

# **Program Schedule**

"They were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other Apostles,

Brothers - what then must we do?"

Acts 2:37

### Introduction and Recap of 2020 Event - 20 Minutes

5 mins Introduction, Welcome & Prayer
 15 mins Recap (What happened and deeper)
 Jude Hennessy, Robert Falzon

#### Session 1 - 25 Minutes

3 mins Introduction
 15/20 mins Man of God
 3 mins Prayer, close, invite to Session 2
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#### Session 2 – 25 Minutes

5 mins Introduction
 15/20 mins Man of Service
 5 mins Prayer, close, invite to Session 3
 Robert Falzon
 Tim Davis
 Jude Hennessy

#### Session 3 - 25 Minutes

5 mins Introduction
 15/20 mins Man of Character
 5 mins Prayer, close, invite to Commissioning
 Robert Falzon

#### **Commissioning – 20 Minutes**

5 mins Introduction
 10 mins Commissioning and Sending
 5 mins Wrap up, Thank you, Take action
 Jude Hennessy
 Archbishop Julian Porteous
 Robert Falzon

All material is distributed online in the form of pre-recorded video.

# **Keynote Session Outlines**

#### Session 1: Man of God

In this presentation, Tomasz Juszczak looks at what it means to be a man of God and how, as men, we can live that out in our lives. Using St Joseph as the ultimate model, Tomasz shows how the earthly father of Jesus encompasses the fullness of what it means to be a man of God. Tomasz also shares his own personal story, the successes and struggles of trying to live this more genuinely in his life. He provides some very simple practical tips on what we can do to more closely respond to God's call to become men after His own heart.

#### Session 2: Man of Service

Tim Davis shares obstacles facing men of faith as they try to navigate themselves and their family through the secular world towards a deeper relationship with God and authentic service and love of Him and our neighbour. By sharing his experiences and strategies that he has learnt from other good role models in his life, Tim asks us to respond honestly to the questions:

- Am I truly open to God's will?
- What am I doing daily to give God opportunities to speak to me, nourish me and direct my service?

#### **Session 3: Man of Character**

Shayne Bennett reminds us that each of us is fearfully and wonderfully made. Our full potential as men of character is unleashed through a personal encounter with Jesus and an active surrender to the Holy Spirit. We know we're not perfect, but should not be discouraged by our own failures or limitations. We draw on the grace that God gives us. As men, we have to learn to face our weaknesses depending on God's mercy and strength. Look at St Peter. Look at St Paul. These were not perfect men. They became men of incredible character often through suffering, through mistakes, through learning to be obedient – but always with the help of the Holy Spirit. The same Holy Spirit lives in us and wants to do great work in and through us.

Further information at <u>www.catholicmensgathering.com.au</u>.



The program for the Australian Catholic Men's Gathering 2021 includes the following key speakers.

#### Tomasz Juszczak



Tom is husband to Sarah and father of three young children. Originally from Poland, he has spent most of his life in Sydney where he currently works as the Director of Evangelisation at Broken Bay. Tomasz has a background in youth ministry and a passion for spreading the Gospel message of love and life to others. He is a lay member of the Immaculata Community and holds a Masters in Theology from the University of Notre Dame, Sydney.

## **Shayne Bennett**



Shayne is married to Shanelle and they have three married children and eleven grandchildren. Shayne has worked full time in the Church for more than 40 years devoting his life to the mission of the Church with a concentration on initiatives in youth evangelisation, pastoral formation and the development of lay communities.

Shayne currently shares his time between NET Ministries, where he has the role of Mission Director, and the Holy Spirit Seminary

where he is Director of Mission and Faith Formation.

The call to "go and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19) has been an inspiration for Shayne and a motivation to continue seeking new ways of proclaiming the gospel from one generation to the next.

### **Tim Davis**



Tim grew up in regional South Australia and after finishing an Education degree in Adelaide, he moved to Melbourne to teach and study theology. He studied at Corpus Christi College following God's call before assisting with the Melbourne Archdiocese "Days in the Diocese" initiative that led into WYD 2008 celebrations in Sydney.

During this time, Tim met his wife Fran and they currently reside at Coffs Harbour on the North Coast of NSW with their four children.

Currently, Tim is doing his best to serve God and his Church, love his wife and children while teaching Catholic studies at St John Paul College. When time permits, he can also be found surfing some of his local breaks.

#### Robert Falzon



Robert is a husband, father, businessman, co-founder of menALIVE and published author. He is married to Alicia for 37 years and has four children; Isaac (33), Matthias (28), Chiara (23) and Shem (22). Robert is a Catholic lay man with a passion for finding effective and powerful ways to bring the message of the Good News to the good people in the parish pews and the street.

Since the founding of menALIVE in 2003, this ministry has delivered 450 events in 26 dioceses in Australia and New Zealand

for more than 30,000 men. The purpose of menALIVE is to bring men together, to renew their faith in God and to encourage them to become an active force for renewal in the Church.

Robert published his first book in 2011, "How to Grow a Men's Ministry". It has become a key resource for men with over 4,000 copies distributed. His second book co-authored with Dr Peter O'Shea, "The Father Factor", was published in 2014. His most recent publication is "Raising Fathers". He is also a presenter on Shalom Media, presenting a 12-part program "The Gospel of Life" and "Real Men" series released in 2018. His recent program is "Unburden".

## **Jude Hennessy**



Jude is married to Kerrie and they have two daughters. As the Director of the Office of Renewal and Evangelisation in the Diocese of Wollongong, he oversees support for parishes forming missionary disciples who embrace the mission of the Church to make Jesus known and loved. As part of this, Jude has a love of working with men and enlivening them to embrace their vocation, especially as husbands, fathers and vibrant Catholics. Jude is the producer and host of the weekly Catholic podcast "The Journey" now in 20 Christian radio stations across Australia.

## **Archbishop Julian Porteous**



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Archbishop Julian Porteous was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Sydney in 1974, before he was named Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney by Pope St John Paul II in 2003. He was responsible for evangelisation and renewal in the Archdiocese of Sydney until his appointment as Archbishop of Hobart in 2013. Archbishop Porteous is a member of the Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry, and is responsible for the Ecclesial Movements. He is a regular speaker at conferences and events across Australia and overseas, and is Patron for Shalom