

**My Faith in Australia
What we give
What we get
What we need**

Joint Conference Convenors:

- Jewish: Rabbi Jonathan Keren Black
Leo Baeck Centre for
Progressive Judaism
- Christian: Rev. David Pargeter
Victoria and Tasmania Synod
Uniting Church in Australia
- Muslim: Mr. Yasser Soliman
Islamic Council of Victoria
- Mr. Orhan Cicek
Australian Intercultural Society

**Application forms are available from
these conference contacts:**

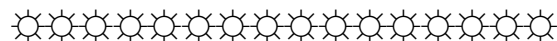
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**Deepening our understanding of
Judaism, Christianity and Islam
in Australia today by meeting
and learning from
Jews, Christians and Muslims**

The number of conference participants is limited to 45 people accommodated in one or two bedded rooms: The venue is:

The Edmund Rice Conference Centre,
'Amberley'
7 Amberley Way, Lower Plenty,
Victoria 3093

Melways ref: Map 21 C12
(20 km NE of the Melbourne CBD)

Set in expansive grounds with views across the Yarra Valley the conference centre is noted for its relaxing environment that is conducive to both personal reflection and warm, open meetings and discussions.

All-inclusive Conference Fees:

- Shared room (for 2) \$195 per person
Shared room (2) with en-suite \$245 pp
Single room \$245
Single room with en-suite \$295

A concessional or subsidised rate may be available in some circumstances

**All meals are strictly vegetarian and
no alcohol will be served or permitted**

JCMA

Partners in Dialogue

Your invitation

to consider our

First

Residential Conference

of

**Jews, Christians and Muslims
in Australia**

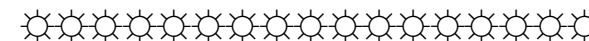
23rd – 26th August 2004

(Monday – Thursday)

Interreligious Dialogue
in the Contemporary
Australian Context

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Organised and hosted by the
Jewish-Christian-Muslim
Conference of Australia



This conference is an exciting initiative for those committed to interfaith dialogue and harmony within a multicultural community

It will be the first conference in Australia to follow the pattern of the annual residential conference of Jews, Christians and Muslims in Europe.

It is intended that all participants, speakers and discussion group leaders will be in residence for the full conference.

JCMA is intended for women and men of all ages who are members of one of the three Abrahamic faith communities. It is expected that participants will include clergy, lay people who are active in congregational life, academics, tertiary students, and those who work professionally in welfare or support roles with or within these faith communities.

The Programme: four days of ...

- * worship experiences
- * personal stories, accounts & insights
- * engaging group discussions
- * key aspects of each faith explained through personal experiences
- * opportunities to explore what brings people together in spite of different cultural and religious heritage
- * frank and open personal conversations

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Supported by:

Melbourne Diocese
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Council of Christians and Jews

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Jewish Community Council of Victoria

Leo Baeck Centre for Progressive Judaism

Union for Progressive Judaism
(Australia, New Zealand and Asia)

Uniting Church in Australia
Synod of Victoria and Tasmania

Pax Christi Victoria

“If I apply to attend, what chance have I got of securing a place?”

JCMA anticipates there may be more applications than the 45 places that are available. A selection procedure will therefore be applied.

Its aim is to ensure a balance of participants from each faith. The ideal would be 15 from each faith community with a wide spread of denominations, experiences and communities.

JCMA will also seek a balance of laywomen and laymen actively involved in their congregations, clergy, academics from religious and secular institutions, those working in support or welfare roles, and tertiary students.

Application forms are available from each of the conference contacts. Registration fees are ***not*** required with applications.

All applications received by May 31st, will be considered at that time.

Those whose applications have been accepted will be advised by June 3rd.

They will be required to pay the appropriate fee within ten days.

If the fee is not received by June 17th their registration will be cancelled and their places will be offered to other applicants.

If there are still places available, further applications will be considered in the order they are received until August 16th.

In summary:

Applications open: middle of April

Applications considered: May 31st

Successful applicants advised by June 3rd

Payment required by June 14th

Subsequent offers: from June 17th, and as any available places may be considered.

Last date for ‘late’ applications, August 16th

Conference: Mon 23rd to Thurs 26th August.