



Catholic Schools Youth Ministry Australia

CSYMA REGIONAL STAFF CONFERENCES 2010

NATIONAL PARTNER



AUSTRALIA

CSYMA is conducting two Australian Regional Conferences for staff in Catholic Secondary Schools in 2010 following its very successful national staff conference held in Canberra in 2009.

The theme for the Staff Conferences -

“THE CATHOLIC SCHOOL AS A CENTRE OF EVANGELISATION”

Details are as follows:

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE MELBOURNE (27-28th May)

Guest speaker for dinner is Dr. Chris Hayes, Headmaster Xavier College Kew

Venue: Mazenod College Kernot Avenue, Mulgave

EASTERN CONFERENCE SYDNEY (12-13th August)

Guest speaker for dinner is Bishop Julian Porteous

Venue: Australian Catholic University, Strathfield

Conference Program:

THURSDAY

6:00pm Mass and Dinner

FRIDAY

8:30am Registration and Opening Prayer

9:00am **Keynote Input**
'Youth Ministry as Discipleship'
(Fr Chris Ryan, MGL and Students from Youth Ministry Teams)

10:30am Morning Tea

11:00am **CSYMA Vision and Implementation**
1. Introduction to Vision for CSYMA
(Peter Woods and Staff Sharings) or
2. Implementation Strategies for Partner Schools

11:50am **Seminars (Choice #1)**
* Dynamic Student Retreat Models
* Engaging Music for young people in School Life
* Student Service and Justice Programs
* Using multi-media in school to impart the Gospel message.
* Catholic Mission in Action

12:40am Lunch

1:30pm **Seminars (Choice #2 from those above)**

2:20pm Feedback & Evaluation

3:00pm Conclude

3:00pm-4:00pm Optional Workshop
Q and A on the CSYMA Curriculum



140 key Educators and Youth Ministry leaders attended from every State and Territory in Australia. Here is what two participants had to say:

CSYMA offers a re-conception of the mission of Catholic schools in our times. The Conference caused me to rethink the relationship between religious education and catechesis in our schools. In the passion and confidence of the youth who shared their faith and life with delegates, we witnessed the fruits of this approach in promoting the integral formation and leadership of young people. I have returned to Parramatta with a renewed hope for the Church.

Greg Wilson, Team Leader Religious Education Parramatta CEO

I thoroughly enjoyed the two days of the CSYMA conference in Canberra. It was as much a retreat as it was a conference, with inspirational and engaging keynote speakers and presenters. The many opportunities for prayer and reflection can only be described as stunning!! It was wonderful listening to the many young presenters who gave authentic witness to their personal faith commitment.

Jenny Foldes, REC All Saints Catholic Boys College Sydney

For further information about the Staff Conferences including booking visit the website:

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