



Dates /Anniversaries

- August 4** National Aboriginal & Islander Children's Day
August 6 Transfiguration/ Atom bomb dropped on Hiroshima 1945
August 8 St Mary of the Cross MacKillop/Atom bomb dropped on Nagasaki 1945
August 9 Blessed Edith Stein/ International Day of the World's Indigenous People
August 11 St Clare of Assisi
August 12 International Youth Day
August 15 Assumption of Mary /End of World War II in the Pacific 1945
August 16 Wave Hill Station NT returned to Gurindji People 1975
August 18 Vietnam Veterans Day
August 19 Protests led by Buddhist monks 2007 Burma/World /Humanitarian Day
August 22 Queenship of Mary
August 26 10th anniversary of MV Tampa's rescue of asylum seekers
August 28 Refugee and Migrant Sunday
August 29 International Day against Nuclear Tests
August 30 Timor Leste's Independence Ballot 1999



Advocacy

"The call to become involved in advocacy is therefore something that is new to many of us. It may also be something that we may feel unqualified for, or that is better left to those given particular responsibility in this area – however it is something that can involve us all".

Br Philip Pinto in a letter addressed to the Brothers.

Edmund Rice International is the Non Government Organization set up by the Christian and Presentation Brothers advocating to the UN on human rights. For more information about what is happening with advocacy on the international level go to www.edmundriceinternational.org/

Project 10% grew out of concern amongst community members about the continuing rise in imprisonment rates among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men, women and children. Since 2009 Project 10% has been bringing concerns about imprisonment rates and the solutions suggested by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people to the Premier, Attorney General, Opposition Leader and other key Ministers and policy makers



Death Penalty The rejection of the final appeals against the death penalties imposed on Andrew Chan and Myuran Sukumaran leaves them with no other option than to appeal for clemency from Indonesia's President. You can add your name to an Australian petition seeking Presidential clemency at <http://mercycampaign.org/>



National Congress of Australia's First Peoples The Congress was created in April 2010 to give Indigenous peoples a say on issues important to us and to create a national voice for those opinions to be heard by all Australians. As a new representative body, the Congress will be shaped over the coming months and years by its members. [Find out more about the Congress](#)