Commentator's Note

Ladies and gentlemen/ Dear Brothers and Sisters

As we conclude this beautiful Christmas Mass, I want to remind us of the powerful words from the Gospel of Luke: "Give, and it will be given to you..." These words resonate deeply, especially during this season of joy and giving.

In the spirit of Christmas, a time when our hearts are full of hope and compassion, Archbishop Patrick O'Regan has granted his blessing to allocate the Leaving Collections from our Christmas Day Mass to support the invaluable work carried out by Catholic charities.

Catholic Charities provides much-needed funds to a range of Catholic welfare agencies including the Hutt St Centre, Centacare Catholic Family Services, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, Our Lady of La Vang and St Patrick's special schools.

These agencies play a significant role in bringing hope to people in need here in South Australia.

I encourage all of you to participate in the Christmas Mass collections and give what you can. Your contributions, regardless of size, will have a meaningful impact on those who rely on the support of Catholic Charities.