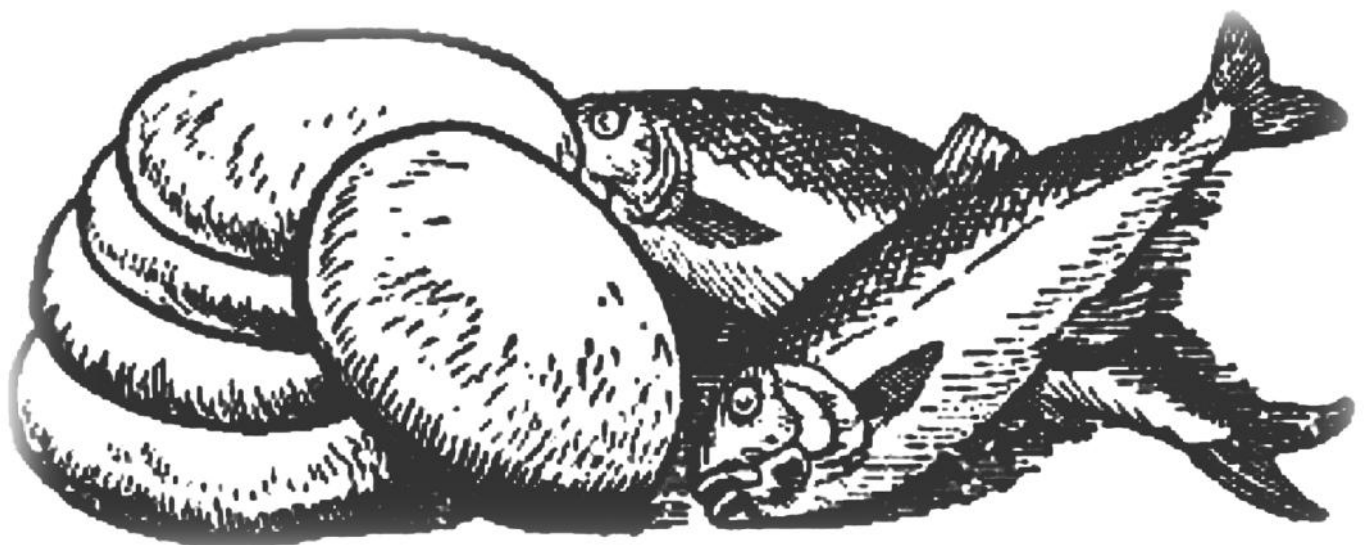


CATHOLIC HIV AND AIDS PRE-CONFERENCE 2014

In conjunction with the 2014 International AIDS Conference in Melbourne Australia

Stepping Up the Pace: Remember the Loaves and Fishes



18 - 20 JULY
2014

Catholic Leadership Centre
East Melbourne

Since the 2012 International AIDS Conference, we have witnessed a decrease in funding for many faith-based care and other community support systems that provide treatment, care and support for people living with HIV and AIDS and their families. Yet we are continually being asked to “do more with less.”

How do we maintain a balance between focused advocacy for our mission and services and the constant requests of those who seek health, healing and the full enjoyment of their God-given dignity?

The multiplication of the loaves and fishes is one of the few miracles that is recounted in all four gospels. The disciples are given a seemingly impossible task. They simply do not have the resources to feed this huge crowd and momentarily are paralyzed. As we gather for AIDS2014, the spirituality of the ‘loaves and fishes’ can be our guide as we strive to “step up the pace”.

Background of Catholic Involvement

Since the 1990s, Caritas Internationalis and the Catholic HIV and AIDS Network (CHAN), collaborating with local Catholic host organizations, have convened pre-conferences for participants in the International AIDS Conferences and other local participants interested in the Catholic Church response to HIV and AIDS.

The Catholic pre-conference offers an opportunity for shared prayer, reflection, networking, learning and experience exchange among persons engaged in the Catholic Church’s response to HIV and AIDS from every region of the world.

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Gather with fellow Catholics working with people affected by HIV and AIDS

Prepare together to get the most out of the AIDS2014 conference

Be fed by new insights and reflections on our common mission

Be refreshed to go out and once again, step up the pace.

