



# Australian Association for Religious Education

WA BRANCH

## AARE CIRCULAR – MARCH 2021

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Dear AARE Members (current and prospective)

I pray you and your loved ones are safe and well. Please read and forward this Circular on to all your colleagues.

*Blessings & Joy*

*Chris Callus*

WA President & National President

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### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & GUEST SPEAKER



The **2021 Annual General Meeting** of the Australian Association for Religious Education (WA) will be held on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> May** at Servite College and online via Zoom.

Religious educators, chaplains & those who support the provision of religious education in schools and universities are cordially invited to attend & hear what your professional association is doing.

We thank and congratulate the following members who have served on the 2020/2021 Committee.

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|------------------------|----------------------------|
| <i>Helen Bunstead</i>  | <i>Secretary</i>           |
| <i>Chris Callus</i>    | <i>President</i>           |
| <i>James Depiazzi</i>  | <i>Development Officer</i> |
| <i>Tim Pearce</i>      | <i>Web Manager</i>         |
| <i>Susan Regnard</i>   | <i>Vice President</i>      |
| <i>Mark Staer</i>      | <i>Treasurer</i>           |
| <i>Keeley Trouchet</i> | <i>Committee</i>           |
| <i>Brady Williams</i>  | <i>Executive Officer</i>   |

Religious Educators and Chaplains who find they are in a position to help further the aims of the Association in supporting religious educators and chaplains in their work, are invited to seek nomination to the AARE Committee.

The flyer with details and the nomination form is attached.

We are delighted to have as our guest speaker, **Mr Darren Reynolds** from **Destiny Rescue**. Their aim is to save children from the sex trade; employing acts of rescue, reintegration and prevention.

Come and learn:

- about the need for, and the work of, “Destiny Rescue”
- how schools might utilise such information and engage “Destiny Rescue” within their curricula
- how you might support “Destiny Rescue” with their mission.



All participants (in person or online) will receive a Professional Learning Certificate which can be logged with the TRBWA.

## HONOURING COLLEAGUES & STATE DINNER

With the busyness of Term One over, our focus shifts to further supporting, celebrating and honouring Chaplains and Religious Educators.

We congratulate the 2020 AARE Award Winners:

- **Lisa Winkler** (Santa Maria College)  
nominated by Michelle Carrick
- **Belinda Fabling** (St Francis' CARE School)  
nominated by Ian Hagen
- **Mario Borg** (24:7 Youth Ministry)  
nominated by Peter Loreck
- **Theresa Fogarty** (Ursula Frayne Catholic College)  
nominated by Sabrina D'Cruze and Sarah Quin
- **Rev Peter Smith** (YouthCARE: Dalkeith Primary)  
nominated by Catherine Plowman
- **Nola McIntyre** (Perth College)  
nominated by Rev Linda Pilton
- **Paul Rich** (Aquinas College)  
nominated by John Richards



Please consider nominating a colleague or mentor for an **Award of Meritorious Service**

Nominations Open - Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May

Nominations Close - Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June

(Details and Forms online)

Place the **State Awards Dinner** in your diary and encourage your whole team to join us.

- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September (Term 3: Week 8)
- 6pm to 9:30pm (arrival from 5:30)
- Trinity College, Chapel then Staff Lounge

## MEMBERSHIP

**Note: 2021 Membership Subscriptions have been reduced**

Like many enterprises, educational institutions across Australia have been significantly impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic.

In recognition of such hardships, the AARE has reduced its membership subscriptions to help support our members; particularly in the eastern states.

While 2020 was a transition year, we now only accept membership subscriptions through the Association website: [www.aare.org.au](http://www.aare.org.au)



Please renew your membership through the website.

- 1) Log on to the Website [www.aare.org.au](http://www.aare.org.au)
- 2) Navigate through to the Registration Page  
<https://aare.org.au/registration/>
- 3) Complete the membership details
  - a) Indicate whether you wish to register as an Individual or Organisation.
    - i) Individual
      - Standard \$70 ..... \$40
      - Concessional (Student, Volunteer, SRE/CRE Teacher) \$40 ..... \$20
    - ii) Organisation (school or institution)
      - School/Institution \$200 ..... \$150
      - Library / Overseas \$70 ..... \$70
  - b) Identify the State (WA) with which you are affiliated
  - c) Fill in the other fields
- 4) You will then be contacted regarding payment details and login access

Please advise us should you have any difficulty with:

- Membership: [membershipwa@aare.org.au](mailto:membershipwa@aare.org.au)
- Finances: [treasurerwa@aare.org.au](mailto:treasurerwa@aare.org.au)

Association Membership is for the school year, 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December with a three-month grace period. Memberships are due by 31<sup>st</sup> March each year; extended this year to 30<sup>th</sup> April.

