

## The Review today.....

In 2009 The Review is billed as The Journal of The Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton. It has a circulation of 1000. It is a 24 page glossy magazine with coloured covers and two of the interior pages in colour—the rest is black and white/grayscale. It is printed 10 times per year on a monthly basis from February through to November inclusive.

*The Review exists to communicate to the people of our diocese what is happening in the diocese and to cultivate an enthusiasm for church in the Central Queensland region. In an attempt to carry out this task The Review will continue to:*

- \* *Tell the story of the diocese;*
- \* *Educate in the area of liturgy, theology, social justice and spirituality;*
- \* *Share stories of faith and conversion; and*
- \* *Support the institutions and church groups which serve our diocese."*

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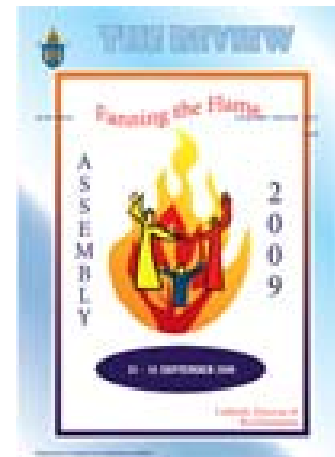


**Retail cost of The Review is \$1.00 (40 cents of this goes to the parish or St Vincent de Paul Conference that sells the magazine). Subscriptions currently stand at \$20.00 per year.**

**The magazine is heavily subsidized by the diocese although advertising does cover a proportion of the costs associated with the production of the magazine.**

## Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton

### The Review



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# A Brief History of “The Review” ...

The Review began its life as “Petra” in 1923 with Rev Fr Thomas Lynch as the first editor, under the patronage of the late Bishop Shiel. It ran until Bishop Shiel died in 1931 and Fr Lynch returned to Ireland.

Bishop Hayes arrived in Rockhampton in 1932. It was not long before another effort was made to produce a Catholic newspaper. Bishop Hayes is attributed as the moving force behind the introduction of “The Review” and its constant inspiration. An interesting sidelight of the time is that names for the new journal were submitted from all over Australia, and from them, the name of “The Review” was selected as the best. After all, that is its very purpose—to give a REVIEW of all the Catholic news of the diocese, and of Catholic Doctrine.

## Editors of “The Review”

- Rev Fr Thomas Lynch (Petra) 1923-1931
- Rev Fr Patrick Walsh DD 1933-1936
- Rev Fr R Brown 1936-1937
- Rev Fr Kenneally 1937-1939
- Rev Fr R Brown 1939-1940
- Rev Fr Kenneally 1940-1941
- Rev Fr Kevin Bagley 1941-1943
- Rev Fr Thomas Page 1943-1945
- Rev Frs DG Tiernan and Con Daly 1945-1946
- Rev Fr D Hawe 1946-1948
- Rev Fr J Leahy 1948-1955
- Rev Fr Grove Johnson DD 1955-1956
- Rev Fr Martin Durham 1956-1962
- Rev Fr Grove Johnson DD 1962-1964
- Rev Fr Kevin Castles DD 1964-1969
- Rev Fr Noel Hynes DD 1969-1974

- Rev Fr John Grace 1974-1986
- Rev Fr Paul Harney 1986-1987
- Rev Fr R Cullinane 1987-1995
- Dr Peter Young 1996-1997 (1st Lay Editor)
- Marcia Mansfield 1997-Present

Over time The Review has had a number of format changes and for a short period prior to World War II took on a newspaper format. As technology changed, the look of the magazine changed and quality of paper improved. There have been some special editions—July 1960 edition was totally devoted to the life and times of Bishop Andrew Tynan. Bishop Tynan was on his way to an ad limina visit in Rome when he died in London on 3 June 1960. His body was brought back to Rockhampton for burial. Circulation at this time was approximately 2500 copies. 5200 copies of this special edition were printed and sold. The July 1982 edition was a special 40 page edition with pages 11-32 devoted entirely to the Centenary of the Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton.

We’ve moved to a time where since the February 2005 edition a version of The Review can be found on the diocesan website at [www.rok.catholic.net.au](http://www.rok.catholic.net.au)

