

# **SOCIAL JUSTICE DATES FOR 2019**

#### **JANUARY**

17-20 National Young Adult Leaders Conference

**26** Survival Day (Australia Day)

# **FEBRUARY**

1-7 World Interfaith Harmony Week

2 World Wetlands Day

World Day of Prayer, Reflection and Action Against Human Trafficking

13 National Apology Day: Anniversary of the National Apology to the Stolen Generations (2008)

20 UN World Day of Social Justice

# **MARCH**

1 Clean Up Australia Day

**5** Shrove Tuesday

6 Ash Wednesday

8 International Women's Day

**8-11** Synod Social Justice Family Camp

21 National Close the Gap Day (Indigenous Health)

21 Harmony Day & United Nations' International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

22 International Water Day

24 Anniversary of Assassination of St Oscar Romero

**30** Earth Hour (8.30pm – 9.30pm)

21-24 Surrender Conference

#### **APRIL**

7 World Health Day

14 Palm Sunday & Palm Sunday Rally for Refugees

19 Good Friday

21 Easter Sunday

22 International Mother Earth Day

23-24 Earth at Peace25 Anzac Day

# MAY

1 International Worker's Day (May Day)

20-26 National Volunteer Week

10 World Fair Trade Day

22 International Day of Bio Diversity

26 National Sorry Day (National Day of Healing)

27 United Church of Christ in the Philippines Anniversary

(1948) - Vic/Tas Synod's partner church

27 51st Anniversary of referendum to grant citizen rights to

Indigenous Australians (1967)

27 May-3 June National Reconciliation Week

#### JUNE

2 Reconciliation Sunday

**3** Mabo Day

5 UN World Environment Day

12 UN World Day Against Child Labour

**16-22** Refugee Week

17 World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought

20 UN World Refugee Day

22 Uniting Church in Australia anniversary

#### **JULY**

2 International Cooperatives Day

7-14 NAIDOC Week

29 National Tree Day

30 World Day Against Trafficking in Persons

# **AUGUST**

2-15 Fairtrade Fortnight

4 National Aboriginal and Islander Children's Day

9 International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples

12 International Youth Day

**19** World Humanitarian Day

23 International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition

26 Anniversary of Tampa sinking (2001)

**25** Refugee & Migrant Sunday

#### **SEPTEMBER**

**1** World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation

7 Social Justice Convention (Synod of Vic Tas

10 World Suicide Prevention Day

**12** R U OK? Day

21 International Day of Peace

29 Social Justice Sunday

# **OCTOBER**

2 UN International Day of Non-Violence

7 World Habitat Day

**4-13** Mental Health Week

**10** World Mental Health Day

11 International Day of the Girl Child

13-20 Anti-Poverty Week

**16** World Food Day

17 International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

19 SIEV-X Anniversary (anniversary of the death by drowning of 353 asylum seekers on SIEV-X in 2001)

19-27 National Children's Week (Australia)

24-30 UN Disarmament Week

23 Children's Day (Australia)

# **NOVEMBER**

11 Armistice Day

20 Universal Children's Day

22 White Ribbon Day

25 International Day for the Elimination of Violence

Against Women

29 International Buy Nothing Day

29 International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People

# **DECEMBER**

1 World AIDS day

2 International Day for the Abolition of Slavery

3 International Day of People with Disability

5 International Volunteer Day

10 International Human Rights Day

21 Native Title Bill passed by the Senate (1993)

23 Wik Decision (Native Title - 1996)