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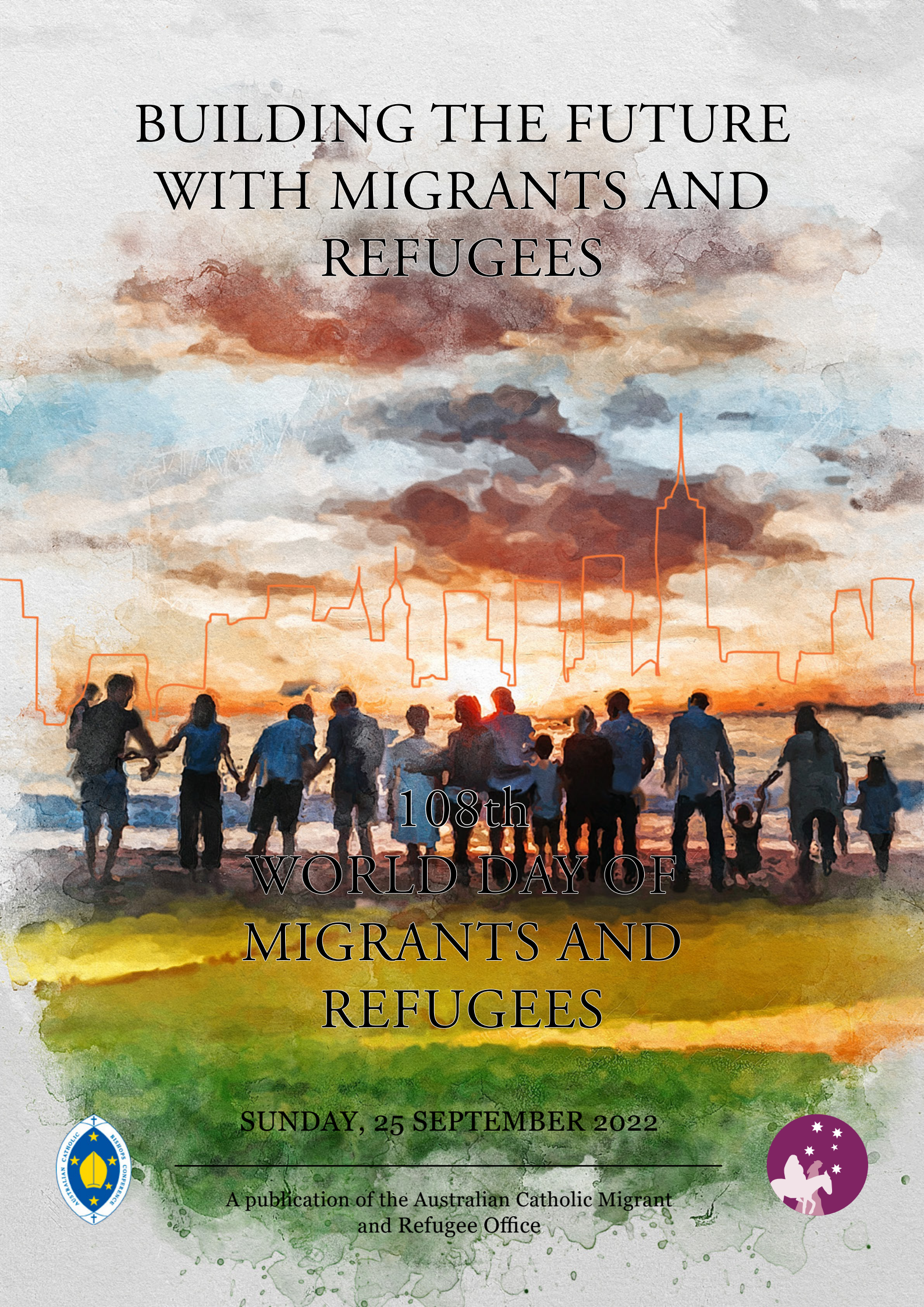

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# Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2022

## *Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees*

"Here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come." (*Heb* 13:14)

Dear brothers and sisters!

The ultimate meaning of our "journey" in this world is the search for our true homeland, the Kingdom of God inaugurated by Jesus Christ, which will find its full realization when he comes in glory. His Kingdom has not yet been brought to fulfilment, though it is already present in those who have accepted the salvation he offers us. "God's Kingdom is in us. Even though it is still eschatological, in the future of the world and of humanity, at the same time it is found in us."[1]

The city yet to come is a "city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God" (*Heb* 11:10). His plan calls for an intense work of construction, in which all of us must be personally involved. It involves a meticulous effort aimed at personal conversion and the transformation of reality, so that it can correspond ever more fully to the divine plan. The tragedies of history remind us how far we are from arriving at our goal, the new Jerusalem, "the dwelling place of God with men" (*Rev* 21:3). Yet this does not mean that we should lose heart. In the light of what we have learned in the tribulations of recent times, we are called to renew our commitment to building a future that conforms ever more fully to God's plan of a world in which everyone can live in peace and dignity.

