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25 March 2012

The Honourable Campbell Newman MP  
Premier of Queensland  
PO Box 15185  
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Dear Mr Newman,

I write to offer my personal congratulations to you and your government as it takes office this week in guiding our State of Queensland. The recent campaign has been a challenging one for the electorate as a whole, and especially for you and your family. I feel you displayed a graceful humility in service and a potent assertiveness in vision.

My community and I wish you and the newly elected government every blessing and strength as you journey toward fulfilling the vision of your campaign. We look forward to an extension of the warm synergy present between us during your time as Lord Mayor.

Please accept our prayerful support for the road of leadership ahead.

Yours Sincerely,

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# The Gap Chaplaincy Service



26 March 2012

The Hon. Campbell Newman MP  
Premier of Queensland  
161 Waterworks Road  
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## An Invitation – Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2012

Dear Premier

Good morning, I trust you are having an excellent day! Congratulations on your victory.

We briefly met at the A.C.L. "Meet your Candidates" meeting held at Ashgrove Baptist during the campaign.

I introduced myself at the Chairman of the local Chaplaincy cluster covering Mt Nebo, The Gap, and Ashgrove, and mentioned our annual Chaplaincy evening.

We are hosting a Chaplaincy awareness and fundraising evening on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May. Tim Mander spoke at this event last year.

~~I would like to invite you and your wife be available to attend and would you like to deliver a keynote address to the parents, supporters of this chaplaincy cluster?~~

I look forward to hearing from you. I can be contacted on  or 3311 2915 (wk), or via PO Box The Gap Q 4061

Appreciatively

*Michael Knight*

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The sycamore fig tree is symbolic of The Chaplaincy Service.  
In the same way the sycamore fig tree enabled Zaccheus to meet Jesus,  
Chaplaincy is the link between the school community and Jesus today. Lu 19:1-10

Chairman: Michael Knight  
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ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE

26 March 2012

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The Honourable C Newman MP  
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Dear Premier,

On behalf of the Catholic clergy, religious and people of the Archdiocese of Brisbane I write to congratulate you on your recent election as Premier of the State of Queensland.

I extend my best wishes to you, to Lisa and your family as you take up the burdens and demands of this high office.

It is a richly deserved honour and a tribute to your talent, leadership and significant achievement over many years. I share the same confidence that so many others have expressed, that you will lead the State with great success, with those same gifts and abilities you brought to the office of Lord Mayor of the City of Brisbane.

Your evident energy and enthusiasm will be of great advantage as you face the challenges ahead. You may be assured, together with all of the members of Queensland's new Parliament, of the prayerful support of the Catholic people, that your policies, deliberations and decisions will have as their primary focus the common good, the well-being and the advancement of the people of our State.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane looks forward to working constructively with you and your government over the next three years. I have included with this letter a brochure briefly outlining significant aspects of the life of the Catholic Church in Queensland. I hope it might provide some further insight into the Church's longstanding and widespread work in the spheres of religion and Christian life, in education, health and social welfare throughout the State of Queensland.

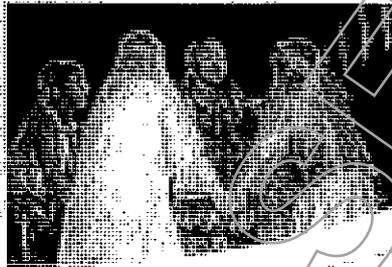
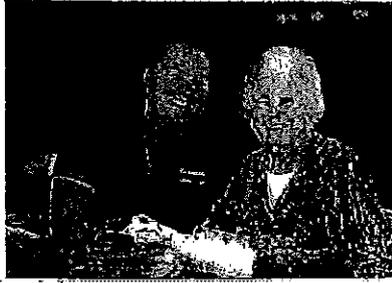
Yours sincerely

*+ Geoffrey Jarrett*

Most Revd Geoffrey Jarrett DD  
 Apostolic Administrator, Archdiocese of Brisbane

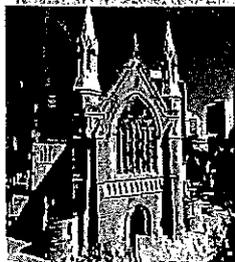
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# THE CATHOLIC CHURCH



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# WELCOME



The Catholic Church in Queensland is one of our state's largest and oldest churches. From our humble beginnings in 1859, the Catholic Church has grown with the city of Brisbane and the State of Queensland and has become an important part of the spiritual fabric of Queensland.

The Church of Brisbane, which was established under the leadership of Bishop James Quinn in 1859, has always had a commitment to social justice, social services and education of young people.

In living out the mission of Jesus Christ, the Queensland Catholic Church has become a major provider of social, education, health and employment services.

The Queensland Catholic Church is the second largest education provider outside of the Queensland Government providing quality faith-based education to more than 130,000 students.

Our social services work to strengthen families and support people and communities and employ through our Centacare Network nearly 3100 in Brisbane alone, and serving over 70,000 South East Queenslanders in need.

We provide a range of community support services including aged care, disability support, child care, counselling, family, relationship, education programs, employment assistance and pastoral ministries.

The Catholic Church in Queensland looks forward to continuing our vital role of living our Catholic faith in Queensland by improving the lives of so many people.

## CATHOLIC CHURCH IN QUEENSLAND

### POPULATION

(Source: ABS 2006 Census)

Total population of Queensland	3,904,373
Catholic population of Queensland (24%)	936,595
Total Catholic families	252,636

### EMPLOYMENT (NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES PER DIOCESE)<sup>1</sup>

(Source: Diocesan Financial Administrators' Offices)

Brisbane	14,836
Toowoomba	1,820
Rockhampton	2,905
Townsville	1,990
Cairns	2,140
Total Employees	23,691

<sup>1</sup> These figures exclude employees at Religious Institute schools, hospitals and social service facilities e.g. Mater Hospitals or Christian Brother Schools and reflect Diocesan employee numbers only

### HEALTH CARE SERVICES

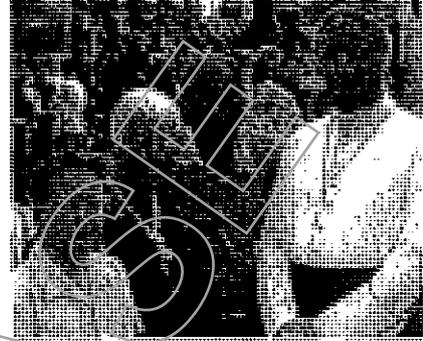
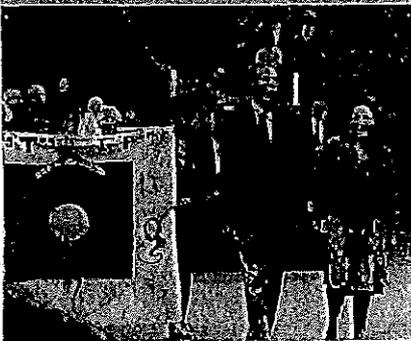
(Source: Catholic Healthcare Australia)

Number of Catholic hospitals in Queensland	15
Number of public beds	316
Number of private beds	1,538
Total number of beds in Catholic Hospitals	1,854

### EDUCATION

(Source: Queensland Catholic Education Commission Directory of Schools, 2011)

Catholic Schools in Qld	290
Catholic Primary Students	79,724
Catholic Secondary Students	55,238
Total Number of Students in Catholic Schools	134,962
Australian Catholic University (Banyo)	
Number of students	4,135



# CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE

## POPULATION

(Source: ABS 2006 Census)

Total population of Archdiocese of Brisbane	2,773,077
Catholic population of Archdiocese of Brisbane (23%)	645,764
Median age	36yrs

## CHILD CARE AND OUTSIDE SCHOOL CARE CENTRES

(Source: Caritas Annual Review, including Child Care Services 2010-2011)

Total number of children in Brisbane Archdiocesan child care services	10,000
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## SOCIAL SERVICE AND WELFARE AGENCIES

(Source: Caritas Annual Review, including Child Care Services 2010-2011; SvaP Profile 2011; OZcare 2010 Assessment)

Total number of clients that use Brisbane Archdiocesan Social and Welfare Services:	
Employment services	10,000
Disability services	1,000
Family and community services	30,000
Community support services	9,000
Pastoral care services	20,000
Total number of clients	70,000

St Vincent de Paul Society*: Total number of clients	260,000
OZcare*: Total number of clients	15,000

## HEALTH CARE SERVICES

(Source: Catholic Healthcare Australia)

Number of Catholic hospitals in Brisbane	8
Number of public beds	316
Number of private beds	841
Total number of beds	1,157

