

Forum: Criminal Abuse in Religious Institutions - Opportunities for Restorative Justice

Friday 13th March 2015: 9.30 to 4.00pm

REGISTER NOW: igff@igff.com.au or IGFF office 9326 5991

\$60 VARJ Members or \$80 non VARJ members

Complimentary attendance available – please contact IGFF

Multicultural Hub, 506 Elizabeth Street, Melbourne

(Tram 55/57/59 stop opposite Queen Victoria Market)

Refreshments/morning and afternoon tea provided – Lunch choices nearby

In Good Faith Foundation (IGFF) with the support of Victorian Association for Restorative Justice (VARJ), is hosting a forum on **current institutional responses with potential for restorative practice** in the area of abuses by clergy, religious, spiritual and lay leaders. Experts and participants will consider: critical interventions to support survivors; independent legal assistance for civil & criminal pathways, therapeutic & pastoral care, submissions to the national Royal Commission, professional liaison with Victoria Police SANO Taskforce and SOCIT. Presenters confirmed to date include:

Angela Sdrinis, Principal of Angela Sdrinis Legal

Fr Kevin Dillon AM, Pastoral Minister to victims

Helen Last, Pastoral Advocate, CEO of In Good Faith Foundation

Neil Woodger, Clinical Psychologist, advisor to Psychologists

Nigel Denning, Counselling Psychologist with Integrative Psychology

John Hendry OAM, Director of Student Welfare, Geelong Grammar School

Dr David Moore, VARJ President

Dr Alikki Vernon, VARJ Vice President

Representatives from government, police, welfare and survivors' advocacy organisations

Program includes:

- Interfaith case studies, Christian, Jewish and Eastern faiths
- RJ values and principles to motivate
- Strategic planning to achieve institutional change
- Best practice models: Defence Abuse Response Taskforce

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