"We wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home" (*2 Pet* 3:13). Righteousness is one of the building blocks of God's Kingdom. In our daily efforts to do the Lord's will, justice needs to be built up with patience, sacrifice, and determination, so that all those who hunger and thirst for it may be satisfied (cf. *Mt* 5:6). The righteousness of the Kingdom must be understood as the fulfilment of God's harmonious plan, whereby in Christ, who died and rose from the dead, all creation returns to its original goodness, and humanity becomes once more "very good" (cf. *Gen* 1:1-31). But for this wondrous harmony to reign, we must accept Christ's salvation, his Gospel of love, so that the many forms of inequality and discrimination in the present world may be eliminated.

No one must be excluded. God's plan is essentially inclusive and gives priority to those living on the existential peripheries. Among them are many migrants and refugees, displaced persons, and victims of trafficking. The Kingdom of God is to be built *with them*, for without them it would not be the Kingdom that God wants. The inclusion of those most vulnerable is the necessary condition for full citizenship in God's Kingdom. Indeed, the Lord says, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

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1 Saint John Paul II, *Address during the Visit to the Roman Parish of Saints Francis of Assisi and Catherine of Siena, Patrons of Italy*, 26 November 1989.

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me a drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, sick and you took care of me, in prison and you visited me" (*Mt* 25:34-36).

*Building the future with migrants and refugees* also means recognizing and valuing how much each of them can contribute to the process of construction. I like to see this approach to migration reflected in a prophetic vision of Isaiah, which considers foreigners not invaders or destroyers, but willing labourers who rebuild the walls of the new Jerusalem, that Jerusalem whose gates are open to all peoples (cf. *Is* 60:10-11).

In Isaiah's prophecy, the arrival of foreigners is presented as a source of enrichment: "The abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, and the wealth of the nations shall come to you" (*Is* 60:5). Indeed, history teaches us that the contribution of migrants and refugees has been fundamental to the social and economic growth of our societies. This continues to be true in our own day. Their work, their youth, their enthusiasm and their willingness to sacrifice enrich the communities that receive them. Yet this contribution could be all the greater were it optimized and supported by carefully developed programs and initiatives. Enormous potential exists, ready to be harnessed, if only it is given a chance.

In Isaiah's prophecy, the inhabitants of the new Jerusalem always keep the gates of the city wide open, so that foreigners may come in, bringing their gifts: "Your gates shall always be open; day and night they shall not be shut, so that nations shall bring you their wealth" (*Is* 60:11). The presence of migrants and refugees represents a great challenge, but at the same time an immense opportunity for the cultural and spiritual growth of everyone. Thanks to them, we have the chance to know better our world and its beautiful diversity. We can grow in our common humanity and build together an ever greater sense of togetherness. Openness to one another creates spaces of fruitful exchange between different visions and traditions, and opens minds to new horizons. It also leads to a discovery of the richness present in other religions and forms of spirituality unfamiliar to us, and this helps us to deepen our own convictions.

In the new Jerusalem of all peoples, the temple of the Lord is made more beautiful by the offerings that come from foreign lands: "All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered to you, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister to you, they shall be acceptable on my altar, and I will glorify my glorious house" (*Is* 60:7). As we have seen, the arrival of Catholic migrants and refugees can energize the ecclesial life of the communities that welcome them. Often they bring an enthusiasm that can revitalize our communities and enliven our celebrations. Sharing different expressions of faith and devotions offers us a privileged opportunity for experiencing more fully the catholicity of the People of God.

Dear brothers and sisters, and, in a special way, young people! If we want to cooperate with our heavenly Father in building the future, let us do so together with our brothers and sisters who are migrants and refugees. Let us build the future today! For the future begins today and it begins

with each of us. We cannot leave to future generations the burden of responsibility for decisions that need to be made now, so that God's plan for the world may be realized and his Kingdom of justice, fraternity and peace may come.

**Prayer**

Lord, make us bearers of hope,
so that where there is darkness,
your light may shine,
and where there is discouragement,
confidence in the future may be reborn.

Lord, make us instruments of your justice,
so that where there is exclusion, fraternity may flourish,
and where there is greed, a spirit of sharing may grow.

Lord, make us builders of your Kingdom,
together with migrants and refugees
and with all who dwell on the peripheries.

Lord, let us learn how beautiful it is
to live together as brothers and sisters. Amen.

*Rome, Saint John Lateran, 9 May 2022*

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## ARCHBISHOP CHRISTOPHER PROWSE

Chairman

Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry

Dear Friends,

The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year's 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2022 is BUILDING THE FUTURE WITH MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES.

