

## Lasallian Facilitation

*A program for those who contribute, or would like to contribute to the Lasallian dimension of their workplace*

### Aims

1. To develop the capacity of school and other personnel who lead Lasallian formation in their own workplaces.
2. To provide and demonstrate resources for use in the four areas of Lasallian formation.
3. To develop ways in which leaders might use the resources in their own workplaces.
4. To share resources and ideas contributed by participants.
5. To provide leaders with some intensive formation in selected aspects of the four areas of Lasallian formation.

### Participants

This program is designed for those who already contribute, or would like to contribute, to the Lasallian dimension of their school or workplace. It is not *solely* for those designated as Lasallian Facilitators – whose participation and experience will certainly be a major resource during the program.

### Dates and Venue

The formal program will begin promptly on **Monday 7 March at 8:30 am**, at the **Provincial Office**, 26 Meredith Street, Bankstown. The program will conclude with lunch on **Tuesday 8 March**. The Monday program will conclude at 5:30 pm.

Those staying overnight on **Sunday 6 March** may wish to gather at the Provincial Office for drinks at 6:00 pm and head out for dinner together. There are several restaurants in the area. Others are most welcome to join the party.

### Accommodation

For those wishing to book overnight accommodation on Sunday and/or Monday nights, two nearby possibilities are:

Travelodge Bankstown (at Bankstown Sports Club)  
8 Greenfield Parade  
Bankstown NSW 2200  
Phone: +61 2 9793 0000  
bankstown@travelodge.com.au  
<http://www.bankstownsports.com/accommodation.html>

BreakFree Bankstown International  
477 Chapel Road  
Bankstown NSW 2200  
Phone: +61 2 9790 4700  
Brett.Power@breakfree.com.au  
[www.breakfree.com.au](http://www.breakfree.com.au)

### The Program

Two hours have been allotted to each of the four related areas of Lasallian formation:

- the story of John Baptist de La Salle (1651-1719)
- the ongoing story in which we are the current ‘actors’ (1719-2016)
- Lasallian pedagogy
- Lasallian spirituality

This will involve some fairly concentrated work: eight hours over a day and a half.

### **Content**

For each of these four areas, during the two allotted hours

- a resource will be provided and demonstrated, and its potential use discussed
- other resources indicated by participants will be shared and discussed
- there will be an ‘intensive’ on one particular aspect of the area, for the benefit of the participants’ own ongoing formation

For example, the resource to be provided and demonstrated in the Story of the Founder area will include an illustrated 16-page A5 booklet, *John Baptist de La Salle: a short biography*. The ‘intensive’ in the Ongoing Story will concern the attitudes of the 18<sup>th</sup> century intelligentsia towards the education of the poor. The resources for Lasallian pedagogy will include Br Gerard Rummery’s short film clip on the *Conduct of the Christian Schools*. In the Lasallian Spirituality ‘intensive’ De La Salle’s approach to the ministry of teaching will be considered in relation to the influential ‘French School’ of spirituality on which he drew.

### **Program Facilitators**

Gerard Rummery fsc, BA, DipEd, MEd, MA, PhD

Amanda Proulx, BA, MA

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### **Limited numbers**

To accommodate a working group in reasonable comfort in our training room, the program will be limited to 25 participants.

### **Certification**

I anticipate that this program will be accredited by Broken Bay Institute, and hence qualify for the joint Broken Bay Institute-Gerard Rummery Institute certificate, issued by BBI. BBI have set the cost of this certification at \$50 per head. Principals have been very supportive in requesting this certificate for participants in the *Catholic School-Lasallian Heritage* program just concluded.

### **Cost**

The cost of the program itself will be \$100 per participant.

### **Travel and parking**

The Provincial Office is an easy 7-minute walk from Bankstown Station. Regrettably, parking will *not* be available at the Provincial Office, where the space is often already overcrowded! There are parking stations a little further up Meredith Street, and right at the bottom end of Meredith Street. Please check any time restrictions.

### **Registration**

Please register intended participants by emailing Br John Cantwell (johncantwell@delasalle.org.au),

1. providing the correctly spelled **name** as it will appear on certificates. To avoid difficulties, *please ensure* that the name is spelled as the participant wants it to appear. Certificates will be printed before the program, and changing them is problematic.
2. providing the intended participant's **email address**.
3. indicating whether or not the school/workplace wishes the participant to receive the Broken Bay Institute-Gerard Rummery Institute **certificate** (\$50).
4. indicating whether the participant will be organising **accommodation**, or returning home on Sunday/Monday night.

Early registration is recommended, in view of the limit on numbers. The cut-off date for registrations is **Monday 29 February**.

John Cantwell fsc  
11 February 2016