While assisting with obvious efficiencies, this means that you also automatically become members of the National Association and the State Branch.

There is strength and wisdom in membership.

## BREAKING NEWS – National Survey

The AARE is embarking on an educational first in Australia. We will be seeking to potentially solicit feedback on concerns and needs from all Chaplains and Religious Educators in Australia through a **National Survey**.



The survey will be available through the AARE Website. Details will be coming out soon.

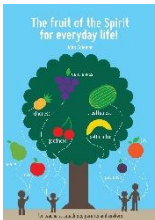
We value your opinion.

## WEBSITE

There is on-going work to make [www.aare.org.au](http://www.aare.org.au) the one-stop shop for information, communication and resources with anything related to chaplaincy and religious education.

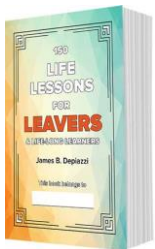
We seek to partner with resource and service providers to facilitate and promote what they offer. Members are encouraged to contact us to promote, showcase and share their work.

## PROMOTIONS



**The fruit of the Spirit for everyday life!**  
By John Coleman  
... for teachers, catechists, parents and seekers which offers a realistic values approach to living that can be easily adopted as a whole school approach, within a church community, for families ....

[The fruit of the Spirit - Spectrum Publications](#)



**150 Life Lessons for Leavers**  
by James B Depiazzi.  
... a collection of life lessons, questions and quotes to accompany students on the journey through their last year at school and throughout the years ahead.

Through on-line book sellers.  
For bulk order school discounts contact James at [depiazzi.james@gmail.com](mailto:depiazzi.james@gmail.com).

## 2021 CALENDAR

**Christian Service-Learning Network Workshops**  
1.30 - 4.00 pm

Term 1	Monday 22 March	(Trinity College -completed)
Term 2	Tuesday 8 June	(CBC Fremantle)
Term 3	Monday 6 September	(Venue tbc)
Term 4	Monday 29 November	(Venue tbc)



To be placed on the contact list and to join the CSLN Teams please contact John Richards: [John.Richards@aquinas.wa.edu.au](mailto:John.Richards@aquinas.wa.edu.au)

## Nominations for AARE Awards

- Forms available on-line (Term 2)
- Opening date  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May
- Closing date  
Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June



## Annual Dinner and Awards Night

- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September (Term 3: Week 8)
- 6:00pm – 9:30pm (Arrival from 5:30pm)
- Trinity College, East Perth

## Gather Education/Perth Together

(Christians coming together in unity and praying for our city)

- Launch & Month of Prayer (tba)



## Kristallnacht Commemoration

("Night of Broken Glass")

- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November
- Venue & Time (tba)

## Network Meetings, Resources & other events tbc

Check the Website and the next Circular

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## Blessings & Joy



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WA and National President  
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## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

4:55 – 6:30pm Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2021  
Servite College (Staff Room)/ Zoom (Online)

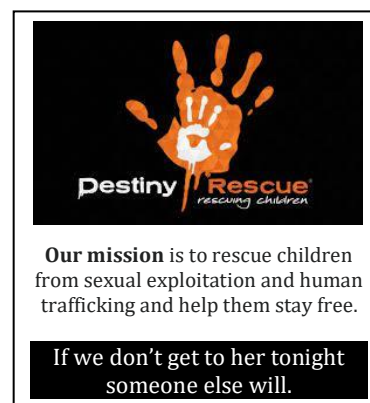
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**Format:**

- From 4:30 Afternoon Tea
- 4:45 Waiting room (online) and informal gathering (at Servite College)
- 4:55 **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**
- (1) Acceptance of Minutes of the previous AGM (held 14<sup>th</sup> May 2020) & Business Arising
  - (2) Reports - Association Report & Financial Report
  - (3) Coming Events and Activities
  - (4) Election of 2020-2021 AARE Committee
  - (5) Consultation on proposed 2021/2022 AARE Projects
- 5:30 **GUEST SPEAKER**
- Mr Darren Reynolds (“Destiny Rescue”)
- Rescue of children in the sex trade. Tonight’s aim is to:
- inform educators of the need for, and the work of, “Destiny Rescue”
  - show how schools might utilise such information and engage “Destiny Rescue” within their curricula
  - support “Destiny Rescue” with their mission
- 6:15 Q&A
- 6:30 Meeting closed



RSVP: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May – For catering and creating the Zoom invitation  
Registration for attendance: [membershipwa@aare.org.au](mailto:membershipwa@aare.org.au) Enquiries: [President@AARE.org.au](mailto:President@AARE.org.au)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School/Institution \_\_\_\_\_

Title / Role \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Please confirm your attendance: At Servite College  or Online

**Nomination to serve on the 2021/22 AARE Committee**

	Name & School/Institution	Signature
Nominator (self-nomination is acceptable)		
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Acceptance by nominated		