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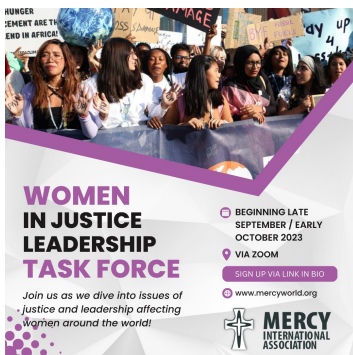
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Reflection: Mercy on the Global Stage

Following the 2023 Mercy Leadership Program and Dublin Pilgrimage, Trustee Director Gabrielle McMullen AM shares her reflections on Mercy's international mission and explores the development of a relationship between MMC and Mercy Global Action.

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Join the Mercy Global Action Women in Justice Leadership Taskforce

Expressions of interest are now open to join the newly established Mercy Global Action task force on Women in Justice Leadership to commence in late September / early October. Applications will close 4 September 2023. We encourage you to learn more about this exciting opportunity!

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Institute of Sisters of Mercy of Australia and Papua New Guinea Chapter

The members of the Institute of Sisters of Mercy of Australia and Papua New Guinea would be grateful for your prayerful support leading up to and during their Chapter, which will be held at Mary MacKillop Place in North Sydney from 7-17 September.

During this significant time, delegates will continue to reflect on our Institute's life and mission and our responses to the Gospel call which motivated Catherine McAuley to found the Sisters of Mercy in 1831. Guided by the Spirit of God, a contemporary focus and emerging direction for ISMAPNG will be articulated. A new Institute Leader and Councillors will also be elected. Among the many

roles of the incoming Leadership will be membership of the Sponsors Representative Group of Mercy Ministry Companions.

Mercy Ministry Companions (MMC)



MMC Trustee Directors visit Cairns

In July, the Trustee Directors of Mercy Ministry Companions spent four days visiting Seville Mercy Conference Centre in Cairns. The Trustee Directors greatly enjoyed the opportunity to tour Mercy Place Cairns (Bethlehem) with Zubair Coovadia, Mercy Place Cairns General Manager, and share morning tea with Sisters of Mercy in the local community.

Stewards: Called, Appointed and Responsible. 2023 AMPJP Forum.

Over two days in August, three Trustee Directors of Mercy Ministry Companions attended the 2023 AMPJP Forum, *Stewards: Called, Appointed and Responsible*, at the Treacy Centre in Melbourne. Attendees spent time in sessions for Ministerial PJPs which sponsor education and health and aged care ministries, discussing the current challenges facing our ministries.



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Mercy Education



A lively evening at St Aloysius College

On 19 July, Trustee Directors Gabrielle McMullen AM and Des Powell AM, along with students and families, College staff and Sisters of Mercy, were delighted to attend the opening night of *Seussical Jr* at St Aloysius College in North Melbourne. The musical production was outstanding, bringing to life the Cat in the Hat, Gertrude McFuzz, the Sour Kangaroo and many other Seussical characters. Warm congratulations to Nadia La Velle, the College's Performing Arts Leader, and all involved in a most successful production!

Mercy Health



Mercy Health says Yes

Following extensive discussion and consultation, Mercy Health has offered an endorsement of the Voice to Parliament and supports the 'Yes' vote in the referendum.

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Mercy Community Services



McAuley celebrates 15 years of supporting community

On 1 August, McAuley Community Services for Women celebrated 15 years of changing lives and tackling complex and

connected problems. In that time, McAuley has built on an extraordinary legacy to support more than 13,000 women and children who have faced family violence and homelessness, to take control of their lives.

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Mercy Connect supports Food Bowl Program

A \$20,000 donation from Mercy Connect has helped to ensure the much-needed expansion of The Amaranth Foundation's Regional Food Bowl Program. The [Amaranth Foundation](#) is a rural not-for-profit organisation, delivering programs and therapeutic interventions for people living with disability in rural communities across the Riverina and Murrumbidgee regions in NSW and Victoria.

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Upcoming Seminars

WED 18 OCT

12pm - 3pm (AEDT).

Impact Measurement Tools for Mission Formation

Presented by Jemima Welsh

Via Zoom

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Mercy Ministry Companions acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples as the First Australians.

Our National Office is located on the lands on Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung people of the Kulin nation, and our Ministries operate across the country and across a range of other indigenous lands and clans.

We acknowledge the diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples across this land.

We respectfully recognise Elders both past and present.

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