



# The Catholic Diocese of Bathurst Celebrating 150 years

## CONCLUDING SESQUICENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October**

**Book Launch**

Everyone is welcome to the launch of a book by Br Brian Sweeney, looking at Bishop Matthew Quinn's role in Catholic Education in NSW in the early years of the Colony.  
Cathedral Parish Centre, Keppel Street Bathurst - 2.30pm, followed by Afternoon Tea

**Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> October**

**Diocesan Assembly Opening Mass**

Bishop McKenna will preside at Mass in the Cathedral at 9.00am

In the afternoon, the Sisters of Mercy warmly invite everyone to attend a Garden Party to be held at St. Joseph's Mount, Busby Street, Bathurst, from 2pm-5pm, celebrating 150 years of the Sister of Mercy

**Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October**

**BBQ Breakfast at MacKillop College, Gorman's Hill Road, Bathurst ~ from 8.00am**

**At 8.45am, Bishop McKenna will lead a procession from Gorman's Hill Road to the Cathedral of St. Michael and St. John, William Street, Bathurst**  
*tracing the footsteps of*

Bishop Matthew Quinn, first Bishop of Bathurst and the Sisters of Mercy who accompanied him on his arrival in the Diocese in 1866

**10.00am ~ Mass in the Cathedral ~ Bishop McKenna will preside and Commission the newly formed Diocesan Pastoral Council**

Mass will be followed by the **Sealing of a Time Capsule** in the Cathedral Grounds and **Brunch** in Machattie Park, opposite the Cathedral

**4.30pm ~ Solemn Vespers and Benediction**

in the Cathedral will conclude the Sesquicentenary Celebrations of the Diocese of Bathurst



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