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AUSTRALASIAN CATHOLIC PRESS CALLED TO BE MESSENGERS OF HOPE

The Executive of the Australasian Catholic Press Association (ACPA) has this week announced the 2025 Conference and Annual Awards will be held at the Pavilion on Northbourne, in Canberra.

Set within the context of the Jubilee Year, the Conference theme is *“Messengers of Hope: Communicating the truth, beauty and goodness of our faith.”*

The Conference will commence on Tuesday 2 September with the Annual General Meeting and conclude on Thursday 4 September with the Annual Conference Mass at St Christopher’s Cathedral celebrated by Canberra-Goulburn Archbishop, the Most Rev Christopher Prowse followed by the Awards Night and Dinner.

ACPA President Jamie O’Brien said the 2025 Conference will provide Catholic media and communications professionals across Australia, New Zealand and Oceania an opportunity to come together to reflect, engage and deepen the call to be messengers of hope.

“With a strong line-up of speakers, the Conference will be of great source of knowledge sharing and networking for Catholic communications and media professionals across our parishes, publications, dioceses, religious communities, Catholic institutes of education and other professional organisations,” Mr O’Brien said.

“Formation is a key component of this Jubilee Year, so I encourage all interested professionals to register,” he said. The conference will also include a special excursion to a venue of local and/or cultural significance.

Mr O’Brien encouraged ACPA members and non-ACPA members alike to come together for this once-a-year opportunity. “Our thanks to the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn for opening your diocese to ACPA,” Mr O’Brien said.

ACPA welcomes interested sponsors for the Conference within the tiers of \$5000 as Gold Sponsor, \$3000 as Silver Sponsor and \$1500 as Bronze Sponsor.

Entries for the Annual Awards have also opened for all 2024-2025 financial members. More information is available by [Clicking Here](#).

To register for the conference, visit <https://www.trybooking.com/CVEFA> or contact ACPA President, Jamie O’Brien at jamie.obrien@perthcatholic.org.au

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