

# 2017

## ANNUAL REPORT

*a report on donor impact in the  
Archdiocese of Brisbane*



ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE  
Catholic Foundation

# Contents

A message of thanks from the Archbishop

**4**

A commitment to giving

**5**

Your gifts in action

**6**

Centacare

**8**

Priests Foundation

**10**

Holy Spirit Seminary

**12**

Mary MacKillop Catholic School Access Fund

**14**

Annual Grants Program

**16**

Annual Catholic Campaign

**18**

Bequests

**19**

Endowments

**20**

Financials

**22**

Chair report

**23**

## Photo credits:

The Catholic Leader/Alan Edgecomb: pp 2, 4, 24

The Catholic Leader/Emilie Ng: pp 13, 24

Brisbane Catholic Education: 14

VENIRE/Stephanie Santos: 17

Whelan Family: 20



*The Catholic Foundation provides opportunities for you to make a difference through compassionate charitable giving in the Archdiocese of Brisbane.*

*Your gifts enhance the mission of the Church and expand ministries that extend the reach of God's love.*

*Thank you for your contributions and ongoing generosity to support the good works of the Church.*



**The Catholic Foundation serves you by providing inspired ways to give of yourselves in service, and support the good works of our local Church.**

I am humbled to share this report with you and proud to recognise the difference you have helped make possible in the lives of those in need within our community. Just as Jesus gave us the lesson of the mustard seed, even modest gifts given with faith and courage, will help good works carried out in the name of Christ to assuredly bear fruit.

Your generosity means our most vulnerable neighbours are cared for in their greatest hour of need and the future of the priesthood is safeguarded for years to come. It means children from disadvantaged families experience the life-changing gift of a Catholic education, and elderly and sick priests receive support for their health, housing and living needs.

These ministries are an embodiment of the faith, hope and charity in our Archdiocese – for which the Catholic Foundation has provided solid stewardship over the past five years. I cannot help but be filled with confidence that this work will continue to flourish and ensure we have sufficient resources to continue to witness Christ for many years to come.

I am deeply grateful and want to express my heartfelt thanks for your ongoing support of our vital local ministries. It is beautiful to see Jesus Christ working through your gifts to ensure that His Church thrives. Thank you for believing in our mission to build a community of philanthropy where all in need can feel the love of the Church and Jesus Christ.

*+ Mark Coleridge*

Most Rev Mark Coleridge  
Archbishop of Brisbane

## A message of thanks from the Archbishop

*I am deeply grateful  
and want to express my  
heartfelt thanks for your  
ongoing support of our  
vital local ministries.*

# A commitment to giving

Archbishop Coleridge was honoured to bestow the Quinn medal to more than 120 of our most loyal donors in 2017.

The medal is given in grateful recognition to this special group of donors who have served the Archdiocese and strengthened our Church through their prayerful and financial support that extends over 20 years or longer.

The commendation is named after the first Bishop of Brisbane, Bishop James Quinn, who was known for his piety, zeal and dedication to sowing the seed of the Catholic faith in South East Queensland.

## Bishop Quinn

Bishop Quinn was educated in Ireland and at the Jesuits' College at Rome. He was ordained priest in 1843. In June 1859, the See of Brisbane was created and Quinn was appointed the first bishop. However, he did not arrive in Queensland until 1861.

Bishop Quinn planned the Cathedral of St. Stephen to accommodate the growing congregation and was influential in establishing a separate system of Catholic education.

He passed away at his home in Fortitude Valley aged 62 and was laid to rest in a vault in the Cathedral of St. Stephen.

## Quinn medalist Bill Whibberley



George Whibberley is 94 years young. Affectionately called Bill by his mates, he is known for his unwavering faith in God's love, belief in serving others, and strong self-discipline.

Bill is a well-recognised face in the Scarness community near Hervey Bay. He has spent countless years involved in serving the community.

Bill was awarded the Quinn Medal by His Grace, Archbishop Mark Coleridge in recognition of his long-term generosity towards charities of the Archdiocese.

"My wife Anne Marie Therese and I celebrated 60 years of marriage only one month before she passed away.

"My life has been blessed and I want to share those blessings with my beautiful family and others who need a hand."

The Quinn Medal honours the generosity of our most loyal donors who have demonstrated their commitment to the Archdiocese by contributing each year for more than twenty years.

Through his consistent charity, prayer and support, Bill, along with many other long-term donors, has helped fulfil the mission of the Church.

# Your gifts in action

*Thank you for your generous donations that raised over \$6 million for the local ministries, charities and parishes of the Archdiocese of Brisbane.*

## Holy Spirit Seminary



**20** Seminarians in formation at Holy Spirit Seminary



**2** Including 2 seminarians ordained into the transitional diaconate (December 2017)

## Priests Foundation



**57**

Elderly, retired or unwell priests supported by the Priests Foundation



**75+**

The typical retirement age of priests

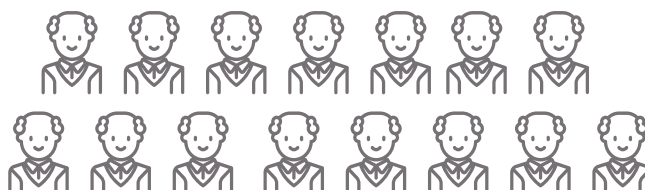


**700,000+**

Masses have been celebrated by current retired priests

**15 +**

Priests eligible to retire over the next five years.



