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International Celebration for Men

CatholicCare Wilcannia-Forbes Men's Workers will be hosting a night just for men on Monday, November 18 at the Holy Family School in Parkes.

The International Men's Day Celebration will begin with a sausage sizzle at 6pm, then the inspirational film Courageous will be shown, followed by an open discussion Talking About Men.

Men's Support Team Leader, Andrew Bament, invited all men to come along and take part in a night.

"In line with the objectives of International Men's Day, which is celebrated in more than 80 countries around the world, we are looking at valuing our male role models, acknowledging the contribution of men and boys, improving male health, tackling discrimination and disadvantage, fostering positive gender relations and making the world a safer place for everyone," Mr Bament said.

"We have planned this event and are acknowledging the day as an opportunity to highlight key social issues which impact on men and boys around the world," he added.

In Australia:

- Three out of every four suicides are men
- Men die six years younger than women on average
- Boys underperform at every stage of education
- Dad's who want to be more involved in their children's lives may face a range of barriers.

The night will be hosted by Men's Workers Michael Browne and Colin Cartwright and is being supported by Holy Family, Parkes, Principal Nick Baird.

International Men's Day is	Tuesday,	November	19 in	Australia.
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