Monday 18 May

9.00  Registration begins  
**Location:** Diocesan Center, next to Assumption of Mary Peace Cathedral

10.00 Opening Mass  
**Location:** Assumption of Mary Peace Cathedral  
Celebrated by Nagasaki’s Archbishop Joseph Mitsuaki Takami  
Followed by welcome by local organising committee and Pax Christi International

12.30 Lunch, continuation of registration  
**Location:** Diocesan Center

14.00 Opening plenary  
**Location:** Diocesan Center  
- Opening words by Pax Christi International and representatives from Hiroshima including Bishop Alexis Mitsuru Shirahama. A message will be shared from Mayor Kazumi Matsui.  
- **Keynote: The Church in Japan and Hiroshima**, with Fr. Jun Nakai, SJ, director of Shimonoseki Labor Education Center; Simona Hiruma, staff member, Catholic Council for Justice and Peace; and Sr. Ichiyo Furuyashiki, SA, coordinator of the Diocesan Peace Education Center of Hiroshima. Followed by respondents and feedback from plenary.  
- Reflection in small groups on keynote speech

16.00 Break

16.30 Plenary: Peacebuilding in our local contexts  
Pax Christi members will share stories of hope in the context of their local work for peace in Asia-Pacific, Europe, Middle East, Africa, Latin America and North America.

19.00 Dinner  
**Location:** Diocesan Center

Tuesday 19 May

9.00 Morning plenary  
**Location:** Aster Plaza Hotel  
- Morning prayer
• Practical information for the day

10.30 Guided visit to Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum which is dedicated to the 1945 atomic bombing

13.00 Lunch  
**Location: Diocesan Center**

14.30 Afternoon plenary  
**Location: Diocesan Center**  
**Keynote: Voices of Hiroshima**, with Yuko Yamaguchi, Catholic *Hibakusha*, a survivor of the atomic bombing. Followed by respondents and feedback from plenary.

15.30 Break

16.00 Small group reflections on day’s experiences

17.30 Report back to the plenary

18.30 Dinner

**Wednesday 20 May**

9.00 Morning plenary  
**Location: Diocesan Center**  
• Morning prayer  
• Practical information for the day  
• **Keynote: Abolition of nuclear weapons: The challenge of 2020**, with Akira Kawasaki, member of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) steering committee and Peace Boat; a second speaker is to be determined. Followed by respondents and feedback from plenary.

10.15 Break

10.45 **Simultaneous working groups on:**
  1. Promoting interfaith and intercultural dialogue  
  2. Defending Mother Earth and indigenous rights  
  3. Promoting human rights in the context of rising inequality and a shrinking civil space  
  4. Advocating for nuclear disarmament

12.00 Report back to plenary

12.30 Lunch
14.00  Remembering Fukushima  
Location: Diocesan Center  
Learn more about the devastating and still unresolved effects of the disaster of 2011 from survivors. After an earthquake and tsunami, the Fukushima nuclear power plant suffered three nuclear meltdowns, hydrogen-air explosions, and the release of radioactive material. The message of Fukushima is that there is no peaceful use of nuclear energy, and if we are committed to the abolition of nuclear weapons, we are called to commit ourselves to the abolition of all nuclear power plants on the face of our planet.

15.30  Break

16.00  Meet with young local peace activists  
Location: Aster Plaza Hotel  
Four young activists will share about their exciting work for peace and environmental justice through advocacy, art, technology, music and song, and education.

18.30  Dinner

Thursday 21 May

9.00  Morning plenary  
Location: Diocesan Center  
- Morning prayer  
- Practical information for the day  
- **Keynote: Creating a culture of nonviolence**, speaker to be determined. Followed by respondents and feedback from plenary.

10.15  Break

10.45  Small group caucuses: The promise of peace: Different pathways to answer the call of nonviolence.

12.00  Report back to plenary

12.30  Lunch

14.00  Panel: Pax Christi International’s next 75 years, building on our legacy, rising to face the challenges to peace (speakers to be determined). Followed by discussion in plenary.

15.30  Break

16.00  Main conclusions drawn from previous discussions in plenary
18.30 Pax Christi International peace award ceremony 2020
   Location: Hiroshima Bunka Koryu Kaikan (2nd floor), Hiroshima Cultural Exchange Center
   Followed by banquet dinner

Friday 22 May

9.00 Closing plenary
   Location: Aster Plaza Hotel
   • Morning prayer
   • Practical information for the day
   • Closing session, which includes affirmation of the gathering's final declaration

11.30 Prayer of remembrance, atonement, commitment, and solidarity at the monument to the Hibakusha located in Peace Park, followed by a peace procession with streamers and a banner to the Atomic Bomb (Genbaku) Dome. Plan to join this procession, as a group photo will be taken at this location.

12.00 Assembly ends

Please note: Locations are subject to change