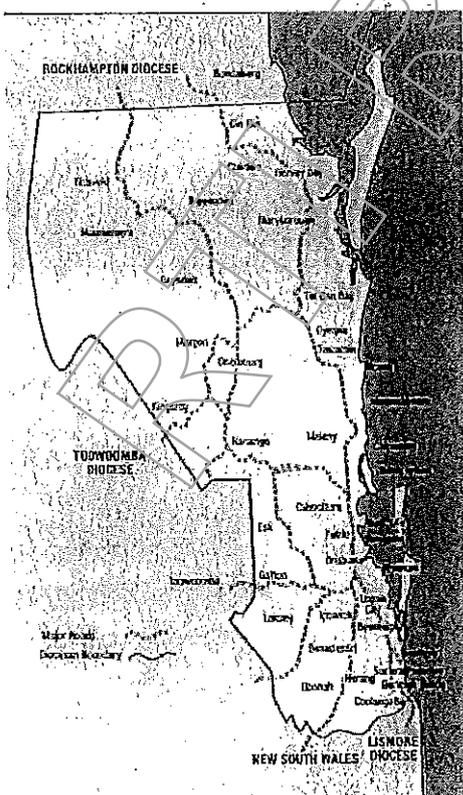
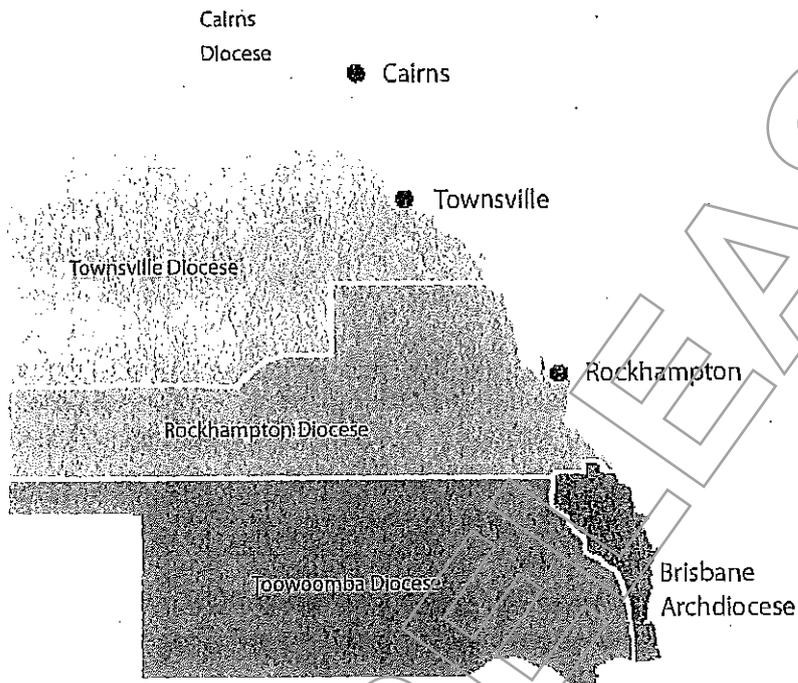
## EDUCATION

(Source: Queensland Catholic Education Commission Directory of Schools, 2011)

Catholic Schools in Brisbane Archdiocese	158
Primary Schools	50,565
Secondary Schools	35,431
Total number of primary and secondary students	85,996

Australian Catholic University (Banyo)	
Number of students	4,135

# THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN QUEENSLAND



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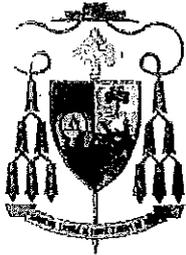
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March 2012



CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON

*Bishop's Office*



26 March 2012

Hon Campbell Newman  
Premier of Queensland  
Office of the Premier  
PO Box 185  
Brisbane Albert Street Qld 4002



Dear Premier

I write to congratulate you on your election to the role of Premier in our great State. You have fought the good fight and now you have a mandate to guide Queensland into the future.

I hope to meet you sometime soon and welcome you on a visit to Rockhampton which is the centre of the Central Queensland Catholic Diocese, for which I am privileged to be the Bishop. Interestingly I grew up in Ashgrove and attended Marist College, in the place of your electorate. I still have strong family connections there.

May the God whose providence surrounds us all in mysterious but sure ways, continue to guide you in your new and arduous role.

Yours sincerely

Brian Heenan  
Bishop of Rockhampton



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27 March 2012

Premier Campbell Newman MP  
Department of the Premier and Cabinet  
PO Box 15185  
CITY EAST QLD 4002

Dear Premier

On behalf of Queensland Baptists I would like to congratulate you on your election as the Member for Ashgrove in the recent State Elections. I also congratulate the LNP on the overwhelming endorsement given to you as you form Government.

I wish to assure you and the Government of our prayer for you that together you may know the presence of God in your deliberations and actions.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if we can ever be of assistance to you.

Yours faithfully

David Loder (Rev Dr)  
General Superintendent

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30 March 2012

The Hon Campbell Newman MP  
Premier of Queensland  
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Dear Premier,

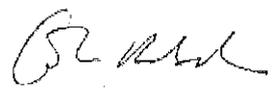
It gives us great pleasure to write to congratulate you on your election as the Member for Ashgrove and Premier of Queensland.

The Australia/Israel & Jewish Affairs Council (AIJAC) has enjoyed a constructive relationship with the Liberal National Party and looks forward to working with you as you serve the people of Queensland.

We will be in contact with your office to invite you to be the guest of honour at AIJAC functions in Sydney and Melbourne at your earliest convenience.

Best wishes,

  
Mark Leibler AC  
National Chairman

  
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Executive Director

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## Premier of Queensland

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30 MAR 2012

Reverend Father Dimitri Tsakas  
Vicar General for Queensland  
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of Australia  
Greek Orthodox Community of St George  
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Dear Reverend Tsakas

*Dimitri*

Thank you for your letter of 25 March 2012 expressing your congratulations and good wishes on my election as Premier of Queensland.

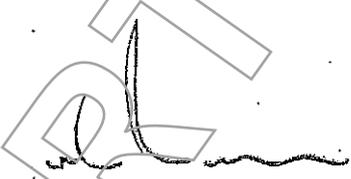
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I will work every single day to deliver better government. My Government has a strong action plan to get Queensland back on track and we will work with all Queenslanders to ensure this is the best state in the country.

I look forward to tackling the many challenges this position brings and I am ready for the task ahead.

Again, thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

  
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## Premier of Queensland

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Dear Reverend Loder

Thank you for your letter of 27 March 2012 expressing your congratulations and good wishes on my election as Premier of Queensland.

The voters of Queensland have entrusted the management of the State to me and my team and I appreciate your support.

As Premier, I will work every single day to deliver better government. My Government has a strong action plan to get Queensland back on track and we will work with all Queenslanders to ensure this is the best state in the country.

I look forward to tackling the many challenges this position brings and I am ready for the task ahead.

Again, thank you for your support and prayers.

Yours sincerely

CAMPBELL NEWMAN  
PREMIER OF QUEENSLAND



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## Premier of Queensland

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Your Grace

Thank you for your letter of 26 March 2012 expressing your congratulations and good wishes on my election as Premier of Queensland.

The contents of your letter and enclosure have been noted.

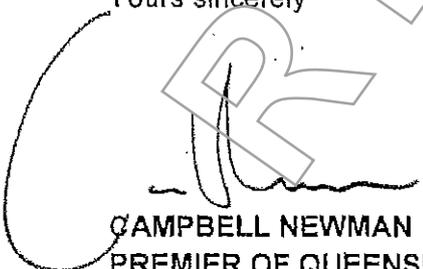
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Again, thank you for your prayerful support.

Yours sincerely



CAMPBELL NEWMAN  
PREMIER OF QUEENSLAND



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## Premier of Queensland

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05 APR 2012

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Dear Bishop

Thank you for your letter of 26 March 2012 expressing your congratulations and good wishes on my election as Premier of Queensland.

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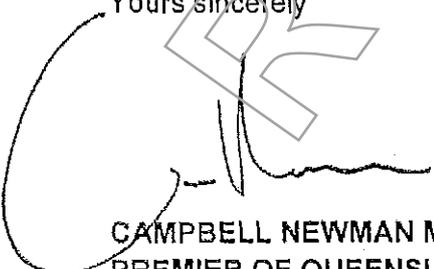
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Thank you for your kind invitation to visit the Central Queensland Catholic Diocese. I have noted your advice for consideration when visiting Rockhampton in the future.

Again, thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely



CAMPBELL NEWMAN MP  
PREMIER OF QUEENSLAND



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ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE

10 April 2012

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The Hon. C Newman  
Premier of Queensland  
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PO Box 15185  
CITY EAST QLD 4002

Dear Premier,

Following the appointment by His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI of the Most Reverend Mark Benedict Coleridge as the Seventh Metropolitan Archbishop of Brisbane, it is my pleasure to write to inform you of the details of the installation of the new Archbishop, a significant moment in the life and history of the Archdiocese, and for the Catholic Church in Queensland.

The installation will be celebrated at a Liturgical Reception and Solemn Pontifical Mass in St Stephen's Cathedral, Brisbane, on Friday 11 May 2012 at 10.30am.

The Apostolic Nuncio in Australia, Archbishop Giuseppe Lazzarotto, representing His Holiness, and the Bishops of our Church from around Australia, will be present for the occasion.

Following the ceremony refreshments will be served in the adjacent Francis Rush Centre.

A formal invitation will follow in due course. This letter is sent in advance in the awareness of the many claims on your diary of engagements.

Premier, I would be delighted if you and Mrs Newman were able to join us and to honour this significant occasion with your presence. Should you be unable to be present, we would welcome your nomination of a representative to attend on your behalf.

I would be grateful if your office could contact Mrs Claudine Kelly, my Executive Assistant at the Archbishop's House, to advise of your availability. (Telephone 07 3131 5501; email [kellyc@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:kellyc@bne.catholic.net.au))

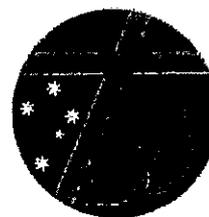
I have enclosed for your information a brief biography of Archbishop Coleridge.

