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Retirement of Mr Michael Myers

Dear Friends,

For the past eleven years, Mr Michael Myers has served our Diocese of Ballarat as Coordinator for Professional Standards. Michael has recently advised me that he will conclude his time in this role at the end of March, 2026.

On behalf of our Diocesan Community, I thank Michael for his generosity in taking up the responsibilities of this position. He has done much to help us develop good policies and practices in relation to professional standards in ministry throughout the diocese. Michael has served at the diocesan level and has assisted parish and school communities to make our parishes and schools safe places for everyone. He has also done much to respond to the needs of those who have suffered from the failings of church personnel through the years. I thank Michael for his dedication to this very important ministry.

We will shortly begin the process of finding a successor to Michael in this role. I hope we will soon be able to appoint a successor so that the new person can work with Michael in the coming months to draw on Michael's wisdom and experience as they take up this vital service for our community.

Yours in Christ,

Paul Bird CSsR

Bishop of Ballarat