

# ACYF BRIEF NOTE #4

2 June 2017



This Brief Note is provided as an update to the ACYF contacts in Australian Catholic education and in Youth Ministry offices. You will see that the dates are now firming up. We make social media announcements every week so stay tuned for the latest information.

## Planning for Festival

I am pleased to say that the planning for the Festival is really taking shape and at the Festival Steering Committee early in the week there was a general sense that we are well and truly meeting all our planning deadlines thanks to the great work of the Management Committees and their Chairpersons.

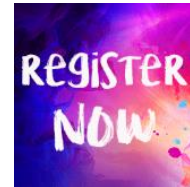
## Presenters and Performers



Matt Maher is coming! This simple message translated into a spike in registrations, it's very exciting!! Additionally, we have announced Steve Angrisano, Fr Rob Galea, Genevieve Bryant, Fr Chris Ryan MGL and Sr Mary Rachel OP. More presenters and performers announced in the coming weeks.

## Registrations

We are tracking really well with registrations. We are nearly at an estimated 12,000 registered in groups, still a way to go so keep the registrations coming in and update your group numbers as they change, we will continue to accept registrations so **Register, Register, Register!**



## Accommodation

Harvest have been appointed as the official accommodation provider for ACYF. For all your accommodation requirements please contact Harvest on 1300 13 13 37, email [harvest@festivalbeds.com.au](mailto:harvest@festivalbeds.com.au) or visit their website at [www.festivalbeds.com.au](http://www.festivalbeds.com.au) Katarina Kelekovic is the accommodation manager.



## Post School Young People

This Festival will have dedicated workshops, speakers and discussions particularly for the 18 – 30 (post school aged) attendees. In the coming weeks we will be announcing some of the speakers who will run these presentations particularly focussed on this age group. Of course many of the other workshops and discussions will cover all ages of the attendees.

## Volunteers

The call for Volunteers is now out there and the flyer is attached. Please spread this around to anyone you think might be interested in assisting. The current estimate is around 800 volunteers required to deliver the Festival.



## Expo

Expressions of Interest for Expo Exhibitors has now opened and these will close on 26 July. Forms can be downloaded from the ACYF website. Confirmation can be expected by 18 August. A brochure is attached.

## Pilgrimages on Saturday 9 December

We have been receiving many enquiries about the pilgrimage options on Saturday 9 December. To assist you in understanding these options and discussing with your young people we have developed a presentation. This will be a great opportunity for the attendees to walk across our iconic bridge and take in the marvellous sights of Sydney harbour, the Opera House and the beautiful Botanical Gardens as they journey to the Final Mass in the Domain. Those fortunate enough to add a visit to Mary MacKillop Place will be able to visit the Chapel and the tomb of our first Australian Saint.

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