Yours sincerely,

Most Revd Geoffrey Jarrett, DD  
APOSTOLIC ADMINISTRATOR, ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE

# Lutheran Church of Australia

## Queensland District



10 April 2012

Rev Noel H Noack  
President

The Premier of Queensland  
Mr Campbell Newman MP  
PO Box 15185,  
CITY EAST Q 4002

Dear Sir,

Hearty Congratulations upon your election to the Queensland Parliament as the member for Ashgrove and your elevation to the position of Premier of our State. It is a high honour to serve in such a capacity.

I am pleased that the people of your electorate have shown confidence in you and recognised your many gifts which will be well used as you represent them in parliament. You have an excellent record of service.

I am amazed at the path you have taken to this high office. It was not an easy one. You took great personal risks. Your election was not assured. You, and your wife, have faced great hurdles, incredible denigration and personal attacks. But you maintained your equanimity and prevailed. May God continue to bless you.

You will be required to make decisions within the competing value systems and demands which are inherent in our society. These competing demands will, at times, cause you anxiety and face you with dilemmas. You will need conviction, courage and moral strength. You will need help.

In such challenging circumstances understand that you have a gracious God who desires to work in and through you. As you humble yourself before your Lord, he promises you the gift of his wisdom, guidance, and comforting presence. He will not fail you. The Scriptures teach:

*The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom,  
and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. Proverbs 9.10*

You have entered the Queensland Parliament and commence your service as Premier at an historic time of transition. Rest assured of the goodwill and the regular prayers of the members of the Lutheran Church in Queensland. We give thanks to God for the democratic traditions and practises we enjoy. We are thankful for the freedom we have to worship and serve our Lord.

May the Lord give you strength in all that you do, so that you may serve him by serving his people and work for the welfare of our State.

My wife, Meg, joins me in wishing to assure you of our continuing interest in your career and in prayers for your welfare.

May our Lord grant you his gracious blessing as you serve as the Premier of our State.

In Christ.

Rev Noel H Noack,  
President, LCAQD



## Premier of Queensland

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Dear Ms Doneley

Thank you for your letter of 2 April 2012 expressing your congratulations and good wishes on my election as Premier of Queensland.

The voters of Queensland have entrusted the management of the State to me and my team and I appreciate your support.

As Premier, I will work every single day to deliver better government. My Government has a strong action plan to get Queensland back on track and we will work with all Queenslanders to ensure this is the best state in the country.

I look forward to tackling the many challenges this position brings and I am ready for the task ahead.

I very much value the excellent work that Associated Christian Schools do in educating Queensland students and also look forward to a productive relationship with your association.

Again, thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

CAMPBELL NEWMAN MP  
PREMIER OF QUEENSLAND



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*In The Name of Allah, The Gracious, Ever The Most Merciful!*

# Ahmadiyya Muslim Association Australia

Queensland Chapter



The Hon. Campbell Newman  
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 Queensland Parliament  
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Dear Premier,

This is to congratulate you on your outstanding victory in the recent state election. I on behalf of all the members of Ahmadiyya Muslim Association of Queensland whole heartedly congratulate you on your election as the new Premier of Queensland. We wish and pray that you and your government achieve great success in implementing the wonderful ideas that you have for our beautiful Queensland and Queenslanders.

Ahmadiyya movement is the most modern reformist movement in Islam and was founded in 1889 by Hazrat Mirza Ghulam Ahmad. Our motto is '**Love for all, hatred for none**'. The movement is established in 195 countries and has membership in several tens of millions, and has its head quarter in United Kingdom. In Queensland, we are located in Stockleigh near Jimboomba.

On behalf of the members of Ahmadiyya Muslim Association I assure you and your Government, our full cooperation and support throughout your tenure. May Almighty God keep Queensland safe and bless it with peace and prosperity – Amen

Yours sincerely,

  
 Abdul Salam Aslam  
 President

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Dear Premier,

The ~~Greek Orthodox Community~~ of St. George, Brisbane will host its Annual Dinner on Sunday, 17 June 2012 at The Greek Club, South Brisbane.

On behalf of the Community, I would like to invite you to attend the Annual Dinner as our Official Guest and Speaker for the evening.

We think this is a wonderful opportunity for our Community members and friends to welcome you as Premier of Queensland and to hear from you about your vision for our State.

We understand the high level of commitments you have in this early period of your tenure and we are somewhat flexible (subject to availability of our venue) if you would like to suggest an alternative date.

We would be delighted to welcome you on the night and hope that you can accept our invitation.

If your office would like to discuss, please contact me CTPI or our Vice-President, Michael Anastas CTPI

Yours sincerely,  
Greek Orthodox Community of St George, Brisbane

Jim Georgiou  
President



## Premier of Queensland

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18 APR 2012

Reverend Noel Noack  
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Dear Reverend Noack

Thank you for your letter of 10 April 2012 expressing your congratulations and good wishes on my election as Premier of Queensland.

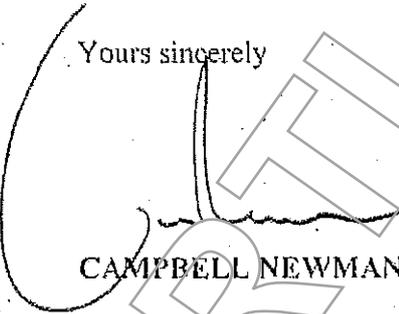
The voters of Queensland have entrusted the management of the State to me and my team and I am humbled by the many messages of support I have received.

As Premier, I will work every single day to deliver better government. My Government has a strong action plan to get Queensland back on track and we will work with all Queenslanders to ensure this is the best state in the country.

I look forward to tackling the many challenges this position brings and I am ready for the task ahead.

Again, thank you for your support and prayers.

Yours sincerely

  
CAMPBELL NEWMAN



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## Premier of Queensland

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23 APR 2012

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Dear Mr Aslam

Thank you for your letter of 14 April 2012 expressing your congratulations and good wishes on my election as Premier of Queensland.

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## Premier of Queensland

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23 APR 2012

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Dear Dr Rubenstein

Thank you for your letter of 30 March 2012 co-signed by Mr Mark Leibler expressing your congratulations and good wishes on my election as Premier of Queensland.

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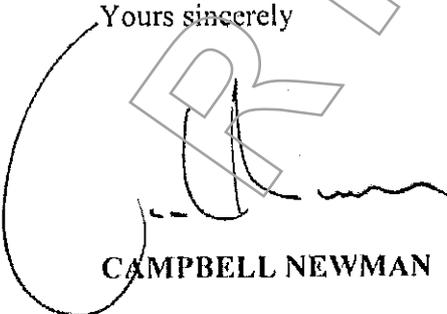
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**B/C The Honourable the Minister for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander and Multicultural Affairs and Minister Assisting the Premier.**

**By direction. For your information and direct reply, please.  
Copy of incoming correspondence is attached.**

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Again, thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

**CAMPBELL NEWMAN**

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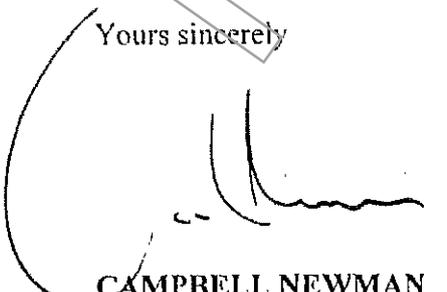
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**Amy Ladner**

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**From:** Amy Ladner  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 16 May 2012 7:59 AM  
**To:** 'admin@catholicmission.org.au'  
**Cc:** Ashgrove  
**Subject:** Premier Inability - Launch of the Catholic Mission Appeal Programs for 2012

Dear Mr McGovern,

I would like to thank you for inviting The Hon. Campbell Newman MP, Premier of Queensland, to Launch the Catholic Mission Appeal Programs for 2012 on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2012.

Unfortunately, owing to a previously confirmed commitment at that time, the Premier is unable to accept your kind invitation.

Please accept the Premier's apologies on this occasion, together with his best wishes for a successful event.

Kind regards,

**Amy Ladner** | Personal Assistant to the Premier |  
Office of **The Hon. Campbell Newman MP** | Premier of Queensland |  
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# Campbell Newman MP

MEMBER FOR ASHGROVE



24 May 2012

The Gap Chaplaincy Service  
PO Box 205  
THE GAP QLD 4061

**RE: MESSAGE FROM MEMBER FOR ASHGROVE AND PREMIER OF QUEENSLAND  
THE GAP CHAPLAINCY SERVICE AWARENESS & FUNDRAISING EVENING –  
29 MAY 2012**

I was disappointed to have to decline your invitation to this notable fundraising event but Parliament is in session this evening and I am representing the Ashgrove electorate in the Assembly.

I would like to thank Michael Knight, Chairman of The Gap Chaplaincy Service - one of the longest running chaplaincy services in Queensland - for the opportunity to address you tonight through this message of support.

My Government understands the worthy role chaplaincy services provide to students in schools across Queensland. This network provides encouragement and support for students facing challenges as well as an additional adult role model in schools. In more recent years, chaplaincy has also helped students navigate a school environment that has become more complex with the growth in social media.

For that reason the LNP Government has committed to provide a further \$1 million to support Queensland schools to have the choice to access chaplaincy services for their students.

