

## **Deepening the Conversation: Exploring the Interconnectedness of Truth-telling, Reconciliation, and Synodality at MOHMOV**

The second day of the Mission: One Heart Many Voices (MOHMOV) conference carried on the momentum of the first day, with attendees delving deeper into the themes of truth-telling, reconciliation, and synodality. The conference continued to provide a space for encounters and reflection on the themes of the Plenary Council and Synod 2023.

The day commenced with the highly anticipated keynote address from HE Chiara Porro, the Ambassador of Australia to the Holy See, who discussed the importance of storytelling of partnerships for a better world, including discussing the importance of the environment and sustainability. The session was followed by the address of Bishop Tim Norton, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Brisbane, on the link between Truth-telling, synodality and Mission, focusing on the importance of the reconciliation process.

“People can be empowered to share their stories if they are given the space,” says Bishop Tim Norton.

Throughout the day, conference participants attended various workshops and breakout sessions, engaging in topics such as interfaith dialogue, ecological conversion, and youth involvement in the church. These sessions provided a platform for meaningful conversations and fostered a greater understanding of the challenges and opportunities facing the church in today's world.

All the workshops and sessions brought together experts and participants from different backgrounds to explore the interconnectedness of these themes and their significance in shaping the future of the Church through Synodality.

Reflecting on the second day's events, one attendee remarked, "The diversity of speakers and sessions at MOHMOV has opened my eyes to the many ways the church can foster a more inclusive and just community. I feel inspired and empowered to take what I've learned here back to my own parish."

In the evening, another standout event is the Youth Leader in Action session, where youth have the opportunity to express themselves and discuss subjects close to their hearts. This interactive experience showcases the richness of cultural diversity and its importance in building a more inclusive and empathetic Church community.

“It’s exciting to have a dedicated space for Youth Leaders to discuss our hopes and wishes for the future of the Church,” says Danielle Sullivan, a young person attending the event.

As the conference moves into its final day, participants can look forward to another day filled with insightful presentations, engaging workshops, and opportunities for personal and professional growth.

For more information about the Mission: One Heart Many Voices conference, visit the conference website at [2023.mohmv.com.au](https://2023.mohmv.com.au). For any queries, please contact the MOHMOV Conference Team at [mohmvconferenceteam@catholicmission.org.au](mailto:mohmvconferenceteam@catholicmission.org.au).

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