

## SJA and STA PPC Forward Work Plan 2025

Month	Project for Discussion and Action
March	<i>Parishes' participation in the Jubilee Year</i>  Celebrating the Jubilee as parishes and part of the archdiocese.
April	<i>Youth groups and youth ministers in the parishes</i>  Growing the youth groups and their role in the parishes.
May	<i>Charitable outreach in West Belconnen aka the 'Dawn Patrol'</i>  Working through the practical implications of outreach and seeing how it might be connected to existing charitable initiatives.
June	<i>Families supporting families through social connection</i>  Establishing family groups that generate their own social activities and support amongst themselves.
July	<i>Mental health ministry at St John the Apostle</i>  Developing this ministry and calling for broader participation in it in a sensitive way.
August	<i>Accompanying those who suffer with grief and loss outreach</i>  Discussing whether the new mental health ministry incorporates those who suffer events such as grief and loss, and acting if needed.
September	<i>Springtime in Canberra</i>  How do we embrace the Church's teachings on the environment at a parish level?
October	<i>A 'catholic aka universal' combined parish where all cultures are welcome</i>  Ensuring that our vibrant migrant communities in West Belconnen are included, valued and respected in our parishes.
November	<i>2025 in review – what does the PPC need to prioritise in 2026?</i>  Working out what has gone well and what we need to do to prepare for next year.
December	<i>No meeting</i>  The PPC does not meet in December as we prepare for Christmas.

## **Underlying Principles**

- Change is always hard, even when it is positive.
- The forward work plan should be made available to all parishioners.
- New ideas from parishioners are more than just welcome; they are encouraged.
- Both the STA and SJA mass centres and their representatives on the PPC have an equal say in the development and implementation of the forward work plan.
- Having a topic scheduled for a certain month doesn't mean that it must be resolved and implemented by that date. However, the combined PPC should end the meeting with a clear decision on what will happen next and who will work towards implementation.
- The proposed topic is on the agenda but will not be the only item on the agenda.