

Mission: one heart many voices conference 2023



## MOHMV Conference Participants' Actions for Mission

In early May 2023 over the three days of the Mission: one heart many voices conference, participants listened, discussed, discerned and decided on **Actions for Mission** that they would take in their efforts to "**Lead, Act, Now**" for Mission.

The following resource endeavours to capture some of these **Actions for Mission** that were shared during the concluding sessions of the conference. They are a brief expression of deeper listening, dialogue, conversation and discernment.

The design of this resources tries to capture the spirit, energy, good will and commitment of all involved. There is a simple yet complex reality to these **Actions for Mission** and the fruits of them will be a blessing for all involved.

As such these **Actions for Mission**, contribute to God's mission for all of us, and the 'journey together' we are on at this significant time for Catholics, their communities and all people. At Pentecost this year the document 'Carrying Forward the Plenary Council' was shared and on June 22nd the 'Instrumentum Laboris' for the Synod for a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission 2021 – 2024 was released.

These **Actions for Mission** are a wonderful response, in a unique and special way to the issues, concerns, hopes and dreams of all the people of God in Australia and around the world.

May these pages be a reflective inspiration for you to 'Lead, Act, Now' for Mission.

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Listen, listen, listen

Be an **advocate** for the sisters as they prepare to meet God

Remain part of the **praying**Church

To keep **exploring** mission

Listening – reaching out with a listening heart, moving out to **margins** 

To try to de-mystify the terms – 'formation', 'synodality', 'truth-telling' consciously. Using seamless language

To incorporate a **SYNODAL** outlook as we engage in an Educating with a Mission lens program

**Engage** in DEEP listening for all I'm already engaged in.

Making connection – building relationships and to create a better community/church

To help students find a deeper **understanding** as to why we fundraise

To **integrate** and embed my learning from MOHMV conference

**Contribute** to breaking down the barriers/ boundaries that exclude our people from ownership of the mission

To learn the stories of the people: 'to take ownership' to find passion to advocate for those in need

To **establish** more avenues for deep listening and quality storytelling for years to come in our diocese

Use **story telling** more in formation. Story telling is a powerful way to connect

Being synodal in our current **practices** using the language

To listen and understand the **mission** of the sisters I work with

Encouraging others to **build** a "ministry of encouragement"

To keep sharing my passion to spread the **Word** through the legacy and charism of Mary MacKillop and all she stood for

**Creating** spaces for young people to step into, to show up!

Develop a **spirituality** of accompaniment

Help students identify what SJ looks like and develop a sense of justice in everyday life. Students to become brave, courageous, strong

**Empower** all! No matter who they are

To be as helpful as possible so that our seminaries will have **fruitful** formation

**Assist** with East Coast Aboriginal rite

A celebration of All Saints Day connecting **people** inside and outside of the parish

K-12 school context: Bring 'our church's mission' to our community by adding information items to publications. **Share** the 'mission' daily through technology





To **encourage** all delegates at MOHMV to promote the Yes campaign. Using Dean Parkin's arguments and key points. Counteract the media and politicians' rhetoric

Planning a music forum across the diocese as a formative tool to **unite** Catholic Education Masses and liturgies and parishes through new and appropriate music

To create a space for storytelling that is open to the public and ponders the big questions of **life** and faith

Reaching out to **welcome** refugees

**Dialogue** with others regarding the Voice to Parliament

Sharing ways to be more environmentally friendly and conscious. In the Laudati **little leaps** (school context)

To give the time to listen to the others story with **humility** and without judgement

Mission month calendar of events

We need to work **together** for God's Mission – to build connections

To listen to the cry of the earth and contribute to the **needs** of the earth

Gather representatives from each of the worshipping communities to **gather** and listen to their sharing of their story

Continue building strong relationships with students and teachers. Work towards a stronger social **justice** identity at college

Care for our Common Home – To promote/encourage Diocesan action towards action around climate change eg Laudato Si **Plan** 

Not loosing my **passion** for God and Church. Being Church one person at a time

I will pray to stay focused on becoming **Christ centred** and reach out to others in need with love

Synodality – spaces, more focused discussion of **inclusion** of disparate voices social services staff and volunteers, aged care, casuals in Catholic orgs)

Develop RAP with SOSJ

To listen and **empathise** with others

To **attract** young people to the church

**Understand** and promote synodality in my diocese

Always being led by first nations peoples when working **together** 

Remain part of the praying Church

Press release to secular media – 'Good News' stories

Process for **transforming** the Province that creates a space for each person to tell their story with confidence and trust

Creating and offering spaces of dialogue and curiosity

Words have power to **connect**. To keep encouraging the use of language that connects!