In my maiden speech a couple of weeks ago, I spoke of how my commitment to the Ashgrove electorate goes beyond road upgrades and building new amenities – as important as they are – but also nurturing and supporting the remarkable sense of community.

The chaplaincy services provided in the state schools gathered here tonight - Mt Nebo, Hilda Rd, Payne Rd, The Gap, Ashgrove and The Gap State High School – are vital to fostering that sense of community and I acknowledge and thank you for your tireless efforts.

Congratulations on what is sure to be a successful event – enjoy the evening!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Campbell Newman".

**CAMPBELL NEWMAN**

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**Michele Rice**

**From:** Carly Blaik [Carly.Blaik@ministerial.qld.gov.au]  
**Sent:** Monday, 28 May 2012 10:45 AM  
**To:** The Premier  
**Subject:** FW: Invitation to visit at the ACL Qld Conference 28th July 2012  
**Attachments:** ACL Registration Form Blue.pdf  
  
**Importance:** High

Glenys – Invitation for registering.

**Carly Blaik** | Executive Assistant to the Premier |  
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**From:** Ashgrove Electorate Office [mailto:ashgrove@parliament.qld.gov.au]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 16 May 2012 1:41 PM  
**To:** Carly Blaik  
**Subject:** FW: Invitation to visit at the ACL Qld Conference 28th July 2012  
**Importance:** High

Hi Carly

This invitation has been received by the Ashgrove EO.

Thank you

*Sylvia Beck*

Electorate Officer for the Hon. Campbell Newman MP  
Member for Ashgrove  
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**From:** Wendy Francis [mailto:wendy.francis@acl.org.au]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 16 May 2012 12:52 PM  
**To:** Ashgrove Electorate Office  
**Subject:** Invitation to visit at the ACL Qld Conference 28th July 2012  
**Importance:** High

Dear Campbell

This has been an important week for Queensland and there is a lot of responsibility that has accompanied the LNP win. I do understand how extremely busy you must be, and also the huge number of invitations you receive. However, I could not 'not' invite you to attend all or part of the ACL Qld Conference which is being held on Saturday 28th July at the QB Centre, 53 Prospect Road, Gaythorne, Brisbane. We would love to have you, whilst at the same time, understand the huge demands on your schedule.

Speakers at the conference include

- Fiona Simpson MP – **From the Speakers Chair**
- Mark McCrindle (McCrindle Research <http://www.mccrindle.com.au/>) **Know the Times**
- Brigadier Jim Wallace (Managing Director of Australian Christian Lobby)
- Professor Nick Arony (UQ) - **Freedom 4 Faith**
- Hetty Johnson (Bravehearts) – **Let's make Australia the safest place in the world for our children to grow up in**
- Kevin Rudd's sister, Loree Rudd – **My Story**
- Cindy McGarvie – **Gender Matters**
- Adam Leishman (Transit Systems) – **Faith in the Marketplace**

The theme of the conference is "Seek the peace and prosperity of the city".

We also have a facebook page set up at <http://www.facebook.com/jeremiah29.7>

I would welcome you as a special guest and would love you to come if you are able, even if just for a short time. You would of course be given opportunity to address the conference for the short time you were able to attend.

Kind regards

Wendy Francis  
Qld State Director

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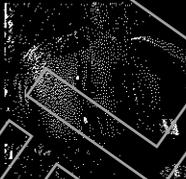
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Queensland Conference 2012



Fiona Simpson



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Hetty Johnson



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God's imperative to His people to seek the welfare of the City where He has placed us calls us to action. At the ACL QLD-2012 conference, hear from and engage with a diverse range of gifted and passionate speakers, including a number of QLD MP's, on a broad spectrum of topics. Be educated, challenged and inspired.

*The day will also include an opportunity to view the world renowned documentary Nefarious: Merchant of Souls.*

**Registration Form** (\$50 if received before 30th June / \$55 from 1st July)

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**Mary Weaver**

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**From:** Geoffrey Bullock [gmb@fava.org.au]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 30 May 2012 10:07 PM  
**To:** The Premier  
**Cc:** ashgrove@parliament.qld.gov.au  
**Subject:** Repeal of the Civil Partnerships Act  
**Attachments:** fava-ltr-qld-premier-repeal-civil-partnerships-30may12.pdf

Hon Campbell Newman MP  
Premier of Queensland

Dear Mr Newman,

Please find attached a letter about your election promise to consider repeal of the Civil Partnerships Act. I ask that it might be given your prompt attention.

Yours sincerely,

*Geoffrey Bullock*

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Queensland State Officer  
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30 May 2012

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Hon Campbell Newman  
Premier of Queensland  
thepremier@premiers.qld.gov.au

Dear Mr Newman,

## Repeal of the Civil Partnerships Act 2011

I write on behalf of our thousands of Queensland supporters to encourage you to repeal the Civil Partnerships Act, passed in haste by the Bligh government last November.

Before the 24 March election you gave Queenslanders a written promise to repeal this unwise law if at all possible. We do not see any reason why repeal would not be possible – given that you have also promised to repeal the regional councils law which has been operating for several years.

You have already given plenty of notice that repeal of the Civil Partnerships Act is a distinct possibility, so same-sex couples cannot claim they were not warned. Such couples already have the option of obtaining legal documents establishing their relationships, including medical powers of attorney, wills, next-of-kin declarations, etc. The government could offer legal advice in such areas.

The LNP voted en bloc against this legislation, for good reason. It incorporated non-marital relationships within the Queensland Register of Births, Deaths and Marriages – effectively equating such relationships, including same-sex partnerships, with marriage. The Act confuses and dilutes the meaning marriage has always had throughout recorded history: the permanent union of two biologically complementary humans – a man and a woman.

Marriage has always been given special recognition and status in order to protect children, who do best when raised by their natural parents in a committed relationship. Unions of two men or two women cannot naturally produce children, nor can they provide both mother and father role models for any children in their care. We provided the parliamentary inquiry on the Civil Partnerships Bill with documented research in this area last November.

Homosexual behaviour is also linked with serious health risks – to the extent that blood banks exclude men who have had sex with other men in the previous 12 months.

It is therefore not appropriate to elevate same-sex sexual unions to the status of marriage. Such a move would send a dangerous message to the community. I urge you to take immediate steps to repeal the unwise Civil Partnerships Act.

Yours sincerely,

*Geoffrey Bullock*

Geoffrey Bullock, Queensland State Officer

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6 June 2012

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Dear Premier

Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, The Hon Fiona Simpson, has kindly agreed to facilitate a reception for leaders, principals and other representatives of Catholic education in Queensland to meet with the Members of State Parliament on Wednesday 20 June 2012.

The Queensland Catholic Education Commission felt it was timely to host this reception following the recent election, as an opportunity to both reconnect with re-elected Members and meet those new to the Parliament.

While an invitation has been forwarded to you, I am writing to request that you deliver a short (5 minute) address at this function, should you be able to attend.

The reception will commence with speeches in the Red Chamber from 6.30pm, followed by drinks and savouries in the Undumbi Room from approximately 7.00pm.

I have also written to Opposition Leader Anastacia Palaszczuk to invite her to speak at this function. Archbishop Mark Coleridge and I will speak on behalf of the Catholic education community.

Premier, we would be delighted if you were able to attend this function and carry out this role for us. I recognise that timelines are relatively short and I look forward to your response as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely



Mike Byrne  
Executive Director



Queensland Catholic Education Commission

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# INVITATION

**Chair Emeritus Professor Peter Sheehan and Executive Director Mr Mike Byrne  
Queensland Catholic Education Commission**

have pleasure in inviting you to attend a reception to  
meet with members of the Queensland Catholic education community

**Wednesday 20 June 2012**

**Assemble in the Red Chamber**

**Parliament House**

**6.30 pm**

**to be followed by drinks and finger food in the**

**Undumbi Room until 8.30pm**

*(Parliamentary Annexe, Alice Street)*

*RSVP: by Wednesday 13 June 2012 to  
Cindy Palmer - Telephone: 3336 9428  
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Hon Campbell Newman MP  
Premier of Queensland  
PO Box 15185  
CITY EAST QLD 4002

## INVITATION TO THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF YMCA BOWEN HILLS

Dear Premier

The President of the YMCA of Brisbane, Mr Ross Mason, is pleased to invite you to join the Board of Directors and other guests to celebrate the official opening of the YMCA's newest Community Recreation Facility - YMCA Bowen Hills.

This recently completed \$11M project is the result of close collaboration with a number of partners who helped turn the vision for a recreational facility in this precinct into reality.

The YMCA of Brisbane has a long history of providing services to the community and is very proud of its most recent achievement at Bowen Hills. We would be pleased to share the occasion with you.

Event details are as follows:

Date: Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2012  
Time: 11:30am  
Address: 95 Abbotsford Road, Bowen Hills  
Parking: Parking can be accessed from Edmondstone Road, Bowen Hills  
Dress: Business Attire, Smart Casual

The event will acknowledge the support of all partners and recognise the important contribution that this recreation facility will provide to the community.

You are invited to remain afterwards for lunch and refreshments.

Yours sincerely

Alan Bray  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

RSVP

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By: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2012



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**Sent:** Tuesday, 12 June 2012 1:33 PM  
**To:** The Premier  
**Subject:** Congratulation!  
**Attachments:** Premier Campbell Newman.doc

Good afternoon Leonie  
Thank you for your help just a few moments ago.  
Would you mind passing this letter on to the Premier for me  
Thanks – have a great day!

