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of Adelaide

# 2020 Annual Report

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# Who We Are

## About Us

Catholicism was planted in South Australia by a small group of Catholics who emigrated from Ireland and England. Initially, they had neither priest nor church, and they met for worship in private houses.

Adelaide's first priest, William Benson, arrived in Adelaide in 1841. In 1842, Rome subdivided the vast diocese of Sydney, creating a diocese of Adelaide which embraced the new province of South Australia. Francis Murphy was appointed as first bishop in 1843, seven years after the arrival of the First Fleet to SA.

Today the Archdiocese is home to just under 275,000 Catholics – about 18 per cent of the total population (ABS 2016 Census). An area of 105,000 sq km takes in the city of Adelaide and outer metropolitan areas, Yorke Peninsula, Riverland, Barossa Valley, Adelaide Hills, Fleurieu Peninsula, Kangaroo Island, Coorong, South East and Limestone Coast.

There are 57 parishes with 123 Mass centres, 21 migrant communities, five Eastern Rite churches and 88 Catholic schools with more than 42,000 students. Catholic-affiliated organisations play a significant role in the health, aged care and social services sectors.

## Our Purpose

The Adelaide Archdiocese aims to be a community that lives and expresses the joy of the gospel of Jesus, serving others, especially in the places where people are suffering, disempowered by circumstance and furthest from life to the full.

This will be done by supporting the Eight Gospel Characteristics of Renewal:

1. The parish is a community in which each member is called to a personal relationship with Jesus.
2. Eucharistic liturgies are prayerful and fully participative.
3. The Word of God is proclaimed in good preaching and in faithful lives.
4. There is a warm sense of community outreach and welcome.
5. The parish community is visibly engaged with those who experience poverty and need, and with those at the margins of society and church.
6. The parish witnesses to God's love for all the creatures of Earth.
7. The parish is led by a priest with a pastoral team.
8. Eucharistic communities that are viable will be enabled to continue.

## Our Values

We adhere to our Catholic values, which are based on our love for God and for every human being, according to the gospel and the tradition of our Church:

- The need for and importance of community
- Positive relationships between individuals
- Respect for the uniqueness of individuals
- Professional commitment of staff
- An ethical approach to our practice
- The provision of quality services
- Integrity in all we do

### Catholic social teaching principles:

#### Dignity of the Human Person

We uphold the dignity of all - independent of ethnicity, creed, gender, sexuality, ability, or age.

#### Community and the Common Good

We believe that the common good is served when we work together to improve the wellbeing of all people and creation, in our own communities and in our wider world.

#### Dignity of Work

We believe that work is dignified and an intrinsic good and that workers must always be respected and valued, demonstrated through their right to productive work, a just wage and to form and join unions.

#### Preferential Option for People who Experience Social or Economic Poverty

We believe that for justice to be upheld, we must speak and act particularly for those experiencing poverty, vulnerability or whose voices are not heard.

#### Solidarity

We believe that all humankind is interdependent, that we need one another and that we are called to stand in solidarity with each other in our one human family.

#### Subsidiarity

We believe that whatever can properly be done at the local level should be done at that level and not subsumed by a higher authority.

#### Care of God's Creation

We believe the earth and all life on it are part of God's good creation. We are responsible for taking care of the world in which we live, for sharing all its wonders and resources, and preserving them for all who follow after us.

# From the Archbishop

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ.

Who would have believed that during the midst of the chaos of the COVID-19 pandemic Pope Francis would see fit to appoint me as the ninth Archbishop of Adelaide on March 19, the feast of St Joseph?

At the time, I said that as someone with a deep Josephite spirituality it was quite fitting – even providential – that Pope Francis had chosen St Joseph’s feast day to call me to this new mission.

Later in the year Pope Francis released an apostolic letter entitled *Patris corde* (*With a Father’s Heart*) to mark the 150th anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX’s declaration of St Joseph as patron of the Universal Church. Pope Francis said the pandemic had helped us see more clearly the importance of ‘ordinary’ people who, though far from the limelight, exercise patience and offer hope every day. In this they resemble St Joseph, ‘the man who goes unnoticed’ but who played ‘an incomparable role in the history of salvation’.

It has been apparent to me in my relatively short time in this Archdiocese that there are many, many ‘ordinary’ people living out their faith every day and following St Mary MacKillop’s mantra of ‘never see a need without doing something about it’.

And they have been doing this under the difficult circumstances of COVID – whether it be ensuring that worship and other activities can continue in our parishes and communities or supporting the vulnerable and reaching out to those in need.

While my installation as Archbishop on the feast of Our Lady Help of Christians was a low key event in terms of numbers, I was overwhelmed by the warm welcome I received both in person and through the beautiful video produced by the Archdiocese. Thank you! While I would have loved my family and friends to have been present, the livestreaming of the Mass enabled thousands of people to participate, albeit it virtually.

I was fortunate to have the wonderful support and friendship of Bishop Greg O’Kelly SJ who tirelessly carried out his role as Apostolic Administrator prior to my arrival, while also continuing as Bishop of Port Pirie Diocese, and again I express my thanks and the thanks of the Archdiocese.

In the first five months of 2020, Bishop O’Kelly steered the ship through the worst of the COVID crisis, including the closure of churches at Easter and the gradual resumption of worship under trying conditions for the faithful.

The disappointment of the cancellation of the first session of the Plenary Council in Adelaide in October 2020 was quickly overtaken by plans for further consultation including a Diocesan Assembly in 2021.

And there were plenty of significant celebrations to keep me busy, including the ten year anniversary of the canonisation of Mary MacKillop, the highlight of which was a livestreamed Mass at the Kensington Chapel with the Sisters of St Joseph.

Although most of my time has been spent in metropolitan Adelaide, it was a great pleasure to travel to the South East to visit our parishes. From an early age, I had heard about Penola and what great seeds of faith had been planted there by Mary MacKillop and Fr Julian Tenison Woods, so I was delighted to visit the Mary MacKillop Penola Centre.

My other brief foray into rural South Australia was to preside at the induction of Bishop Karol Kulczycki SDS in St Mark’s Cathedral, Port Pirie, on October 28. A few days earlier, we celebrated the ordination of the Archdiocese’s newest priest, Fr Pasquale (Pat) Lopresti. Both were joyful occasions, highlighting the great generosity of God.

There have been many other Eucharistic celebrations, too many to name, and lots of getting-to-know-you meetings with people from all areas of the Archdiocese.



ARCHBISHOP PATRICK O'REGAN

We have learnt a lot during 2020 – patience and resilience, the importance of working together for the common good, and our deep yearning to be in communion.

These learnings will hold us in good stead as we continue our journey to the Plenary Council and consider how we can best fulfil our mission to be the people of God in this place.

God is good. Good indeed!

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**Archbishop Patrick O’Regan**  
Archbishop of Adelaide

+ Pat O'Regan

# From the Vicar General



FR PHILIP MARSHALL

Resilience. That's what stood out among us this year.

I shall never forget landing on Kangaroo Island into what seemed like a war zone, and being driven by Anne-Marie Clark down to her property. We travelled along a road still flanked by the flickering remains of fires, where Peter, coated under a blanket of ash, greeted us for a moment's respite from the effort to save his stock and home. Or Fr Fred driving me through the blackened paddocks of his parish in the Adelaide Hills. So many lost so much, some even their lives. Yet like the scrub itself, these communities sprang into life again with compassion, faith, community spirit, and amazing solidarity and generosity supported by the Catholic and wider community of South Australia. I saw each of these parishes come together in Eucharist and in concrete acts of care and love that were profoundly inspiring.

In an act of diocesan solidarity many parishes throughout the Archdiocese incorporated ashes from these fires into their Ash Wednesday liturgies. The journey began towards Easter with a renewed sense of our vulnerability, our need for each other, and of the deep story of death and resurrection that forms the heart of our faith.

Then COVID isolated and separated us from the lives and community we took for granted. Who could have ever foreseen an Easter when we could not gather for the great feasts of our faith? Unforgettable again the experience of celebrating the Easter Triduum in an empty Cathedral speaking towards the lens of a camera. Churches empty, schools stood down, teachers, priests, parish ministers scrambling to find ways to continue to care for and meet the needs of their pupils and people. These were days of extraordinary resilience, imagination and ingenuity. I have never witnessed such a massive communal effort, to resolve the challenges COVID posed and to make sure that those who needed care and support continued to receive it.

The story of a Church year is most poignantly told through the small moments. This year, people sharing their funds and possessions to those dispossessed by the fires; teachers and welfare agencies adapting with agility to new modes of service; neighbours shopping for the elderly and vulnerable, checking in on each other, leaving notes and provisions on the doorstep. 'Love your neighbour as yourself' became a communal action this year.

And through all this life went on. The new Calvary Adelaide Hospital was opened and blessed in March. In May we welcomed Most Reverend Patrick O'Regan as the ninth Archbishop of Adelaide in a ceremony muted by COVID restrictions but rich with joy and gratitude. We farewelled Bishop Greg O'Kelly at the conclusion of his warm, generous and exhausting time as Apostolic Administrator and joined the diocese of Port Pirie in welcoming Bishop Karol Kulczycki as their Bishop in October. In the same month we celebrated the ordination of Fr Pat Lopresti as a priest of the Archdiocese and not long after the ordinations of Anthony Beltrame and Olek Stirrat as deacons in December. Support for refugees, resistance to contemporary slavery, care for the earth and its people continued undiminished by the challenges around us. We found our way through the necessary health restrictions to ensure that the dying were still visited, the elderly not forgotten, our children were kept safe, and our hope and faith still burned brightly at the centre of our lives.