When Christians think of the future, it is not simply about the near future but also about our eternal future.

In His Death and Resurrection, Jesus has begun THE journey with us. It is the pilgrimage from unfolding the Kingdom of God in the here and now (the "already") to the total embracing of the entire universe under his forgiving mercy and love (the "not yet").

In his message, Pope Francis insists that this universal future is to be taken with the conscious accompaniment of our migrants and refugees. How can we build a future with Jesus without them?

There is so much for us to respond in embracing God's future on our journey. There is "personal conversion and the transformation of reality". We must never "lose heart". "No one must be excluded ... especially those living on the existential peripheries".

Migrants and refugees, too often on the peripheries of life, are never to be seen as "invaders or destroyers". They are always "a source of enrichment". They come to us "bringing their gifts". So many are Catholics who "can energize the ecclesial life of the communities."

In Australia, a country built on migrants and refugees, we can still overlook the newer Australians to our midst. The Pope insists that "if we want to cooperate with our heavenly Father in building the future, let us go together with our brothers and sisters who are migrants and refugees".

This is such an important teaching of Pope Francis that we can all well do to reflect more intensely on this special day.

## Story by Eh Doh Soe

Employment in Tamworth

Eh Doh Soe aka "James" was born and grew up at the Thai Refugee Camp until he was 18 years old. He and his family arrived in Melbourne in 2008. James got married and settled in Dandenong and had a small family with two young girls. In January 2020, James and his family decided to move to Tamworth because of family connections. His first job in Tamworth was at the Baiada agro processing. He didn't like his job much so he moved to Thomas Food International (TFI) and worked there for nearly a year.

Work in the meat abattoir is hard and back-breaking. A lot of migrants from all backgrounds go to the meat works as a first point of job entry as it does not require a lot of English and pays well. For someone coming from overseas and wanting to start a new life in regional Australia, this is the job of choice.

Northern Settlement Services (NSS) heard that Nyman's Smash Repair was looking for workers. They have job vacancies and could not find any reliable person to do their powder coating. Hearing this, NSS mentioned it to James who was a bit unhappy at TFI especially with very early working hours and working in a very cold environment.

He was open to new job opportunities and wanted to move on. Having told him about the vacancy they were introduced to Ben, powder coating manager at Nyman's. His interviews went quite well and was told to start in two weeks' time. James was assigned to work at the powder coating. James has been at this job for four months now.

Ben is extremely happy with his work and work ethics. He is always on time and has not missed a day's work. He is quite conscientious in what he does. This shows his eagerness to learn a new trade in Australia as well as his ability to learn new skills.

A great contribution to our community in Tamworth especially when all industries here in Tamworth are looking to fill vacancies as Tamworth develops to be a new 'industrial 'gateway in the Northwest.

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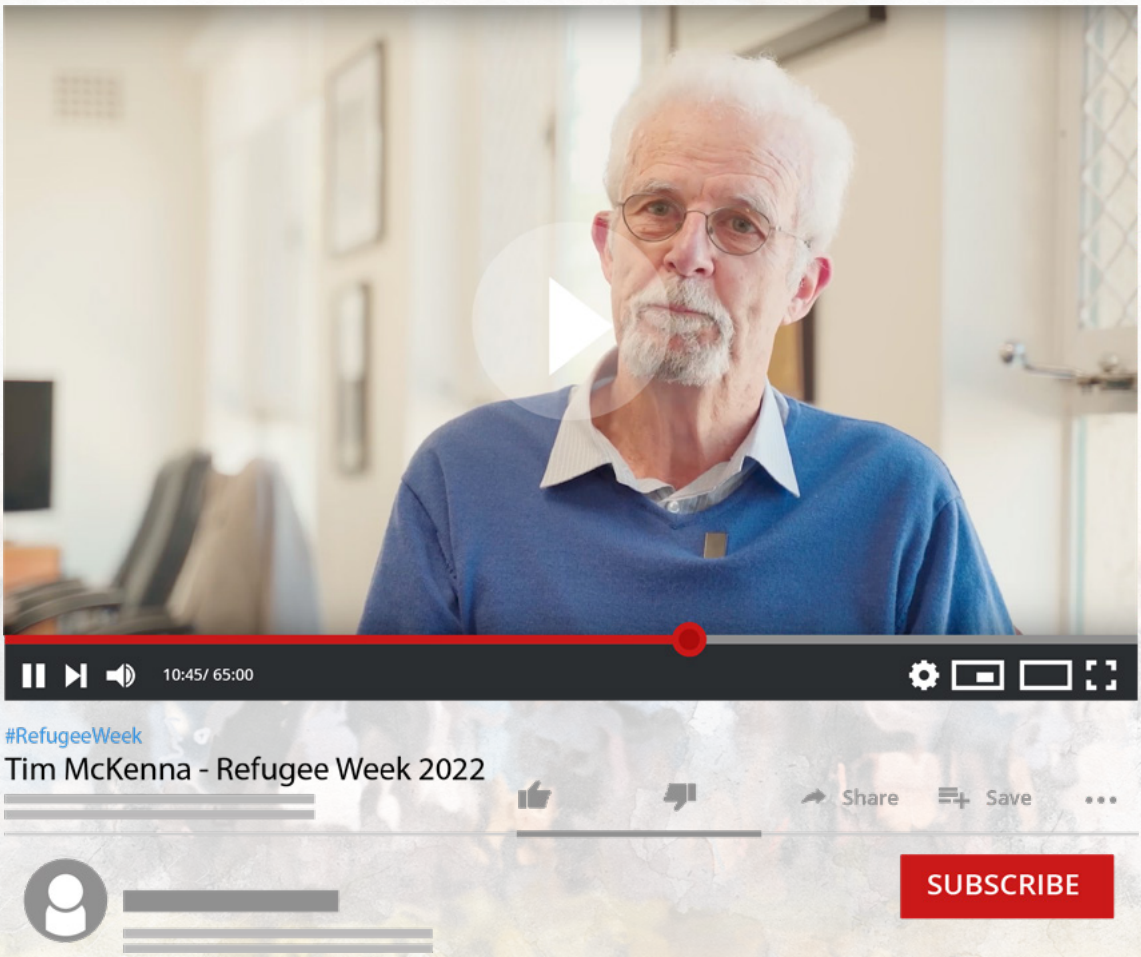
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## Parishes and Stakeholders Providing Pastoral Care for Seasonal Workers

