

A Papal Contingent from Rome and various parts of the world visited Australia and met various local faith leaders, including representatives of Hindu Council of Australia in Canberra. Many issues of similarities were discussed. The gathering also talked how to counter differences towards a happier and less wounded world.

Mr Prakash Mehta, President Hindu Council and Dr Himnashu Pota represented Hindu Council in the meeting. The team was received by Archbishop Prowse. The four high ranking clergy from the Vatican consisted of Bishops, Monsignors and Priests from Spain, India, Sri Lanka and Indonesia specialising in relations with other faiths. There were five faiths represented consisting Judaism, Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam and Baha'i. There were some 20 invitees who were separated into three groups to interchange their views.

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