strong ties to many language groups throughout Australia, including the Pitjantjatjara, Kaurna, Ramindjeri and Arrernte. Uncle John is Manager of Aboriginal Services at Centacare Catholic Family Services, Head of Aboriginal Catholic Ministry in Adelaide and Chairperson of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council. He has previously been a Vice-President of the South Australian State Council of the St Vincent de Paul Society and is now the State Council Consultant on Indigenous matters.

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**Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv, Diocese of Parramatta****Panelist**

Bishop Vincent Long OFM Conv was installed as the fourth Bishop of Parramatta in June 2016. Born in Vietnam, he became a professed Conventual Franciscan friar (OFM Conv) in 1984 and studied for the priesthood in Melbourne. After his priestly ordination in 1989, he was sent to Rome for further studies and was awarded a licentiate in Christology and spirituality from the Pontifical Faculty of St Bonaventure. He served as an assistant and then parish priest for seven years in Kellyville (Diocese of Parramatta) and for seven years in Springvale (Archdiocese of Melbourne) before being elected Superior of the Order of Friars Minor Conventuals in Australia in 2005. He served as Assistant General in Rome from 2008 until 2011, responsible for the Asia-Oceania section of his order. From 2011-2016, he was Auxiliary Bishop of Melbourne. During that period, he was Episcopal Vicar for Justice and Peace and for Social Services and Chair of the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria. Nationally, he serves as the Bishops' Delegate for Migrants and Refugees and is Chair of the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council. Bishop Vincent is the first Vietnamese-born bishop to lead a diocese outside of Vietnam and the first Vietnamese-born bishop in Australia.

**Josh Lourens, Executive Director, Catholic Social Services Victoria****Panel participant**

Josh Lourens is the newly appointed Executive Director of Catholic Social Services Victoria. Previous to this, he was the coordinator of the Catholic Alliance for People Seeking Asylum (CAPSA) for a number of years. Josh is a member of the Board of the Brigidine Asylum Seekers Project and a Director of the Arena Foundation. He plays music with Melbourne-based band 'The Fainters'.

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## **Esmai Manahan, General Manager, Aboriginal Service Development, MacKillop Family Services. Workshop presenter**

Esmai Manahan is a proud Yorta Yorta/Gunditjmara Aboriginal woman and was appointed in June 2018 as the General Manager of Aboriginal Service Development at MacKillop Family Services (MFS). Esmai is a trauma- and family therapy-trained professional (Graduate Certificate in Family Therapy, La Trobe University), including working in a team of trauma-informed professionals at the Bouverie Centre, Institute of Family Therapy. In her current role, Esmai is responsible for the oversight of cultural safety and cultural competence within MFS and advocating for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, young people and families, particularly the most vulnerable in the areas of child protection and out-of-home care. Esmai was the recipient of the 2002 Victorian Indigenous Businesswoman of the Year Award, is a life member of the Margaret Tucker Youth Refuge, and a member of the Congress of Aboriginal Peoples. She continues to be actively involved and committed to community activities. Her greatest passion is family, continuing to be very involved with her four children and eight grandchildren, and with interests that include, but are not limited to, Aussie Rules football, cooking and travel.



## **Sister Cabrini Makasiale, psychotherapist, Catholic Social Services, Otara, New Zealand. Workshop presenter**

Cabrini Makasiale is of Tongan and English background and was born and raised in Fiji. She lives in a community of Catholic women with religious vows in South Auckland. She has a solid background as a psychotherapist, counsellor, tutor, supervisor, spiritual director and group facilitator. She has written and contributed to many texts and publications on Pacific life, drawing from her colourful life experience, professional career and intensive ongoing studies. Cabrini was awarded a Pacifica Excellence Award for Education in the Community from the University of Auckland (2006). It is her vast learning, experience and theological background that have contributed to the development and culmination of the Pacific Living without Violence Training the Trainor Program. She believes the Pacific person needs to be met, first at the point of faith, spirit and meaning before being invited to the place of cognition and science if lasting healing and transformation is to occur.



