



## Message from the CEO

As we step into 2020, the team here at Australian Marist Solidarity (AMS) wants to thank you for your support and engagement in 2019. With you as our partners we were able to support marginalised and vulnerable young people in 24 countries in 2019. Our schools network forms a vital part of our work and without you we couldn't help children and young people across the region reach their brightest potential. You and your communities hold and express the solidarity that makes a difference in this world – AMS is merely the vehicle to help transmit it to our partner communities.

This year the focus of our school's campaign is the Pacific Island nation of Kiribati, which is pronounced 'Ki-ri-bas'. In this kit you'll find prayer and learning resources to help engage your students with this country and the work of Marists there. As always, we hope that learning and reflection will lead to action and so there are fundraising ideas and information about the badly needed renovations we are hoping to support at St Louis High School in 2020.

This year we have provided separate kits for primary and high school audiences. We hope that this will be of use and would love to have your feedback on our resources so that they can be even stronger next year. Let us know what works, what doesn't and any ideas you have for future schools kits.

Our young people are remarkable. Their heart for solidarity, their energy and their passion are desperately needed in our quest to make this world a more just place. We look forward to working with you and your school community in 2020 to increase awareness and understanding of the experiences of young people in our region and to ensure that all young people have equal access to quality education.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rebecca'.

**Rebecca Bromhead**  
CEO