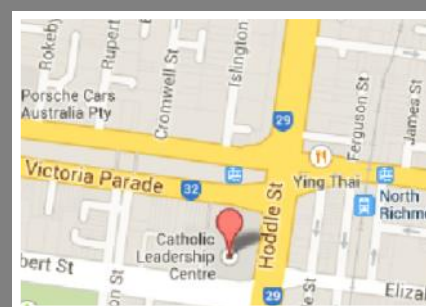
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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Archbishop Philip Wilson DD JCL

Archbishop Wilson grew up in Cessnock, Hunter Valley NSW, and served as a priest in nearby Maitland. He was ordained a Bishop in 1996 when he was appointed by Pope John Paul II as Bishop of Wollongong. Five years later, he became the eighth Archbishop of Adelaide. In 2006, Archbishop Wilson was elected President of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference and subsequently re-elected for a second term. He has been elected Vice President of the conference twice since then and is currently Chairman of the Bishops Commission for Justice, Ecology and Development.



Rev Rick Bauer MM

Rev Richard Bauer is a priest with the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers and has been involved in ministry and support for people affected by HIV since the early 1980's. He came to Africa in 1997 serving as the director of Catholic Care and supported programmes first in Tanzania and later in Namibia. As both a priest and clinical social worker, Fr Bauer has a wide range of experience with care and support activities and integrating holistic spiritual care into program service delivery. He serves on the board of the African Palliative Care Association and is an assistant editor for the *Journal of HIV and Social Work*.



Rev Msgr Robert J Vitillo

Rev Msgr Robert J. Vitillo is a priest of the Diocese of Paterson, New Jersey (USA), and served as Diocesan Director of Catholic Charities. Since 2005, he has served as Special Advisor on Health and HIV/AIDS and as Head of the Caritas Internationalis Delegation to the United Nations in Geneva. There he facilitates advocacy efforts related to health, HIV and AIDS, human rights, and a range of other social and development issues. Since 1987, Msgr Vitillo has been engaged in education of church leaders and development of church-based programs in response to the pandemic of HIV and AIDS in Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America, Middle East, and North America. He presently serves as Secretary of the Catholic HIV and AIDS Network; as a member of the Boards of Directors of the Global Community Service Foundation, Ecumenical Advocacy Alliance, and Medicines for Humanity; as Co-Convener of the Global Network for Spirituality and Health; and as a Member of the Steering Group for the UNAIDS—PREFAR Global Plan to Eliminate New HIV Infections among Children by 2015.



Hon Tim Fischer AC

Tim Fischer was born at Lockhart, NSW, and educated at Boree Creek in the Riverina and Xavier College, Melbourne. Mr Fischer was elected Federal Member for Farrer and served in this role from 1984 to 2001. During this time he was Shadow Minister for Energy & Resources, Shadow Minister for Trade, Leader of the National Party, and later Minister for Trade and Deputy Prime Minister in the Howard Government (1996 - 1999). He led the official delegation to observe the East Timor Referendum in 1999. He retired from politics in 2001, and was the first Rome resident Australian Ambassador to the Holy See 2009 - 2012. He was also appointed Special Envoy by the Australian Government to Bhutan, Eritrea and South Sudan. In his work and related roles, he has visited over 84 countries. His most recent writings include, *Holy See, Unholy me: 1000 days in Rome*.



CONFERENCE PROGRAM

FRIDAY 18 JULY 2014

4:30pm— 5:15pm	Registration Afternoon tea provided
5:30pm – 6:30pm	Opening prayer and welcome Welcome to Country <i>His Grace Archbishop Philip Wilson, Chairman of Caritas Australia</i> <i>Fr Rick Bauer MM, Chair of the Catholic HIV and AIDS Network</i> <i>Msgr Robert Vitillo, Special Advisor on HIV and AIDS, Caritas Internationalis</i>
6:30pm – 7:30pm	PLENARY— Holy See, Unholy Me: One thousand days in Rome <i>His Excellency Tim Fischer</i> Perspectives on the international role of the Holy See in response to the HIV pandemic and other humanitarian and development challenges. <i>Closing plenary remarks— Mr Paul O’Callaghan, CEO, Caritas Australia</i>
7:30pm – 9:00pm	Conference reception Drinks and Canapés