Try to understand why so many people find the **Eucharist** to be irrelevant and then encourage needed change

Make an inviting space for priests for conversation and accompaniment. Start with **yourself** and your enthusiasm. Begin with individual relationships. Ask for story

Creating and developing strong **friendship** in the parish to be apostles together

Speak up – being informed walking with **indigenous** peoples supporting and spreading their issues

I will engage with our local priest, in conversation about how we might involve more lay people in the life of the parish

To provide a variety of formation for mission training **opportunities** for the senior leadership team of parish

**Seeking** unity – bringing everyone along on the Synodal journey

Empowering local experts – opening access to Synodal way

Listen and be open to a new way of thinking about mission which may involve reinventing the way we 'mission' and make faith connections with staff and students

Adult formation – help make church attractive for those who have fallen away

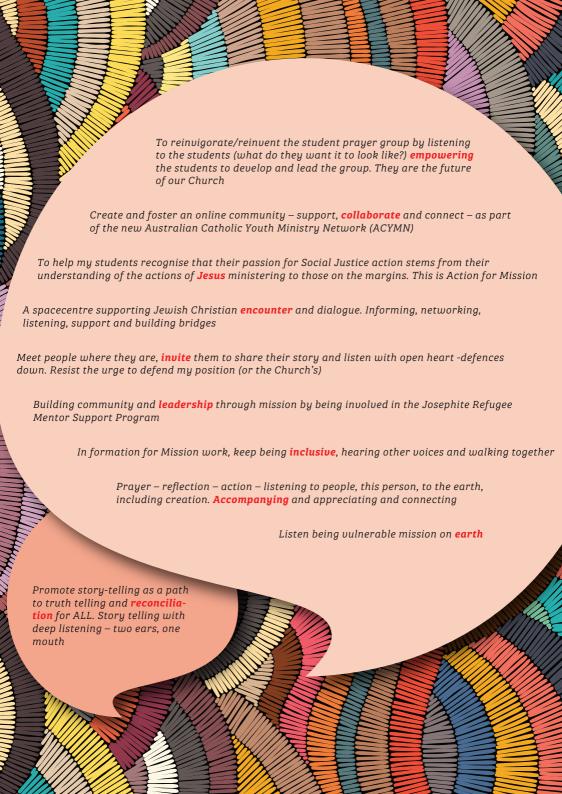
Form a youth ministry giving a **space** for young people to share

Listening and acting as RAP Group and work to focus on the Voice and referendum

A mission of **encouragement**. Conversations with colleagues, friends, relatives, parish, catechists, people who teach now – through letters, phone calls, cards, cuppas etc

Create opportunities for an **encounter** with Christ

Develop and share a Sandhurst Youth Ministry You Tube series on **hospitality** – sharing meals and memories together



Developing **interculturality** dialogue in parish

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Listen to stakeholder through a survey – listening/being with one on one

K-12 College: Learnings, listening opportunities to students, staff and families

Deep **listening**, open to new ways of church, building relationships

Being synodal in our current practices and using the **language** 

To love my family, **open** to others who may not agree with me

Build relationships, be contextually **aware**, connect with people

To **broaden** the tent of my parish

A community- based **family** connect group

**Advocacy** for the Voice – in the parish context

Greater pressure for those on the big part of the page

Laudato Si Action Platform – like a mustard see' (e-newsletter) via parish and Grail members

Endeavour to live out my mission in word, action, through learning, listening and **praying** and sharing

To **give** prominence to the Voice

Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP)

Create links between Mission and Mercy Charism, action, for formation I deliver to staff in Mercy schools

 ${\it God/Eco-justice}\ {\it focus}\ {\it at}\ {\it college}.$ 

Goal to support **ecology** at the college in the school context

To become a **vulnerable** listener to hear the context in which people live and minister

To raise a positive, accurate understanding of The Voice in general community as well as Church

Get parishioners to **engage** with and hear stories of Indigenous people at local parish level

To establish a "Reconciliation Team' in the works of **healing**; to engage the parish and school communities in the works of reconciliation; to know the local elders; to listen to stories and truth telling