Parish Picnic
All Saints Parish, Port Augusta
Catholic Diocese of Port Pirie SA

Seasonal workers at Port Augusta have had a difficult year. Their six-months rotation began in September 2019 and March 2020. They have been here working for more than two years without a holiday and without seeing their spouses and children, except on the phone screen.

This year, COVID-19 went through their overcrowded cabin accommodation (three to a bedroom, nine to a cabin) followed by a string of deaths of close relatives - young and old - back home in Timor. They worry about their future as some were being offered four-year contracts by tomato farm owners and others are stuck on two-month contracts.

All Saints Parish Pastoral Council wondered what we could do for our friends to cheer them up. We thought of a Parish Picnic at Adrian and Naomi Maloney's farm "Nowhere Else", located at Willochra Plain.

Mass was celebrated at the shearing shed and offered the intentions of Catholics, Protestants, Buddhists, Hindus and agnostics. Twelve nationalities in all. The Mass was followed by lunch where you are back for seconds and thirds. Vietnamese orange balls were a culinary hit, as were the lamb chops and bawans.

As the main event, Adrian lined up to shear the first sheep. The jostling for position was fierce. More photos and videos than the Platinum Jubilee. Joe from the NET team "had a go" but seems to be staying with his current job. Young Lachlan tossed the fleece on the classing table for Naomi to explain the wool classer's art. Adrian described the major shortage of shearers, as the rate is $4 per sheep. Shearers who can do between 120 and 200 sheep a day are provided with meals. Everyone was doing the math: $800 a day versus $20.97 an hour in a hothouse? We need a Shearer's Training Visa. There's no shortage of interested Timorese.

Thank God for the simplicity of hospitality, friendship and kindness. Local communities can make seasonal workers feel special and get a good feeling at the same time. Thanks to the Holy Spirit who continually move ACMRO and ACRATH to help make life more dignified for the people who come across the sea to keep our primary industries afloat.

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**Reflection for 108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2022**
**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2022 – Year: C**

Amos 6:1,4-7 1 Timothy 6:11-16 Luke 16:19-31

Imagine that life's major goal suddenly reverses. In a card game called Fluxx, the objective might abruptly switch from 'World Peace' to 'Bread and Chocolate', and players need to adjust accordingly. And in the readings today, we Christians are called to be part of God's Great Reversal, to realign and to live differently.

The passage from Amos, from around the 8th Century BC, still speaks to us powerfully today. It paints a picture of wealthy and uncaring citizens from the capital cities of the southern and northern kingdoms. They live in luxury while "the ruin of Joseph" occurs all around them. Inevitably, they will be taken away into exile; their prosperity cannot last.

In Australia right now, we see the same attitude in those who want to preserve "our way of life" at the expense of the desperate and the destitute. The wealthy and privileged may appear to have a pristine environment, but it will not last. Eventually, illness, violence, the effects of climate change and death will affect us all. Residents who are migrants and refugees can alert us to the realities of injustices in our world, and the obligations we all have to address them. One day, we will all experience hurt and we will all need to change, so let us learn from the stranger about how to survive and grow. From the affluent to the apprentice: this is a Great Reversal.

