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Media Release

\$60,000 collected in the 'One Foot Raised' challenge

A total of \$60,000 has already been raised in the [One Foot Raised](#) challenge, thanks to the incredible commitment of the Jesuit Mission Australia family as well as the creative efforts of school groups.

It's still not too late to sign up to take part in the challenge. Every participant receives badges on their online fundraising page when milestones are completed, such as when they get their first donation or share their page online.

Individuals and community groups can participate anywhere – local areas, parks, ovals, gyms or even on treadmills at home! Participants can choose to walk 7.5km, 15km, 25km or 75km over any duration of their choice.

Launched in the lead-up to 31 July, the Feast of St Ignatius, the challenge gets its name from St Ignatius himself, the founder of the Society of Jesus. He espoused the concept of keeping "one foot raised" to readily respond to others' needs.

Jesuit Mission is calling on others to help them reach the target of \$75,000 for the organisation's 75th anniversary year. To sponsor any of the existing teams, just click [here](#) on any of the "Sponsor" buttons for participating organisations.

The fundraising [leaderboard](#) on the Jesuit Mission website showcases the strong contributions from participating schools and parishes, including:

- Sevenhill Parish, South Australia – raised over \$1,000
- St Aloysius' College, Milsons Point – \$4,000
- Saint Ignatius' College Riverview – over \$30,000
- Saint Ignatius College Geelong – over \$8,000
- John XXIII College Perth – over \$10,000.



CAPTION: A creative Ice Plunge challenge initiated by the Year 12 leaders and staff at John XXIII College in Perth raised more than \$10,000.

A huge inflatable shark was a central component in the fundraising effort by John XXIII College in Perth. As the college noted on its social channels, "Some of the coldest minutes of the year turned out to be some of the most generous. Our Year 12 leaders and staff recently took on the Ice Plunge challenge, raising funds for Jesuit Mission's work in Hazaribag, India. Thanks to the generosity of our college community, we raised more than \$10,000!"

Register [here](#) for free today, individually or with your school, your parish or community group to raise money for those who are living on the margins while coping with poverty and injustice. [This page](#) will help you gauge the impact of your contribution to the cause.

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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.