We are not an invulnerable people. Suffering and loss touch our lives all the time. But we are an Easter people because we believe that divine love meets and holds us through the worst and the best of things, steadily bearing us home. Nothing, St Paul reminds us, not life, not death, nor anything else can ever separate us from the love of God revealed in Christ Jesus. Resilience is a divine gift that springs from faith.

We experienced and lived it together this year.

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**Fr Philip Marshall**  
Vicar General

# From the Acting Chancellor

A feature of 2020 for the Adelaide Archdiocese was the constant adapting to restrictions arising from COVID-19, including the total closure of churches and the celebration of Holy Week with no congregations.

The restrictions threw many of the plans for 2020 into disarray with public gatherings and places of worship capacities diminished.

Our parishes and communities adapted rapidly with these changes and began to respond with livestreaming of Masses, bulletin letterbox drops, connecting the elderly with younger people in their community and many other ways in order to connect to their communities. There must be particular special thanks given to our COVID marshals as we moved towards a new normal as they were required to help implement social distancing and hygiene at the local level.

One of the blessings for the Archdiocese in 2020 was the appointment of our new Archbishop Patrick O'Regan. His installation attendance numbers were restricted and the Archdiocese responded creatively by producing a welcome video.

The Catholic Council for Young Families continued to meet regularly, with Simon Ward as chairperson, and we offered grants to parishes and communities working with young families. The activities funded included family retreats, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and a mums' group, with more grants to be made available in 2021.

By the end of 2020 the Catholic Council for Integral Ecology was launched during Season of Creation Week and planning began for 2021. It is hoped this Council will encourage action at a local level as well as promoting systemic changes for our planet.



SARAH MOFFATT

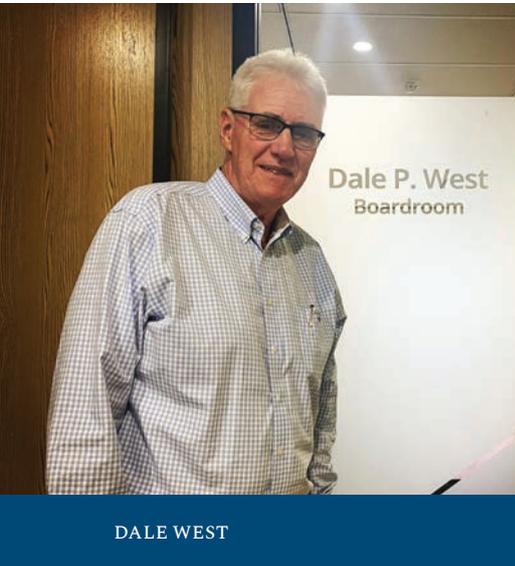
The Plenary Council work continued with a slight detour for the 2021 Adelaide meeting which is now being hosted online in response to the pandemic. The Archdiocese began to work towards its preparation for the Plenary Council including its own Diocesan Assembly.

A special note of thanks to our many priests, pastoral associates, chaplains, ministry teams and those in our community who navigated a very tough year.

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**Sarah Moffatt**  
Acting Chancellor

# Centacare Catholic Family Services



DALE WEST

It's safe to say we couldn't have envisaged what lay ahead in 2020 when Centacare Catholic Family Services entered its 79th year of providing vital community support to South Australians.

The onset of COVID-19, and the many complexities this has presented, has reshaped how we work and live.

Adapting to this ever-changing environment has demanded resilience, determination, courage and an innate trust in one another.

This year more than ever has been a great leveller. It has required all of us to confront some form of discomfort and adversity in ways we never expected.

For others, COVID has magnified the cumulative effect of their existing challenges while demanding a new approach from services in the way we address them.

At Centacare, the Catholic Social Teaching framework has been our guide to ensure continuity of supports for clients as they aspire to reach their full potential.

A constant amidst the unknown, Catholic Social Teaching principles have reminded us of our mission and the role of our values. They have kept us true to our client-centred approach and assisted in maintaining our vision.

Our immediate focus at the start of the year was welcoming Northern Carers Network, and nearly 100 new faces to Centacare, as part of our strategic alliance.

Weeks later, our attention turned to relocating 400 staff from the familiarity of their offices to working from home, at the same time doing all we could to keep the 200 staff based at our residential services, and our clients, safe.

With everyone playing their part, and the professionalism and resilience of each staff member in combination, the challenges COVID has presented have been surpassed by the innovation borne from the pandemic.

Front door social work has come to the fore, particularly in Children's Services, as workers adapt to frontlines locked down by pandemic restrictions.

In addition, the rise of digital service delivery has resulted in on-the-spot ingenuity to streamline processes and communication which has seen client numbers grow in some programs.

By mid-June, we were back! Not to normal but to our workplaces, with almost-familiar routines and a new respect for the comfort and collegiality that face-to-face contact brings.

This is even more important as we enter a time of significant reform in child protection services, and in homelessness and domestic violence with the shift to alliance contracts.

For the homelessness sector, the State will be split into four regions with each awarded one contract, while domestic violence will be a statewide alliance governed by a single contract.

Centacare is involved in three consortia bids for these new alliances.

While there is a lot to learn as we begin this process, there is much we stand to gain; not least, the opportunity to collectively achieve better outcomes for the people and communities we will be working alongside.

In early September, in consultation with Archbishop Patrick O'Regan, I announced that in late January 2021 I would be retiring as Director of Centacare, and Director of Management and Property for the Archdiocese of Adelaide.

As the close of another year dawns, offering a spirit of peace for us all, I am grateful for the hope I have been given, in the courage and resilience of our clients, and the goodness of our staff.

The significance of small wins is magnified when they are achieved against the odds, and positive client outcomes most certainly stand out in a year defined by the unexpected.

While the past 12 months has given us time to rediscover what's important, for me, personally, the past 31 years at Centacare have done the same.

After 2020, who knows what surprises next year will bring? Whatever they are, we will be ready to tackle them, a little more experienced for having met the challenges of a year we will never forget.

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**Dale P West**

Director,

Centacare Catholic Family Services

# Catholic Education South Australia

Catholic Education South Australia (CESA) comprises 101 primary, secondary and combined schools including technical colleges, special schools, and a special assistance school. Our schools work in partnership with parishes, families and more than 46,000 children who are at the centre of our work. Within the Archdiocese of Adelaide, there are 88 schools.

February saw the opening of the new Catholic primary school, McAuley Community School. We are proud that McAuley is the first 6-star green rated school and the only primary/secondary school in South Australia to have reached this certification. The design supports the school's focus on zero carbon energy use. The new facilities will also aid the school's environmental programs, creating opportunities around agriculture, ecology and sustainability.

The Alive Catholic Early Learning Centre at Hove was opened at the same time. The centre is co-located with McAuley and provides early learning for children from 6 months to 5 years of age.

St Patrick's Technical College celebrated its 1000th apprentice in March. St Patrick's purpose-built technical college offers a trade-relevant, South Australian Certificate of Education (SACE) curriculum, and training and apprenticeship pathways for Year 10 to 12 students.

As the year progressed, much around the world also changed. Every discussion soon become dominated by talk of COVID-19 and its impact. We started to touch elbows instead of shaking hands; and in March, a Catholic school was closed for deep cleaning when a student was diagnosed with COVID-19.

The Critical Incident Response Team at the Catholic Education Office met to discuss how we would deal with COVID in our system of schools. The meeting was held via Microsoft Teams for the first time.

The first webinars for principals and Catholic Education Office staff were held in late March/early April. As momentum increased, student-free days in early April allowed schools to prepare for online learning. Schooling was about to become very different for students and families everywhere, including in South Australia. The move to online learning was smooth. School staff, students and their families are congratulated on adapting quickly and readily. Before too long, schools were again deemed as safe places, and face-to-face classes resumed early in Term 2, while staff at the Catholic Education Office worked one week at the office and one week at home.

Many families suffered deeply during the COVID crisis. To support them, Catholic Education South Australia decreased school fees for every diocesan primary school in SA.

On November 19, South Australia entered a swift lockdown; through appropriate contact tracing, we were quickly back and open on November 23.

I am proud of the versatility and adaptability of our school system to navigate through the COVID crisis. With very short notice and under incredible pressure, school staff, with the assistance of the School Quality and Performance Team and Information Technology Team at the Catholic Education Office, made learning online available for students and families.

Our students and school communities are incredibly robust and worked their way through the myriad of changes to provide the best environment possible for students. Notwithstanding this, Masses were not celebrated, formals and graduations were cancelled, and many other milestone events did not occur. However, everybody worked hard to have the best experiences possible under COVID restrictions.

In November, the South Australian Commission for Catholic Schools announced the formation of Catholic School Parents SA as the Catholic school parent representative body.

The new association will become active in school parent groups from 2021.

CESA continued to support students with disability and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students enrolled in Catholic schools. Staff of the Catholic Education Office continued to provide support to schools through an extensive variety of programs and support roles. These included leadership development domains; wellbeing, inclusion and learning; early career teacher support; numeracy, literacy, languages; personnel management; school funding mechanisms; finance; building and planning; ICT; and state and federal government negotiations. Staff of the Catholic Education Office continued to provide representation at national and local level for Church, parish, government, and education, including the National Catholic Education Commission.

Without doubt, 2020 will be a year that we will never forget.

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**Dr Neil McGoran**  
Director,  
Catholic Education SA



DR NEIL MCGORAN



## Clergy Care

There was an increased number of ageing priests in 2020 which went hand-in-hand with their increased level of health care needs. Nevertheless, Clergy Care continued to maintain its holistic focus, with the aim of attaining optimal health outcomes by supporting clergy to live a healthy lifestyle, supporting and maintaining their quality of life, treating them with dignity and respect while encouraging self-agency.

