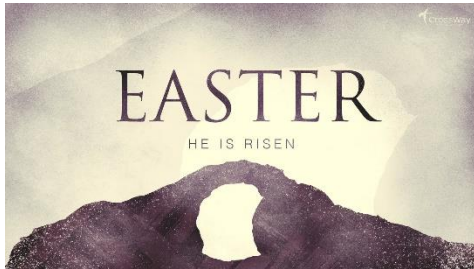


# Vic Exco News Sheet

April 2023



***Hello and Easter greetings from Victorian Regional Exco as we proceed with joy and hope as resurrection people.***

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## Exco News

We have some important information for all to see in this News Sheet and look forward to hearing from you with any news or suggestions.

We say goodbye and thank you to Jim Finlayson who has resigned from Vic Exco due to family and parish commitments and is soon to return to Timor Leste, where he will teach for a few months. Thank you for your work with Exco, Jim, and we wish you every success in the great work you do in Timor Leste.



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## Preparing for the Victorian Region Assembly 2023

### **Important reminder to all groups**

On Sunday July 9th, CLC Victoria will hold its bi-annual Assembly when we reflect on our CLC journey of the past two years, discern movement of the Spirit, and elect our new Region/Victorian Executive Council (EXCO).

We all received an email inviting us to discern with our group, any CLC members we consider could ably serve the Victorian CLC community for the next two years on Vic Exco. This important role helps communication with guides, groups and CLC members and overseeing events occur smoothly. It is a most rewarding way to take on a leadership position within our community.

**Please ensure that your nominations of members for election to Vic Exco for the next two-year period are discerned by your group and submitted by May the 5<sup>th</sup>.**

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## National Guides Formation Session Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May, 7-9pm AEST

For all guides and those who may be interested in learning about guiding a CLC Group.

**Do you have questions about guiding?  
Do you find it a difficult role?  
Do you have ideas to share with others?**

This is an opportunity for CLC Guides across Australia to meet together on Zoom, to share experiences and get input on this important role.

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85006232529?pwd=S3g3QnlkQ2ZvYy91TUxmWHVadEJqdz09>



## World CLC Day Report



Faber House CLC Group presented an excellently organised, energising morning program face-to-face at Loyola College (ex-Faber House) and via zoom on March the 26<sup>th</sup>, beginning with attendees hearing some history of World Assemblies.

James O'Brien led a discussion with two other Assembly delegates, Anna Munari and Noreen Nicholson and Father Andy on: How does the

grace "Lord, help us to go forth; show us the way" speak to you?

The theme of the World Assembly, *Discerning Paths for Hope*, helped all attendees reflect on their collective thoughts and prayer for the success of the World Assembly and beyond. Mass with Fr. Andy and lunch concluded a most successful day. Many thanks to Faber House CLC Group who organised and presented the program.

James gave a great explanation of the origins of CLC and our journey to this forthcoming World Assembly – **recommended viewing, particularly for any people who are new to CLC – see links below**

Video Recording and Music links of the day –  
Recording:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jmrBfx5D4HAlyrRzB6eU0RjmgTCz91C2/view?usp=share\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jmrBfx5D4HAlyrRzB6eU0RjmgTCz91C2/view?usp=share_link)

Music:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rxBki5\\_yrRvL-3Z8e-ZdOf8yfgaoHXTQ/view?usp=share\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rxBki5_yrRvL-3Z8e-ZdOf8yfgaoHXTQ/view?usp=share_link)

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## Preparing for the World Assembly in Amiens, France, August 2023.

### 4 Reflection Sessions for CLC Groups

Session 1	Be Amazed
Session 2	Hear the Cries
Session 3	Imagine Possibilities
Session 4	Be Witnesses of Christ



[2023 World Assembly Group Reflections.pdf](#)

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## Laudato Si Action



### Reflections for groups/individuals

We offer these CLC small group reflections in the hope of contributing to the healing and renewing of our common home.

#### LAUDATO SI REFLECTIONS:

- Overview of Laudato Si Goals
- One – See
- Two – Judge
- Three – Act
- Lectio Divina in Creation

[Introduction to CLC Reflections Laudato Si.pdf](#)

[Laudato Si Reflection One.pdf](#)

[Laudato Si Reflection Two.pdf](#)

[Laudato Si Reflection Three.pdf](#)

[Lectio Divina in Creation.pdf](#)

## The film "The Letter"

Do encourage screenings of this very moving film. Once you register, there are resources for meeting plans. It is a good way for our members to share in their parishes and organizations and to engage people in ecological action.

<https://www.theletterfilm.org/>



## Fr Patrick O'Sullivan SJ, Memorial Service of Thanksgiving

Friday May 12th, 2023 at 6.30pm AEST.  
NEXCO invites us to join the national community in celebrating the life of Fr Patrick O'Sullivan SJ, who served as Vice Ecclesial Assistant for World CLC and Ecclesial Assistant for CLC Australia.

Where:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84393786656?pwd=MnR5ejhYMzE1YkpiaytoR2pTU1h5UT09>

## Palm Sunday Walk for justice for Refugees

CLC members participated in the rally and march in Melbourne, Bairnsdale, and Ballarat, advocating for humane treatment of our asylum-seeking brothers and sisters in Australia and offshore detention who have been waiting many years for fair and just treatment by the Australian Government.



Palm Sunday Vigil Bairnsdale



Palm Sunday Rally Ballarat

## The inside low-down on Pope Francis

Great article from Fr Andy Hamilton SJ

<https://catholicoutlook.org/the-inside-low-down-on-pope-francis/>

## Some Upcoming Events:

### Victorian Region Bi-Annual Assembly 2023

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July at St Joseph's by the Sea Williamstown (NB Change of venue)

### Keystones of CLC Program and an online

**WEXCO 18<sup>th</sup> General Assembly** August 2023, Projects 178: 'A Journey from Amazement to Witness'