August **8**

Parental Choice of Catholic Schooling: What the research tells us.

Principals, Staff and Parents

are warmly invited to attend

a one hour presentation by Richard Rymarz on his research of Parental Choice in Catholic Schooling.

Richard has conducted extensive research into this subject area, interviewing a large number of representatives of those in Catholic communities.

Where: Tasmanian Catholic Education Office

5 Emmett Place, New Town

When: 8th August 4:00pm - 5:00pm



Richard Rymarz is the Head of Religious Education and Director of Research at the Broken Bay Institute – The Australian Institute of Theological Education. Prior to this he held the Peter and Doris Kule Chair in Catholic Religious Education, St Joseph's College, University of Alberta. He has had wide experience in educational research, especially work on Catholic schools and moral and religious education. Professor Rymarz has an extensive research and publication record. His general area of interest is in how groups pass on religious beliefs and values. Some topics he has written on in the past include; pedagogical issues in RE, World Youth Day, gaining a better understanding of the needs, concerns and aspirations of "active" Catholic teenagers and young adults. His most recent articles examine the formation of young teachers in Catholic schools, Canadian Catholic schools and the worldview of students in Sydney Catholic schools. Currently he is working on a number of projects which look at parish and school interaction and parental choice in school selection. His most recent book is titled *Creating an Authentic Catholic School*. He is co editing a volume that will appear in 2017 on *Religious Education in Australian Catholic Schools*.

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