



Gathering
the
Dreamers

3RD TO 5TH MAY 2018

TREACY CENTRE

126 The Avenue Parkville

Purpose

We gather as a representative group of the Edmund Rice Movement in Oceania at this time in our history to:

- + **commemorate** the arrival in Melbourne 150 years ago of four pioneer Christian Brothers;
- + **acknowledge** the inheritance we have received from them and from all those who have followed in Edmund Rice ministry of any kind;
- + **share** our passion for this great work and to dream a future we can create together that will honour this inheritance in new, creative and practical ways.

Process

The Committee, working with our three guests, has been committed to conversation, engagement, and dialogue in the lead up to this gathering with these elements being part of the ongoing journey within the gathering itself, and beyond.

Beyond the necessary planning for a formal opening and closing of the Gathering, the content of our time together will be shaped by the sharing of experiences, hopes, fears, and dreams of the participants.

If you feel that you have a demonstrable passion for the Edmund Rice charism and want to be part of this watershed gathering, then request an **Expression of Interest** form via the email address treacy2018@edmundrice.org or visit the Facebook page to download the form: <https://www.facebook.com/shajow/>.



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People

We have engaged three very experienced and skilled people to accompany us on this journey.

+ Deborah Asberry – *Animator*

Debbie is a senior consultant with CommunityWorks, Inc. She is a business consultant and executive coach working in the areas of change management and leadership development. She works with small businesses, nonprofit boards, religious congregations and churches. Her style is to partner with organizations to support them in accomplishing their desired outcomes. She spends her spare time as a political activist and organizer in the areas of voter rights and election reform. She brings thirty years of experience to these roles.

+ Br Graham Neist fms – *Facilitator*

Graham has many years of experience developing and running successful retreats for all age groups, all lengths of time. He is a skilled facilitator who has worked with small and large groups, including several conferences of Catholic Religious Australia. Graham believes in good process and collaborative effort to ensure worthwhile outcomes.

+ Br Philip Pinto cfc – *Listener / Seer*

Philip is a former Congregational Leader of the Christian Brothers. A truly inspiring speaker, he is well-known internationally for leading retreats and delivering keynote addresses. Born and raised in New Delhi, he blends within himself the best wisdom of the east and the west. He is a strong believer in the crucial part played by all members of the Movement in furthering the works in mission inspired by the charism of Edmund Rice.