



## Media Release

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### **Ignite has something for everyone**

Young people, teachers, ministry leaders and adults of all ages are in their final weeks of preparation to attend the Ignite Conference happening this month in Brisbane and Sydney. This year, there is something for everyone, no matter your age or background.

Ignite Conference features a unique set of streams with content designed especially for each age group. These streams include Ignite Adults, which includes selected sessions for young adults as well as deeper sessions for those aged 25+, Ignite High for high school students, and Ignite Kids for primary aged children.

The sessions include powerful experiences of encounter with Jesus, celebrations of Mass and Reconciliation, and workshop electives across a wide range of topics.

Ignite High is led by the leading youth ministry experts in the country including Ignite Youth, NET Ministries and Youth Mission Team, while the adult keynotes and workshops include some of the best Catholic speakers from Australia and beyond.

Over 1300 people have already registered across the two conferences. Parishes, schools, universities and dioceses from across Australia and New Zealand are organising groups to attend, while hundreds of others have registered individually.

Many families attend together, with the parents attending the adult sessions while their children enjoy their own streams.

The Ignite Conference is run by Ignite Youth, the national youth ministry that springs out of the Emmanuel Community, Brisbane. It has been growing in impact for more than 20 years.

This year's conference theme is "Wonder".

"At a time when our world is marked by fear and uncertainty, we need the God of wonders to remind us of all that is good and true; that Jesus is present and powerful and able to move mountains in our lives," says Ignite Youth director Kym Keady.

Donors are sought to assist young people who want to attend but are unable to afford the cost. Ignite Youth has set up a solidarity fund to assist, which relies on donations every year.

All donations to the solidarity fund go directly towards the registration and associated costs of these young people and families who would otherwise be unable to attend.

To contribute to the solidarity fund, to register, or to find out about organising a group, visit [www.igniteconference.com.au/getinvolved](http://www.igniteconference.com.au/getinvolved) or contact the team at (07) 3217 5199.

Further information about speakers and the schedule are also available on the website.

Ignite Conference will be held in Brisbane at St Laurence's College from September 21-24, and in Greater Sydney at the Broken Bay Cathedral Precinct, Waitara, from September 28 to October 1.

Late fees apply from 8<sup>th</sup> September for the Brisbane conference, and from 15<sup>th</sup> September for Sydney.

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Further information and registration are available at [www.igniteconference.com.au](http://www.igniteconference.com.au).

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