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"If my disciples are silent the stones themselves would cry out." Luke 19:40

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The Hon Campbell Newman MP  
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12<sup>th</sup> June, 2012

Good morning Campbell,

I am writing to congratulate you on your great victory at the recent Queensland election. I am so pleased and delighted both for you and the State of Queensland. I say again congratulations and well done!

So many new faces in parliament is creating a great deal of renewed enthusiasm and hope for so many Queenslanders. My own state member, Mike Latta, is one of those new faces and having met with him find him most approachable (unlike the last member). He speaks highly of you and values the opportunity to serve under your leadership. I look forward to working with him as and when it is necessary.

I was very pleased to hear that Michael Caltibiano has returned to the political arena. I was saddened when he lost the seat of Chatsworth some years ago.

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I have heard that even a number of ALP supporters are speaking highly of what you have been able to achieve in such a short time.

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of any assistance to you.

God bless you – and well done!

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**Cc:** The Premier  
**Subject:** Civil partnerships compromise fails Queensland kids

**FamilyVoice Australia    Media Release    13 June 2012**

## **Civil partnerships compromise fails Queensland kids**

"The Civil Partnerships Act should be fully, not partly repealed," FamilyVoice Queensland state officer Geoffrey Bullock said today.

"Removing only the ceremony section of the law is pointless because anyone can have a ceremony regardless of the law.

"The part of the law which mimics marriage is the registration of same-sex relationships within the Queensland Register of Births, Deaths and Marriages. That section sends the message that same-sex unions are effectively marriages, and undermines the true meaning of marriage – a man-woman union." Mr Bullock said.

"Man-woman marriage is the domestic relationship that provides the best place for children and which governments have a duty to promote. A new study of 3,000 randomly selected US adults, some of whom were raised by same-sex couples, has shown that those raised by married mum-and-dad parents do better than others on a large range of measures.

"The research, by Dr Mark Regnerus of the University of Texas, uses gold standard methodology – unlike most same-sex parenting studies which have small non-random samples, invalid control groups, and evaluation by the parents themselves."

Geoffrey Bullock said Premier Newman should keep his election promise to repeal the whole Civil Partnerships Act.

"We do not see why repeal would not be possible – given that the LNP has also promised to repeal the regional councils law which has been operating for several years. The LNP also opposed the civil partnership bill when it was introduced last year," Mr Bullock said.

"Same-sex couples have had plenty of notice that repeal of the Civil Partnerships Act is a distinct possibility so they cannot claim they were not warned. Such couples already have the option of obtaining legal documents establishing their relationships, including medical powers of attorney, wills, next-of-kin declarations, etc.

"The government could offer legal advice in such areas, ensuring that the couples rights are protected," Mr Bullock said. "But Queensland children also have rights – to a mum and a dad. For that reason, the meaning of marriage should not be confused or diluted."

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## Premier of Queensland

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Dear Mr Bullock

Thank you for taking the time to contact me with your comments on civil partnerships.

I have received many different opinions and arguments in relation to both sides of this discussion and I want to assure you that I take your views on this issue seriously.

The LNP Government is working every day to ensure the wellbeing of all Queenslanders.

We are focused on getting this state back on track. We are committed to growing a four pillar economy, lowering the cost of living, revitalising front line services, delivering better infrastructure and planning and restoring accountability in Government.

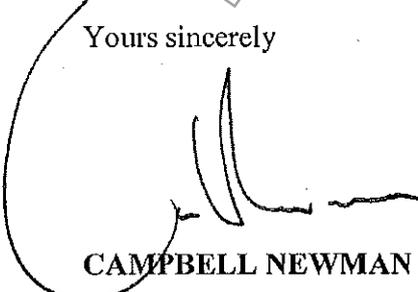
Civil partnership is an issue that was used as a political tool by the former Government during the March election.

As you may already know, my team voted against the civil union bill that was rushed through Parliament with undue haste by the former Labor Government late last year and we made a commitment to revisit the legislation. As the LNP does not support gay marriage, the *Civil Partnerships Regulation 2012* will be amended and those provisions that emulate marriage will be repealed. This will also bring Queensland in line with other states.

In short, the Newman Government will provide certainty for civil partnerships going forward and ensure the legal rights of people who've already registered their civil partnerships - but there will no longer be State-sanctioned ceremonies. This of course does not preclude people from having their own ceremony, a matter for them privately to do as they choose.

Thank you again for taking the time to contact me, I appreciate that Queenslanders share their views with me on issues such as this.

Yours sincerely



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THE ARCHBISHOP OF BRISBANE

TO THE PARLIAMENTARY MEMBERS OF THE LIBERAL NATIONAL PARTY

Before the recent election, the Liberal National Party promised to repeal the civil partnerships legislation *in toto*. Now however you are in a delicate position, given that you don't want to fuel fears that, with your very large majority, you will appear ideological warriors taking draconian measures that could create mayhem in the community. But the civil partnerships legislation is of a very particular kind, especially given the evidence that seems to be emerging (in places like the ACT and UK) that there is a slippery slope from registration to civil partnerships to same-sex marriage. That is clearly the direction in which the same-sex lobby is pushing, and their push can create considerable political pressure, given its impact on popular opinion. In the press conference I gave just after I was named Archbishop of Brisbane, I expressed a growing unease about civil partnerships, which seem to be a stepping stone to same-sex marriage, since homosexual people end up claiming that, even with registration or civil partnerships, they remain second-class citizens. They will be satisfied with nothing less than what they call "marriage equality", which is a seriously loaded and misleading term. The Catholic Church insists that there must be justice for all; there should be no second-class citizens. The question is what that requires in law. It is not at all clear to me or to the Church I represent that it requires any kind of registration or civil partnership, let alone some kind of same-sex marriage. To avoid any possible injustice to those who have already registered, other ways could be found to secure their entitlements or wishes. I would urge you therefore to honour the promise made before the election – to repeal the civil partnerships legislation *in toto* in order to safeguard marriage and the family as they have been known through the millennia and across cultures. It is not true to say that the Catholic Church objects only to the element of a ceremony. The Catholic Church is disturbed by anything that reduces traditional marriage to just one among a number of equally valid or invalid options; and registration, civil partnerships and same-sex marriage do that with differing degrees of intensity. To reduce marriage in that way would be to do a real disservice to the common good. The Church does not claim ownership of marriage, but we do have a strong sense of responsibility for the common good, which I do not doubt you share. That is why I write this email and why I encourage you to repeal the legislation *in toto*. I attach the advice provided last year by our Dr Ray Campbell, which you may not have seen. It may help.

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## **Advice on the Civil Partnership Bill 2011.**

### **Time for consultation**

The very short time between the introduction of this bill and the due date for submissions has given the public very little time in which to respond to this important piece of legislation, legislation which touches upon basic institutions of our society. The unreasonably short period of time is even more exacerbated by the lack of consultation preceding the introduction of the bill. The public have been given very little time to reflect deeply upon this important issue.

### **The Civil Partnership Bill 2011 and Marriage**

It is clear that the Civil Partnership Bill has as one of its aims to give same-sex couples recognition at the State level, similar to marriage. Mr Fraser has indicated that he is going as far as the State can go in putting same-sex relationships on the same level as marriage, although it is beyond the power of the State to legislate regarding marriage itself.

Rather than repeat the numerous arguments regarding the difference between genuine marriage and same-sex unions, I have attached to this submission the document *Revising Marriage* which has been widely endorsed by Church leaders from many different traditions, and others. Note that the arguments given in this document do not rely upon religious belief, but are grounded in sound philosophical reflection upon the nature of the person, marriage and family and the role of the State.

These arguments also count against same-sex civil partnerships.

### **Civil Partnerships Bill 2011, relationships and the common good**

In the presentation of this bill no real reason is given as to why the people of Queensland need this bill. Various "reasons" are given in the explanatory memorandum and in the speeches by Mr Fraser, but no-where is it indicated how this bill serves the common good of the State of Queensland nor how it meets the needs of the people of Queensland. The fact that a group of people might desire certain things (such as some form of recognition for their relationship) does not establish a need that should concern the government.

This bill seems to be about legislating regarding what are fundamentally private relationships. But, as the philosopher Martha Nussbaum pointed out in a lecture at Stanford University, USA, it is difficult to imagine on what basis the state should ever be charged with legislating with respect to private affections!

The law is not a good place to try and deal intelligibly with affective relationships. Governments should leave people free to choose the relationships they want, but they should not trivialise the meaning and value of marriage.

As is pointed out in the attached paper, the State has a good reason for being concerned about marriage, but those reasons do not apply to other kinds of relationships.

### **Recognition of "de facto unions"**

Some reference is made to the fact that people in *de facto* unions have been given all the privileges and entitlements that normally follow upon marriage. However, this was because *de facto* unions were recognised as common law marriages, that is, the unions had the same characteristics as marriage, namely sexual complementarity and procreativity, except they lack a public ceremony. *De facto* couples were granted the privileges and entitlements of marriage for the sake of the families produced by these unions.

### **Recognition of Civil Partnerships undermines Marriage.**

As civil partnerships are presented in this legislation it is clear that they are intended to mimic marriage. The process required for "making a declaration of civil partnership" under sec.6 (b) clearly follows the process required for marriage. Similarly the criteria for exclusion from forming a civil partnership follows that for marriage.

