



PURPOSE AND PRIORITIES FOR THE DIOCESAN FELLOWSHIP

“For what we preach is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your servants for Jesus’ sake”

2 Corinthians 4:5



“WE’RE FOR JESUS”



PURPOSE

Our purpose is to make disciples by:

Proclaiming and commending Christ

Establishing them in the life of the church

Equipping them for compassionate service in the world

Sending some to serve beyond our Diocese

Prayerfully seeking God’s work in all things



HIGHEST DIOCESAN PRIORITIES

Ministry of the Word

Prayer

Mobilising and motivating all Sydney Anglicans to be disciple-making disciples



FOCUS AREAS FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS

Encouragement of deeper collaboration between churches, schools, and organisations- including a more collaborative approach to the use of our property assets

Media and engagement: strengthening internal communication with better systems/processes for sharing stories and resources; and strengthening external communication through a significant reinvestment in Anglican Media

Healthy and flourishing churches made possible especially by the retention, strengthening, and accountability of Rectors through:

- Re-focussing of Regional Bishops (and the provision of better support for Bishops in their role)
- Professional supervision and professional development for Rector well-being

Growth and strengthening of ministry amongst children and young people, especially through better leveraging of links between schools and churches

Church planting: establishing new fellowships in Greenfields areas (with accompanying investment in land and buildings) and other areas (with creative approaches to beginning new ministries/communities)

Recruitment and training of new ministry leaders, including but not limited to:

- Leaders for particular kinds of churches (church plants; larger (or “hub and spoke”) parishes)
- Leaders (both women and men) of ministry in particular communities (indigenous; cross-cultural; blue collar; marginalised areas)

Note: This list of focus areas is not intended to include everything that is important to us. Rather, these are some areas where we believe we especially need to grow/change.