Psalm 145 follows the theme of justice, and clearly names God as a champion both of the oppressed and the needy; they are known and loved in God's sight. In the ancient world, the stranger was one of the three categories that lacked legal protection. But what moves us to challenge the systems that maintain these wrongs today?

The words from the First Letter to Timothy can help us. Christians are called to be "saintly and religious, filled with faith and love, patient and gentle." Yet that does not mean being subservient or silent. Rather, the next sentences encourage us to fight and witness to the truth: that good must triumph over evil. From the passive to the passionate: this is a Great Reversal.

Finally, the Gospel shares this message in the form of a story. Jesus only once names a character in his parables, and this one is Lazarus. He does not say that Lazarus is especially virtuous or 'deserving' or that the rich man is mean or greedy. However, the rich man's fault in the eyes of God is to ignore the suffering that is before him.

So are we also surrounded by Lazaruses at our gates, both in person and in the immediacy of the media. Each one has a name and a story. Perhaps it is the elderly neighbour who came to Australia as a professional, but was only able to find menial work. Perhaps it is the stranger praying earnestly at Mass, who gradually reveals their refugee journey. Each person can become for us not just an outsider, but a hero.

Australia's Plenary Council challenged us all to listen to the experiences and wisdom of those on the margins of our society and our Church. And just like the rich man, these encounters will also bring us life. We will flourish in our cultural diversity, and we will be enriched in our celebrations and liturgies. As Pope Francis says in his Message, "the arrival of Catholic migrants and refugees can energize the ecclesial life of the communities that welcome them." From the irritation to the inspiration: this is a Great Reversal.

So let us realign our goals today, and celebrate those who have come as migrants and refugees. May we help raise up those who are bowed down, so that "the Lord will reign for ever, Zion's God, from age to age."

# Prayers of the Faithful

**Leader:** Sisters and Brothers, it is the Lord who keeps faith for ever. As we give witness to the values of the source of all life, we turn to God in trust.

**Reader:** For Pope Francis and the universal Church.
May we build the Reign of God alongside migrants, refugees, and all who are on the peripheries of our world. Lord, hear us.

**All:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Reader:** For our government and civil leaders.
May they prioritise care and compassion for those who seek a welcome in our land, release those who are unjustly imprisoned and create a society of inclusion and equality. Lord, hear us.

**All:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Reader:** For those who have migrated to Australia, and their families.
May they not be despised or ignored, but appreciated for their gifts and invited to share their lives and experiences. Lord, hear us.

**All:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Reader:** For those who have come to Australia seeking asylum or safety.
May they be treated with gentleness, supported to heal from their trauma, and embraced in their rich diversity. Lord, hear us.

**All:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Reader:** For our local communities.
May we demonstrate Gospel values as we overturn injustices and lift up those who are bowed down. Lord, hear us.

**All:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Reader:** For those who have died, and for those who anniversaries occur at this time.
May those who have fought the good fight enter the joy of eternal life, revealed by God, the blessed and only Ruler of all. Lord, hear us.

**All:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**Leader:** Almighty God, your son Jesus was rich but became poor, making us rich out of his poverty. Inspire us to share our riches with our neighbours and find healing and strength in our encounters. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

**All:** Amen.

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# School Ritual Prayer – Primary

108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2022
'Building for the Future'

*Preparation* The Leader has prepared a prayer focus with a candle, cross and items from different cultures and countries. There is also a set of building blocks (or lego) at the front. Four Assistants are prepared to create a simple structure from the blocks, with one person starting and each new person adding parts to it. There is one Leader and six Readers.

*Introduction*

Leader: Today we come together for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees. We remember how hard it is for people to travel to a new place and we celebrate the wonderful different cultures that we have in Australia. When we all share our gifts and talents, we create a better world for everyone. Let us begin with an Acknowledgement of Country.

Reader 1: We acknowledge the people who have cared for this special sacred land for thousands of generations. We thank them for their wisdom and leadership, and we pray that we can build on their foundations to honour the spirit of God's country.

Leader: Let us now join in the hymn, All Are Welcome.

*Opening Hymn*
*All Are Welcome* by Marty Haugen (GIA Publications)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N9bOiAxwi4U

**GATHERING**

*Call to Prayer*

Leader: Let us begin:
+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

*Opening Prayer*
Leader: Let us pray in the words of Pope Francis … (pause) …
Lord, make us bearers of hope,

so that where there is darkness,
your light may shine,
and where there is discouragement,
confidence in the future may be reborn.
Through Christ our Lord,

All: Amen.

**LISTENING**

Leader: Let us now listen to a story from the bible about Abraham, who had to go to another country and learn to trust in God.

