



CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON

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Dear Leesa, Principals of our Schools and Colleges, Staff, Students and Families

I write as your Bishop to assure each one of you my prayers and thoughts during this time of uncertainty within our Australian community. We are certainly in a challenging period in the history of our Diocese.

Please know that God is with us, and will be there for each one of us, during this extremely stressful time.

I am aware of the incredible courage and hope that you all have shown and you have my support through this.

To our teachers and staff, I am so grateful to you all for your marvellous presence in the lives of our young people. I admire your commitment as a teacher in the Catholic schools of the Diocese.

To all of our families, the Catholic Church still supports you and I thank you for your confidence in Catholic Education.

To our young people, we are there for you and for your future. I am confident that Catholic Education will continue to support your journey during this time.

My gratitude goes to you Leesa, our Principals and to everyone in the Catholic Education Office.

Please be assured of all of my prayers during this time and remembrance in my daily masses in Rockhampton that are available online at <https://www.youtube.com/user/StJosephsCathRton>.

Yours sincerely

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