Nursing support provision, home care support coordination, assistance to clergy transitioning into retirement, and support for transition from independent living to an aged care home were the main focus areas during the year. Home visits to clergy living in communities, presbyteries, and residential care facilities as well as hospital visits were major parts of Clergy Care's functions. The Clergy Care team travelled as far as Yorke Peninsula and the South East to visit regional priests.

Despite the pandemic, the team continued to make its services available. It was one of the few Archdiocesan units to be fully functioning when every other unit was working under a skeleton operation.

As learning never stops for our senior clergy, a health literacy session was conducted on one of the main issues affecting this predominantly male community. The session, Prostate: A Tough Nut to Crack, was presented by Prostate Health Ambassador Ian Fisk.

The Clergy Care team was also able to attend several Deanery meetings with the intention of promoting the team's services to assist clergy in most of their health care needs.

The team acknowledges the support and guidance from the Clergy Care Council, the Archdiocesan leadership team and the Delegate for Clergy Welfare.

## Consecrated Life

'Unprecedented' was one of the most used words during 2020 as the COVID-19 pandemic spread across our world. The closing of churches for several weeks, especially over Easter, was perhaps the most significant deprivation for Catholic communities.

Sister Enid Wood OP, in her second year as Vicar for Religious, communicated via email and telephone to keep the connections between congregations alive because restrictions prevented the usual gatherings of the many religious in the Archdiocese. When there was more freedom of movement Sr Enid visited the smaller communities where possible.

Throughout 2020 Religious congregations of both women and men continued in their own spheres of ministry in parishes, schools, hospitals, aged care facilities, with the needy, the homeless, refugees and asylum seekers, our Aboriginal communities and the struggling families on the edge of Australian society. During this year of uncertainty, alongside countless others in the Archdiocese, they brought the joy and hope of the Gospel, especially to those who were adversely affected by the pandemic.

Many older religious in the Archdiocese have a powerful ministry of prayer from which people constantly draw strength and which reminds people that God is journeying with them.

Religious men and women were in tune with Pope Francis in 2020 as he mapped out a path to a better future: "The current crisis calls us to recover and regenerate the bonds of trust and belonging. For what saves us is not an idea, but an encounter... in serving the people, we save ourselves."<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Pope Francis, in conversation with Austen Ivereigh, *Let us Dream, the Path to a Better Future*, (Sydney, Simon & Schuster, 2020), 107





## Vision for the north

The Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide and Catholic Education South Australia (CESA) is establishing a new education and community services village for disadvantaged young people in the northern suburbs of Adelaide.

The \$14.5 million investment has been endorsed by the South Australian Commission for Catholic Schools (SACCS) following two years of planning and consultation by the Archdiocese and CESA.

The bold initiative will support the wellbeing, needs and aspirations of vulnerable youth and their families in the Playford area by providing new opportunities for learning, work and community participation.

After extensive exploration of potential sites in Playford, CESA has secured a hectare precinct at Davoren Park which will be developed as the location for the village.

“We are expanding special assistance schooling options for young people from the northern suburbs for whom mainstream schooling is not working,” said Professor Denis Ralph, Chair, SACCS.

“In partnership with Edmund Rice Education Australia (EREA), an outreach program will begin in 2021 catering for students aged 12-17. The venture will expand on the existing northern outreach program that already engages approximately 70 young people.”

Planned to open in 2022, the new fee-free school will support young people aged 17-24 who are experiencing social, emotional or behavioural difficulties, for whom school hasn't yet been successful.”

It is estimated that 65 students will be enrolled when the school opens in 2022. This number is expected to grow to 195 students by 2027.

Future plans for the village include a primary school that will focus on giving children the best possible start to life.

“There are more than 2000 young people currently disengaged from formal learning in Adelaide's northern suburbs,” said Father Philip Marshall, Vicar General.

“We believe there is a significant opportunity to break cycles of disadvantage by adopting new approaches to education. We will provide a range of services that will include early intervention and family support in a welcoming and inclusive setting.

“This is about meeting young people where they are at and supporting them as they build healthy and fulfilling lives.”

# Safe Environments for All

## Child Protection Unit

The year certainly came with its challenges but also provided new opportunities for the Child Protection Unit to engage with all parishes and communities via a 'check in' about relevant issues relating to the impact of COVID for children, young people and families. The Child Protection Unit developed and distributed regular newsletters addressing topics such as mental health, domestic violence and strategies for how to stay connected during a pandemic. Many of these newsletters were uploaded to parish websites, Facebook pages and copies were letterbox dropped directly to families within the parish community.

During the year children and young people were faced with interacting in an online environment, which is a positive means for continued education and maintaining relationships with peers, but also increases child protection risks and vulnerability for children. 2020 saw a 90 per cent

increase in reports of online child sexual abuse to the E-Safety Commissioner. In response to the rising statistics, the unit developed a Safe Practices Online resource providing helpful hints and information on e-safety for those who have a role in children's ministries online. This resource included guidance and handouts for parents and children and was widely circulated.

For a period of time, face-to-face training was stopped but recommenced in June once restrictions allowed for safe measures to be put in place. Overall just over 400 clergy, religious, employees and volunteers across 23 sessions were trained and retrained in mandatory notification and mechanisms which create child safe organisations. Training numbers were kept small to ensure social distancing was observed and environments were COVID safe.

In August, 40 Child Safe Contact Persons attended an annual forum which not only fosters professional development but supports an opportunity for the network to

come together. During this forum Child Protection Sunday resources were distributed. This year a child friendly puzzle was designed, and approximately 3000 were handed out to children and young people during National Child Protection Week. The puzzle integrated children's rights with the intent to open up a dialogue about the importance of being heard, valued, respected and speaking up.

The unit also commenced the process of reviewing Catholic multicultural communities across the Archdiocese of Adelaide in relation to safeguarding practices, whilst following up nearly half of all parishes with the ongoing implementation of child protection measures and producing reports on areas for improvement and compliance.

## Professional Standards Office

The SA & NT Professional Standards Office is the Provincial Office for the Province of Adelaide, which includes Port Pirie and Northern Territory. The office has continued to provide services under current programs of Towards Healing, Integrity in Ministry, Integrity in the Service of the Church, Institutional Records Service, Training, and National Redress across the Province. All programs continue to be busy.

The office has developed a number of new training modules, including Ethics and Boundaries in Ministry and Responding to a First Disclosure and Direct Personal Response, that have been rolled out across the Adelaide Archdiocese, Port Pirie Diocese and Darwin Diocese.

There has been some national changes to the Church response to historical child sexual abuse. A new protocol has been developed called the National Response Protocol. Further instruction about its rollout will be provided by the national office, now called Australia Catholic Safeguarding Ltd.



PART OF A PUZZLE FOR CHILD PROTECTION WEEK

# FAST FACTS

## In 2020...

### Screening and Verification Authority

Despite a challenging year, the Screening and Verification Authority continued to work in partnership with the Human Resources team and location partners across the dioceses of Adelaide and Port Pirie, facilitating the required Working with Children Checks.

In order to remain in compliance with current South Australian legislation as well as Archdiocesan policy, the work of the Authority during this period related to the ongoing screening of clergy, religious and employees, many of whom were attached to our education sector. Due to the COVID restrictions, volunteer and contractor participation at our locations ceased temporarily with the required checks remaining on hold for the remainder of the year.

For clergy residing within the Archdiocese, the Authority continued to provide facilitation and management of registrations and all other ongoing national requirements relating to the Australian Catholic Ministry Register (ACMR). However, in line with COVID restrictions relating to border closures, there were a very limited number of visitations and appointments from interstate and overseas. This created a significant decline of work associated with the screening and integrity reference checking that is usual in the process of approvals being granted to those clergy and religious seeking to undertake visitations or appointments to the Archdiocese.

During this period, all training and education was facilitated via the online Learning Management System that was developed to enable an effective, efficient and expedient way of delivering information and training direct to the desktops of location partners.

The ongoing functions of the Authority continue to include the initiation and follow up of checks, the monitoring and notification of checks due for expiry as well as those that have expired. The helpdesk service (phone and email) and ongoing liaison with our location partners remain a significant part of the service provided.



1,274 Baptisms



148 Weddings



1,148 Confirmations



1,030 First Communions



64 Diocesan Priests  
15 Permanent deacons



203 Religious sisters



56 Religious priests



30 Religious brothers



57 parishes  
123 Mass centres



21 Migrant communities  
and groups



# Tribunal

The Tribunal of the Province of Adelaide is so named because it covers the activities of the three dioceses which make up the Province, comprising Adelaide, Darwin and Port Pirie.

Judicial Vicar, Rev Kevin Matthews JCD, is a priest of the Port Pirie Diocese. The Tribunal is strongly supported by the Diocese of Port Pirie with two other priest judges incardinated in that diocese. Without their assistance it would be difficult to process cases within a reasonable time. Two of our judges also assist the Perth Tribunal with any overload they may face from time to time. The Darwin office continues on a limited number of staff. Applications received in Darwin are assessed in Adelaide, while the interviews are conducted by the Darwin Tribunal. The case monitor in Darwin keeps in touch with the parties to the marriage and sends the completed case to Adelaide for judgment.

In 2020 a new graduate in Canon Law from the University of St Paul, Ottawa in Canada, began working in the Tribunal as a Defender of the Bond. We now have three people who act in this capacity which is an absolute necessity in all cases which come before the Tribunal.

The Tribunal is charged with the administration of justice as a court of first instance for all matters of the public good brought before the Church. Although most cases brought before the Tribunal involve challenges to the canonical validity of marriage, the court also acts as the competent forum for other issues, including penal matters.

In 2020 we, like every other department and agency, were hit by the global pandemic. This necessitated some changes in the way we operate as we rely on face-to-face meetings with all those people who apply for a decision on the validity of their marriage. Pastorally, it is so much more important to be present to people than to conduct interviews via internet links. Probably due to the pandemic there were not as many people applying for cases which allowed time to clear up those that had begun prior to shut downs. Where possible Zoom links were used to contact people.