## MacKillop Fund



**20** Students have a bursary

## Endowments



**9**

New endowments to perpetually fund ministry in the Archdiocese of Brisbane

# Centacare Pastoral Ministries



97,946  
people helped



2,082

Catholic Psychiatric  
Pastoral Care



750

Murri Ministry



830

Apostleship of the Sea



53,500

Domestic and  
Family Violence,  
Court Support



784

Centacare Prisoners'  
Services



15,000

Prison  
Chaplaincy

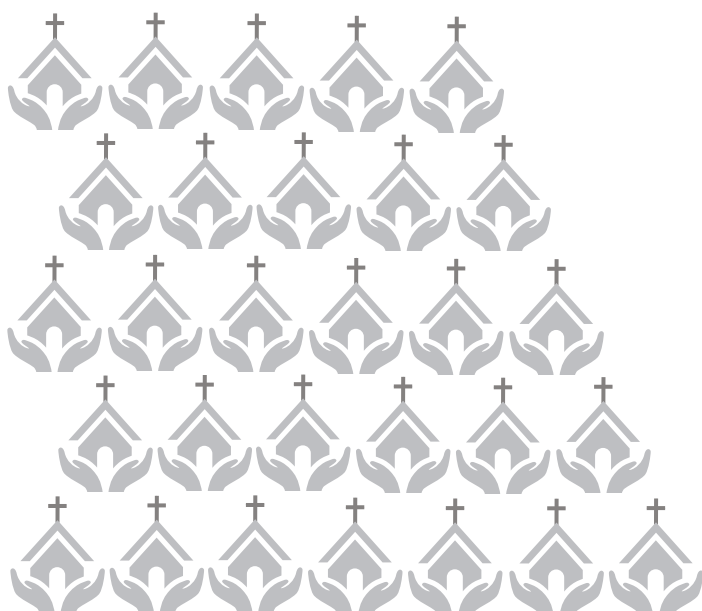


25,000

Hospital  
Pastoral Care

## Annual Grants Program

29 Grants awarded to parishes  
and grassroots ministries



98

Local youth initiatives  
and ministries

An increase of 50% since 2013.

337



Youth attendees at  
Australian Catholic  
Youth Festival

An increase of 93% since 2013.

# Centacare

## Visiting my son in prison was the most heartbreaking experience I could have ever imagined.

*At times, when my son was in prison, I felt overwhelmed with guilt, loneliness, worthlessness, and fear. I felt isolated, not knowing anyone who had a loved one in prison. With no one to talk to, I felt myself slipping into despair and depression.*

I constantly asked myself what I did wrong and tried to accept responsibility for something that I was not responsible. But I'm his mother and I'm not sure my feelings of guilt will ever go away.

By chance, I heard about a women's support group run by Centacare Prisoners' Services. I had no idea what to expect at that first meeting; I wondered what it would be like and how I would express myself. I met a woman from the team and virtually broke down. She showed me a level of compassion I hadn't experienced before and simply let me talk. As the meeting progressed I heard my story echoed in the stories of partners, wives and mothers of other prisoners. For the first time I felt I wasn't alone and I left that first meeting with hope and gratitude.

Over the coming months I gained invaluable knowledge as I continued to attend

meetings that taught me my son's actions weren't my fault and ways I could support, rather than enable him. I shared this with my son, which helped him take responsibility for his decisions and actions, sort out his feelings, and stay on track.

My son is now on parole and doing much better. Several weeks ago I told him: "I am so proud of how far you've come and how hard you are trying. I love you and I respect where you are at right now."

It has been a difficult journey for both of us but the life-changing level of support from Centacare Prisoners' Services, and the friends I've made at the women's support group, have helped mend our relationship, and made my son and me feel valued again.

**Robin**  
**CENTACARE PRISONERS'**  
**SERVICES CLIENT**

**Your gifts supported more than 90,000 people  
in the Archdiocese of Brisbane in 2017**

**+90k**   
**PEOPLE**



Chanel Wright from  
Centacare Prisoners' Services.

"Our work is only possible  
because of your kind  
generosity."