The establishment of another public institution which mimics marriage but which does not have its inherent relationship towards the begetting and nurturing of children is bound to undermine the good of marriage itself. Laws and public institutions have an educative effect on the public ethos. The recognition of civil partnerships and treating them as equivalent to marriage but without any of the rationale for exclusivity and permanence will further undermine those characteristics of marriage itself. The establishment of "civil partnerships" sends a mixed and confused message about the value of marriage and the kinds of relationships we hope our children will form someday.

It is important to recognise the truth of relationships. It is important to recognise the truth of the differences in relationships. A same-sex relationship, which may be loving and may or may not involve a sexual relationship, is inherently different from the sexually complementary relationship of a man and a woman ordered towards their own good and the good of procreating and nurturing children.

### **Coherency of the law**

There is also a problem with the coherency of the law as proposed. The Bill limits civil partnerships to couples, but no rationale for this limitation is given in the legislation, nor does there appear to be any inherent reason why a civil partnership as distinct from a marriage should be limited to "couples". Some people would like to enter into a three way civil partnership. This legislation gives no reason why they should be discriminated against. Such arbitrary law undermines the law itself.

### **Conclusion**

I respectfully submit that this bill is bad law. It does not respect the common good of the people of Queensland; it further undermines the institution of marriage, and hence has a detrimental effect upon the common good; and it fails to offer any reasonable rationale for the limits it imposes upon the proposed partnerships.

Dr. Ray Campbell, Ph.D.  
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## OFFICIAL OPENING OF YMCA BOWEN HILLS – CHANGE TO START TIME

Dear Premier

I refer to my recent invitation to you to attend the official opening of YMCA Bowen Hills. Due to the scheduling difficulties for the official party, the opening will be changed from 11:30am to 1:00pm.

All other details remain the same:

Date: Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2012  
Time: 1:00pm  
Address: 95 Abbotsford Road, Bowen Hills  
Parking: Parking can be accessed from Edmondstone Road, Bowen Hills  
Dress: Business Attire, Smart Casual

Guests are invited to remain afterwards for light refreshments.

If you have already RSVP'd and are not affected by the time change, you need not respond again. We trust that the new start time does not cause any inconvenience.

I am pleased to advise that the Hon. Steve Dickson, MP - Minister for National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing -- is available to officially open the facility on behalf of the State Government.

Yours sincerely

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**Attachments:** fava-sub-qld-civil-partnerships-bill-2011.pdf

Hon Campbell Newman  
Premier of Queensland

Dear Premier Newman,

The Civil Partnerships and Other Legislation Bill is a misguided attempt to amend a bad law. There is no urgency to pass it today. Please vote to refer it to a committee.

The Queensland Government has a mandate to repeal the entire Civil Partnerships Bill for the following reasons:

Before the 24 March election the LNP gave Queenslanders a written promise to repeal this unwise law if at all possible. There is no valid reason why repeal would not be possible – given that the LNP has also promised, without qualification, to repeal the regional councils law which has been operating for several years. There was plenty of notice before the election that repeal of the Civil Partnerships Act was a distinct possibility, so same-sex couples cannot claim they were not warned.

Same-sex couples may already establish their relationships through legal instruments including deeds, powers of attorney, wills, next-of-kin declarations, etc. The government could offer a small grant to couples already registered under the Civil Partnerships Act to compensate them for the relatively modest legal fees entailed in this process.

The LNP voted en bloc against the Civil Partnerships Act, for good reason.

It incorporated non-marital relationships within the Queensland Register of Births, Deaths and Marriages – effectively equating such relationships, including same-sex partnerships, with marriage.

The Act confuses and dilutes the meaning marriage has always had throughout recorded history: the permanent union of two biologically complementary humans – a man and a woman. Marriage has always been given special recognition and status in order to protect children, who do best when raised by their natural parents in a committed relationship. Unions of two men or two women cannot naturally produce children, nor can they provide both mother and father role models for any children in their care.

We provided the parliamentary inquiry on the Civil Partnerships Bill with documented research in this area last November (see attachment).

Homosexual behaviour is also linked with serious health risks – to the extent that blood banks exclude men who have had sex with other men in the previous 12 months. It is therefore not appropriate to elevate same-sex sexual unions to the status of marriage. Such a move would send a dangerous message to the community.

By referring the Civil Partnerships and Other Legislation Bill to a parliamentary committee, these concerns may be investigated more thoroughly.

Sincerely,

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**Correspondence between the Premier and senior church leaders and religious organisations**

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Dear Premier

On behalf of the Queensland Catholic Education Commission I wish to express my sincere thanks to you for your presence at last week's reception.

In particular, I would like to thank you for your kind words of support of Catholic education in Queensland on behalf of the State Government which we value greatly.

I hope you agree the event was a wonderful success. I know that our representatives and leaders in Catholic education from around the state certainly appreciated the opportunity to join with you and your Parliamentary colleagues in such a setting.

Once again, sincere thanks for your contribution to this function and I look forward to forging a strong and collaborative relationship with your government into the future.

Yours sincerely

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Good afternoon Mr Premier

I would be delighted if you were able to address the delegates at the Christian Values Alliance upcoming conference on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> of August.

The conference venue is the Undumbi Room in the Parliamentary Annexe.

Were you able to attend we would ask that you address the delegates for 20 minutes at a time convenient for you.

We would be very open for you to speak on a topic of your choice, although can we take this opportunity to suggest that the wonderful vision you have for a debt free Queensland and its future opportunities would be of interest to the audience.

For your interest I have included some of the topics being addressed by other speakers.

- DIMINISHING DEMOCRACY
- IS QUEENSLAND A NANNY STATE?
- WHAT THE SAME SEX MARRIAGE DEBATE IS *NOT* ABOUT
- INTEGRATING CURRENT SOCIAL CHANGES INTO SCHOOL CURRICULUMS

I am sorry we have not been able to extend this invitation earlier, but we have been constrained the availability of the Undumbi Room at Parliament house and have just now received confirmation of its availability on this date. Further to this I would like to ask if you might be able to expedite a response to our request so we might confirm our conference with the Function Centre at the Annexe.

Mr Premier I would like you to know, that while we may not agree on particular issues, you would be most warmly received and respected at the conference.

Thank you for your consideration, I look forward to hearing from you.

**Carolyn**

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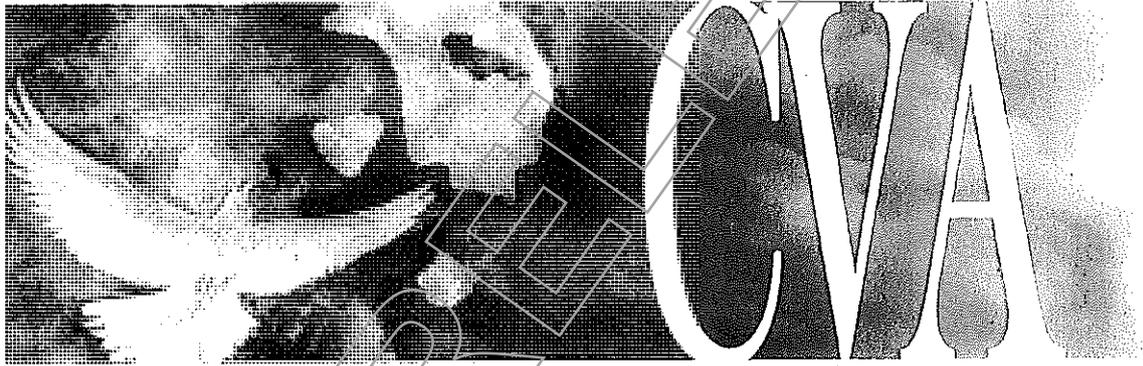
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## The Politics of Light and Salt

The machinery of politics is more often than not invisible and complex, discouraging new comers and those who would attempt to bring change to it

Yet, as the vehicle that holds the keys to the heart of a nation, it's motives and intentions, when in doubt, must be challenged and brought into the light.

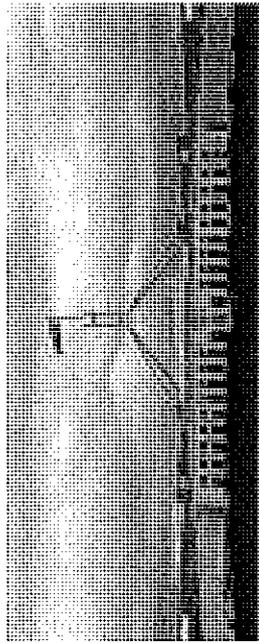
To shrink back from even a temporary engagement with politics when it challenges God's principles, is to shrink back from God's call to be the light and salt of the world.

There are no disclaimers to the light and salt call, ... the battle for hearts and souls there is no Switzerland to respond to a light and salt call in the political arena, does not require us to understand politics – it just requires us to be obedient to God's light and salt call. Ecclesiastes 3:7 tells us "there is a time to be silent and a time to speak."

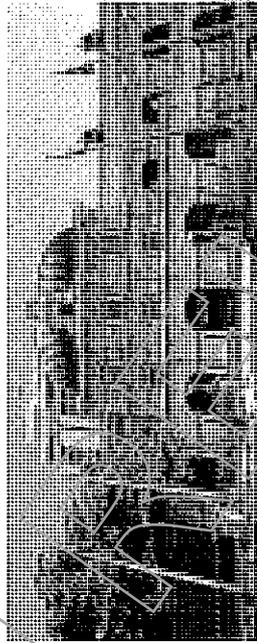
Politics is about numbers, not good intentions. It is just as worthy of a 'light and salt' call as the rest of the world. Numbers keep politicians in parliament and numbers take politicians out of parliament!