Despite the restrictions, there were 42 new cases introduced to the Tribunal in 2020. This was similar to the previous year. There are also those cases in which a divorced person wishes to marry a Catholic person who is free to marry. The Holy Father will, in some circumstances, dissolve the prior bond of a person who has not had a sacramental marriage to allow them to marry a Catholic. All the preparation and investigation of such cases is carried out in the Adelaide Tribunal and relayed to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

As reported previously, remuneration is not asked for in Documentary Cases, apart from those sent to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. Our continued policy of not requiring contributions from those in financial difficulty remains.

The fee charged for marital cases is based on ability to pay. Although the suggested fee does not cover the costs, the Archdiocese continues to fund the Tribunal, and any monies paid by the parties to nullity cases offsets those expenses. Anyone in hardship, on concession cards or unemployed is not asked to contribute, but the experience of the Tribunal is that most people want to contribute what they can.

The annual conference of the Canon Law Society of Australia and New Zealand was cancelled in 2020. Preparation for the 2021 conference is going ahead and will take the form of a virtual conference.

The Judicial Vicar and the Director of the Tribunal are often called upon by priests and lay people working in parishes to clarify matters of Canon Law. This continues to be an important part of the work of the Tribunal and we are always open to assist anyone who is uncertain of their rights in Canon Law or who has a question about the Church and how it operates.

The Tribunal assists in preparation of decrees and canonical research for the Archbishop.

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## **Sue Rivett JCL**

Director,  
Tribunal of the  
Province of Adelaide



SUE RIVETT

# FAST FACTS

## Our People...

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Diocesan Offices,  
Parishes & Agencies  
**265 employees**  
**30 new employees**

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Catholic Education SA  
**101 Catholic schools** comprising  
**46,000 students**  
and more than  
**8,000 staff** across  
metropolitan and  
regional SA (includes  
Port Pirie Diocese)

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Centacare  
**565 staff**  
**34,259 clients**

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Screening and  
Verification Authority  
**13,793**  
police checks  
processed

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Child Protection  
Mandatory  
Notification training  
for **400** clergy,  
religious, employees  
and volunteers across  
**23 sessions**

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## Human Resources

In 2020 the Human Resources team was faced with many challenges, due in part to the COVID pandemic.

By March, as the pandemic was unfolding, the team was navigating staff working remotely, using technology to remain connected while supporting employees to maintain a healthy work/life balance while working from home.

Ever mindful that employees could easily become overwhelmed, isolated or anxious for a variety of reasons, it was important to keep people engaged and connected. The Diocesan IT Department are to be congratulated and thanked for their work during this time, for maintaining critical systems and network infrastructure, and being very adaptable in ensuring business continuity.

While lockdowns, stay at home measures, and limits placed on public gatherings affected staff, volunteers and parishioners, there were many examples of parishes and communities finding innovative ways to stay connected.

Some parishes organised online prayer groups, Masses were streamed and staff and volunteers hand-delivered parish bulletins to parishioners who did not have computer access.

For many months recruitment was put on hold but as the restrictions eased planning and prioritising of staffing requirements resumed. There were 30 new appointments in 2020, however, the majority of these roles were existing positions where employees had either retired or resigned.

Parish visitation recommenced in late 2020 with visits to five parishes. The Human Resources team will continue with parish visits in 2021.

COVID is unlikely to end suddenly, however, the pandemic has highlighted the resilience of the workforce, including volunteers, who have remained steadfast in their service and commitment to the Church.



WELCOMING ARCHBISHOP O'REGAN

# Vocations



ANTHONY BELTRAME AND OLEK STIRRAT

Like so many different aspects of Church life, the work of the Vocations Office was significantly affected by COVID-19 restrictions. Much of the work of vocations promotion and support is done one-on-one and so, whilst we were presented with a challenge, it also contained an opportunity. We were able to collaborate with the Vocations Office in Melbourne to participate in a vocations podcast and group Zoom discussion and discernment meetings.

Amongst the changing circumstances of lockdowns, social distancing and density requirements, we were still able to celebrate the ordination to the priesthood of Fr Pat Lopresti.

Fr Pat had completed his studies in Pope St John XXIII Seminary in Boston and thankfully was able to return to the Archdiocese as travel prohibitions and quarantine requirements were coming into force. He was ordained on October 24 and has served his first months in the parish of Hindmarsh/Findon before taking up his permanent appointment as assistant priest in Hectorville.

On December 19, Olek Stirrat and Anthony Beltrame were ordained to the diaconate with a good number of family and friends permitted to attend the ceremony. Both returned to Corpus Christi College in Melbourne for a final semester of studies before completing their academic requirements and returning to Adelaide for ministry.

Our other seminarians continue their studies with three men in third year formation in Melbourne and one commencing his final year of study at Pope St John XXIII seminary in Boston. Once again, COVID has intervened and prevented his return to the United States, and so he continues his academic studies online while staying in a parish in Adelaide.

We continue to rely on the prayerful support of the faithful for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, particularly for those who will serve in our Archdiocese.

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**Fr Peter Zwaans**  
Vocations Director

## Moving celebration for Adelaide's new shepherd

Adelaide's new Archbishop Patrick O'Regan was installed in a near empty St Francis Xavier's Cathedral but the occasion was full of beauty, grace and emotion as the former Bishop of Sale and priest of Bathurst committed himself to his new flock.

While saddened that not as many people could be there because of the coronavirus pandemic, Archbishop O'Regan said he was pleased that "this virtual alternative" gave people a chance to share in the ceremony in some small way.

"You can see us, but we can't see you," he said with a smile.

The two-hour service was livestreamed to more than 6000 people and watched by thousands more on demand and on community television.

After the Welcome to Country and knocking on the door of the Cathedral by the Archbishop-designate, Apostolic Administrator Bishop Greg O'Kelly SJ read the Bull of Appointment from Pope Francis, who said Archbishop Regan was "endowed with exemplary conduct" in his apostolic work with the Diocese of Sale.

In his first homily as Archbishop of Adelaide, Archbishop O'Regan spoke of the Spirit and made several references to the global pandemic, comparing it to the chaos of the first Easter.

After the Rite of Communion, Archbishop O'Regan moved to Our Lady's Shrine to read the Prayer of Entrustment of Australia to Immaculate Mary, Our Lady Help of Christians.

Bishop O'Kelly and concelebrating clergy and deacons sat in a semi-circle on the altar, socially distanced 1.5m from each other, as Archbishop O'Regan returned to the altar to give words of thanks to all those who played a role in "making me look good today".

"We thank our good God, whose brilliant sense of humour has brought us together on this day; it's a constrained way and yet it's a hopeful way and a way that all of us can share in the goodness of God," he said.

"Today our voices cry out in joy at the utter faithfulness of God, praying that God will indeed be 'all in all!'"

He thanked Archbishop Philip Wilson for the "extraordinary work he has done in this place, our prayers are continually with him", and he paid

tribute to Bishop O’Kelly and Father Philip Marshall, Administrator Delegate, for “keeping the show on the road so brilliantly and so beautifully” through troubled times and happy times as well.

But it was when he came to his family that Archbishop O’Regan struggled to keep his emotions in check.

“I’d love that you would have been able to be here,” he said as the tears welled. After a long pause he continued: “My Bathurst family, my Sale family, and all those other families that you get to belong to, it’s a deep sense of belonging, and I feel that already here as well, so thank you.”

“To all those who have been praying for me, I know there have been many of you, I have really felt that today... it is by the gift of prayer and communion today that we celebrate the gift of life and grace.”



## Honouring our saint on sacred ground

The small St Joseph’s Chapel at Kensington was not at capacity due to COVID-19 restrictions but the spirit of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop spilled over to more than 3000 people who watched her feast day Mass online.

Celebrated by Archbishop Patrick O’Regan, who expressed his “great delight” at being in a place that he had heard so much about, the Mass on August 8 was attended mainly by local Sisters of St Joseph and viewed by their fellow Sisters throughout Australia and New Zealand.

After a joyful rendition of the Mary MacKillop hymn, a welcome to country was given by John Lochowiak from the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, which previously worshipped in a former school established by Mary in Pirie Steet.

“She taught there, and every day we went there we would feel like her spirit was still there giving us strength,” Mr Lochowiak said.

Sr Brigette Sipa, CentreWest regional leader, said St Joseph’s Chapel was a special place, sacred to St Mary MacKillop’s memory and all those Sisters who had prayed there since 1876.

“Today is an opportunity to remember how Mary MacKillop responded to life experiences which called forth a deeper relationship with others and with her God,” she said.

“We are encouraged to do the same – to be tender to our family members, friends and colleagues, to serve, to advocate and work for justice, especially for those who are pushed to the margins of our society, and to care for the earth.”

In his homily, Archbishop O’Regan spoke of Mary’s deep trust in God and God’s care for her and those around her.

“She lived by the words ‘do not be afraid’ and got others around her to trust in God’s providence,” he said.

Sr Mary Ryan, who featured in a video about the new Mary MacKillop Museum prior to the Mass, said the response to the livestreaming had been overwhelmingly positive.

Among the messages of gratitude on social media was that of a viewer from England: “Thank you for enabling me here in England where my parish priest first brought me to know Mary as she was not then canonised and we have her picture in our church. Through Mary’s intercession a member of my family was healed. Thank you for today.”



# Ministry Formation Program



ORIENTATION MASS 2020

The Ministry Formation Program began as usual at the beginning of 2020 with Orientation Day when 29 students were welcomed for another year of theological, pastoral, spiritual and human formation. Women and men studying together to develop skills for lay ecclesial ministry, as well as men being formed for the Permanent Diaconate under the direction of the Diaconal Support Group. The first seminar for the year was facilitated by a visiting international speaker, Jane Angha, working with the students on ways to build vibrant welcoming and hospitable communities.

