



Honouring Pope Francis On World Environment Day 5th of June 2025



**Join us in celebrating the life of Pope Francis
and his interfaith and ecological legacy**

**United Religions Initiative and Religions for Peace Australia invite
you to join our shared interfaith event online:**

**8pm Australia AEST, 1pm in Jerusalem, 7am in Buenos Aires
Zoom Meeting ID: 879 9381 3629**

<https://uri-org.zoom.us/j/87993813629?pwd=KQ8vbXDOPXpiqZh1Lt5QTUS7panaJy.1>

PROGRAM

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A commemoration honouring the interfaith and ecological legacy of Pope Francis, presented by United Religions Initiative and Religions for Peace Australia

Introduction

Emeritus Professor Desmond Cahill OAM, Moderator, Asian Conference of Religions for Peace

First Nations Welcome to Country by Kurna Elder

John Lochowiak, Chair of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Commission

Catholic

Maria E Crespo, United Religions Initiative Director of Growth and Network Vitality

Jewish

Rabbi David Rosen, KSG, CBE Co-President, Religions for Peace International, URI English-Israeli Interfaith Peacemaker, American Jewish Committee 2001-2024

Baha'i

Theresa Wainas, Papua New Guinean born, Melton Melbourne Baha'i community

Quaker background

Alyn Ware, Chair of Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament, 2009 Right Livelihood Award recipient and member of the World Future Council

Buddhist

Philippa Rowland, Chair of Religions for Peace Australia; President of Multifaith South Australia

Hindu

Kanti Jinna OAM, Vice President, Hindu Council of Australia, Past President of the Hindu Temple & Cultural Centre of the ACT. Canberra Interfaith Forum, RfPA Adviser

Muslim

Professor Mehmet Ozalp, Islamic Theologian; Director, Centre for Islamic Studies and Civilisation at Charles Sturt University, and ISRA, the Islamic Sciences and Research Academy.

Laudato Si Movement

Jacqui Rémond, Leadership and Service, Integral Ecology at the Australian Catholic University, Co-founder of the Laudato Si' Movement