Alternative lifestyle communities are dominating major policy debates today, *not because they have the numbers*, but because Christians have largely abdicated the cause of being light and salt in the political arena.

Politicians walking the corridors of power in both Brisbane and Canberra are no more immune to what's happening in the Nation than we are.



*"If the chief duty of government is to secure freedom and justice for all, legislating morality is not only constitutional but unavoidable – the question is; whose morality will be legislated?"*



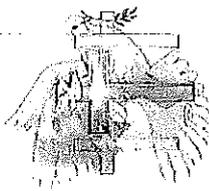
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- ✦ Strengthen the Christian voice by joining CVA
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- ✦ Subscribe to our free email News & Views list
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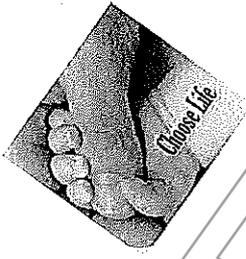
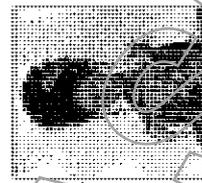
Christian Values Alliance is not looking for an every day commitment to be involved in the political arena, just a light and salt response when our nation comes under siege from those who would legislate another gospel. These are the times when numbers really do matter!

CVA is not a political party, nor is it aligned with any political party, however it does seek to support and encourage conservative politicians from any party who share the same values and ethics.

*"Australia's moral decline is no secret, and if we, the church, keep ignoring what's happening in our Nation, why should we expect a different outcome from what we have now? What we can expect is even more loss of Christian freedoms"*



*When society rationalises every behaviour as a birthright – civilised society is destroyed!*



*The Church is neither the servant or the master of the state – but the conscience of the state*

*Dr Martin Luther King jnr*



## Premier of Queensland

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05 JUL 2012

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Dear Reverend Coleridge

Thank you for your email of 15 June 2012 about the position of the Catholic Church on Queensland's civil partnerships legislation.

Thank you for meeting with me and my Cabinet colleague, the Honourable Jarrod Bleijie MP, Attorney-General and Minister for Justice, on 19 June 2012 at Parliament House, to discuss the Catholic Church's issues regarding the legislation.

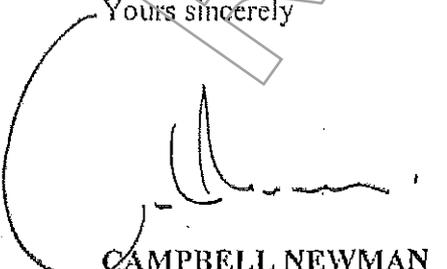
As you may be aware, on 22 June 2012, the Queensland Parliament passed amendments to the *Civil Partnerships Act 2011* (the Act) that removed those provisions which sought to emulate marriage from the Act.

I acknowledge that Queenslanders will continue to hold strong and differing views about the Act. However, I feel that the Government's decision to retain the registration aspect of the Act, while removing the option for couples to hold state sanctioned ceremonies, is a sensible outcome.

As agreed at our meeting on 19 June 2012, the Attorney-General will respond to the issues raised in your email directly.

I appreciate when Queenslanders share their views with me on important issues such as this, and I would like to thank you once again for taking the time to meet with me and the Attorney-General.

Yours sincerely

  
CAMPBELL NEWMAN



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9<sup>th</sup> July 2012

Mr & Mrs Campbell K T Newman MP  
Premier of Queensland  
PO Box 15185  
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Dear Mr and Mrs Newman,

### Invitation to Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop Event

Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop is the patron of the Archdiocese of Brisbane and a wonderful example to us all as we seek to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ. St Mary gave her life to God through helping those in need, and in doing so she became an enduring gift of God to the Church in Australia and around the world.

I invite you to join me at a special Mass to celebrate the Solemnity of Saint Mary of the Cross. The Mass will begin at **10 am Wednesday, 8 August 2012 at the Cathedral of St Stephen**. St Mary was passionately dedicated to providing first-class Catholic education to poor children. The offertory collection for the Mass will be set aside to help create the Mary MacKillop Brisbane Catholic School Access Fund - a new fund that will be used to continue St Mary's work by giving children of today who are in need, greater access to our Catholic schools.

I would be delighted if you could also join me after Mass for morning tea in the Cathedral precinct. Various agencies of the Archdiocese will be there to share information about their work, so that you can learn more about the splendid works of the Church in a pleasant and relaxed setting.

I would ask that you use the enclosed card to RSVP by Wednesday, 1 August, and I very much hope to see you on 8 August. If you are unable to attend the Mass, you might consider a gift to help establish the new MacKillop Fund.

As always in the Lord,

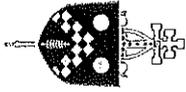
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Dear Mr Bullock

Thank you for taking the time to contact me with your comments on civil partnerships.

I have received many different opinions and arguments in relation to both sides of this discussion and I want to assure you that I take your views on this issue seriously.

The LNP Government is working every day to ensure the wellbeing of all Queenslanders.

We are focused on getting this state back on track. We are committed to growing a four pillar economy, lowering the cost of living, revitalising front line services, delivering better infrastructure and planning and restoring accountability in Government.

Civil partnership is an issue that was used as a political tool by the former Government during the March election.

As you may already know, my team opposed the *Civil Partnerships Act 2011* on a number of grounds including the thought its ceremony and termination provisions likened a civil partnership to marriage.

My Government made an election commitment to review the Act, with the possibility of a repeal or partial repeal of the Act, subject to whether this was legally possible and the legal rights of parties would not be left uncertain.

After careful consideration of the issues, the Queensland Government has amended the Act and repealed those provisions that could be seen to imitate marriage, while retaining the rights of a couple to apply to register their relationship.



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The amendments strike a sensible balance between preserving the institution of marriage as a lifelong commitment between a man and a woman under the *Marriage Act 1961* (Cth) and still retaining the relationship registration scheme to allow an adult couple to register their relationship to gain legal recognition of their status, primarily for medical, and financial purposes.

It is important to note that "marriage" is the jurisdictional responsibility of the Federal Government, not the State. The LNP continues to oppose same sex marriage.

The short title of the Act will be changed from '*Civil Partnership Act 2011*' to '*Relationships Act 2011*' which will more accurately reflect the objective of the legislation to register relationships for the purposes of legal recognition. The amendments will also bring the Act into line with the interstate relationship registration schemes that exist in New South Wales, Victoria and Tasmania, which do not include provisions for a State-sanctioned ceremony.

Thank you again for taking the time to contact me, I appreciate that Queenslanders share their views with me on issues such as this.

Yours sincerely

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CAMPBELL NEWMAN



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My Dear Premier

I desire to advise that the Rt Rev. David Niven, Minister of the Presbyterian Church of Queensland, was appointed and inducted to the office of Moderator of The Presbyterian Church of Queensland on Monday, 25 June 2012. His address is CTPI

It would be appreciated if you could accord Mr Niven the usual courtesies attached to his office.

In terms of The Letters Patent issued 13 June, 1876, the Moderator, the Clerk and the Treasurer of The Presbyterian Church of Queensland constitute the Body Corporate. The Office Bearers are:

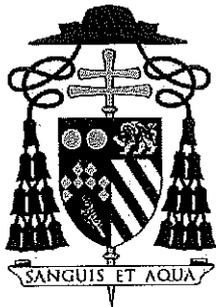
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Yours sincerely

(Rev) Ron Clark  
Clerk of Assembly



THE ARCHBISHOP OF BRISBANE

The Honourable Campbell Newman  
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17 July 2012

  
Dear Premier,

Recently a number of people have brought to my attention the proposed appearance of the Wau Wau Sisters at the forthcoming Brisbane Festival, which is endorsed by both the Queensland Government and the Brisbane City Council and supported by the public purse.

In the publicity for their appearance, we find the following:  
"The Wau Wau Sisters are headed to Brisbane to serve up their own sinful night of chaos, burlesque, comedy and circus. Let New York's bravest and bawdiest duo show you a night of endless fun as twelve disciples, umpteen cocktails and fearless abandon combine in a night of mayhem. Their audacious and deliciously profane reinvention of *The Last Supper* has critics raving with a finale you will never forget."

Among comments in reviews of their performance are the following:  
"Their opening number is one of the most audacious acts I've seen in a theater. Clad in Catholic schoolgirl uniforms, the duo perform an hysterically funny, unabashedly blasphemous striptease to the tune of the '80s rock band Night Ranger's 'Sister Christian'. They also do things with communion wafers, portraits of Jesus, and a cross. A highlight is a little ditty that interprets the phrase 'Jesus is coming' in a way that the Bible surely did not intend. The sisters describe a sexual encounter with Jesus, exclaiming, 'If this is how you save a soul, Lord, then I've been saved before.' Their irreverent attitude is inflected with a high level of camp; the Wau Wau Sisters are so over-the-top that they get away with some of the most sacrilegious, tasteless jokes imaginable."

I can understand the place of burlesque/carnavalesque humour in a wide-ranging programme like the Brisbane Festival, and I certainly favour both creative audacity in artistic performance and, more generally, freedom of speech. But surely there is a limit, and we may have reached it with the Wau Wau Sisters if the publicity and the review comments are anywhere near the mark. One wonders what the reaction would be if something similar were done to Judaism or Islam.