## **John McCarthy QC, Chair, Sydney Archdiocesan Antislavery Task Force Panelist**

John McCarthy is Chair of the Sydney Archdiocesan Antislavery Task Force. He was Australian Ambassador to the Holy See from 2012-2016. During his diplomatic service at the Holy See, he was closely involved with human rights issues, particularly the eradication of modern slavery and human trafficking,

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	<p>a cause which Pope Francis has made a worldwide priority. John was also heavily engaged in conferences and consultations in Rome during 2015 in respect to the Sustainable Development Goals. Since returning to Australia, he has remained engaged in the anti-slavery cause and since May 2017 has been Chair of the Task Force. The Report of the Task Force was delivered to the Archbishop of Sydney in January 2018 and Archbishop Fisher has publicly announced acceptance of its recommendations on supply chains, education and community engagement. John lives in Sydney and is married with six children and seven grandchildren. He was a senior barrister (Queen's Counsel) and briefed in many notable cases, including the first recognition of Native Title on the Australian mainland. He has been involved in many and varying public and Church affairs, including university governance, sports and arts administration, legal and professional committees, and international and disaster relief activities. He is a graduate in arts/law from the University of Sydney, where he served as a Fellow of the Senate (1995-2010) and Pro-Chancellor (2005-2010). His postgraduate education in law was at the University of Virginia.</p>
	<p><b>Lisa McDonald, Group Mission Leader, St Vincent's Health Australia Workshop presenter</b></p> <p>Lisa McDonald is the Group Mission Leader of St Vincent's Health Australia (SVHA). In this role she has a broad range of responsibilities including leading a national mission team to deliver formation to all of the SVHA staff, animating its Inclusive health program which outreaches to those on the margins of society and ensuring that its mission, values and ethics remain central in all that it does. Lisa commenced employment in community media and worked as a TAFE teacher and volunteer manager in local government before pursuing opportunities in corporate training and then in ministry. She commenced her path towards Catholic health and mission leadership following her graduation in 1996 from a communications (journalism) degree. On completion of her master's degree in theological studies, Lisa moved with her family from Sydney to Melbourne. Her previous roles in the Catholic Church have included parish youth work, diocesan consulting and pastoral associate work before joining the SVHA family. Lisa recently completed a Doctorate in Ministry (Transformational Leadership) through Boston University School of Theology. She is married to Mark, an Anglican Minister, and they have two teenage sons, Jesse and Aidan.</p>

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## **Gabrielle McMullen AM, Emeritus Professor, Australian Catholic University Workshop and briefing participant**

Professor Gabrielle McMullen AM joined the Faculty of Medicine at Monash University and was appointed Dean of its Catholic residence, Mannix College, in 1981. She was then Rector of Australian Catholic University's Ballarat campus from 1995-2000 and its Pro- and Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic) until early 2011. From 2011-2017 she was a Trustee of Mary Aikenhead Ministries. Aside from her academic work, Gabrielle's community contributions have encompassed membership of education, health, theology and community service boards. Her current roles include chair of the Australian Catholic Council for Pastoral Research and of Diocese of Sale Catholic Education Ltd, member of the Divine Word University Council, of the University of Divinity Council and of the Missionary Sisters of Service Stewardship Council, Trustee of the Opening the Doors Foundation and President of the Australian Association of von Humboldt Fellows.



## **Hamish Mepham, social worker, Dunedin, New Zealand Workshop presenter**

Hamish Mepham is a social worker from Dunedin, New Zealand. In this capacity he works alongside fathers and men to help them fulfil their potential and guide them toward social remedies. As a father, he does the same thing for his kids. "As a husband, I do what I'm told", he says!



## **Robyn Miller, CEO, MacKillop Family Services Workshop presenter**

Dr Robyn Miller is a social worker and family therapist with over 30 years experience in the community sector, government and child protection. She was a senior clinician and teacher for fourteen years at the Bouverie Family Therapy Centre, La Trobe University, and part of an innovative team working with families who have experienced trauma and sexual abuse. From 2006-2015 Robyn provided professional leadership as the Chief Practitioner within the Department of Human Services in Victoria, and has also worked as a consultant with the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse. She is currently the CEO of MacKillop Family Services, one of the largest providers of specialist services to vulnerable and disadvantaged children, young people and their families in Victoria, New South Wales and Western Australia. Robyn serves as Deputy Chair of Catholic Social Services Australia, and is a Board Member of Catholic Professional Standards Ltd and the Association of Children's Welfare Agencies in NSW.