SATURDAY 19 JULY 2014

9:00am – 10:30am	JOINT PLENARY – Ecumenical Advocacy Alliance Interfaith Conference & Catholic Pre-conference: Getting to the 3 Zeroes <i>Dr. Luis Loures, Deputy Executive Director of UNAIDS</i> <i>Dr. Deborah Bix, , Global AIDS Coordinator, United States Government</i> <i>Mr. Yonas Jerenie Dare - Ethiopian Interfaith Forum for Development</i> <i>Mr. Cesar Patrick Bonales - Outreach Ministries Church, the Philippines</i>
10:30—11:00	Morning tea
11:00am – 12:30pm	PARALLEL WORKSHOP SESSIONS: Solidarity with Africa – Good practice models <i>Dr. Sheila Tlou, Director of the UNAIDS Regional Support Team for Eastern and Southern Africa</i> <i>Sr Ivy Khoury FMM, Caritas Australia</i> <i>Noreen Gumbo, Trocaire (Ireland)</i> <i>Deirdre Ni Cheallaigh, Trocaire (Ireland)</i>
	Pastoral Care and Spiritual Accompaniment of People Living with HIV and AIDS <i>Fr Rick Bauer MM, Chair of the Catholic HIV and AIDS Network</i>
12:30pm— 2:00pm	LUNCH: Joint gathering with Ecumenical Advocacy Alliance <i>Optional: Briefing on AIDS 2014 Conference</i> <i>Andrea Fischer, Executive Officer, Melbourne Planning Group, AIDS 2014</i>

Stepping Up the Pace: Remember the Loaves and Fishes

<p>2:00pm – 3:30pm</p> <p>Studio 8</p> <p>Studio 9</p>	<p>PARALLEL WORKSHOP SESSIONS:</p> <p>Situation of HIV in Asia and Pacific and Catholic Church engagement <i>Steve Kraus, Director, UNAIDS Support Team for Asia and the Pacific</i> <i>Sr Maria Leonor Montiel MM , Maryknoll, Seedlings of Hope Cambodia</i> <i>Marie Mondu, Caritas Australia, PNG</i> <i>Sr Thi Hien Nguyen, Kim Long Charity Clinic, Vietnam</i></p> <p>Solidarity with Africa – Cabrini Health System in Australia partners with Cabrini project in Swaziland <i>Sr Barbara Staley MSC, Cabrini Ministries in Swaziland</i> <i>Cath Garner, Executive Director, Mission and Strategy, Cabrini Health Melbourne</i></p>
<p>3:30-4:00pm</p>	<p>Afternoon tea</p>
<p>4:00pm – 5:30pm</p> <p>Celtic Hall</p>	<p>PLENARY— Spirituality of the loaves and fishes: Our guide as we step up the pace <i>Fr Rick Bauer MM, Chair of the Catholic HIV and AIDS Network</i> <i>Marg Hayes, Catholic HIV and AIDS Ministry, Catholic Care</i> <i>Bruce Fitzgerald, representative of Catholic HIV and AIDS Ministry, Catholic Care</i></p> <p>The multiplication of the loaves and fishes is one of the few miracles that is recounted in all four gospels. The disciples are given a seemingly impossible task. They simply do not have enough resources for this huge crowd and are momentarily paralyzed. As we gather for AIDS2014, the spirituality of the ‘loaves and fishes’ can be our guide as we strive to “step up the pace.”</p>
<p>5:30pm</p>	<p>Close of sessions for the day</p>
<p>SUNDAY 20 JULY 2014</p>	
<p>9:00am – 10:30am</p>	<p>HOLY MASS —His Grace Archbishop Philip Wilson, Presider <i>St John the Evangelist Church, Catholic Leadership Centre</i></p>
<p>10:30-11am</p>	<p>Morning tea</p>
<p>11:00am – 12:30pm</p> <p>Celtic Hall</p>	<p>PLENARY— The intersection between faith and science <i>Prof Suzanne Crowe, Associate Director of Burnet Institute</i> <i>Prof David Cooper, Director and Scientia Professor of Medicine, The Kirby Institute</i> <i>Dr Stefano Vella, Governing Council of the International AIDS Society</i> <i>Prof Julio Montaner, Chair in AIDS Research, University of British Columbia</i> <i>Moderator: Prof Michelle Campbell , Executive Dean of Health Sciences, ACU</i></p> <p>A panel discussion on current developments in scientific research including perspectives on how Catholic Church-based organizations have been engaged in research in the past and how they could become even more engaged in such developments in the future.</p>
<p>12:30pm- 12:40pm</p>	<p>Closing remarks—Paul O’Callaghan, CEO, Caritas Australia <i>Celtic Hall</i></p>
<p>12:40—1:00pm</p>	<p>Conference closes</p>

PLENARY SPEAKERS

Professor Suzanne Crowe

Professor Suzanne Crowe AM is a physician-scientist, Associate Director of Burnet Institute, Head of the WHO Regional Reference Laboratory for HIV Resistance, and NHMRC Principal Research Fellow. She is an adviser to the World Health Organisation and past President of the Australasian Society for HIV Medicine. She is committed to translational research on low-cost tests to monitor HIV infection in developing countries. She is the co-inventor of a point of care CD4 test for use in resource limited countries to monitor HIV infection. Professor Crowe also coordinates HIV clinical training programs for doctors and nurses in resource limited countries and her laboratory strengthens the capacity of laboratories in the Asia Pacific region.



