

Are you passionate about social justice and the power of prayer and liturgy to change us?

If so, please consider the following invitation from the
Diocesan Liturgy Council

On 1 October 2000 [Josephine Bakhita](#) was declared a saint by the Catholic Church and her feast established on 8 February.

The International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking is held annually on 8 February because St Josephine Bakhita inspires our reflection on the circumstances of violence and injustice affecting millions of voiceless people.

The Church of Maitland-Newcastle stands with the entire Catholic Church in its strong commitment to eradicate modern slavery and human trafficking.

For this reason the Diocesan Liturgy Council (DLC) is looking to establish a Working Party that will explore ways this local Church might highlight the feast of St Josephine Bakhita so that our prayer impels us to action against all forms of violence and injustice.

If you ...

- have a strong commitment to *social justice*
- believe *our prayer* shapes our faith and action
- are *creative*
 - have a *love and passion* for prayer and liturgy
 - love a *challenge*
 - are *open to learning* and stretching your understanding of current issues in the *light of the Gospel*
 - have *time to commit* to this ministry ...

then **please submit your [Expression of Interest](#) by Sunday 18 July 2021.**

If you are interested and have any questions you would like to discuss before submitting an Expression of Interest, please contact Fiona Duque by email at fiona.duque@mn.catholic.edu.au.

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On behalf of the Diocesan Liturgy Council.

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