

To honour the founder of CTC,
James Robert Cardinal Knox,
fifth Archbishop of Melbourne

Knox Public Lecture 2019

Dr Trudy Dantis *The Voices of Plenary Council*

Stage One of the journey to Plenary Council 2020 involved the collection of submissions from individual Australians and groups following a process of listening and dialogue as they explored how they might answer the main question: *What do you think God is asking of us in Australia?* More than 222,000 people participated in the process. What did people talk about? What issues were discussed? This lecture will explore some of the themes that emerged from the data and that have helped build the framework for ongoing dialogue on the future of the Catholic Church in Australia.



DATE AND TIME

Wednesday 21 August, 7.30pm

VENUE

Catholic Leadership Centre
Corner Victoria Parade and Hoddle
Street, East Melbourne

Enter centre via Victoria Parade. Street
parking is available on Victoria Parade.

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*Light refreshments will be provided after
the lecture.*

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Trudy's academic background is in pastoral studies, social work and community resource management. Her PhD thesis from the University of Divinity was titled "Tracing the pulse: An investigation into the vitality of Australian Catholic parishes". She is the author of *A Handbook for Building Stronger Parishes* and has authored and co-authored several research reports. She recently returned to Australia to head up the National Centre for Pastoral Research in Canberra. In her prior role as researcher, her principal responsibilities were the Building Stronger Parishes project and, more recently, the National Youth Survey 2017.