I place my concerns and the concerns of my people before you, trusting to your good judgement and your sense of what is possible.

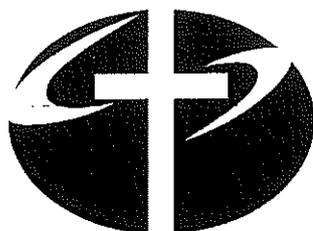
With every good wish, I remain  
Yours sincerely,



Archbishop of Brisbane

The Most Reverend Mark Coleridge

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# Mary MacKillop Foundation

Supporting small life changing projects

**The Hon. Campbell Newman MP**

Premier of Queensland

PO Box 15185

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23 July 2012

Dear Premier Newman,

It is with great pleasure that I write to warmly invite you to be a Special Guest at Mary MacKillop Foundation's Annual Fundraising Dinner in Brisbane.

The Foundation anticipates a full house at the Annual Fundraising Dinner to be held at, **Queensland Parliament House, Strangers' Dining Room, Friday, 26 October at 7pm.**

The Mary MacKillop Foundation is dedicated to continuing the legacy of Australia's first saint in fostering the Aussie spirit of helping those in need. Since the Foundations inception, we have funded over 400 *small life-changing projects*, responding to the needs of rural and isolated communities, those coming to our country without support, indigenous groups and people with disabilities.

In 2011 we gave priority to Disaster Recovery Projects, assisting those Australians affected by Cyclone Yasi and the Queensland floods. Requests for help are growing rapidly, from all parts of Australia.

Following in the footsteps of St Mary MacKillop's commitment to the welfare and education of Aboriginal people, for more than a decade the Foundation has funded scholarships for University and TAFE studies for indigenous tertiary undergraduates with 40 graduates and 38 students currently enrolled.

Given the significance of St Mary MacKillop and her legacy to the people of Australia, I hope that you will consider our invitation at this exciting event.

Should you require further information, don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Sam Hardjono

Chief Executive Officer

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Dear Reverend Coleridge

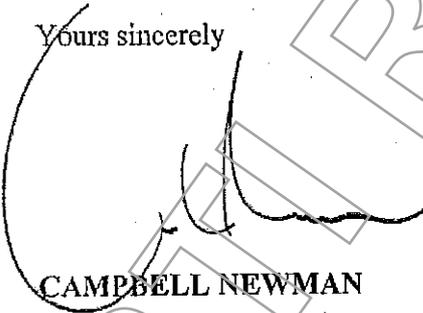
*Your Grace*

Thank you for your letter of 17 July 2012 raising concerns about the appearance of the Wau Wau Sisters at the upcoming Brisbane Festival.

The Brisbane Festival operates under the direction of the Board of Major Brisbane Festivals Pty Ltd. I have raised this concern with the chairman, Mr Chris Freeman. As this is a matter for the Board, Mr Freeman indicated that he will arrange a meeting with you to discuss your concerns.

Again, thank you for your letter and I appreciate you taking the time to share your views with me.

Yours sincerely

  
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**Mary Weaver**

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**Sent:** Thursday, 26 July 2012 1:22 PM  
**To:** The Premier  
**Subject:** FW: Child Abuse Inquiry

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**From:** Geoffrey Bullock [mailto:gmb@fava.org.au]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 26 July 2012 1:19 PM  
**To:** Premier  
**Cc:** Attorney  
**Subject:** Child Abuse Inquiry

Hon Campbell Newman  
Premier of Queensland

Dear Mr Newman,

I greatly appreciate your concern to ensure the Heiner Affair gets a thorough airing in the recently appointed *Commissions of Inquiry Order (No. 1) 2012* which will delve into child abuse in Queensland.

I was especially encouraged that in the 4BC interview today you indicated that the inquiry into Government responses about this matter includes the whole of government – not just the narrow definition of 'Premier and Cabinet' given by Commissioner Carmody earlier this week.

The Heiner Affair has affected many aspects of government, and your commitment to ensure that all aspects are investigated properly is commendable. The whole matter has been an ulcer on the body of justice in Queensland for too many years, and it is gratifying to know that it will end under your governance.

Sincerely,  
Geoffrey Bullock  
Queensland State Officer  
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**Sent:** Friday, 27 April 2012 3:34 PM  
**To:** Glenys Jenkin  
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**Subject:** RE: Archbishop Coleridge installation

Yes, Department to prepare message please.

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**To:** Scott Whitby  
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**Subject:** FW: Archbishop Coleridge installation

Hi Scott

Follow up e-mail from the editor of The Catholic Leader.  
Please let me know if you would like the department to prepare a message of  
congratulations?

Thanks,  
Glenys

Glenys Jenkin  
Senior Departmental Liaison Officer  
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**From:** The Premier  
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**Subject:** FW: Archbishop Coleridge installation

Hi Glenys

Follow up to request for message of congratulations.

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From: Bugden, Peter [mailto:bugdenp@bne.catholic.net.au]  
Sent: Friday, 27 April 2012 1:47 PM  
To: The Premier  
Subject: Archbishop Coleridge installation

Dear Premier,

Earlier in the month I sent an email inviting you to contribute a message of congratulations and welcome to Archbishop Mark Coleridge on the occasion of his installation as Archbishop of Brisbane. The aim was to publish your message in a special edition The Catholic Leader is producing to coincide with the Mass of installation on May 11.

I am writing now to confirm that you received my earlier email on April 13 and whether you will be submitting a message. The word limit for submission is up to 400 words and the deadline is Wednesday, May 2.

Kind regards,

Peter Bugden  
Editor,  
The Catholic Leader  
(Ph 3336 9379)

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The Most Reverend Mark Benedict Coleridge DD  
Archbishop-elect of Brisbane  
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Your Grace

I write to congratulate you on your appointment as the Archbishop of Brisbane.

Your elevation to this role is of great significance for not only the Catholic Church but also the people of Brisbane and Queensland.

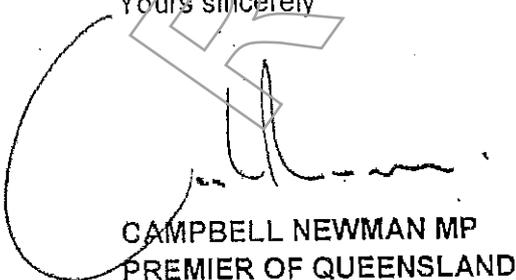
The experience you've gained over many years of service is invaluable and will further enhance the position of Archbishop of Brisbane.

Your installation mass scheduled for 11 May 2012 will be recognition by your colleagues of the dedication and commitment to your parishioners throughout your time with the Church. You should be proud of your significant contribution as a member of the Catholic Church and most recently as the Archbishop of Canberra and Goulburn.

I am sure there will be various challenges in your new position. However, I have no doubt you will embrace this new phase of your life with continued dedication and compassion.

My government and I look forward to meeting you soon and developing a close working relationship.

Yours sincerely



CAMPBELL NEWMAN MP  
PREMIER OF QUEENSLAND



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*Reach out. Give life.*

The Hon Campbell Newman MP  
Premier of Queensland  
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Dear Mr Premier:

Congratulations on the history-making achievement of being elected Premier of Queensland, and for the resounding endorsement of the policies being promulgated by you and your LNP colleagues. Please know that I and my colleagues from the Catholic Mission office in the Archdiocese of Brisbane (an integral part of the faith and missionary work of the Church) will keep you and all-elected MPs in our thoughts and prayers.

When you were Mayor of Brisbane, I had the privilege of attending a couple of Mayoral Prayer Breakfasts hosted by your office. They were inspiring events, and I hope you might be open to replicating such occasions in your new position as the leader of our State – they are an ideal way of connecting with the Christian Churches!

No doubt there will be many voices, and many pieces of correspondence, clamouring for your attention in the early days of your leadership. However, I hope you and your advisers might be open to considering two particular invitations I would like to flag with you:

- \* On **Wednesday, May 30**, the office of Catholic Mission intends to host a fundraising dinner, to launch our appeal programs for 2012. I would like to invite you to connect with the wider Catholic Church in this way, by being a guest and officially 'launching' our Appeal at this function.
- Later in the year, when the Catholic Church celebrates World Mission Sunday (*October 21*), I would like to repeat a successful photographic exhibition we conducted in Parliament House. This exhibition would feature images that highlight the work of missionaries around the world, and across Australia. I would like permission from your office to make this happen in the lead-up to World Mission Sunday, and for you – or a nominated representative – to officially 'launch' it.

Thanks for considering both of these invitations. I am sure this will be one of many items of correspondence you will receive in the coming days and I look forward to hearing back from someone from your office.

Until then, may God Bless and uphold you and your family, and all your Parliamentary colleagues.

*David McGovern*

**David McGovern**

Director

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*Mr Campbell Newman*

*State Member for Ashgrove*

You are invited to the formal Blessing and Opening

of the

St Peter Chanel School Charity Centre

and refurbished buildings

Blessing celebrated by

Fr Vu Dinh Tuong

Parish Priest of St John's Wood/The Gap Parish

and

Opening by

The Hon Claire Moore

Senator for Queensland

Friday 20th April, 2012

at St Peter Chanel School Charity Centre, 41 Chaprowe Rd, The Gap

at 10:00 am

followed by morning tea and refreshments.

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