## FACES OF PHILANTHROPY Maggie:

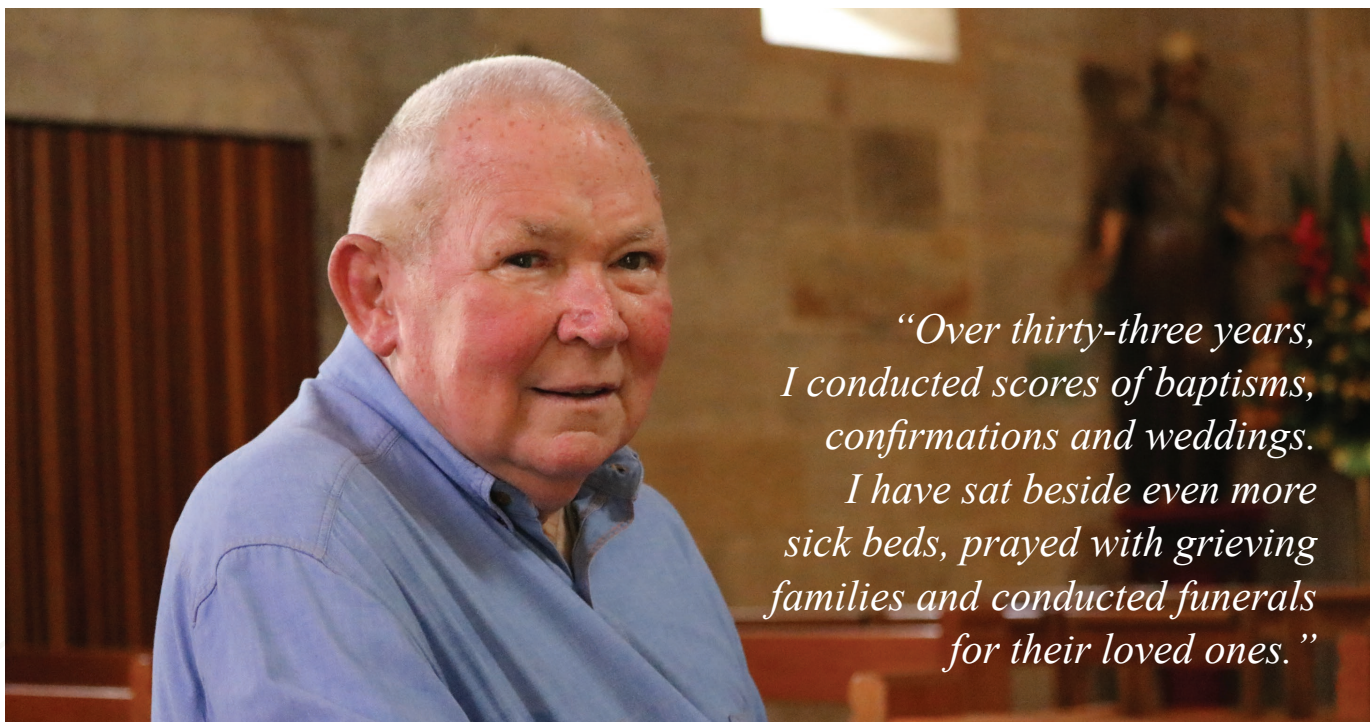
*"I am very much inspired by Pope Francis, who walks the walk, whose humility is known throughout the world, and who calls us to love, to reach out and look after our poor."*

**\$120,747**  
**Bequests received in 2017**

**\$615,320**  
**Gifts received in 2017**

Your gifts to Centacare help support Catholic social services that either receive no government funding or are critically underfunded. Centacare's Pastoral Ministries bring God's love and the presence of the Church to people in our local hospitals, prisons, psychiatric care and Aboriginal communities often during times of spiritual, emotional and mental turmoil and while they are in their greatest hour of need.

# Priests Foundation



*“Over thirty-three years,  
I conducted scores of baptisms,  
confirmations and weddings.  
I have sat beside even more  
sick beds, prayed with grieving  
families and conducted funerals  
for their loved ones.”*

**Some say, ‘Home is where the heart is.’ I say home is where your soul lives and breathes.**

Father Ellis Clifford has travelled and lived all over the world and knows the blessing of having a parish to call home. Now, at 75 years of age, he has a new home in a small community of fellow retired priests.

“I grew up in the small country town of Eidsvold and left to become a teacher. I was happy teaching and travelling. Sometimes I think of how different my life would have been, and where I would now be living, had I not chosen to listen to the small voice calling me to the priesthood.

I was ordained at the age of 43 and regret I left it so late to become a Priest – I would have liked to have done more for the Lord.

Serving the Church and my parishioners has been a blessing. Over 33 years as an active priest, I conducted scores of baptisms, confirmations and weddings. I have sat beside even more sick beds, prayed with grieving families and conducted funerals for their loved ones.

When I was 69 years old, I stepped aside as Parish Priest of Boonah. It was difficult saying goodbye to the parish that had been my family for 12 years, but towards the end, I was unwell. Only a few months later, I was admitted to hospital and started my first round of chemotherapy - I’ve been to and from hospitals more times than I can count.

I used to offer my services for supply work but it’s difficult when I don’t know if I’ll feel well enough to celebrate Mass. I wish I could be more involved.

I recognise the absolute blessing of the Priests Foundation. Thanks to you, I have a home - an excellent unit close to the hospital and nursing care when I need it. It’s comforting and a blessing to have fellow retired priests as neighbours. We meet often, yet still live independently. Thank you for supporting me and other senior and unwell priests in our retirement.”

**Rev Ellis Clifford, RETIRED IN 2012**



## FACES OF PHILANTHROPY

### Jim:

*"I have been fortunate enough to have known some wonderful men who have devoted their whole life to God by serving their fellow men. It seems only fair that in their twilight years, we might be able to repay them in some small way and to give them a sense of comfort and security."*

**Your gifts assisted 57 retired priests at various stages of care in 2017.**

57   
**RETIRED PRIESTS**

The Priests Foundation provides elderly, unwell and retired priests basic living assistance, convalescent care, accommodation, health and transport support to priests like Father Ellis with limited financial means. Additionally, your gifts help priests in active ministry who experience medical emergencies. Most importantly, you make it possible for our senior priests to continue to live out their calling to serve God and his Church in the Archdiocese of Brisbane.


**\$570,145**  
**Bequests received**  
**in 2017**

**\$580,418**  
**Gifts received in 2017**

---

# Holy Spirit Seminary

**God has a plan for us all and sometimes it takes time for us to understand. For me, it has taken almost 26 years to fulfil my truest calling – the priesthood.**



*“It has been a long journey of discernment for me. It will be about 26 years from when I first joined the seminary in 1992 to the priesthood.”*

“I remember being 12 years old and looking at my parish priest with awe. Even at that age, I had an overwhelming sense of being called to the priesthood.

I joined the seminary straight from high school but after four years of studying, I decided to leave. There was a part of me that felt too young and inexperienced for such a responsibility.

