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### NAIDOC Week 6-13 July

**NAIDOC** celebrates the survival of **Indigenous Culture** and the Indigenous contribution to modern Australia. All Australians are encouraged to participate in NAIDOC Week activities. In Brisbane join the celebrations at the Musgrave **Park Family Fund Day** 9.00am - 5.00pm on Friday 11 July.



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### Two free Energy Saving Light Globes

**Green Energy Watch Go** is offering 2 free energy saving light globes to each Australian household. Go to [Website](#), type in your details and you'll get 2 free Energy Saving Light Globes sent to you. This is an Australia-wide initiative, spread the word.



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### Low Carbon Diet Initiative

The Queensland Government have a new initiative to help



organisations reduce carbon emissions. To check it out visit the [Climate Smart](#) website.

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### National Tree Day 27 July

National Tree Day encourages local beautification, promotes biodiversity, and activates individuals and groups to take positive steps to protect their environment at a local level. Now in its 13th year, National Tree Day has successfully mobilised more than 1.8 million volunteers to plant almost 12 million native trees and shrubs around the country. This year **National Tree Day** will be held on **Sunday 27 July** with **Schools Tree Day** on **Friday 25 July**. For more information, please call the National Tree Day Hotline on 1300 88 5000 or visit [website](#).



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### Eco-Spirituality

#### Men and Earth Retreat Day-Date claimer

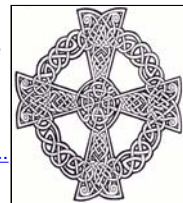
Sunday, 17 August, 10.00am-3.30pm: Claim this date for a restful and inspiring day at Four Winds and at the nearby Mt Mee State Forest.



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### Reading-Reflection Group

**Tuesday, 19 August**, 5.30-7.00pm, at Delamore Retirement Centre, Kedron, entry from Cremorne Road. The topic is **Celtic Spirituality**. Please bring along any resources to share that are meaningful for you. No cost.



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### World Youth Day Environmental Event

**Catholic Earthcare** is holding an event at the State Theatre, **Sydney on July 18th at 8pm**. The event is free and open to the public. Go along with your friends and family to listen to exceptional speakers and some groovy music too.

For more Information check the [website](#).



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### Interfaith Understanding and Dialogue Program

The **Multi-Faith Centre** is hosting a **Model Passover Seder** on **Thursday 24 July, 6.30pm** at Beit Kneset Shalom Synagogue, 13 Koolatah St, Camp Hill. The seder will last for a little over two hours. Cost 1\$10.00 at the door to cover kosher food costs. Various items on the seder plate will be explained. There will be a question time at the end of the seder.

**Registration essential:**

Contact Prof Virginia Cawagas at 37357051 or [v.cawagas@griffith.edu.au](mailto:v.cawagas@griffith.edu.au) **before 10 July**.



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### Refugees and Asylum Seekers - Film

US Jesuit, **Fr Mark McGregor**, will present his film, **Posada**, which tells the story of young unaccompanied Mexicans seeking asylum in America, at a special screening on **Thursday 31 July at 7.00 p.m.** at lecture Theatre GT 125, **St Joseph's College, Gregory Terrace**, Spring Hill. The film reminds us of the biblical call to welcome the stranger in our midst and a discussion will follow.



Supper will be provided. Please RSVP to Alana on 3336 9351 or [em.fl@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:em.fl@bne.catholic.net.au) for catering purposes. A gold coin donation to cover costs would be appreciated..

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### Anti-Poverty Week 2008 12- 18 October

**Anti-Poverty Week** aims to strengthen public understanding of the causes and consequences of poverty and hardship around the world and within Australia. For information on types of events and/or research you could conduct together with details about organising and promoting your activities visit the [website](#). A **Resource Kit** is available from this site. Individuals, communities, government and organisations are urged to hold an event or conduct research - whether very small or quite large scale - that will raise awareness, provoke discussion and help to develop solutions to any poverty related issue. If you are already planning or holding an event during this week, you can just call it an Anti-Poverty Week event. It's as easy as that!



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**That's it for this SAO Bytes!**  
**Please post your news on this Notice Board.**  
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