# Voices of Delight, Diversity and Justice

A Day of Conversation with **JOHN BELL** 

SATURDAY 11 MAY 2019 ST ANDREW'S UNITING CHURCH,-FAIRFIELD.

10.00 AM - 4.30 PM

This is a day of sharing, listening, learning and encouragement. We will bring our own voices, hear the voices of others, blend voices together, and go forward with stronger and more heartfelt voices for justice, delight and diversity.

## God, Delight and Diversity 10.00 am - 12.30 pm

Empowering the voices of sexually and gender diverse people

LGBTIQ people of faith are often forced to choose between essential parts of their identity and face varying degrees of exclusion, rejection and ignorance in faith-based communities. The morning conversation will bring voices of straight and LGBTIQ Christians together for listening, sharing, singing and encouragement.

## Nonviolent Direct Action: Jesus and the Way 2.00 - 4.30 pm

Sharing and hearing experiences of non-violent direct action as a way of following Jesus.

Many Christians in Australia have engaged in non-violent direct action for climate change, justice for refugees and indigenous Australians, protests to stop Adani. Some Christians are unsure of what such action might mean for them but yet are keen to blend their voices with those seeking justice and peace and to act for change. In the afternoon we will share our experiences, and examine the place of non-violent peacemaking in Australia today and encourage everyone to do what they can. John will teach us some justice related songs and share his own perspectives and experiences.



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#### COST

Single session \$45/40 Both sessions \$85/75

Lunch not included, but excellent cafes are located in nearby Station Street.

Purchase tickets online at

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# Voices from Country Celtic and Aboriginal

A late afternoon conversation with **JOHN BELL** and **GLENN LOUGHREY** 

SUNDAY 12 MAY 2019 ST OSWALDS'S ANGLICAN CHURCH, GLEN IRIS 5.30 - 7.30 PM



GLENN LOUGHREY is a Wiradjuri man from NSW and a priest at St Oswald's Anglican Church in Glen Iris. He is an artist and fuses indigenous art styles with Western forms of storytelling. He was a finalist in the 2017 Moran Art Prize. He says that art is freedom to reflect on life in movement and colour without judgement, art is freedom to begin without the promise of an end. He quotes Thomas Merton, "Art enables us to find ourselves and lose ourselves at the same time."



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This is an afternoon of listening, learning and encouragement. We will hear Celtic and Aboriginal voices together and side by side. What can we learn at the intersection of Celtic and Aboriginal spirituality, about creator, creation, faith and the importance of place?

This event will be of interest to people concerned about reconciliation with our first nations, and those who wish to explore more deeply the spiritualities of the Celtic and Aboriginal people and how these can enrich us all.

#### **COST**

Full \$30 Concession \$25

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# Space, Rumour and Hospitality

A Public lecture by **JOHN BELL** 

MONDAY 13 MAY 2019
Daniel Mannix Building,
Australian Catholic University, Fitzroy
7.30 PM

A public lecture by John Bell, Scottish theologian, musician, hymnwriter, pastor and poet. Hosted by the Australian Academy of Liturgy Victoria Chapter in partnership with the Australian Catholic University Centre for Liturgy, this lecture will explore the importance of space, hospitality and rumour in the liturgical life of Christian communities.

There will be time for questions and discussion at the end.



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#### **COST**

General admission \$35 Student/Pensioner \$27.50



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# Imagination as a Resource for Faith

A Quiet Day in the Macedon Ranges with **JOHN BELL** 

MONDAY 13 MAY 2019 Church of the Resurrection, Mount Macedon 10.30 AM - 3.30 PM

The Church of the Resurrection, Mount Macedon is set among peaceful and beautiful historic bushland an easy hour's train or car journey from central Melbourne. With John Bell, Scottish composer, minister, liturgist and poet leading us and helping us to open our hearts and minds and imaginations to God's presence in this place, this Quiet Day provides a unique opportunity for clergy and student ministers to gather and share and learn together. Lunch will be provided. The day will begin at 10.30 am and the finish time is 3.30 pm

This day is aimed at clergy and student ministers.

Numbers are capped at 60 participants.

### **Getting there**

The best way to come is by train to Bendigo at 9.14 am from Southern Cross Station and alight at Gisborne where a shuttle bus will meet the train to take you to the Church of the Resurrection. The same will happen in reverse at the end of the day.

#### **COST**

Ordained ministers \$45 Ministry Candidates and student ministers \$40 A light lunch is included in the cost of the day.



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