

Media Release

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Jesuit Mission Maytime Fair Saturday 6 May

Save the date! The Jesuit Mission Maytime Fair returns on Saturday 6 May at Xavier College, Kew in Melbourne.

The Maytime Fair has been held at Xavier College on the first Saturday in May every year since 1952 (except for the 'lockdown years'), raising funds to support Jesuit Mission's outreach programs overseas.

All proceeds from the day go directly towards supporting at-risk communities in over 10 countries in Asia and Africa, including Cambodia, Timor-Leste, India, Myanmar, Thailand, Malawi and more.

"We look forward to coming together again in solidarity as one faith community, to uplift our sisters and brothers on the margins," said Helen Forde, CEO of Jesuit Mission.

Since the year 2000, the Maytime Fair has raised over \$3 million to help provide a range of targeted support and training that empowers women, men and children to develop the skills and capacity to lift themselves out of poverty and injustice.

The Fair will include entertainment for parents and children with a huge array of food, music, rides, arts and crafts, games, plant stalls, book stalls, a wine auction, sport, face painting, raffles, showbags and lots more.

"Thank you to our generous volunteers, the Maytime Fair Committee, local parishes and to all schools involved. Your hard work and effort in preparing year-round make this day possible," said Helen.

You are invited to join the Xavier College community in supporting Jesuit Mission at the Maytime Fair on Saturday 6 May.

When: 9:00am – 5:00pm Saturday 6 May 2023

Where: Xavier College Senior Campus, 135 Barkers Road, Kew

All Day Rides Passes are available for pre-order now at a discount at <https://jesuitmission.org.au/rides/>

Those unable to attend the Maytime Fair can support vulnerable communities by purchasing a ticket in Jesuit Mission's annual raffle at <https://jesuitmission.org.au/rafflemtf>

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Caption: With your generous support, Jesuit Mission is providing villages in rural Timor-Leste with access to clean and safe water.



Caption: Volunteers at the Maytime Fair in 2022.



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Supporting Links:

All Day Rides Passes pre-order link
<https://jesuitmission.org.au/rides/>

Jesuit Mission Raffle



<https://jesuitmission.org.au/rafflemtf>

Jesuit Mission Maytime Fair Facebook event page

<https://www.facebook.com/events/916034782987469>

About Jesuit Mission Australia

Jesuit Mission Australia works in over 10 countries across Asia and Africa to uphold the innate dignity of people living with the effects of poverty, especially the most marginalised and vulnerable. Funds from our supporters:

- Break cycles of poverty through teaching and education
- Protect the health of communities by providing medical care and programs that improve access to clean water and toilets
- Develop independent, sustainable communities through livelihood training and income-generating projects
- Provide vulnerable individuals with pastoral care, social inclusion and advocacy
- Support refugees in crisis
- Enable effective disaster response and relief.