*Scripture*

Reader 2: A reading from the letter to the Hebrews [11:8-10, International Children's Bible].

It was by faith Abraham obeyed God's call to go to another place that God promised to give him. He left his own country, not knowing where he was to go. It was by faith that he lived in the country God promised to give him. He lived there like a visitor who did not belong. He lived in tents with Isaac and Jacob, who had received that same promise from God. Abraham was waiting for the city that has real foundations – the city planned and built by God.

… (pause) …

**RESPONDING**

*Ritual Response*

Leader: Abraham was waiting for the city planned and built by God. I wonder what that city would look like? Let us start with one person building.

[Assistant 1 starts building with the building blocks.]

Reader 3: When we start building with one person, we remember our own part to play. Pope Francis says that the future begins with each one of us.
We pray that we will have the courage to help build God's city.
Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

[Assistant 2 joins in building with the blocks.]

Reader 4: When we build with one more person, we remember our ancestors in this land and what we have learned from them. We pray that we will walk together with our Aboriginal brothers and sisters. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

[Assistant 3 joins in building with the blocks.]

Reader 5: When we build with three people, we remember the value of each other, as everyone is different. Pope Francis calls this "beautiful diversity". We pray that we will create community by valuing everyone. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

[Assistant 4 joins in building with the blocks.]

Reader 6: When we build with one more person, we remember how God asks us to welcome the migrants and refugees, so that everyone is included. Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

[Assistants finish the construction.]

Leader: And see the wonderful structure that we build when we all work together!
We gather all these prayers by joining in with the Our Father:

All: Our Father...

*Closing Prayer*

Leader: So let us conclude with the final part of the prayer of Pope Francis:

All: Lord, make us builders of your Kingdom,
together with migrants and refugees
and with all who live on the edges.

Lord, let us learn how beautiful it is
to live together as brothers and sisters.
Amen.

**SENDING FORTH**

*Blessing and Dismissal*

Leader: May the God of welcome bless and protect us, + Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Leader: And let us go in peace to build the Kingdom of God!

All: Thanks be to God!

Recessional hymn

*Be God's* by Danielle Rose (AOV NextGen)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pvddWibgS2E

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# School Ritual Prayer – Secondary

108th World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2022
'Building for the Future with Migrants and Refugees'

*Preparation* The Leader has prepared a prayer focus with a candle, cross and items from different cultures and countries. There is one Leader and seven Readers.

*Introduction*

Leader: Today we come together for the World Day of Migrants and Refugees. We remember the difficult journeys that people have to make, and how hard it can be to start again in a new country. We also remember the gifts of all the different cultures and how they have enriched our lives in Australia. Pope Francis calls this "beautiful diversity". In his letter for the World Day, he asks us to build the future together with migrants and refugees, a place of inclusion and harmony, so it ends up looking just like the Kingdom of God.

Let us begin with an Acknowledgement of Country.

Reader 1: We acknowledge the people who have cared for this sacred land for thousands of generations. We acknowledge the wisdom and leadership of the elders: past, present and emerging. We thank them for the foundations they have built and we pray that we can join together in a spirit of justice and reconciliation for God's land into the future.

**GATHERING**

Call to Prayer

Leader: Let us begin:
+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

*Opening Prayer*

Leader: Let us pray in the words of Pope Francis … (pause) …
Lord, make us bearers of hope,
so that where there is darkness,
your light may shine,
and where there is discouragement,
confidence in the future may be reborn.

Lord, make us instruments of your justice,
so that where there is exclusion, solidarity may flourish,
and where there is greed, a spirit of sharing may grow.

Through Christ our Lord,

All: Amen.

**LISTENING**

Leader: Let us now listen to the story of Abraham, who migrated to had to go to another country and learn to trust in God.

*Scripture*

Reader 2: A reading from the letter to the Hebrews [11:8-10, Good News Bible].

It was faith that made Abraham obey when God called him to go out to a country which God had promised to give him. He left his own country without knowing where he was going. By faith he lived as a foreigner in the country that God had promised him. He lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who received the same promise from God. For Abraham was waiting for the city which God has designed and built, the city with permanent foundations.

… (pause) …

Leader: Let us now watch a video that explains a little bit more about life as a foreigner like Abraham.

*Video*

Either:

- Who is a Migrant?
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yRPfM5Oj-QA
- or What is the difference between a migrant and a refugee? https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3e08v5GN__s

**RESPONDING**

*Prayer Response*

Leader: So let us pray to our God, who calls us to be builders and bearers of hope.

