In his encyclical on the environment last year, Pope Francis stressed the vital need to support vulnerable peoples who are facing serious ecological threats. This is an important opportunity for us to dialogue with the peoples of the Pacific about their needs, but also about what causes them difficulty in the way Western development agencies and climate advocates provide support and how we can do a much better job of walking in solidarity with them.



Find out about the climate change induced relocation of atoll peoples in Papua New Guinea.

What action do we need to take to support them?

What role should churches play?

How do we offer our support in a respectful way to the peoples of the Pacific as they face the challenges of climate change?

## **SPECIAL GUESTS:**

**Ursula Rakova**, Director of Tulele Peisa, the Tulun (Carteret Islands) relocation program in Bougainville, PNG

**Pais Taehu,** Chairman of the Coalition of the Atolls and former MP in the Autonomous Bougainville Government, from Nukumanu (Tasman Islands)

Representatives of environmental organisations, the churches and Pacific communities in Australia

## Thursday 21 April 2016 7:00 – 8:30 PM

The Aspinall Centre
St Bernard's Catholic Parish
cnr Klumpp & Logan Rds
Upper Mt Gravatt





Light refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP to the Commission's Office by Monday 18 April to <a href="mailto:lawrencep@bne.catholic.net.au">lawrencep@bne.catholic.net.au</a> or on 3324 3451.

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