

Important Upcoming Dates Honouring First Nations Peoples

The Anglican Diocese of Perth Aboriginal Ministry Working Group invites our church community to mark several significant dates that celebrate and honour Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, their cultures, and their contributions.

As these dates approach, we encourage all members of our community to participate, learn, and walk together in support of justice, truth telling, and reconciliation.

2026 Resources

Official 2026 themes, posters, badges, and downloadable resources for each observance will be released closer to their dates. Updated materials will be shared when available.

27 May – 3 June: National Reconciliation Week

National Reconciliation Week commemorates two key milestones: the 1967 referendum and the 1992 Mabo decision. This week includes reflection, learning, and action toward reconciliation.

Website: reconciliation.org.au



3 June: Mabo Day

Mabo Day (3 June) marks the High Court's 1992 Mabo decision, which overturned terra nullius and legally recognised Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as Traditional Owners of the land. This landmark ruling was driven by Eddie Koiki Mabo and the Meriam people.

Website: indigenous.gov.au/stories/what-mabo-day



5 – 12 July: NAIDOC Week

NAIDOC Week (5–12 July) is a national celebration. It highlights survival, resilience, creativity, leadership, and truth-telling, and invites all Australians to learn from and participate in community-led cultural events.

Website: naidoc.org.au



9 August: International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples

A global day recognising Indigenous peoples worldwide, celebrating their cultures, resilience, and ongoing contributions to the world's diversity.

Website: un.org/en/observances/indigenous-day