Reader 3: For Pope Francis and the whole Church.
May we build the Kingdom of God alongside migrants, refugees, and all who are on the margins of our world.
Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 4: For our government and civil leaders.
May they give care and compassion for those who seek a welcome in our land, release those who are unjustly imprisoned and build an inclusive and equal society.
Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 5: For those who have migrated to Australia, and their families.
May they not be despised or ignored, but appreciated for their gifts and invited to share their lives and experiences.
Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 6: For those who have come to Australia seeking asylum or safety.
May they be treated with love, supported to heal from their trauma, and embraced in their wonderful diversity.
Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Reader 7: For our school community.
May we be instruments of God's justice as we build the future of hope together.
Lord, hear us.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Good and loving God, your son Jesus taught us that no one should be excluded.
Inspire us to welcome the stranger and work together for the city that you have designed. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

*Closing Prayer*

Leader: So let us conclude with the final part of the prayer of Pope Francis:

All: Lord, make us builders of your Kingdom,
together with migrants and refugees
and with all who dwell on the margins.
Lord, let us learn how beautiful it is
to live together as brothers and sisters. Amen.

Amen.

## SENDING FORTH

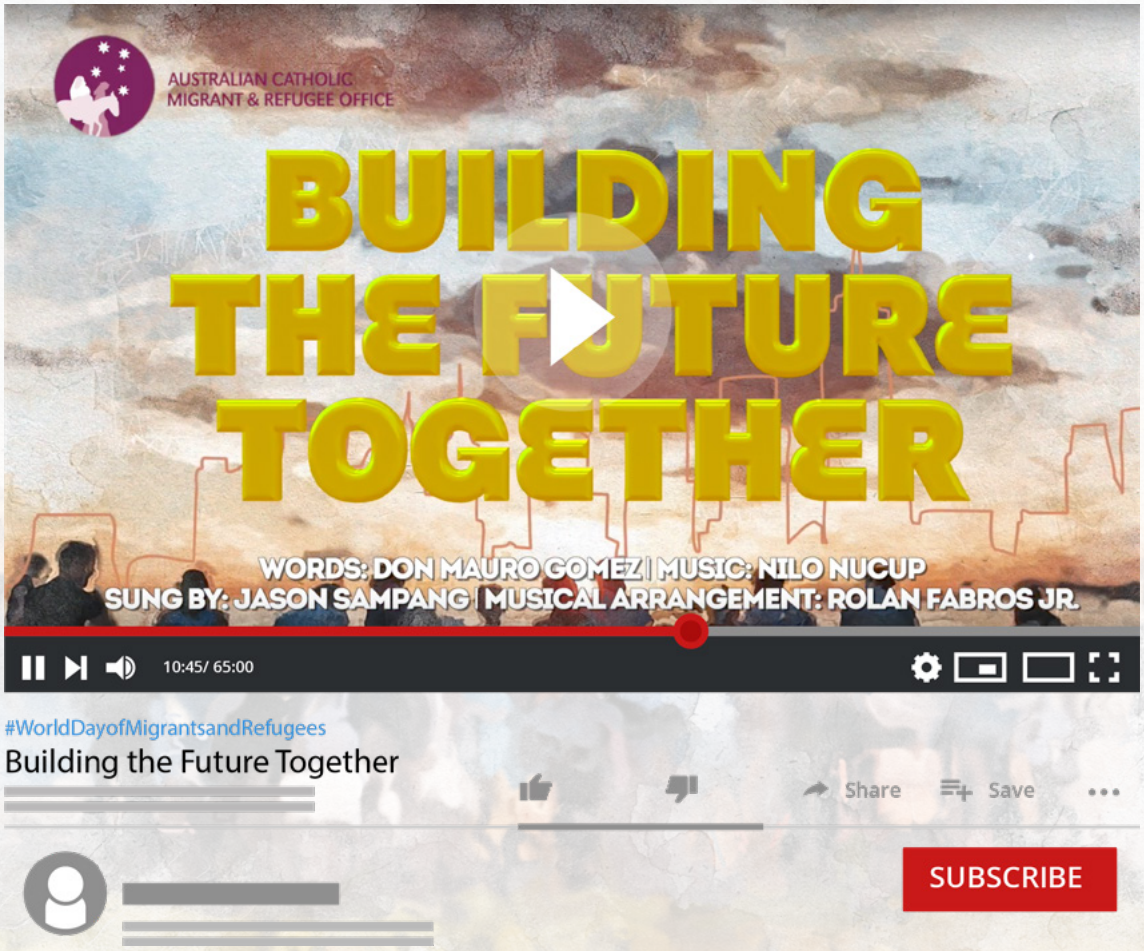
*Blessing and Dismissal*

Leader: May the God of welcome bless and protect us,
+ Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
All: Amen.

Leader: And let us go in peace to build the Kingdom of God!
All: Thanks be to God!

