CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON



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My dear people

Re: Catholic Church Insurance

The Diocese of Rockhampton, as a shareholder of Catholic Church Insurance (CCI), was advised yesterday that CCI has been placed in a state of "run-off", effective immediately. This means that CCI will not be offering any new insurance cover but will continue to respond to claims arising from existing cover.

This news is very significant for the Catholic Church in Australia. CCI has supported the Catholic community for over 100 years.

The Diocese's current insurance policies with CCI expire in August. A task force has been working over recent weeks to ensure that the Diocese continues to have appropriate insurance cover in place across all parishes, schools, and other ministries.

I commit the Diocese to continuing to respond justly and with compassion to survivors of abuse suffered in Catholic settings. This just and compassionate response includes the payment of compensation to bring about, where possible, healing for those who were abused.

Yours sincerely

Most Rev Michael McCarthy Bishop of Rockhampton

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