Still feeling a call to help people in need, I became a social worker, and then years later, a bus driver. Through all of this, I could still hear the call to the priesthood. I eventually said to myself, ‘I think there is something to this’.

In 2015, I returned to Holy Spirit Seminary. I felt nervous and excited to be back – after all it had been 19 years since I had studied alongside my fellow seminarians. Thankfully, most of it came back to me!

It has been a blessing and privilege to undergo my training with men from all walks of life. Together with Thomas Zaranski, I was ordained into the transitional diaconate in November 2017.

I’m based in the Banyo-Nundah Parish, the same parish where my mother was baptised and my parents were married. I was filled with joy and nerves in equal measure as I conducted my first baptism for a young child and I’m looking forward to sharing other precious and everyday moments with members of my parish for years to come.

My journey towards priesthood has been long. It will be about 26 years from when I first joined the seminary to my ordination later this year.

I and my fellow seminarians are grateful for the prayers and assistance to help us become the best priests we can, and look forward to sharing the love and mercy of Christ with others.

**Deacon Damien Everitt**

---



## FACES OF PHILANTHROPY

### Maria:

*"I always say, 'God whispers in our ear' and I thank Him every day that I've heard His call and am able to give to those in need. I can't explain the pleasure I get, yet I also feel incredibly blessed and humbled that I'm in a position to help them.*

*All I have to do is think, what I would do without my priests? What you give is what you receive in return, and I can't think of a better investment than supporting these young men who will be the future of our Church."*

Your gifts assisted the  
education of future priests  
for Queensland

20   
FUTURE PRIESTS

+5 

Seminarians started at  
beginning of 2017

Your gifts to Holy Spirit Seminary provide a comprehensive theological, pastoral and practical education and formation for seminarians discerning the vocation of the priesthood. With your prayerful support, they will grow into loving shepherds who will support us, guide our children, be there for our grandchildren and humbly serve Christ with a humility modelled after His own merciful heart.

\$309,465

Requests received  
in 2017

\$714,941

Gifts received in 2017



# Mary MacKillop Catholic School Access Fund

**The girls say our school is like a sisterhood. It's a place where they're well known, they feel safe and cared for. Like our patron saint, Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, we don't want to turn any student away.**

Our Lady's College is delighted that three students have been granted a bursary scholarship through the Mary MacKillop Catholic School Access Fund. At a glance, they are regular students – they are happy, friendly studious and polite. But if you look deeper, you can see a glimmer of determination and optimism.

These students are from families living through the most desperate of circumstances who just want their child to have a much more hopeful future than they could hope to provide alone.

I spoke with a mother who moved her family to Australia as a refugee. Like all mums, she wants to protect her children from the devastating pain and suffering she and her husband have experienced, and provide a peaceful life for their children.

I've seen this family sacrifice so much. Her husband is working multiple jobs and still

looking for ways to support his family. She is learning English and trying to support her girls as best she can. I can already see that their perseverance is a trait they've passed onto their daughter, who understands the opportunity and blessing of a Catholic education.

For this family, as well as the other students who receive a MacKillop bursary, a Catholic education was a dream well out of their reach. They are extremely grateful for the generous support of the school community and the Mary MacKillop School Access Fund.

Just like Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, we don't want to turn any student away. We are thankful for the support of the MacKillop Fund which helps us provide tuition for truly deserving students.

**Paula Goodwin**  
PRINCIPAL, OUR LADY'S COLLEGE

**In 2017, 20 students had a MacKillop bursary to cover the cost of their tuition and other school related fees.**

20   
**STUDENTS**

+5 

**students received  
a bursary at the start  
of 2017**

Your gifts carry on the mission of Saint Mary MacKillop – to make Catholic education available to the poor. The Mary MacKillop Catholic School Access Fund gives children who have experienced the shattering effects of family breakdown or extreme financial hardship the best chance of living up to their true potential. Arming these children with a quality Catholic education, you help to ensure they grow up understanding their intrinsic self-worth, and to promote and respect the dignity of all.

\$705,419

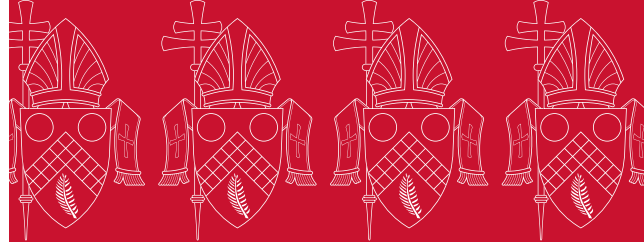
**Gifts received in 2017**



**FACES OF PHILANTHROPY:**

**Christine:**

*“In a rich country like Australia, no child should miss the opportunity of a sound education.”*



# Annual Grants Program

**The Grants Program supports remarkable organisations, ministries and individuals that serve our Church and strengthen our community.**

Guided by an evolving assessment of community needs, the Annual Grants Program attempts to do the most good, in the most efficient way possible.

In 2017, more than \$150,000 was awarded to 41 local ministries, funded by generous gifts to the Religious Ministries Fund, through the Annual Catholic Campaign, as well as endowments established by the Whelan family, the Forbes family, and Father Frank Douglas.