Professor David Cooper

Professor David Cooper AO is Director of the Kirby Institute for infection and immunity in society. Professor Cooper is recognised as a leading HIV clinician and clinical investigator. He is a past President of the International AIDS Society and past Chairman of the World Health Organisation-UNAIDS HIV Vaccine Advisory Committee (VAC). He is a Director of HIV-NAT, a clinical research and trials collaboration based at the Thai Red Cross AIDS Research Centre at the Chulalongkorn University Hospital in Bangkok, Thailand. He is actively involved in studies of biomedical prevention and therapeutic optimisation strategies for HIV infection in the developing world.



Dr Stefano Vella

Dr Stefano Vella is a member of the Governing Council of the International AIDS Society and served as President from 2000 to 2002. His research interest is mainly directed towards the study of HIV resistance to antiretroviral drugs, and has been involved in the building of consensus international documents on the clinical management of HIV infection. Dr Vella serves as scientific advisor for the Italian Cooperation (Ministry of Foreign Affairs) in different African countries, and is involved in the setting of programs in Uganda, South Africa, Mozambique and Ethiopia. He has been a member of the Technical Review Panel of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.



Professor Julio Montaner

Professor Julio Montaner is from Buenos Aires, Argentina. He is a Prof. of Medicine at UBC and held the Endowed Chair in AIDS Research at SPH/UBC since 1996. He is a founding Co-Director of the Canadian HIV Trials Network and Director of the BC Centre for Excellence in HIV and AIDS. He was the President of the International AIDS Society from 2008-2010. Prof. Montaner has authored over 600 scientific publications on HIV and AIDS. In May 2014, he was assigned the position of Special Advisor on HIV Treatment to the Executive Director of the United Nations AIDS Programme.



Professor Michelle Campbell

Professor Michelle Campbell has been the Executive Dean, Faculty of Health Sciences at Australian Catholic University since 2011. Prof. Campbell has published and presented at conferences in the fields of nursing education, pulmonary rehabilitation and disease self-management and has supervised research students at Doctoral and Master's level. She has been the recipient of numerous teaching and research grants, including her current role as overseeing funded Health Workforce Australia projects. Most recently Professor Campbell has coordinated the launch of six clinical schools located within partner hospitals across the country, with another five planned in the next twelve months.



Bruce Fitzgerald

Bruce Fitzgerald is 54 years old & has lived with HIV & Hep C since 1991. Bruce shared some of his story for a recent publication "Angels In Disguise" which Catholic HIV and AIDS Ministry, Catholic Care will use as an educational tool. Bruce is happy to share his story however such willingness comes with a high degree of apprehension. In disclosing his HIV status Bruce puts himself in a position of being exposed to stigma and discrimination. Even after 23 years, each time is a new experience. Recently in hospital for a standard medical procedure only to experience being one of the last 2 people called. The other person was also HIV positive.



Marg Hayes

Marg Hayes has been the Coordinator at Catholic AIDS Ministry, a division of Catholic Care, Melbourne for the past 13 years. Her employment has included: Ministry in prisons— a role Marg still undertakes, ministry with people who are homeless and as a Pastoral Associate in one of the poorer areas of the state. Marg's professional qualifications include: BA Dip. Social Studies and Bachelor of Theology. Marg brings these skills into her work; listening, providing hospitality and pastoral care. Being open to her God is the impetus which leads her to follow wherever that call may lead.



CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

Professor Sheila Tlou

Dr Sheila Tlou is the Director of the UNAIDS Regional Support Team for Eastern & Southern Africa. She is a former Member of Parliament and Minister of Health of the Republic of Botswana. Dr Tlou has been involved in the AIDS response from its beginning in 1985. She is the founder of the Botswana chapter of the Society of Women and AIDS in Africa which educates families on HIV prevention, human rights, and caring for people living with AIDS. She is the UN Eminent Person for Women, Girls, and HIV and AIDS in Southern Africa. Dr Tlou provides leadership and political advocacy for a sustainable AIDS response in 21 African countries.



