

CENTACARE AND WENDOUREE WEST EXODUS COMMUNITY WORK TOGETHER

The recent signing of a **Memorandum of Understanding** (MOU) between the Wendouree West Exodus Community and Centacare Diocese of Ballarat Inc. will mean a closer working relationship between the two groups in the future.

The MOU has the following aims and objectives:

Centacare and the Exodus Community will work together in order to:

- *break the cycle of poverty, inequity and social injustice for disadvantaged people in Wendouree West;*
- *enhance people's wellbeing and promote social inclusion through re-engagement in the community;*
- *build the capacity of the Ballarat community to enhance the lives of those who are disadvantaged and vulnerable.*
- *work closely with other community organizations with a view to providing the help that the community of Wendouree West requires.*

The MOU will mean that the Exodus Community will be able to draw upon the personnel and resources of Centacare. In turn Centacare will have a direct connection into the Wendouree West Community through Exodus. Under the sponsorship of Centacare Exodus will also be able to explore funding opportunities from government sources for programs to meet community needs.



The MOU was signed by David Beaver, Director, Centacare, (left) Diocese of Ballarat, Fr. Frank Smith Csr (centre) representing the Exodus Community and Fr. Gerry Prunty, (right) Parish Priest of Wendouree. The work of Exodus is part of the mission of OLHC Parish Wendouree.

A significant benefit for Exodus fundraising is that because of this formal relationship with the work of

Centacare, donations are now tax-deductible. Anyone wishing to support Exodus can forward a donation clearly marked Wendouree West Exodus Community to Centacare, Diocese of Ballarat, PO Box 2537, Bakery Hill, 3354.

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