

Mary's Meals Australia – Church Presenter Role Description

Location: Flexible / Community-Based

Type: Contractor: 1 weekend of church talks / month

Remuneration: Invoiced / weekend of church talks

Reports to: National Lead

About Mary's Meals

Mary's Meals is a global movement dedicated to providing daily meals to children in some of the world's poorest communities, directly in their place of education. Inspired by Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and driven by a commitment to social justice, we rely on supporters to help ensure that no child goes hungry while at school.

Purpose of the Role

As a Church Presenter, you will play a vital role in connecting local faith communities to Mary's Meals' mission.

Through parish presentations at weekend Church services in a designated area, your primary responsibilities will be...

- To share the hope-filled origin story of Mary's Meals and the stories of the many children eating Mary's Meals around the world every school day.
 - To invite parishioners to pray for the important work of Mary's Meals.
 - To encourage parishioners to sign-up to receive the Mary's Meals Newsletter, purchase stock such as books or t-shirts or make one-off or recurring donations to Mary's Meals' work.
 - To identify parishioners that want to establish Mary's Meals giving circles or supporter groups in their local faith communities.
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The Role

The Church Presenter role is a contractor position which consists of delivering 12 weekends of parish presentations over the course of a year as well as attending an online monthly meeting and two in-person trainings annually. The role also requires the capacity to undertake administrative work pertaining to booking presentations in parishes e.g. phone calls, emails, etc. The time is spread over days, weekends and evenings as required. The role is undertaken from home with local travel as required.

Presentations are arranged by the Church Presenter in advance directly with the church and take place during weekend services/Masses. Following each service, the Church Presenter encourages people to sign up for more information, sells items in support of Mary's Meals and receives donations.

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All Church Presenters are given formation, training, and ongoing support around the mission of Mary's Meals, the stories of the children and the specifics around the tasks of the role.

Key Responsibilities include:

- Contact churches in a designated area to arrange presentations.
- Delivery of church presentations during the weekend church services. This involves travel to the location and setting up of an information table.
- The sale of books and other items at the end of each Mass.
- Encourage parishioners to sign up to receive Mary's Meals' newsletters.
- After each weekend of presentations, the Church Presenter is required to complete some administrative forms and bank any cash donations.
- Monthly online team meetings as well as in person team meetings twice a year in Sydney.

About the candidate:

- A committed and active Christian with a knowledge and understanding of their faith
- An understanding of the mission and work of Mary's Meals
- A good communicator and a confident public speaker
- Physically able to cope with travel, carrying items and setting up of the information table, etc
- Confident in the general use of the internet, email, Word, and Excel etc
- A current driver's licence, and a willingness to travel within the designated area
- Friendly, respectful, and professional in manner and in approach
- Has a current Working with Children Check and Criminal Check, or can procure own one
- Able to relate to people at all levels including parish priests and parish staff
- Ability to work under pressure and manage competing demands and priorities
- Able to work independently and be self-motivated

Why Join Us?

- Make a tangible difference in the lives of children living in poverty.
- Flexible role that fits around your schedule, with competitive remuneration.
- Join a passionate, faith-driven team with global impact.
- Opportunities to grow personally and spiritually while developing community leadership skills.