When lockdown emerged, the program moved to the Zoom platform, where the scheduled program of local and interstate guest speakers offered their teaching online. The dynamic of Zoom enabled students and program facilitators to remain connected. The mid-year discussions with each of the students were conducted via Zoom.

Opportunities for the students to connect and continue their formation was enabled by inviting them to gather weekly for discussion on several themes that included leadership in the Mercy tradition – where students gathered from McAuley Community College to talk about their experience of

leadership at the school. Other themes included Dr Jenny O'Brien teaching on using music in Mass and Fr Philip Marshall speaking on the mission of lay ecclesial ministers in the life of the Church. Later in the year, face-to-face seminars began as the easing of restrictions allowed, while also offering a Zoom option.

The strong relationship with the Port Pirie Diocese continued through the year by students connecting via Zoom when possible, as well as ongoing communication with the leaders in the Port Pirie Diocese.

In October a 'Come and See' evening was held where 40 people from around the diocese gathered to learn more about the Ministry Formation Program.

The very different year concluded with the End of Year Mass and Graduation celebration by Archbishop Patrick O'Regan. Four students graduated with the Certificate in Leadership, two completing the Certificate in Practical Ministry and two the Advanced Certificate in Practical Ministry. It was a wonderful relaxed evening with COVID-safe refreshments on the lawns outside the Cathedral. Many described it as the best graduation ceremony due to it having to be done differently.



# Office for Worship

Despite the restrictions brought about by COVID-19 the Office for Worship was able to complete a full and fruitful 2020.

The Rite of Election for those preparing for Easter baptism was celebrated in March, even though the actual baptisms took place in parishes much later in the year, as did the Mass for New Catholics. Only three of the Lenten Stational Masses were able to be held. Once lockdown was in place, Office for Worship phones were kept busy during March as parishes were assisted in navigating how to celebrate the Easter Triduum ceremonies via livestreaming.

In May, team members were heavily involved in the joyful installation of Archbishop O'Regan, including the production of a highly complimented booklet by Ali Appleby.

The Mass to present the Archbishop's pallium was celebrated on the feast of St Francis Xavier in December when the Apostolic Nuncio was able to be present. Also celebrated much later in the year than usual was the Chrism Mass at which the sacred oils are blessed and consecrated.

The Office for Worship was also involved in the ordination of Deacon Pat Lopresti to the priesthood and seminarians Anthony Beltrame and Olek Stirrat to the diaconate.

Other areas of engagement included the blessing and opening of the new Calvary Adelaide Hospital, the unveiling and blessing of the new statue of St Mary MacKillop in the Cathedral, a service with members of the Jewish community to commemorate the Holocaust, a Mass at Belair to mark the Season of Creation and the celebration of Confirmation for Adults.

Teaching included an extended course on Initiation with participants from a number of different parishes, liturgical workshops in both the Adelaide and Port Pirie dioceses, and sessions with students in the Ministry Formation Program. More informal, but just as valuable, teaching took place during the numerous parish visits undertaken

by Kathy Horan in her work with RCIA teams. Writing skills were put to good use in monthly articles for *The Southern Cross* and Lenten and Advent programs for parishes. The Advent program included sections in both Vietnamese and Spanish, acknowledging the multicultural nature of our Church of Adelaide.

Membership of national liturgical bodies involved participating in regular Zoom meetings for those involved in the Catechumenate Network and the Pastoral Musicians Network. Dr Jenny O'Brien was also fortunate to be able to attend the Australian National Liturgy Conference in Melbourne before the COVID gates shut firmly. Other opportunities for learning came via Zoom seminars sponsored by the Australian Catholic University.

One final, but significant, area of involvement for the team was the Diocesan Liturgical Commission, chaired by Kathy Horan. Despite fewer meetings, work still continued with a view to soon completing the review of the Archdiocesan policy for the initiation of infants and children.



REMEMBRANCE OF  
THE SHOAH SERVICE



MASS FOR NEW CATHOLICS

# Archives

The Archives and Records Services office collects and manages the records created by the subsequent bishops and archbishops of Adelaide, as well as the associated diocesan offices and agencies.

Current and non-current business records are managed according to legal, business and statutory requirements that mandate certain records be retained for specified periods of time. Some records end up being kept permanently as part of the archive collection due to their historical and cultural significance.

2020 was truly a historic year, with the appointment of Archbishop O'Regan generating a number of new records regarding his appointment and installation.

COVID challenged many aspects of daily life, and resulted in new initiatives to enable communities to continue to connect despite restrictions, such as the filming and broadcasting of church services and events. This impacted records management processes and created a number of new and unique series of records.

The restrictions also hampered our volunteers and prevented researchers from visiting the archive. Working from home where possible also limited the type of work staff could do due to the bulk of the collection only being accessible at the Diocesan Centre.

Despite these limitations, the office continued to support parishes and respond to external enquiries. Parishes are supported to manage their own records and Archives staff are able to visit parishes to assist as necessary. The office also responded to over 150 research enquiries, including questions from academic researchers and individuals interested in their own family connections with the Church in South Australia.



## Council to promote care of creation

Members of the new Catholic Council for Integral Ecology were commissioned by Archbishop O'Regan during a Mass to celebrate the Season of Creation at Our Lady of the Way Church, Glenalta, in September.

Heavy rainfall thwarted plans for an outdoor event at Mercy Grove in Belair National Park but seedlings and native cuttings blessed by the Archbishop were planted at another time.

Archbishop O'Regan welcomed both the rain and the formation of the Council.

"Creation is at the heart of who we are as a people because we are called to be fellow stewards of creation," he said.

"Intertwined with our whole story is the story of creation and we are invited into that story, we are not spectators of creation but part of bringing it about – co-creators."

Archbishop O'Regan said a task of the Council would be to remind people that "this universe has been given to us as a gift to be shared by all".

"You will promote wise stewardship of our planet and healing of those parts that have been damaged by our lack of care or human greed," he told the members.

Initial discussions for the establishment of an Archdiocesan ecology council began last year when the Archdiocese hosted a Season of Creation seminar to discuss ways of progressing the work of Pope Francis's 2015 encyclical letter *Laudato Si'*.

Council member Peter Laffan said the group would work with parishes, schools, and all Catholic bodies to create the desire for change, and to enable people to bring their own gifts to this task.

"We also hope to give the Church a greater voice in the public square on the range of social justice, peace and ecology issues, and to join with all those in South Australia working towards the same goals," he said.

"But above all, we hope that we can become a community of disciples responding to the promptings of the Holy Spirit to treasure the beauty and richness of this world, all its creatures and peoples."

Other Council members are Sarah Moffatt, Peter Bierer, Alice Dunlop, Catherine Howell, Margaret Galdies, Monica Conway, Oreste Farrugia, Peter Henry, Deacon Tee Ping Koh and Holly Roberts.

## New Catholic hospital opened

The blessing and official opening of the new Calvary Adelaide Hospital, followed by a thanksgiving Mass in the chapel on March 11, was a chance to reflect on the mission of the Little Sisters of the Company of Mary and their founder Mary Potter.

"This story began in simplicity in 1877 when Mary Potter... drew a group of women around her to care for the suffering and dying," said Bishop Greg O'Kelly SJ at the dedication ceremony.

"She expressed her outlook and spirituality in sayings such as 'there is no greater power in life than love'; that 'we were not made for time only but for eternity' and 'let us be instruments God can use any moment'.

"May this spirituality continue and flourish in this place of healing. The Church cannot be Church unless it lives the works of mercy... the Church in Australia attempts to live this, with so much care for the sick and the aged, with 80 hospitals and 550 aged care centres and hospices."

The first Mass in the chapel was a significant moment for the eight members of the Little Sisters in attendance.

"Mary Potter saw her Sisters as embracing life, from its beginnings to its end in the completion of death," Bishop O'Kelly said.

"No-one was to die alone. There would be so many families, impossible to number, who live in great gratitude for the ministry of Calvary, especially those whose loved ones were cared for at Mary Potter Hospice.

"The Church in South Australia is indebted to the Little Company of Mary and those who worked with the Sisters, and this is truly a Mass of Thanksgiving for the wondrous work that has been done, and for a new beginning in this fine new hospital."

The opening was the culmination of many months of work by artist Meliesa Judge who designed the stunning bronze sculptures for the Stations of the Cross. With her husband Will Kuiper she also designed the leadlight windows.



OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE HOSPITAL BY BISHOP O'KELLY (TOP) AND WELCOME TO COUNTRY (ABOVE)

# Multicultural Office



It was a challenging year for the Catholic Multicultural Communities and the Multicultural Office team. Due to COVID-19 restrictions and several lockdowns during the year, many of our communities' activities and celebrations were conducted online or were cancelled. However, the Multicultural Office team continued to work closely with migrant chaplains, pastoral workers and community leaders to provide support to more than 30 cultural communities and groups within the Archdiocese.

Our work included arranging for shared chaplaincy with priests from other dioceses across Australia to come to celebrate Mass and sacraments for the communities which do not have an appointed chaplain. We provided appropriate advice and attended community celebrations as requested. We worked with communities to organise Archdiocesan multicultural events and celebrations throughout the year.

There were four face-to-face meetings for migrant chaplains and pastoral workers at four different community venues, following strict SA Government COVID regulations. A highlight was the group's first meeting with Archbishop Patrick O'Regan on September 3, hosted by Mgr Minh-Tam Nguyen, chaplain for the Vietnamese Catholics in SA, at the Vietnamese Catholic Community Centre, Pooraka.

