



# Pastoral Works

IN THE DIOCESE OF MAITLAND-NEWCASTLE



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## Bishop Bill's Message

The Diocesan Pastoral Contribution support from our school families enables the diocese to contribute generously to the social and spiritual capital of our community.

We are called to be good news and our pastoral works provide us with the opportunity to live out our faith in action.

Over several years the support by school families towards our pastoral outreach has assisted in making a difference to the lives of many who are struggling.

I am grateful for your continued generosity and am proud that the Catholic Church in this diocese continues to provide care and support to the wider community as well as those who are exploring their faith life.

**Most Reverend William Wright,**  
Bishop of Maitland-Newcastle

## Supporting Pastoral Works

The Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle consists of parishes, schools, CatholicCare Social Services, St Nicholas Early Education and the chancery offices. The chancery offices exist to support the work of parishes and other pastoral ministries that are the responsibility of the Bishop and the diocesan community. There are approximately 160,000 Catholics residing in our diocese.

The diocesan pastoral ministries team led by Vice Chancellor, Teresa Brierley is a hub from which many of the ministries commissioned by Bishop Bill are led, ensuring that the diocese remains a local church on mission.

**When you contribute to the pastoral ministries of the diocese, your funds support many initiatives, including:**

- ▶ Advisory councils – Diocesan Pastoral Council, Adult Faith Formation Council, Liturgy Council, Ecumenical and Interfaith Council, Social Justice Council, Council of Australian Catholic Women and Diocesan Council for Ministry with Young People.
- ▶ Chaplains ministering in the following areas – University of Newcastle, Port of Newcastle, Prisons, Hospitals and CatholicCare Social Services.
- ▶ Family Community Faith Co-ordinators
- ▶ Pastoral Co-ordinators
- ▶ Aboriginal Catholic Ministries
- ▶ Apostleship of the Sea
- ▶ Natural Fertility Services
- ▶ The Community Care Van
- ▶ Missionary of Mercy
- ▶ Refugee Service
- ▶ Children's ministries, including special religious education, sacramental programs and children's liturgy

## Where does your contribution go?



Apostleship of the Sea

**\$47,000**

**\$240,000**

Refugee Service



Chaplains

**\$123,000**

Family and Community Faith

**\$112,000**



Liturgy

**\$107,000**

**\$213,000**

Faith Formation



Missionary of Mercy

**\$55,000**

Community Care Van

**\$30,000**



Aboriginal Catholic Mission



**\$17,000**

Diocesan Pastoral Council

**\$36,000**



Pastoral Ministries Unit

**\$20,000**