

SA CATHOLICS FOR AN EVOLVING CHURCH

We are a group of Adelaide Catholics who are enthusiastic about the future of the Church in the Archdiocese. We feel there is room and indeed a need, for a broad base for ongoing conversation, debate and exploration of issues relevant to ordinary Catholics, the Catholic public. These relate to how we appropriate, explore and develop the extraordinary traditions we have inherited. Our focus is mainly on what we can do ourselves. Nevertheless, we will also engage in promoting organisational and other reform where we see a need.

We have come together, under the heading SA Catholics for an Evolving Church (SACEC) to reflect on the world, the Church, the Gospel and the spiritual life of our people. We seek to contribute, in a spirit of collaboration and faith-filled discernment, to articulating the essence of what the Church in this place is, and could be in the future. This is not intended to be in any way an oppositional or confrontational move but one to broaden the experience-base and scope of discussion among Catholics generally.

Whilst recognising the challenges the Church faces in these times, we have a strong appreciation for its many positive elements and desire to enhance these for the benefit of others, esp. the marginalised, as well as seeking opportunities for our own flourishing. Our Church history is steeped in engagement with the broader community as well as the spiritual and leadership development of our people. This was most explicitly articulated in Community for the World which points to a Church that is growing in a way that understands, is active in, and shapes the world around it based on Gospel values.

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