With 34 people attending this meeting, every community had the opportunity to present a summary report on their membership, structure and activities to the Archbishop who acknowledged the remarkable achievement of communities from diverse cultural experiences coming together to live their faith so strongly, in unity with one another. He thanked those present for the great privilege to hear their stories noting how he could see 'the hands of God working through them'. He noted that faith can be best expressed through culture and regarded the migrant chaplains, pastoral workers and community leaders as 'the bridge that keeps that faith alive'.

At the group's last meeting for the year, which took place at the Lithuanian Catholic Community Hall, Debbie Nation from Catholic Safety, Health and Welfare SA spoke about the role of her office and how it can support multicultural communities.

The Multicultural Office team continued to be the main organiser and promoter of significant diocesan multicultural events, including the celebration of the 106th World Day of Migrants and Refugees on Sunday September 27 at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral with the theme 'Like Jesus Christ, Forced to Flee'. The Mass was livestreamed with strict compliance to COVID regulations. In his homily, Archbishop O'Regan reminded the congregation of their responsibilities, as God's people, to welcome, protect, promote and integrate the people who come here from many other countries to call Australia home. He said these four verbs had been constantly used by Pope Francis in his message to teach us how to care for migrants and refugees in a practical way.

For the Feast of St Thomas, patron saint of India, a limited number of people attended and around 450 people participated in the Mass online. Held on July 3 in the Cathedral, it was one of the highlights for our Indian Catholic Community.

The team has also worked with the Communications Office to publish a number of resources on the Archdiocese website, namely a list of Masses in other languages, a list of Italian festas held throughout the year and a comprehensive Directory of Migrant Chaplaincies and Multicultural Communities.

In 2020, with international borders closed, hardly any new migrants arrived in Adelaide. The team continued to provide special support to several asylum seeker families whose applications for temporary visas were not successful and some international students who came to our office for urgent assistance.

Looking back over the year, living with the pandemic, one can see the remarkable ability of people to adapt themselves in order to serve others in a different way, but equally effective and meaningful.



MULTICULTURAL TEAM WITH ARCHBISHOP O'REGAN



# Chaplaincy

When COVID hit early in 2020, the prison and hospital chaplains were given the opportunity to stay home during lockdown and work differently. When the scenes from northern Italy were being streamed on TV, the chaplains knew that their place was to remain at the hospitals and prisons, despite their own fears of contracting COVID.

The prisons went into complete lockdown with the prison chaplain being allowed to provide ministry in only one prison but staying connected by sending resources such as prayers and readings. Another chaplain who worked in the hospital as well as a prison was not allowed to work in the prison due to fear of bringing in COVID from the hospital. The hospital chaplains were arranged so that they worked a mixture of at home and on site. Restrictions were placed on visiting patients, with chaplains communicating with patients via phone using FaceTime. Some visits that were allowed occurred by standing outside the patient's room.

The chaplains felt very strongly that their ministry was needed then more than ever, not only to patients but to staff as well. Prayer and the Gospels were the source of their constant strength.

"The Gospels are full of risk taking and always that God is with us every moment – so that was a strength for me," said one chaplain.

The sacraments had to be administered in COVID-safe ways. Different protocols were established in consultation with infection control experts for the sacrament of anointing of the sick for COVID patients, as well as in line with recommendations coming out of Rome. Protocols were developed allowing only a handful of priests to be allocated to anoint COVID patients. Fortunately the experience of Milan did not happen here in Adelaide. Nonetheless, the fear and anxiety was always present.

The pastoral volunteers in the hospitals were not able to support the chaplains at this time.

Chaplains met weekly on Zoom from the different hospitals and prisons. This allowed the team to support and encourage each other while unable to meet in person.

The chaplains' ministry of presence to the sick and to those in prisons continued during the most difficult of times. They demonstrated incredible courage and resilience.



GRACE HEALEY

## Events

The Archdiocesan Events and Special Projects Office oversees the management of diocesan celebrations and events where the Archbishop and/or Vicar General are presiding. The Events Office exists as a support to the diocese ensuring all events are executed efficiently from early stages to completion.

As most offices in our organisation will attest, 2020 was an exceptional year for many reasons. While our churches were closed for a significant period of the year, this presented an opportunity to push all our annual calendar events into the online arena which saw new and welcomed levels of engagement.

With the lockdown beginning in late March, all Easter services were livestreamed and also broadcast on local community TV station, Channel 44. During Holy Week, over 40,000 viewers engaged in the stream, not including the Channel 44 viewers. These numbers were exceptional given the maximum capacity for each Mass in St Francis Xavier's Cathedral is usually 1000 people.

The success of livestreaming continued through the months of April and May, with live streaming company AV Plus streaming 53 daily Masses in a row and 87 in total to an audience of almost 230,000 people. Despite the closure of churches, the Events Team continued to plan (with slight changes under government advice) annual events such as the Marian Procession, Chrism Mass, Deacon's Day Mass and the Aboriginal Sunday Mass.

The Archdiocese also welcomed Archbishop Patrick O'Regan, who was installed on May 25, 2020. Continuing travel restrictions throughout the year meant the Pallium was conferred by the Papal Nuncio later in the year on December 3.

It was a significant year also for St Mary MacKillop, celebrating ten years since her canonisation on October 17. The Events Office hosted a variety of Diocesan events including a pilgrimage to Penola, Mt Gambier and Robe, a Liturgy of the Word in which a new statue of St Mary MacKillop was unveiled in the Cathedral, and two local tours (one via bus and one walking tour) visiting places of importance during her time in South Australia.

Another most memorable event of 2020 was the Remembrance of the Shoah and launch of the Holocaust Museum. The Shoah is an annual service hosted in the Cathedral with the Jewish community. The launch of the Museum (in Fennessey House) saw over 250 invited guests welcomed into MacKillop Plaza, including dignitaries such as His Excellency Hieu Van Le, Governor of South Australia, and Dr Tibor Shalev Schlosser, Israeli Ambassador.

Other events in 2020 that highlighted the diversity and scope of the Events Office included the All Souls Day Mass in the Smyth Chapel, the diaconal ordination of Anthony Beltrame and Olek Stirrat, the Season of Creation Mass, and the Journey Mass for the Italian community.

## Music

Music director Timothy Davey and Music coordinator Astrid Sengkey continue to manage both St Francis Xavier's and the wider Cathedral Parish music program. This now includes three choirs, many cantors and a roster of organists servicing the music needs of the seven sites of the Cathedral Parish.

2020 saw this program challenged like never before by the restrictions put in place for the pandemic. From late March all Masses became 'virtual', being livestreamed from the Cathedral daily, eventually adding to an 'audience' numbering in the hundreds of thousands.

The Cathedral Music team seeks to provide live music to as many parish Masses each week as possible. One aspect of this work is maintaining the roster of organists using the magnificently restored 1927 Casavant Frères organ in the Cathedral. The travel restrictions due to COVID meant that the regular maintenance and tuning of the organ, normally performed each month, was curtailed. However, the organ performed brilliantly through till December when it was given a very thorough overhaul.

All things being equal, monthly check-ups under the careful ministrations of its builder, Ian Wakeley, will resume as normal.

The main choir has maintained and indeed expanded the proud musical tradition of the Cathedral, introducing contemporary choral works while reinvigorating the chant and motet practice at the 11am Sunday Solemn Mass.

The popular Vigil Mass Schola remains at full strength and in late 2020 a Children's Choir was formed. They sang their initial performance at the Mass of the Solemnity of Christ the King to the delight of the congregation and it is expected this choir will grow in numbers and strength in the coming year.



# Family and Parish-Based Catechesis

The Family and Parish-Based Catechesis Office encourages, supports, trains and resources all parishes in the Archdiocese and the parish-school partnerships in the areas of sacramental catechesis for children, family catechesis, faith formation of children and liturgy of the Word for children.

During COVID-19, some functions of the office such as face-to-face catechist training and mentoring were unable to occur. However, the office continued to operate and offer assistance to all groups involved in children's ministries and faith formation as much as was required online or by phone during this time.

Throughout the Archdiocese, all formal preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation for Children of Catechetical Age was postponed as were the celebration of the sacraments in accord with Government and Archdiocesan directives. This was also the case for all other opportunities for face-to-face formation and activities.

Consequently, other initiatives were offered, such as online faith formation sites for children and families and ideas for nurturing the child at home in preparation for sacraments. In response to the postponement of celebrating the Eucharist, a lectionary-based Family Liturgy was prepared each week and uploaded on the Archdiocesan website. These were also communicated to Catholic schools and parishes. Many parishes and schools distributed these and added them to their websites. The newsletter *Children's Ministry Update* continued to be published. This included a Making Connections resource for families and parishes.



CATECHISTS CELEBRATE AFTER COMMISSIONING MASS

Other preparation continued such as a Powerpoint resource for sacrament preparation and planning of workshops in relation to the Archdiocesan document *Partnerships in Sacramental Catechesis: The Pastoral Framework for the Sacramental Catechesis of Children (Pastoral Framework)*, the Sacrament Inquiry Report which reviewed the implementation of the Pastoral Framework, as well as the survey of the involvement of school personnel related to sacramental catechesis. This follow-up workshop will be scheduled for 2021 as it was not possible to hold in 2020 due to the pandemic.

Later in 2020, when some restrictions were lifted, meetings were held with some parishes to form sacrament teams and to establish parish-based sacrament programs which were both family-centred and school-supported in keeping with the Pastoral Framework.

The office was able to organise the annual events at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral either pre-COVID or when some restrictions were lifted, namely, the Commissioning Mass for Catechists and for the Catholic Education Office Catholic Identity Section as well as the Blessing of the Cribs Mass during Advent.

# Catholic Office for Youth and Young Adults



ARCH D RADIO & PODCASTING

For young Catholics, 2020 proved to be a year of adaptability and responsiveness regarding the uncertainties of the pandemic.