Recessional hymn

*A Place at the Tabe* by Lori True and Shirley Erena Murray (AOV NextGen)
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-C3PXPG0zCw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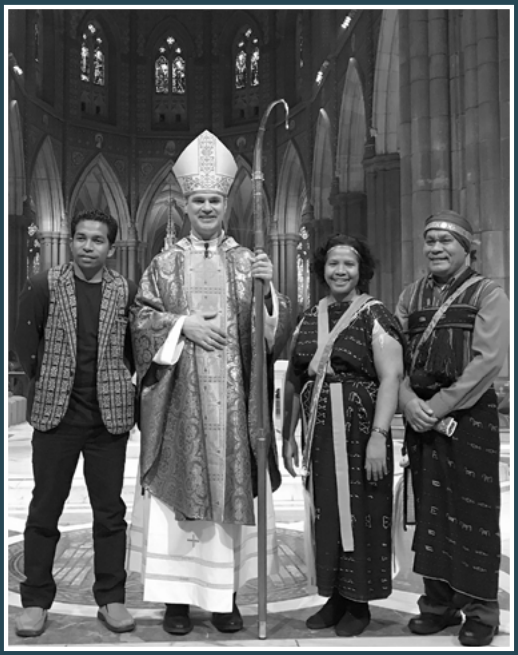

# Migrant & Refugee Sunday Mass

## Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees

Join with migrant communities from all over Melbourne at **St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne**

**SUNDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2022**

**ROSARY 2PM**

Rosary in various languages

**MASS 3PM**

Mass celebrated by Archbishop Peter A Comensoli and Migrant Chaplains of the Archdiocese of Melbourne

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CAPSA
CATHOLIC ALLIANCE FOR PEOPLE SEEKING ASYLUM

**The Catholic Alliance for People Seeking Asylum (CAPSA)'s National Week of Prayer and Action**

***We can build a better future right now, together, wherever we might be.***

Each year, CAPSA holds a **National Week of Prayer and Action (NWPA)** to engage the Australian Catholic community across schools, organisations and parishes, to take action and stand in solidarity with people seeking asylum.

This year **CAPSA's National Week of Prayer and Action** will focus on **actions we can take now, that will help build the future we want: an Australia that welcomes people seeking asylum and treats them with humanity and compassion**.

NWPA will run **from Sunday 25th September 2022** (*World Migrant and Refugee Sunday*) **to Friday 30th September**.

There will be **two key areas of focus** for the week that concentrate on **how we can build a better future right now, together, wherever we might be**. These include:

- supporting refugees in our own communities, and
- taking practical steps to advocate for issues affecting the lives and futures of refugees and people seeking asylum.

The week will be themed around 'prayer and reflection' or 'action and advocacy' – so there's something for everyone!

Further details on this year's National Week of Prayer and Action can be found online at: www.capsa.org.au/nwpa_2022

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# Online Diploma in Pastoral Care of Human Mobility

## Description

The Diploma is structured in two levels, a basic and an advanced level. All courses are offered in three languages: Italian, Spanish and English. Each level consists of five annual courses, with virtual lessons every 15 days. All the courses offered use the "reading course" method.

## Intended for

Religious, priests, seminarians and lay people already working in pastoral care with migrants, refugees, displaced persons, victims of trafficking, seafarers, itinerants and their families. The programme is also open to those preparing or interested in working in this specific area of pastoral care.

## When

The courses take place from November to June. Enrolment closes in October.

## Basic Level

- Introduction to the Migration Phenomenon
- Protection and Promotion of Human Rights in the Context of Migration
- Migration in the Old Testament: Human Experience and God's Design
- The Teaching of the Church and the Pastoral Care of Human Mobility
- Pastoral Care in Migratory Contexts: Foundations and Methodologies

## Advanced Level

- A Theological Reading of the Migration Phenomenon
- Migration and Ethical Issues
- Communicating Human Migration: socio-pastoral Challenges and Perspectives
- Migration in the New Testament: foreignness and welcome in the light of the Gospel
- Pastoral Care in Migratory Contexts: for an Integral and Intercultural Action

Del 19 al 22 de septiembre 2022 se celebrará el curso de formación para religiosas Construir el futuro con los migrantes y los refugiados organizado por la Unión Internacional de Superioras Generales y el Scalabrini International Migration Institute y promovido por la Sección de Migrantes y Refugiados del Dicasterio para la Promoción del Desarrollo Humano Integral. El curso, que se impartirá en español, tendrá lugar de forma presencial en la sede de la Sección de 15:00 a 17:00 horas, hora de Roma. También será posible participar en línea.

El curso está dirigido a las religiosas que deseen conocer más a fondo la problemática o quieran formarse para el servicio a migrantes, refugiados y/o solicitantes de asilo, personas desplazadas en su proprio país, víctimas de la trata, itinerantes y sus familias. Las jornadas de formación introducirán la fenomenología del fenómeno migratorio, el marco legal internacional de los derechos humanos y se centrarán en las respuestas que la Iglesia puede aportar.

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