**Order of Service for NAIDOC week Liturgy**

**Environment**

Three campfires on the sanctuary. One in the middle and one either side.

**Welcome**

**Entrance Procession:** (clapping sticks only) Y**oung dancers lead the Archbishop and Monsignor into the Cathedral and onto the sanctuary. They then take their places with the story tellers and children doing the mime around the campfires. This will take the group around the campfires to five.**

**Commentator: Please remain seated as the procession enters the Cathedral**

**Welcome to Country:**

**[Once the speaker is in place he begins with the welcome to country]**

**The Archbishop goes straight to the Cathedra and sits. Monsignor straight to his seat.]**

**Gathering song: This is Holy Ground by Christopher Beatty (Images and words on power point)**

***This is holy ground***

***We’re standing on holy ground***

***For the lord is here***

***And where he is, is holy***

***This is holy ground***

***we’re standing on holy ground***

***for the lord is here***

***and where he is, is holy***

**Repeat Slide 1**

**Repeat Slide 2**

**Commentator: Please stand**

**Image of an Aboriginal Cross to stay up as Archbishop prays.**

**Archbishop:** In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**All:** Amen

**Archbishop:** The peace of the Lord be with you.

**All:** And also with your Spirit

**Archbishop:** We are gathered here to celebrate NAIDOC week. Today we join with others across Australia who this week celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC is celebrated each July not only in Indigenous communities, but by Australians from all walks of life.

We are coming together as Catholic school communities of the Archdiocese of Perth to celebrate NAIDOC. This will be a celebration of the work being done by Indigenous people across Australia who are taking responsibility for their own future and shaping the changes they want to see in their communities.

The theme for NAIDOC this year is Change: the next step is ours. Let us all take up the challenge to bring about the changes to our world that reflect God’s peace, love and harmony.

Perhaps an image of steps or footprints as the Archbishop addresses those gathered.

**Commentator: Please be seated**

Thank you for your welcome Archbishop. We have gathered today in this sacred place to share our good news story of the steps taken with God at our side to create change and a better future for all people in Australia. Open our ears and our hearts now to receive in your holy Word, the hope that can lead us to a bright and life-giving future that comes from faith in Jesus.

**Commentator: I now invite (N) to share his story with us.**

**First Storyteller:**

**Refrain: Song of the Body of Christ by David Hass**

***We Come to Share Our Story***

***Alleluia is our song***

***May we live in love and peace***

***Our whole life long (Sing twice)***

Scripture: **Jeremiah 29.11-14 (Mimed around the campfire)**

**Footsteps could be used here again. ‘Walking into the future with hope’**

For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, I will let you find me, says the Lord, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, says the Lord, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

The Word of the Lord

**Commentator: (N) will now share his story with us.**

**Second Storyteller:**

**Refrain: Song of the Body of Christ by David Hass**

***We Come to Share Our Story***

***Alleluia is our song***

***May we live in love and peace***

***Our whole life long (Sing twice)***

**Scripture: (Mimed around the campfire)**

Matthew 17:20

If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, "move from here to there," and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.

Luke 12:30-35

For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well. “Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

**Refrain: Song of the Body of Christ by David Hass**

***We Come to Share Our Story***

***Alleluia is our song***

***May we live in love and peace***

***Our whole life long (Sing twice)***

**Commentator: Please stand**

**Prayer for the Future: (Intercessory prayers)**

**Prayer for the Future on the screen also**

**Archbishop:** God of all time, of the past, the present and the future, receive now the prayers we offer in faith and trust to you.

**Reader:** That we may grow in peace and love so as to carry out the work of Jesus in our land.

We pray to the Lord.

Lord Hear Us.

**Reader:** That we may grow in wisdom, trust, and generosity of spirit to respond to the invitation to build a future of hope for all generations to come,

We pray to the Lord.

Lord Hear Us.

**Reader:** That as we step each day into the future, we may have the courage, knowledge and patience to achieve the impossible and do great things.

We pray to the Lord

Lord Hear Us.

**Archbishop:** Good and faithful God, You are always with us on our journey. Help us through this prayerful celebration, to go forth in a spirit of faith and hope, working together to bring about a future, where hope, love and justice bring peace and joy to all. This we pray in Jesus’ name.

**All:** Amen.

**Our Father (Aboriginal)**

***You are Our Father, you live in heaven  
We talk to you, Father you are good (repeat)***

***We believe your Word Father  
We are your children, give us bread today (repeat)***

***We have done wrong, we are sorry  
Help us Father not to sin again (repeat)***

***Others have done wrong to us  
And we are sorry for them, Father today (repeat)***

***Teach us, Father all about your word***

***Stop us from doing wrong, Father  
Save us all from the evil one (repeat)***

***(clap)You are Our Father, you live in heaven   
We talk to you, Father you are good (repeat)***

**Blessing and Sprinkling of Holy Water**

**Final Blessing:**

***Gentle guitar music is playing as the Archbishop reads each prayer of***

***blessing and Monsignor Keating does the sprinkling.***

Mr Wayne Bull to thank Archbishop, Monsignor Keating and schools for their

participation and support in this wonderful celebration and invite everyone to stay for

refreshments down stairs.

**Archbishop:** May God bless each one of you here and gently lead you into the future.

**All:** Amen

***Monsignor Keating moves to the first campfire and sprinkles those around the fire then turns to the congregation nearest that campfire and sprinkles them from the steps of the sanctuary.***

**Archbishop:** May the Lord give you faith and trust in him, so that you will do all things in his name.

**All:** Amen

***Monsignor Keating moves to the second campfire and sprinkles those around the fire then turns to the congregation nearest that campfire and sprinkles them from the steps of the sanctuary.***

**Archbishop:** May the Lord give you hope and faith in Jesus who makes a future of new life possible.

**All:** Amen

***Monsignor Keating moves to the third campfire and sprinkles those around the fire then turns to the congregation nearest that campfire and sprinkles them from the steps of the sanctuary.***

***Monsignor Keating moves back to his chair.***

**Archbishop:** And may you walk in the peace of Christ, to love and serve the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God!

**Recessional Song: Hearts on Fire by Michael Mangan**

*We come from the ancient Dreamtime from the bush, or by the sea.*

*We come from a thousand city streets.*

*We are the rich and the lowly, we are the poor and the strong.*

*We come to share the moment, gathering here, singing one song.*

*Chorus*

*With our hearts on fire with the love of Jesus*

*Hearts on fire, lets spread the Word.*

*Hearts on fire, called to live the Good News in this land.*

*Setting hearts on fire,*

*With our hearts on fire,*

*Setting hearts on fire.*

*We are the voice of Jesus, we are his heart and hands.*

*We are his body in our land.*

*Stand up! Live the story, to all the world proclaim.*

*Go out! To all creation, lighting the fire, fanning the flames.*

*Chorus*

*With our hearts on fire with the love of Jesus*

*Hearts on fire, lets spread the Word.*

*Hearts on fire, called to live the Good News in this land.*

*Setting hearts on fire,*

*With our hearts on fire,*

*Setting hearts on fire.*