## FACES OF PHILANTHROPY Pam:

*“God has freely given my daily lot and I try to share my gifts with whomever God sends to me. The Church has always been the biggest gift my parents passed on to us, a family of eight. God bless you all.”*

### How grants are funded

Alan Forbes Youth Ministry Endowment Fund	\$16,277
Douglas Foundation	\$27,720
Religious Ministry Fund	\$87,332
Whelan Family Ministry Endowment Fund	\$19,526
<b>TOTAL DISTRIBUTED</b>	<b>\$150,855</b>

### Congratulations to the worthy grant recipients for 2017

St Joseph’s Parish, Nambour | Freedom, QUT Campus Ministry | Kolbe Youth Marsden | Hendra Catholic Parish Ignite Youth | Net Ministries | Venire Youth, Surfers Paradise | Edmund Rice Camps Brisbane | Real Talk | Theology in the City 2017 | Jesus Youth Regional Council Brisbane | Vietnamese Eucharistic Youth Movement | Indonesian Catholic Family Youth Ministry | Chaplaincy, Griffith University, Gold Coast Campus Centacare Pastoral Ministries, Catholic Prison Chaplains | St Matthew’s Parish, Loganholme | St Mark’s Parish, Inala St Edward’s Parish, Daisy Hill | Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kenmore | Brisbane South Deanery | Youth for Christ Australia Northside | St Stephen’s Young Adult Ministry | Corinda Graceville Parish



**The energy from the Venire youth group on the Gold Coast is contagious. Thanks to the Archdiocese's Annual Grants Program, it has spread from the Surfers Paradise parish and blazed its way across the deanery.**

"As a young person, I know the joy and blessings of youth ministry and want as many others to have a similar experience. Back in 2015, I was appointed as the deanery's first youth coordinator tasked with supporting youth groups in each of the Gold Coast's parishes.

Such an ambitious outreach activity was a challenge and we have experienced successes and setbacks. I felt my prayers had been answered when I was told about funding available for parishes and grassroots initiatives through the Archdiocese's Annual Grants Program.

The South Coast deanery was successful in obtaining a grant that has been put to work, helping us build a sustainable youth ministry for young Catholics on the Gold Coast. I've been focussed on establishing a core group of leaders in each parish, and providing them with appropriate training and resources to work with our youth, that will continue even beyond my time at the deanery.

Now, we have established youth ministries in four out of the five parishes on the Gold Coast. Every fortnight, young people come together to grow in their knowledge and understanding of the word of God by unpacking scripture in a bible study group. Every two months, all of our youth groups come together for a night rally of games, inspirational guest speakers, and praise and worship led by our local band. We have an annual retreat where young people can come together and feel part of something bigger.

My role in the deanery is only funded for a limited time, but the work we have done will ensure that the roots of youth ministry will take hold and continue to bear fruit for years to come. Our young people have such incredible potential. It is exciting to be a tool for God and help bring our young people closer to Him."

**Stephanie Santos**

**SOUTH COAST DEANERY, YOUTH COORDINATOR**



Student Ambassadors from St Francis College, Crestmead.

# Annual Catholic Campaign

## Your gift is the answer to someone's prayer

The thousands of humble and prayerfully given donations have built a strong foundation of philanthropy in the Archdiocese. When combined, these donations contribute hundreds of thousands of dollars to fund the vital ministries and charities in South East Queensland.

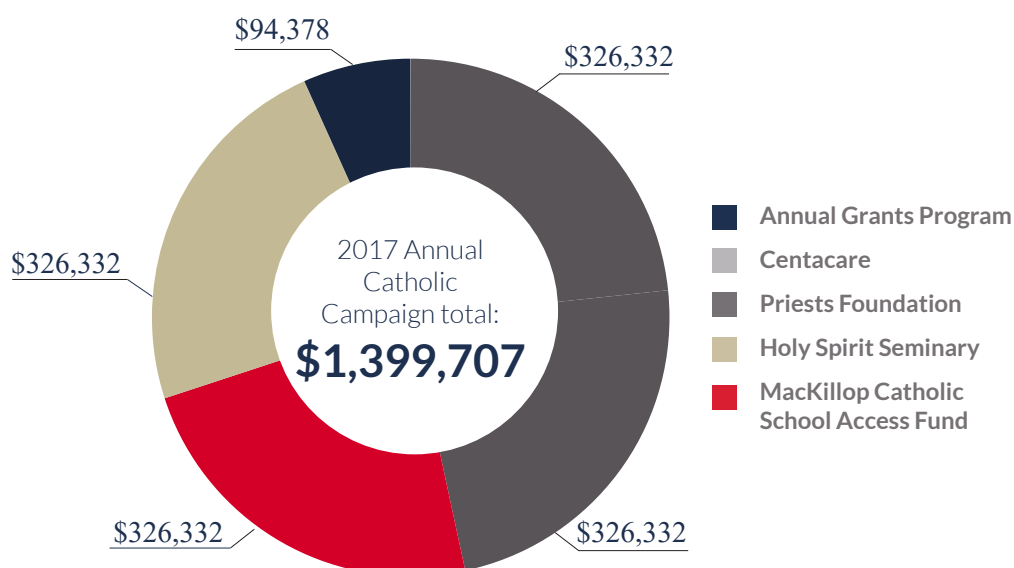
In 2017, your gifts to the Annual Catholic Campaign raised a record total of \$1.4 million, and highlight the importance of every donation and every prayer.