However, COYYA demonstrated an ability to anticipate and respond to the needs of young people, parishes, schools and communities.

The New Horizons Youth Ministry Leaders Conference was held at St Mary's College in February and featured keynote speaker Jane Angha from Ministry Blueprints in the USA. More than 50 youth ministry leaders from across the diocese were in attendance.

As soon as lockdown restrictions were put in place, COYYA was among the first to move ministry offerings online.

Some of the most successful elements of the year included Threshold: Inspire, the online Pentecost Vigil; Threshold @ Home, an online live music series; Arch D Awards online; Threshold: Night, mental health vigil; Pub Theology online; Threshold: Earth, Season of Creation online vigil; and an online resource library which featured podcasts, articles, videos and activities for individuals and communities. Many of the online videos were livestreamed to social media and have been viewed several thousand times by people all over the world.

As restrictions eased, COYYA team members resumed giving talks and leading retreats for schools and groups and making pastoral visitations to parishes and communities. Pastoral care and support for youth ministry leaders in parishes, communities and schools was also a high priority during the year, especially during the worst of the restrictions.

Arch D Radio and Podcasting was expanded significantly in 2020, allowing more school students the opportunity to share their voice in a new medium. Arch D Radio also produced the 'Parishes of Adelaide Podcast' which documented the response of parishes to the pandemic.

COYYA continued to work with and support the vision of the Archdiocesan Council for Ministry for Young People, particularly in the areas of youth leadership development and youth consultation.



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# Communications

## FAST FACTS

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Find a Mass App:  
**5,050**  
downloads

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*The Southern Cross*  
website:  
**91,000** users

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Archdiocese of  
Adelaide website:  
**139,669** users

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YouTube:  
**2,350** subscribers

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Facebook:  
**1,900 followers**  
Archdiocese of  
Adelaide  
**800 followers**  
*The Southern Cross*

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LIVESTREAMING OF MASS IN THE CATHEDRAL

Communicating with parishes, schools, migrant communities and Catholic agencies was of paramount importance during the unprecedented circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic.

In the weeks leading up to Easter, the Communications team was kept busy informing the faithful of the latest restrictions on places of worship, through both the secular media and Church networks. Internal communication was also a priority to ensure staff were kept abreast of the impact of workplace restrictions.

The timing of the restrictions at the most sacred time of the Christian calendar heightened the importance of timely and effective communication, as well as the provision of alternative means of prayer and worship through livestreaming, podcasts and online resources. The website, social media and *The Southern Cross* were key elements of communications strategies, as was collaboration with the Events team which coordinated filming of Mass services.

The emergence of the COVID pandemic locally coincided with the welcome news of the appointment of a new archbishop for Adelaide which also sparked keen media interest and communication with the Catholic community.

The relatively recent decision to insert the Christmas and Easter editions of *The Southern Cross* in *The Advertiser* proved fortuitous as it enabled the newspaper

to be distributed to a wide audience at a time when normal distribution methods through parishes were impossible due to church closures.

However, even with restrictions still in place, the decision was taken with the support of the leadership team to continue to publish a print edition and distribute it to as many people as possible and at no cost to the parishes or readers. This was achieved by distributing papers to schools, by mail and to as many parishioners as possible through parish offices.

The feedback was very positive with people appreciating receiving Church news and information at a time when they were not able to be physically connected to their parish.

The Communications Director supported the Catholic Education SA marketing and communications team during the COVID crisis, particularly when certain schools were closed due to an outbreak.

The team worked remotely for a short period and there was little disruption to the provision of services such as graphic design, editing, writing and strategic communications advice.

If anything, the pandemic highlighted the capacity of the Archdiocese to adapt to new and different forms of communication and to be creative about how the Church can reach existing and new audiences.

# Fundraising

## St Francis Xavier's Cathedral

The Fringe lunchtime concerts in the Cathedral were a success as always and it was very fortunate that they all went ahead prior to COVID restrictions. There were two interstate artists, Jacinta Jakovcevic from Perth, and Christopher Trikilis from Melbourne. Both performers are well known to local audiences and their concerts were very well attended. Local artist Sian Gardner made her debut performance at our recitals and was a great success. A collection is taken up at the end of the recitals but the main purpose is to promote the Cathedral as an iconic heritage building and an important part of the community.



## Touch Screen Kiosk

COVID proved what a great resource the kiosk is for keeping parishioners updated with changing Mass times, livestreaming and booking details. The kiosk also provides a vehicle for promoting special events in the Cathedral and in the diocese as well as information regarding any new developments such as the Find a Mass/Giving App.

## Bequest Program and Bishop Murphy Society

Due to COVID restrictions, the Bequest Committee could only meet twice in 2020 and Bishop Murphy society events were put on hold.

The Society is a way of recognising those people who wish to leave a lasting legacy to the charitable works and pastoral life of the Church.

## Parish Appeals

The Special Appeals calendar goes out to all parishes at the beginning of the year and information regarding diocesan Appeals such as commentator's notes and bulletin notices are sent out to parishes by the Fundraising Office.

A working party was established in 2020 with a brief to review the current parish appeal calendar, policy and procedures and to create a new strategy that both meets the challenges facing parishes while continuing to support our special collections.

The working party needs to be commended on their hard work and genuine commitment to finding a solution to the fundraising pressures placed on our parishes. The committee produced a set of recommendations and a report has been sent to the Archbishop for his consideration.

## Giving App

The Find a Mass App has been further enhanced to now allow for people to donate to a parish or a community via a credit or debit card (first, second and special collections).

The new 'Giving' section enables parishioners to log in initially with the name of their parish and make one-off or regular contributions to the first and second collections. Donations to special appeals can also be made via the App at relevant times throughout the year.

## Priests Retirement Foundation

Brochures for the Priests Retirement Foundation went out as an insert in the October edition of *The Southern Cross* and a large advertisement was placed in the Christmas edition.

Online donations are encouraged and there has been a steady response to this initiative.



# Catholic Charities



Catholic Charities conducts four fundraising appeals a year with the End of Financial Year Appeal and Catholic Charities month, traditionally held in September, being the largest.

In September, more than 40,000 leaflets were printed and distributed to donors, schools and parishes. With the coronavirus pandemic and its impact on the economy creating additional hardship for many people, the appeal was more important than ever and it was pleasing to see a steady flow of donations from the Catholic community.

While Catholic Charities manager Annie O'Neill was not able to do as many school visits as planned, she was still able to support all the activities held in schools on behalf of Catholic Charities.

School students continued to be active in their fundraising for Catholic Charities through the me4u program. Badges, stickers, leaflets, posters and information on the agencies that Catholic Charities supports were provided to schools who in turn featured on the me4u Facebook page and in the November newsletter.

At least 11 schools went ahead with their fundraising events which ranged from crazy socks days to sponsored walks, handmade arcade games, coin tosses, football dribbling and even sumo suit wrestling! The important thing was that they came up with the ideas themselves to help people in need in 'their own backyard'.

Ms O'Neill met with representatives from the Keith branch of the Catholic Women's League to talk about the work of Catholic Charities and was presented with a cheque for \$1000.

The 2020 Golf Day on November 16 was a success with 97 players raising \$19,340.00 for Centacare's Auricht House, an amazing achievement by the event sponsors as well as Peter McCarthy and his Golf Day Committee.

The 2020 Catholic Charities Thanksgiving Mass in December had a limited attendance due to COVID-19 restrictions but it was a welcome opportunity for Adelaide's new Archbishop Patrick O'Regan to celebrate Mass in the Cathedral with the Catholic Charities community.

# Catholic Mission



As the Australian arm of the Pontifical Missionary Societies, Pope Francis' global mission agency, Catholic Mission continues to support initiatives in 1100 dioceses around the world and within Australia.

In 2020, the Adelaide Archdiocese continued its focus on education through its schools and community engagement program 'Socktober'. One of the many challenges that COVID brought was the inability to visit schools and parishes, so changes had to be made to our programs to cover learning from home and greater participation with families to achieve Socktober goals.

Parish appeals in October for Mission Month were reduced in a sense, however parishes continued to deliver the message about work around the world and Australia.

World Mission Month is held in October and in 2020 the theme was 'For the joy of the Lord is your strength', inspired by Nehemiah 8:10. This verse aptly captured the appeal's focus – the work of the Church in Cambodia in reaching out to those who have been affected by disability and giving them hope and support to live a fulfilling life.

Established by Bishop Enrique Figaredo Alvargonzalez in 2001, the Arrupe Centre has evolved over the past 20 years from a short-term rehabilitation centre to a full-time home for children with disability, whether it be from landmine accidents or from illness such as polio.

A focus for 2020 was to raise awareness of Catholic Mission throughout the Archdiocese and to work with parishes, schools and donors to bring hope, joy and happiness to society through the love of God and caring for and empowering those in need.

# Caritas Australia



Despite the challenges of bushfires and the COVID pandemic, parishioners and students throughout the Archdiocese remained committed to helping those in need globally through the 2020 Project Compassion campaign.

At the schools launch of the Lenten Appeal at St Francis de Sales College in Mt Barker on February 19, Fr Philip Marshall said it was everyone's responsibility to answer the 'cry of the poor'. This message was reiterated by Fr Richard Morris at the parish launch for the appeal held at Our Lady of Mercy Church, Mt Barker, on February 22.

With its 2020 theme of 'Go Further Together', Project Compassion raised awareness and much needed funds for Caritas Australia's long-term development and emergency relief programs, which helps millions of people each year. A total of \$420,000 was raised by the Archdiocese.

Some of those supported were indigenous people in the Philippines who face discrimination, disadvantage and displacement from ancestral lands.

