



## Being salt and light in the places and among the people God has placed us (in our communities)

### How do we get there?

- Affirming the many acts of kindness and goodness that already take place across the diocese
- Living Christlike lives and blessing people in our community, who we know or encounter, by word and action
- Responding to specific local issues of need, peace and justice, such as homelessness and family violence
- Working on effective ways to communicate with and minister to children, young people, their parents and younger adults who are outside of, or on the threshold of church
- Assisting our volunteers in Emergency Relief and Op shops and the people they help and serve, and
- supporting our Chaplains in Schools, Prisons, Missions to Seafarers and Aged Care
- Equipping Christians to be able to explain their faith if asked

### How can we do these?

- Knowing and experiencing how much God loves us
- Explaining and emphasising what God is calling each and all of us to be and do
- Promoting and sharing good ideas and initiatives that are already working in different places
- Providing training in talking about our faith/apologetics
- Increasing the connections between our churches and Op Shops/Emergency Relief/Schools etc.
- Fostering the work of the Sustainable Living Working Party across our parishes
- Finding out more about the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, other relevant ethnic groups, disabled people and their carers (Luke 14).
- Fostering our links with Kapsabet and the Maori Diocese

Matt. 5.13: "You are the salt of the earth."

14-16 You are the light of the world... let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."