

## General Information -

and some details  
for November 2020

# TOGETHER FOR MISSION

An intensive program over two years.



## TOGETHER FOR MISSION

(TFM) is a program for personnel in schools and yourtown, especially those in, or aspiring to, leadership positions at whatever level.

The program runs over four semesters, in four residential 'blocks' of four working days each, plus two days' travel time.

This year, in November, we will be accepting enrolments in a second intake, following a very successful and rewarding start with our first intake in November 2019.

The first block for the 2020 group will be from Sunday 8 November until Friday 13 November, at Rydges Cronulla Beachside hotel, accessible by suburban train from central Sydney and the airport. Sunday and Friday are travel days; Monday to Thursday are working days.



## OUR FOCUS AND APPROACH

The focus for TFM is on the education and wellbeing of young people, and our capacity to work with them. Its aim:

**Together, to enhance our personal and collective capacity to work effectively for the wellbeing and education of young people, especially the most vulnerable.**

Our approach in pursuing this aim is to draw on three major sources of expertise and wisdom:

- ★ the personal and professional experience of participants
- ★ the best of contemporary educational and social research
- ★ our 340 Lasallian years of adapting to the needs of young people in different contexts



## THEMES AND TOPICS

- ★ Young people: their experiences and their needs
- ★ Effective education, and the wellbeing of young people and their educators
- ★ Lasallian spirituality for educators
- ★ The ongoing Lasallian story 1651-2020



## PRESENTERS

To facilitate our sessions we draw on the knowledge and experience of a range of experts in their respective areas: the wellbeing of young people and those who care for them; contemporary developments in education; spirituality; Lasallian research. These include Tracy Adams (CEO, yourtown), John Foley (Principal, St Michael's College Adelaide), Jill Gowdie (author of *Stirring the Soul of Catholic Education*), Br Gerard Rummery (distinguished Lasallian scholar), and members of the Lasallian Mission Services formation for mission team.



## PRACTICAL PROJECT

As well as reading, reflection and discussion of the material presented, each participant in consultation with their principal/manager is encouraged to design and implement a project of practical value within their workplace. Provision is made within the program for participants to work on these projects, and to collaborate with other participants where appropriate.



## ACADEMIC CREDIT

Participants are able to use some or all of the *Together for Mission* program as a basis for a unit within a postgraduate qualification from BBI-The Australian Institute for Theological Education. Discussions are in train with BBI-TAITE regarding particular projects in which TFM work could be completed as part of a Graduate Certificate or Diploma in areas such as leadership. Cross-institutional credit with other tertiary institutions can normally be arranged.



## DAILY STRUCTURE

On the evening of the first (travel) day we gather at the venue for a social and dinner.

On the four working days there are two 90-minute sessions in the morning and another in the late afternoon. These sessions are a combination of input/reading, reflection and discussion.

There are also two informal study sessions each day, which may be used for individual reading, discussion, or work on practical projects.

The program concludes after breakfast on the final day.

To reduce pressure on schools, some blocks may be arranged during the school holidays, at least for some Australian states.



## COST

The cost for the November block will be \$1990, which includes accommodation and meals from Sunday evening to Friday morning.



## APPLICATIONS

After consulting your principal/manager, please contact Br John Cantwell:

[johncantwell@delasalle.org.au](mailto:johncantwell@delasalle.org.au) to request an application form, or for further information.

Applications will close on **Friday May 22, 2020**. While considering the value of representation from all sectors of our District and beyond we will also give favourable consideration to early applications.