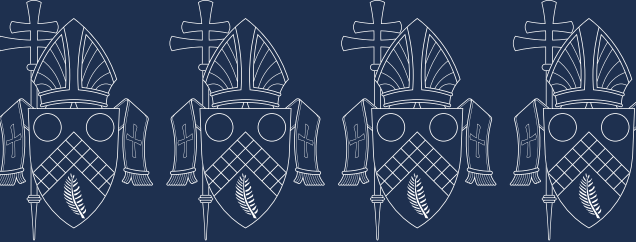
Local parishes, communities and schools held special collections on the Campaign weekend in September, and more than 15,700 individuals responded to support our most vulnerable neighbours, the care of elderly, retired and unwell priests, seminarian education, and Catholic school bursaries.

Thank you to the Annual Catholic Campaign Ambassadors, parish priests, parish staff and all who generously gave of their time to support the Campaign.

### FACES OF PHILANTHROPY John:

*"Throughout my entire life, there have been good people who have helped me whether or not it would seem that I deserved it. If I can give a little back at times, it is the least I can do."*





## Bequests

Everyone will leave a legacy. After taking care of family and friends in a Will, many of our donors choose to remember a cause or a fund that is close to their heart and ensure their legacy continues to endure.

Gifts in your Will can be made to support the mission of the Church, which will be directed toward areas most in need, or you can designate your gift to provide hope and resources to a particular endowment for a ministry or parish.

## Living Faith Society

We are extremely grateful for our donors who have made a commitment to give a gift on a regular basis.

In 2017, 145 donors chose to start giving a regular monthly or quarterly gift and become members of the Living Faith Society. Your kind donations are critical to sustaining our vital ministries throughout the Archdiocese.

By choosing to spread your donation throughout the year, you help to ensure the Church always has the means to fulfil Christ's mission of love.



### FACES OF PHILANTHROPY

#### Loree:

*"The Church nurtures me in this life so I happily share with the Church as the Lord leads. It can be time, gifting, finance, faithfulness. I think of the widow's mite. Jesus noticed her. We can never out-give our God. Thank you for the many blessings given me from infant baptism onwards."*



# Endowments

The establishment of an endowment starts small, like a mustard seed. Those who have the foresight to invest in the future of our faith are rewarded in perpetuity with the fruit it will bear.

The Catholic Foundation manages endowments that support the major areas of ministry in the Archdiocese: Catholic education bursaries, Catholic social services, homelessness, parish life, marriage enrichment, retired priests, vocations, evangelisation and critical Catholic agencies.

In 2017, thanks to the generosity of Dr Ashley and Mrs Shirley Goldsworthy, a new endowment has been established to support the homeless through Centacare.

As the need for quality programs and services continues to grow, we hope more individuals will consider establishing permanently-named endowments or contributing to an existing fund to sustain the good works of the Church.

## Kevin and Wunda Whelan Family Endowment Fund.

In 2013, Kevin and Wunda Whelan established the *Kevin and Wunda Whelan Family Endowment Fund*.



Sadly Wunda passed away in 2016, followed by Kevin a year later. Yet, the hope and generosity generated by their Endowment Fund continues to support the work of the Catholic Foundation in all the ways they hoped it would.

Wunda and Kevin's eldest son Vince says of his parent's generosity:

"Dad and mum were philanthropists at heart. The Church and their faith brought them so much joy, inner strength, and helped shape their compassionate souls. They appreciated the blessings in their lives and were eager to help others going through hard times.

"My parents were very proud of what the endowment fund could achieve, even after their passing. To date, the fund has supported our local parish, women's shelters and support groups, camps for underprivileged children, retired priests, education bursaries for children in need, Veterans Care, Youth Ministry, Holy Spirit Seminary, and Centacare.

"It's humbling to think my family's endowment will support organisations, ministries and individuals carrying out the Archdiocese's mission now and into the future."

We give great thanks to those who create endowment funds because through their generosity they provide long-lasting support to causes close to their hearts.

# Endowment Funds managed by the Catholic Foundation

## Catholic Education Bursaries and Scholarships

NEW! All Hallows' Foundation Fund  
 NEW! All Hallows' School - Catherine McAuley Bursary Fund  
 Ashley & Shirley Goldsworthy Education Fund  
 Kevin M Brown Bursary Fund  
 Mary MacKillop Brisbane Catholic School Access Fund  
 NEW! Karl & Louise Morris Bursary Fund  
 St Columban's Bursary Fund  
 The Douglas Foundation Endowment  
 NEW! Xavier Catholic College Endowment Fund  
 Zaccari Catholic Scholarship Endowment

## Catholic Social Services

Ashley & Shirley Goldsworthy Aged Care Fund  
 NEW! Ashley & Shirley Goldsworthy Fund for the Homeless  
 Ashley & Shirley Goldsworthy Memory Support Fund  
 Ashley & Shirley Goldsworthy Mental Health Fund

## Evangelisation

Alan Forbes Youth Ministry Endowment Fund  
 Whelan Family Endowment Fund

## Parish Life

Albany Creek All Saints Parish Endowment  
 Annerley Ekibin Catholic Parish Endowment  
 Banyo Nundah Catholic Parish Endowment  
 Brisbane Oratory in Formation Endowment  
 Caloundra - Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Endowment  
 Camp Hill - St Thomas the Apostle Endowment  
 Cannon Hill - St Oliver Plunkett Parish Endowment  
 Carina - Our Lady of Graces Parish Endowment  
 Clayfield - St Agatha's Parish Endowment  
 Corinda Graceville Parish Endowment  
 Darra Jindalee Parish Endowment  
 Hanly - Parish Endowment Fund  
 Hendra Northgate Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Endowment  
 NEW! Indooroopilly - Holy Parish Family Endowment