Limited education, employment and unequal access to healthcare mean that preventable diseases, such as tuberculosis and measles, are common and the maternal and newborn mortality rate is high.

Around 20 typhoons lash the Philippines each year, adding to the challenges faced by the country's most marginalised and vulnerable people.

Caritas global education adviser Suzy Penberthy worked closely with students in Catholic schools until an organisational restructure resulted in the appointment in September of Deacon Paul Reid as Social and Ecological Justice Animator WA/SA.

# Finance

The Diocesan Finance Council continues to advise the Archbishop, ensuring the financial stewardship of the Adelaide Archdiocese (Catholic Church Endowment Society Inc. - CCES).

The Catholic Development Fund (CDF), part of CCES, was established in 1978, with the key purpose of holding the deposits of our parish, agency and education sectors. With these funds, CDF provides a treasury service to the Archdiocese including competitive loans. During 2020, the CDF approved \$71.5m in new loans to parishes, schools, and agencies. Prepaid funeral deposits from funeral directors are also held and are governed by State legislation.

The care of Archdiocesan priests continues to be supported by the Diocesan Presbytery Fund (DPF) through the Clergy Care Council. The first collection at Mass is the main source of DPF income, which has seen a decline in recent years and was dramatically affected by the pandemic. Combining this with an ageing clergy and additional health related care, the fund has operated in deficit in recent years. Due to the closure of churches, the fund was assisted in 2020 through the receipt of JobKeeper funds as can be seen on page 31. The Priests Retirement Foundation was formally launched during 2020 which enables tax deductible giving in support of retired clergy. A financial summary of the fund can be seen on page 34.

The focus for the Catholic Education Office in 2020 was to continue to ensure the ongoing financial health of both the system and Catholic schools in South Australia. To achieve this a number of initiatives and strategies continued such as the Enhancing Schools project, analysis of sector student departure, infrastructure planning and development, and making Catholic education more affordable. A financial summary of the 74 diocesan schools can be found on page 34.

Centacare continued to meet the high demand for welfare services within the Adelaide Archdiocese by providing services to over 30,000 clients during 2020. Centacare's disability and mental health services were again successfully accredited against the NDIS Quality and Safeguarding Framework and exceeded the standards in several areas. In early 2020, Northern Carers Network became part of Centacare, bringing new programs including Carer's Support, Aged Care and Aboriginal services. Centacare continues in a strong financial position as illustrated on page 32 with strong cash flow and accumulated surpluses.

Catholic Church Early Years Inc. (CCEY) continues to operate early learning centres at Parafield Gardens and Hove, within the Adelaide Archdiocese. Development of a third centre at Mt Barker occurred during 2020 which will open in the new year.

The Archdiocese is acutely aware of the need for exceptional governance and transparency across all church entities. The full consolidated audited accounts for the Archdiocese can be found on the Australian Charities and Not for Profit Commission website.

# Financial Statements

## Catholic Church Endowment Society Inc

### Income Statement

For the Year ended 31 December 2020

INCOME	\$000
Net Interest Income	1,904
Levies and Fees Income	2,324
Gain/(Loss) on Investment Properties at Fair Value	52,690
Rental Income	15,014
Donations	568
Other Income	5,498
Finance Income on Equity Investments	3,481
Net Value Loss on Equity Investments	(633)
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>80,846</b>

### EXPENSES

Employee Benefits Expense	12,056
Occupancy Expense	5,210
Depreciation Expense	744
Equipment Expense	546
Communication Expense	775
Community and Education Program Expense	3,375
General Administration Expense	3,360
National Redress and Abuse Provison Adjustment	136
Finance Expenses on Borrowings	1,491
Loss on Derivative Liabilities	728
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>28,421</b>
Profit/(Loss) for the year	52,425

### Balance Sheet

Total Assets	647,177
Total Liabilities	511,105
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>136,072</b>

Catholic Church Endowment Society includes the operations of the Archdiocese and the Catholic Development Fund (CDF) treasury service. The CDF provides a source of funding to Parishes and the Education sector. It also holds deposits on behalf of Diocesan Parishes, Schools and Agencies. Total Assets include Investment Properties, loans, and Investments with Financial Institutions. Total Liabilities include Deposits held with the CDF and borrowings.

## Diocesan Presbytery Fund

### Income Statement

For the Year ended 31 December 2020

INCOME	\$000
Interest Income	14
Donations	1,886
Other Income	2,635
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>4,535</b>

### EXPENSES

Employee Benefits Expense	3,409
Occupancy Expense	109
Depreciation Expense	514
Equipment Expense	329
Communication Expense	58
General Administration Expense	38
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>4,457</b>
Profit/(Loss) for the Year	78

### Balance Sheet

Total Assets	4,432
Total Liabilities	1,067
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>3,365</b>

The Diocesan Presbytery Fund (DPF) operates to support all Archdiocesan priests both retired and active. The main source of income is from the first collection at Parish Masses. Total Assets include Cash Deposits and Motor Vehicles provided to Clergy.

# Financial Statements

## Centacare Catholic Family Services

### Income Statement

For the Year ended 30 June 2020

INCOME	\$000
Government Grant Revenue	30,601
Other Grant Revenue	1,853
<b>Total Grant Revenue</b>	<b>32,454</b>
Fee for Service Revenue	15,331
Other Revenue	2,088
Interest Revenue	155
Gain on Disposal of Assets	77
Gain on Business Combinations	2,376
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>52,481</b>

### EXPENSES

Employee Benefits Expense	38,669
Depreciation Expenses	2,468
Accommodation / R&M Expenses	1,050
Motor Vehicle Expense	1,177
Operating Expenses	2,698
Other Expenses	4,277
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>50,339</b>
Profit/(Loss) for the Year	2,142

### Balance Sheet

Total Assets	23,554
Total Liabilities	14,678
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>8,876</b>

## Catholic Church Early Years Inc

### Income Statement

For the Year ended 31 December 2020

INCOME	\$000
Net Interest Income	1
Levies and Fees Income	2,140
Other Income	950
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>3,091</b>

### EXPENSES

Interest Expense	336
Employee Benefits Expense	2,771
Occupancy Expense	196
Depreciation Expense	346
Equipment Expense	36
Communication Expense	153
General Administration Expense	254
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>4,092</b>
Profit/(Loss) for the Year	(1,001)

### Balance Sheet

Total Assets	10,779
Total Liabilities	4,033
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>6,746</b>

Catholic Church Early Years Inc has been established to operate Catholic Early Learning Centres across the Diocese. Total Assets include Property, Plant & Equipment. Total Liabilities represent borrowings from the Diocese.

## Catholic Charities

### Income Statement

For the Year ended 31 December 2020

INCOME	\$000
Interest Income	17
Donations	369
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>386</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Employee Benefits Expense	112
Communication Expense	34
Community and Education Program Expense	492
General Administration Expense	9
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>647</b>
Profit/(Loss) for the Year	(261)

### Balance Sheet

Total Assets	1,685
Total Liabilities	19
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>1,666</b>

Catholic Charities is a Deductible Gift Recipient which collects donations from the general public to distribute to various Catholic Organisations throughout the Archdiocese. The Total Assets comprise of Cash Deposits.

## Catholic Education Office

### Income Statement

For the Year ended 31 December 2020

INCOME	\$000
Net Interest Income	48
Grants from Government	15,376
Levies and Fees Income	11,253
Other Income	17,065
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>43,742</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	
Employee Benefits Expense	16,192
Occupancy Expense	886
Depreciation Expense	2,209
Equipment Expense	3,429
Communication Expense	216
Community and Education Program Expense	1,118
General Administration Expense	4,650
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>28,700</b>
Profit/(Loss) for the Year	15,042

### Balance Sheet

Total Assets	76,336
Total Liabilities	8,234
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>68,102</b>

The Catholic Education Office provides services to all Catholic schools including order and Diocesan schools within South Australia. Total Assets comprise of Cash, Property & Equipment and Motor Vehicles. Total Liabilities include Loans and Employee Provisions.

## Priests Retirement Foundation

### Income Statement

For the Year ended 31 December 2020

INCOME	\$000
Donations	35
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>35</b>

EXPENSES	-
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>-</b>
Profit/(Loss) for the Year	35

### Balance Sheet

Total Assets	35
Total Liabilities	-
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>35</b>

Priest Retirement Foundation is a Deductible Gift Recipient established in 2017, however it did not commence operations until late 2020. It's purpose is to raise funds from the public for charitable purposes for the benefit of retired clergy within the diocese. No distributions were made in 2020 and Total Assets include Cash Deposits.

## Adelaide Diocesan Schools

### Income Statement

For the year ended 31 December 2020

INCOME	\$000
Commonwealth Government Recurrent Grants	280,726
State Government Recurrent Grants	76,867
Private Recurrent Income – fees, excursions	117,578
Trading Activity Income	21,022
<b>Total Recurrent Income</b>	<b>496,193</b>
Commonwealth Government Capital Grants	4,199
State Government Capital Grants	6,878
Private Capital Income	8,036
<b>Total Capital Income</b>	<b>19,113</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>515,306</b>

EXPENSES	
Operating Expenses	389,360
Interest Expense	3,441
Depreciation Expense	28,159
Trading Activity Expenses	20,106
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>441,066</b>
Profit/(Loss) for the Year	74,240

### Balance Sheet

Total Assets	780,587
Total Liabilities	196,904
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>583,684</b>

The above information is extracted from individual Diocesan School Financial Reports and does not form part of the Audited Catholic Church Endowment Society Inc. Consolidated Financial Statements.

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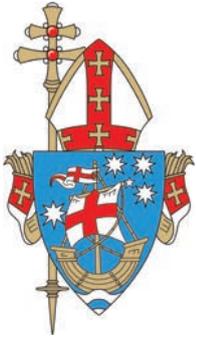
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