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	<p><b>Mark Monahan, Executive Officer, Edmund Rice Services – Mount Atkinson Closing commentator</b></p> <p>For the past five years, Mark Monahan has been the Executive Officer of Edmund Rice Services – Mt Atkinson, a community-based service in the growth corridor of Melbourne's western suburbs. He has qualifications and 20 years work experience to enable him to combine recreation and social work as a 'tool' for community capacity building. Mark convenes the Catholic Social Services Victoria Emerging Leaders group and is a board member of his three children's primary school on the Surf Coast. His current role has him striving to foster interconnected partnerships between land developers, local government, community agencies, schools and the local neighbourhood to respond to community concerns such as social cohesion, isolation, strengthening families, migrant and refugee settlement, and trauma.</p>
	<p><b>Tony Nicholson AM, leading housing advocate Workshop presenter</b></p> <p>Tony Nicholson has been a front-line social worker and a senior executive in the social services and policy sector and has 30 years-experience in leadership of diverse and complex community organisations.</p>
	<p><b>Sam Patterson, Director of Community Engagement, MacKillop Family Services Forum participant</b></p> <p>Sam Patterson brings a unique balance of legal and communications experience to his role as Director of Community Engagement at MacKillop Family Services. He worked as a litigation lawyer and communications consultant for twelve years, before his passion for social justice and the rights of children led him to Save the Children. He has since led teams responsible for marketing, communications, stakeholder engagement and fundraising at the Cancer Council Victoria and the Alannah and Madeline Foundation, and has been a board director at the Victorian Deaf Society. Outside of work, Sam hones his storytelling skills every night with his two children, Ethan and Grace.</p>
	<p><b>Sally-Anne Petrie, Pastoral Coordinator, CatholicCare Greater Melbourne Geelong Gippsland. Workshop presenter</b></p> <p>Sally-Anne Petrie is a pastoral coordinator at CatholicCare Greater Melbourne Geelong Gippsland. She coordinates a program that offers transitional housing, welcome and simple practical supports to vulnerable asylum seeker families, through partnerships with local parish communities. It has been a blessing to witness how these housing and hospitality experiences enrich the lives of all involved. This work offers Sally-Anne diverse learning opportunities, to reflect and draw on her own postgraduate study in faith leadership and her previous work experiences as a primary</p>

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	<p>school teacher and parish pastoral associate, along with her lived experience as a mother of four young adults.</p>
	<p><b>Mark Phillips, CEO, CatholicCare Sydney</b> <b>Workshop presenter</b></p> <p>Mark Phillips has been the CEO of CatholicCare Sydney since 2016. He has a broad background in international financial markets and a proven track record in establishing, managing and growing businesses. His executive roles have included being Managing Director of ASX-listed companies and holding senior positions with a major Australian bank. For the past few years, he has been a director and chairman of a variety of commercial and not-for-profit organisations, e.g. the End Street Sleeping Collaboration and the Cancer Council NSW. Prior to this, he has had a long involvement in social services, charities and not-for-profit agencies, mainly in a voluntary capacity.</p>
	<p><b>Felicity Rorke, Executive Director, Good Samaritan Inn</b> <b>Workshop participant</b></p> <p>Felicity Rorke has been working in the community services sector for over 25 years and has both a bachelor and master's degree in social work. She has worked in local government, state government and both local and international not-for-profit organisations. Most of her work has been in providing practice, policy and management in the area of responding to family violence. Prior to becoming the Executive Director of the Good Samaritan Inn, she was on its Board of Directors.</p>
	<p><b>Camilla Rowland, Chief Executive Officer, Marymead</b> <b>Workshop participant</b></p> <p>For the past 26 years Camilla Rowland has worked in the community services and health sectors in executive, management, clinical and educational roles and was appointed CEO of Marymead in August 2015. Previously, she was CEO of a drug and alcohol rehabilitation organisation in the ACT and surrounding NSW region (which included a family program), and Executive Director of the Community Services Division of a large charity. She is passionate about a community development approach to benefitting vulnerable children, young people and families, which seeks to develop collaboration across health and community services and the Not-for-profit/commercial sectors, as well as addressing cross-sector and cross jurisdictional border challenges.</p> <p>Camilla has worked in regional, rural and national movements in the sectors, as well as having experience with the development of partnerships both local and rural. As part of her commitment to transforming the lives of vulnerable people, she is currently President of the ACT Council of Social Services and was previously President of Families ACT, Vice President of the</p>