Infant Saviour - Burleigh Heads Parish Endowment  
 Jubilee Parish Endowment  
 Kangaroo Point - St Benedict's & St Joseph's Parish Endowment  
 NEW! Lutwyche Holy Cross Parish Endowment  
 Manly - St John Vianney's Parish Endowment  
 NEW! Mazenod Charitable Fund  
 NEW! New Farm - Holy Spirit Parish Endowment  
 Noosa District - Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Parish Endowment  
 Redcliffe - Holy Cross Parish Endowment  
 Regents Park Parish Endowment  
 Sandgate Brighton Catholic Parish Endowment  
 Springfield Our Lady of the Southern Cross Parish Endowment  
 St Columba's Parish - Wilston Endowment  
 St John the Baptist - Enoggera Endowment  
 St Luke's Church Buranda Parish Endowment  
 St Stephen's Cathedral Parish Endowment  
 Stafford Our Lady Queen of Apostles Parish Endowment  
 Upper Mt Gravatt Wishart Parish Endowment  
 Yeronga St Sebastian's Parish Endowment

## Retired Priests

Priests Foundation Endowment Fund  
 St Vincent's Health & Aged Care Priests Endowment Fund

## Vocations

Borromeo Seminarian Education Endowment Fund  
 George & Maria Merli Perpetual Fund  
 Ross & Maria Girgenti Perpetual Fund  
 Vianney Priests Education Endowment Fund

## Other Catholic Agencies

Archbishop John Bathersby Endowment Fund  
 Archdiocese of Brisbane - Capital Fund Endowment Fund  
 Archdiocese of Brisbane - General Endowment Fund

## TOTAL GIFTS TO ENDOWMENTS IN 2017

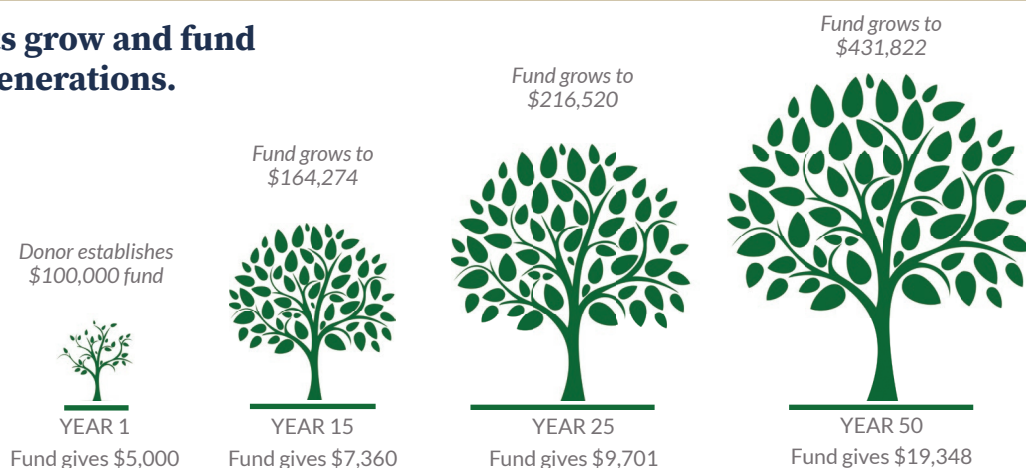
\$6,630,310

## EXISTING ENDOWMENT FUNDS DISTRIBUTED

\$598,298

### How endowments grow and fund good works for generations.

Examples are based on 8.8% annual growth (indicative of 10 year historical Australian average) with 5% for grants and 1% for administrative fees.



# Financial Report

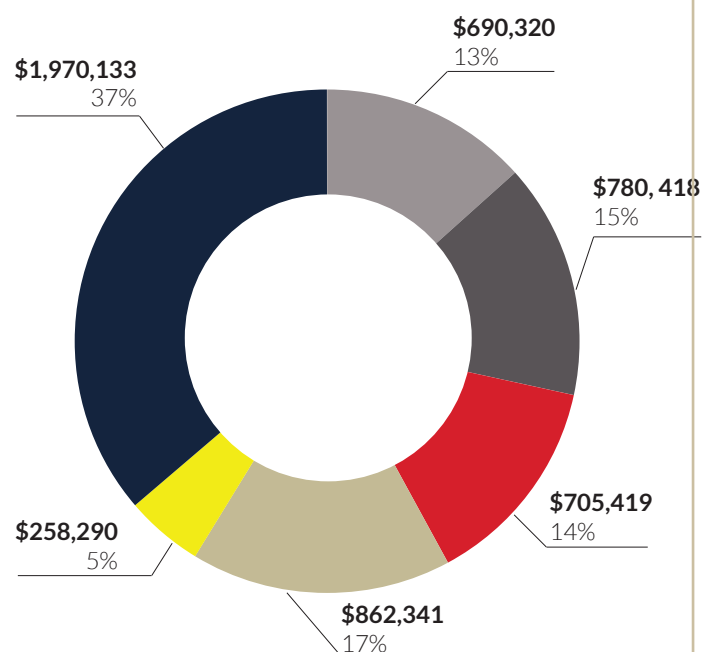
Total donations given in 2017 for the following causes:

FUNDS RAISED	2017
2017 Annual Catholic Campaign, supporting: Centacare Social Services, Priests Foundation, Holy Spirit Seminary, MacKillop Catholic School Access Fund, Annual Grants Program.	\$1,399,707
Centacare Catholic social services	\$288,988
Endowments to perpetually fund Catholic social services	\$75,000
Health and retirement of priests through Priests Foundation	\$254,086
Endowments to perpetually fund retired priests	\$200,000
Education and formation of seminarians	\$388,609
Endowments to perpetually fund vocations	\$147,400
Catholic education bursaries through MacKillop Catholic School Access Fund	\$379,087
Endowments to perpetually fund Catholic education bursaries	\$1,800,000
Hardship relief fund	\$3,550
Assembly of Catholic Professionals	\$51,203
Other ministries	\$21,000
Endowments to perpetually fund parish life	\$258,290
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,266,921</b>

Bequests received in 2017 were designated to support the following areas:

AREAS FUNDED BY BEQUESTS	2017
Catholic Social Services	\$120,747
Retired priests	\$570,145
Seminary and vocations	\$309,465
Parish life	\$1,792,546
Archdiocesan Ministries	\$1,454,909
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$4,247,812</b>

Summary of Funds Raised in 2017



Combining revenue and endowment income

Parish life	
Centacare Catholic social services	
Health and retirement of priests	
Catholic education bursaries	
Education of seminarians	
Other ministries, parishes and school endowments, and annual grants	

Direct costs of fundraising campaigns and appeals were applied to the campaign or event. The net cost of fundraising, facilities and staffing was approximately 17% of the total funds raised in 2017.

## Resource Development Forum

We are very grateful to the members of the Resource Development Forum for their contribution to the Catholic Foundation's success.

**Pam Betts** Executive Director, Brisbane Catholic Education  
**Fr Peter Brannelly** Parish Priest, Jubilee Catholic Parish  
**Cheryl Caughley** Manager, Archdiocesan Development Fund  
**Fr John Conway** Parish Priest, St Bernardine's Catholic Parish, Regents Park  
**Fr Mauro Conte** Parish Priest, Our Lady of the Southern Cross Catholic Parish, Springfield  
**Fr Peter Dillon** Parish Priest, Surfers Paradise Catholic Parish  
**Professor Ashley Goldsworthy AO OBE KM** Chairman, Smart Employment Solution Ltd  
**Fr Frank Jones** Parish Priest, St John Vianney Catholic Parish, Manly  
**Patricia Kennedy** Principal, St Maximillian Kolbe Catholic Primary School, Marsden  
**John Phelan** Communications and Marketing Manager, Brisbane Catholic Education  
**Lesley Ray** Executive Director, Mater Foundation  
**Martyn Savage** Principal, St Anthony's Catholic Primary School, Alexandra Hills  
**Adrian Taylor** Communications Manager, Archdiocese of Brisbane  
**Margaret Vider** Archdiocesan Finance Council  
**Mary Macuga** Director, Catholic Foundation

## Catholic Foundation Board

No board member has received any benefits by reason of their association and activities with the Catholic Foundation.

**Most Reverend Mark Coleridge** Archbishop of Brisbane  
**James McKay** Executive Chairman, Walcot Capital  
**Karl Morris** Executive Chairman, Ord Minnett  
**Susan Rix AM** Partner, BDO  
**Dr Michael Forbes** Lecturer, University of Queensland  
**Stuart Fraser** CEO, Winscourt Investment Pty Ltd  
**Damian Power** Director, Govstrat Pty Ltd  
**Reverend Monsignor Peter Meneely** Vicar General, Archdiocese of Brisbane  
**Jeremy Howes** Financial Administrator, Archdiocese of Brisbane  
**Andrew Musial** Executive Director, Archdiocesan Services and Archdiocesan Development Fund  
**Mary Macuga** Director, Catholic Foundation

## Assembly of Catholic Professionals Corporate Sponsors

Australian Catholic University | Archdiocesan Development Fund | Brisbane Catholic Education | BDO | Catholic Super  
Colin Biggers & Paisley Lawyers | Crowe Horwath  
Norman Hotel | PwC | Queensland Catholic Education  
Commission | St Vincent's Care Services | Thynne & Macartney

# Chair Report

## I'm humbled once again to share some of the stories representing the impact of your generosity across the Archdiocese in 2017.

Last year was a great example of individuals coming together to ensure ongoing support for vital agencies and ministries of the Church.

Thanks to your generosity, I am delighted to report that you have contributed to raising more than \$6 million through philanthropic gifts and bequests. For the fifth year, you have kindly got behind the Annual Catholic Campaign, along with more than 6,000 donors from Childers to Tweed Heads, and raised more than \$1.4 million for local ministries. Gifts of all sizes and from every parish contributed to this success.

These funds directly support the key areas of ministry in pastoral care to the vulnerable and poor, seminarian education, retired elderly and unwell priests, Catholic education bursaries, evangelisation and parish life, with the goal of providing immediate support now and a reliable source of support in the future.

In addition, we celebrate the individuals who stepped up to create special gifts of endowment that will sustain Catholic parishes, schools and charitable causes for generations to come. Nine new endowments were created as perpetual funds to ensure a steady stream of annual funding for Catholic agencies and programs. Five of the endowments support our grants program – providing annual funding for the most promising grassroots ministries each year.

On behalf of those we serve, I would like to thank you for your contributions to support the work of the Gospel here in the Archdiocese of Brisbane.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'James McKay'.

James McKay, Chair



## Catholic Foundation Archdiocese of Brisbane

Cathedral House, 229 Elizabeth Street, GPO Box 282, BRISBANE QLD 4001  
+617 3324 3200 • [giving@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:giving@bne.catholic.net.au) • [catholicfoundation.org.au](http://catholicfoundation.org.au)