Sr Ivy Khoury FMM

Born in Australia, Sr Ivy Khoury holds a Bachelor of Health Science (Nursing) and Diplomas in Midwifery & Palliative Care. From 1997, Sr Ivy worked in Ethiopia as a midwife at Bushulo Health Centre. From 2000 she worked at the MMM Counselling & Social Service Centre, providing care and support for people living with HIV and AIDS. Sr Ivy was the Coordinator of the Home Based Care program for people living with HIV and AIDS at the Centre. Sr Ivy works for Caritas Australia as the Program Coordinator of Africa Programs. She is a member of the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary.



Sr Thi Hien Nguyen

Sr Thi Hien Nguyen works at Kim Long Charity Clinic in Hue City, Vietnam, providing treatment in internal medicine. She has worked with the HIV and AIDS program at the Kim Long Clinic.



Noreen Gumbo

Noreen Gumbo is Programme Leader for HIV & Gender Equality in Trócaire & is responsible for strategic oversight & technical support for two of Trócaire's priority programs. Noreen lived & worked in Southern Africa for 20 years as HIV evolved in that region. She began work on HIV in 1992 with UNICEF & has continued to work with many local organisations in Malawi, South Africa, Zambia & Zimbabwe. Noreen also studied Rural Development in UCD and Development Management at Open University U.K.



Deirdre Ní Cheallaigh

Deirdre Ni Cheallaigh is Programme Advisor for HIV & Gender Equality in Trócaire, responsible for providing technical support to Trócaire's work on HIV globally. Deirdre has experience working in both humanitarian & development & has lived & worked in East & Southern Africa. Deirdre has spent the last seven years working on HIV at policy & programme levels.



Steve Kraus

As Director of the UNAIDS Regional Support Team for Asia and the Pacific, Steve Kraus supports countries across the region in achieving the goals outlined in the 2011 Political Declaration on HIV and AIDS. He has served in WHO's Global Programme on AIDS in Africa and Asia, with UNAIDS as Country Coordinator in Vietnam and Programme Adviser to the Inter-country Support Team in Asia, and later with the UN Development Group as Senior HIV and AIDS Policy Adviser. Prior to this, Mr Kraus served five years with CRS.



Marie Mondu Tabel

Marie Mondu Tabel has worked with Caritas Australia since 2008. During this time she coordinated an integrated STI program with 3 Catholic Health Services in the highlands region of PNG for a period of 5 years. She also co-researched a report into the socio-cultural drivers of HIV and STIs in PNG. Marie has a Degree in Communications for Development Studies from the University of Technology PNG.



Sr Maria Leonor Montiel MM

Sr Maria Leonor Montiel is a Maryknoll Sister from the Philippines. She arrived in Cambodia in 1997, working with a Youth Resource Development Program. She started the Maryknoll Cambodia Anlong Kngan Community Development Project for the forcefully evicted urban poor informal settlers, and those living with HIV and AIDS. Sr Maria is Director of Seedling of Hope, HIV and AIDS Response of Maryknoll, helping people living with HIV and AIDS improve their quality of life.



Sr Barbara Staley MSC

Sr Barbara Staley holds a Master in Social Work and a Bachelor in Science Education. Since 2004, Sr Barbara has been Director of Child Care Services and Administrative Services at Cabrini Ministries in Swaziland, Africa. From 1995-2004, she was Director of Programs CIELO at St Anthony Hospital Chicago, providing health care and social service access for immigrants. Sr Barbara is a member of the Cabrini Mission and People Committee. Cabrini Health is sponsored by the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



Cath Garner

Cath Garner has worked at Cabrini Health Melbourne for 25 years. She has a background in nursing and education. In 2002, she was appointed as Mission Integration Officer, joining the Executive Committee in 2007. She has worked in Australian healthcare for almost three decades in key clinical, staff development and management roles. She oversees Cabrini Health's social outreach.



A Message from Caritas Australia:

We at Caritas Australia feel privileged to host this Catholic pre-conference on HIV and AIDS. It is a pleasure to welcome all our international guests and those who have travelled from across Australia. Together we form a rich and diverse community which brings both a wealth of experience and understanding about the impact of HIV and AIDS in all corners of the globe and a deep commitment and concerned compassion for all those affected. It is with humility that we offer to share with one another our reflections and insights. We do this to assist the communities with which we work around the world and prepare ourselves to "Step up the Pace".



Paul O'Callaghan, CEO, Caritas Australia

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"Regarding the loaves and fishes, I would like to add a nuance: they were not multiplied... such is the greatness of God and of his love that he puts into our hearts that, if we wish, what we have will never run out. We can be confident of that!"

- Pope Francis,

Address to the Members of the Representative Council and Staff of Caritas Internationalis, 16 May 2013, Vatican City

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