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	<p>Alcohol and Other Drugs Association ACT, and the ACT delegate to the Friends of the National Rural Health Alliance. Camilla is a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and holds a Bachelor of Social Welfare (social work), postgraduate qualifications in adult education and executive leadership, and a human resources management advanced certificate.</p>
	<p><b>Ursula Stephens, Chief Executive Officer, Catholic Social Services Australia</b> <b>Mary MacKillop Oration and briefing presenter</b></p> <p>Dr Ursula Stephens has a long personal and professional commitment to the social services sector. She is a passionate advocate for social inclusion and the Not-for-profit sector. She served in the Australian Senate for twelve years, including as Parliamentary Secretary to the Prime Minister for Social Inclusion and the Voluntary Sector, negotiating the National Compact and supporting efforts from Government and the sector to establish the Australian Charities and Non Profit Commission. Ursula has been an adult educator, senior public servant, small business owner and social entrepreneur. She chairs the Code Authority of the Fundraising Institute Australia, is a Visiting Fellow and Director at the Australian Centre for Philanthropy and Non Profit Studies at QUT, and served on the Board of the School for Social Entrepreneurs Australia for three years. She holds a doctorate in public administration and brings strong leadership and governance experience to her role. Ursula has a deep understanding of the Catholic Social Teaching principles that underpin the work of the Catholic social services member network. She is a thought leader in the areas of social innovation and entrepreneurship. Born in Ireland, Ursula's joys are Irish music, poetry and literature.</p>
	<p><b>Maryanne Stivactas, Coordinator Communities for Children, CatholicCare Sandhurst. Workshop presenter</b></p> <p>Maryanne Stivactas is the Program Coordinator for the Greater Shepparton Communities for Children initiative. She is passionate about her local community and believes that an early intervention and prevention approach will lead to positive sustainable change. She has endeavoured, with support from the local community, to maximise the impact of the program by identifying key health and wellbeing issues, and rallying mainstream and universal services around these issues to create change for children and families.</p>

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**Francis Sullivan, Chairman of the Board, Mater Group****Keynote speaker**

Francis Sullivan is the Chairman of the Board of the Mater Group, playing a leading role in its One Mater Project. Prior to this, he was Chief Executive Officer of the Truth Justice and Healing Council and Secretary General of the Australian Medical Association. Francis is committed to equity and justice and has been highly successful in bringing a social conscience to the political debate on health and aged care issues. He spent 14 years as the Chief Executive Officer of Catholic Health Australia, speaking for 73 private and public hospitals and more than 500 aged care services across Australia. Previously, Francis was senior adviser to the Minister for Health in Western Australia. He has a master's degree in theology from Loyola University in Chicago and a bachelor's degree in politics from Curtin University in Western Australia. In 2008 the Australian Catholic University awarded him an honorary doctorate for his work in public health advocacy.

**Michael Tonks, Director, Catholic Social Services Dunedin, New Zealand****Workshop presenter**

Michael Tonks is Director of Catholic Social Services Dunedin. He is 'Dad' to four amazing adult daughters and 'Pop' to three grandkids. He has worked to support positive family life through most of his career and developed the Game On parenting course and services for fathers as a way to help families.

**Lana Turvey-Collins, Plenary Council Facilitator****Briefing presenter**

In November 2017 Lana Turvey-Collins began working with the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference to facilitate a three-year process of listening, dialogue and discernment about the future of the Catholic Church in Australia. Prior to this appointment, Lana worked as the Program Manager for Mission Formation and Professional Development for Catholic Mission. She has studied in the areas of mission, theology and Church, and holds bachelor degrees in commerce and arts and a master's degree in development and human rights. Before joining Catholic Mission, Lana worked with corporate businesses and their executive teams on leadership, implementation of vision and values, and organisational culture. She has lived and worked in Zambia, Peru, Timor-Leste and Japan.

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**Claire Victory, National President, St Vincent de Paul Society National Council of Australia. Panelist**

Claire Victory lives in Adelaide and started volunteering with the St Vincent de Paul Society at age of 10, including helping in Vinnies shops and visiting elderly people in their homes. She also got involved over the years with youth camps and conference work, joined the National Council in 2011 and was elected National President in March 2019 (for a 4-year term). Claire is the first woman, first South Australian and youngest person to hold the National President role in Australia. She has worked as a solicitor in private practice with Duddy Shopov Lawyers in Adelaide for 12 years, practicing mostly in employment and workers compensation. She is passionate about addressing inequality in Australia – all people should have a place to call home, access to adequate education and healthcare, and access to safe, properly paid employment and adequate income support when not working. Additionally, Claire has helped to run the Adelaide Adrenaline ice hockey club.

