



**ISMAPNG
CHAPTER 2017**

*Through the tender
mercy of our God...*

CHAPTER NEWS

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CHAPTER CONSIDERS VISION STATEMENT

Today much of the time at Chapter was spent considering the Vision Statement. Various drafts have been produced and the Writing Team (Eileen Ann Daffy, Caroline Ryan, Angela Reed and Helen Owens assisted by a group of other Sisters) continues working on it.

A first draft was presented to the Chapter this morning and is now being revised for presentation later in the week. While the drafting of the statement was being worked on, the rest of the delegates spent time in prayer asking the Spirit's guidance on the task.

Today's **morning prayer** was led by Cathy Solano and Anila Isaac. In the past week delegates have been living and dreaming the possibilities of 'What if'. With periods of silent prayerful contemplation, delegates were asked to dare to take a *What If* forward both personally and communally.



IMPRESSIONS OF CHAPTER

Three Sisters have shared their impressions of the 2017 Chapter.

Schola Fakiwi

This is my first time attending a Chapter like this and the two days of contemplation we had were very good to me. It helps us when we go into Chapter and discuss our Chapter issues. We listen to each other, respect each other and we understand each other.



SCHOLA FAKIWI

Liz Moloney



LIZ MOLONEY

Reflecting on this experience of the Institute Chapter is a privilege, opportunity, challenge and responsibility. I think one of the things that stands out to me is that we have spent time focusing on the last six years in terms of the work of the ILT and ourselves as to how we have contributed to the formation of the Institute. Now we are looking at what more we need to do. Many of us have contributed to the pre-Chapter work and we have been ensuring that we are hearing what has been represented, hearing from each other and where it takes us now. One of the outside parts of the Chapter work I have really enjoyed is being with the other Sisters and hearing about the ministries, they and other Sisters, are involved with - whether it be in Australia, Papua New Guinea or beyond. It is just really inspiring, leads to new possibilities and new dreams.

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IMPRESSIONS OF CHAPTER (CONTINUED)

Ann-Maree O'Beirne

This is my first Institute Chapter. I must say it is a great privilege to be here deliberating about our future together. The Chapter has been both a gift and a challenge. The gift is the opportunity to talk together and discover a way forward. The challenge is they are very long days and it takes a lot of concentration to really listen deeply to what each person is saying and to try and hear where the spirit might be calling us - because each of us has a different take on that. But saying that, there is a great spirit of communal dialogue and doing things together, so it is a wonderful experience.

You can watch these 'Impressions of Chapter' on today's video which is available in the Communications Centre, the App or at: <https://vimeo.com/230410012>



CHAPTER CULTURE NIGHT

Catherine's instructions to 'dance every evening' were well and truly followed at the Chapter Culture Night on Saturday. The half-way point of Chapter was fittingly marked with a night that included dancing, singing and lots of laughter.

You can watch highlights from the Culture Night on today's video which is available in the Communications Centre, the App or at: <https://vimeo.com/230410012>



Schola Fakiwi transforms Berenice Kerr!



Eveline Crotty and Adele Howard



Helen Owens, Margie Abbott, Anne Keim and Veronica Lawson



Theresia Boyek

BACK AT WORK...



Marg Endicott, Helen Owens, Faye Kelly, Berenice Kerr and Sharon Price



Pat Fox, Joan Wilson and Eileen Ann Daffy



Barbara Bolster, Deirdre Gardiner, Moira Truelson, Mary Tinney and Nerida Tinkler



AN ENJOYABLE DAY OFF WAS HAD BY ALL

From all accounts, delegates made the most of yesterday's day off to get out and about. A group of Sisters went to the New South Wales Art Gallery to see the Archibald exhibition, some went to the movies, while others travelled to nearby towns and shops.



Eveline Crotty, Liz Callen, Maureen Sexton and Faith Jones on their way to Mount Tomah.