**Clint Wardle, Manager, Children, Youth and Family Services, CatholicCare Sandhurst. Workshop presenter**

Clint Wardle has worked in the children, youth and family services sector for over 30 years, including in child protection and youth justice, Department of Health and Human Services (Community Services Victoria) and in the non-government sector in youth services, homelessness and out-of-home care services. His current role includes management of the Family Services and Youth Justice Group Conferencing for the Loddon Mallee Region. Clint has a particular interest in restorative justice and the positive role it can play with young people and victims and communities, particularly in small rural settings. His experience with the youth justice program has shown him many examples of the benefits of the program and how the model could be expanded into other settings. These include education, workplace and community sites, where an experienced and independent convenor can provide an approach that focuses on problem-solving harm done and how that might be repaired.

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## **John Warhurst AO, Chair, Concerned Catholics Canberra Goulburn Workshop presenter and participant**

John Warhurst AO is Emeritus Professor of Political Science at the Australian National University in Canberra with special expertise and research experience in Australian government, politics and policy. He is a member of the Governance Review Project Team attached to the Implementation Advisory Group of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference and Catholic Religious Australia as well as Chair of Concerned Catholics Canberra Goulburn. He has served on many national Church boards and advisory councils over the past 25 years, including for the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council, Catholic Social Services Australia, Marist 180 and Caritas Australia. He has also served on the Senate of the University of New England, as chair of the Australian Republican Movement and as president of Christians for an Ethical Society. He is a regular columnist for *The Canberra Times* and *Eureka Street* and a frequent media commentator. He was educated at St Ignatius College, Norwood, South Australia, and has a doctorate from the Flinders University of South Australia. In 2009 he was made an Officer in the Order of Australia for services to political science and the community. He is married to Joan Warhurst and they have two children and three grandchildren.



## **Henry Williams, Reintegration Team Leader, Centacare Kimberley Forum Presenter**

Henry Williams is the Reintegration Team Leader for Centacare Kimberley. He was born in the Torres Straits. His language groups are Kala Lagaw Ya and Meriam Mir (near Western and Eastern Islands). He has an Advanced Diploma in Primary Health Care and Community Services and was the first Indigenous male health worker in the Douglas Shire Multi-Purpose Health Service in Mossman, where he spent two years. He was then Senior Officer at Alcohol Tobacco and Other Drugs Services in Cairns for two years, followed by a two-year term at Kimberley Mental Health and Drug Service. He spent 6 years as a Red Cross Programs Officer in Derby and one year as Senior Aboriginal Programs Officer in the Department of Justice. Henry now resides in Broome with his partner and four children.

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	<p><b>Andrew Yule, General Manager, Strategic Communication and Engagement, Jesuit Social Services. Forum panelist</b></p> <p>Andrew Yule has more than 17 years experience working for social change organisations. He is passionate about connecting the lived experience of vulnerable and marginalised Australians with sound policy and research to advocate for long-term change. Andrew has taken a senior role in campaigns to improve youth justice, child protection, mental health services and affordable housing using media, social media and other public engagement strategies to deliver success. He has previously worked as a freelance journalist, radio presenter and short-film maker.</p>
	<p><b>Debra Zanella, CEO, Ruah Community Services (WA) and President, Western Australian Council of Social Services. Keynote speaker</b></p> <p>With more than two decades' experience in the health and community service sectors, Debra Zanella is a passionate advocate for practical and decisive action to disrupt cycles of social disadvantage. She is a graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, and currently Chief Executive Officer of Ruah Community Services and President of the Western Australian Council of Social Services. Debra also holds a position on Western Australia's East Metropolitan Health Service Board. She was a founding member of the WA Alliance to End Homelessness and is a member of the Australian Alliance to End Homelessness. Her current work has a particular focus on addressing complex issues relating to mental health and wellbeing, and ending homelessness and family violence.</p>
	<p><b>Barney Zwartz, journalist and Senior Fellow, Centre for Public Christianity Forum panelist</b></p> <p>Barney Zwartz was a journalist with <i>The Age</i> for 32 years, and worked in roles including letters editor, opinion editor, chief sub-editor, and religion editor, the latter for the last 12 years of his time with Fairfax. Winning several awards, he covered two papal conclaves in Rome, the clergy sexual abuse crisis, and issues around Islam, among other subjects. He retired in 2013, but still writes about classical music and opera for <i>The Sydney Morning Herald</i> and <i>The Age</i>, and has a regular faith column for <i>The Sunday Age</i>. Barney is also Senior Fellow of the Centre for Public Christianity, and a media consultant to the Anglican Primate of Australia, Melbourne Archbishop Philip Freier. He is married to author Morag Zwartz, with whom he has four children.</p>