

## Media Release

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Archbishop Prowse welcomed with great joy the announcement today by the Holy Father, Pope Francis, that Mr Hubert O'Flynn has been awarded a Papal Honour, Knight of the Order of St Gregory the Great.

The Order of St. Gregory the Great is one of the five pontifical Orders of Knighthood in the Catholic Church. The Order is bestowed on Catholic men and women in recognition of their service to the Church, support of the Holy See, and the good example set in their Catholic communities and country.

Mr Hubert O'Flynn's great contributions to the Catholic Church, especially in the Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn include:

- Executive Director of Pope John Paul's visit in November 1986
- General Manager, Archdiocesan Catholic Development Fund, 19 years
- Financial Administrator, Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn, 8 years
- Special Projects Officer, development of the Archdiocesan Cathedral Precinct.
- Key roles in pastoral initiatives with the Archdiocesan Synods in 1989 and 2004.

There will be a special presentation to Mr O'Flynn at St Christopher's Cathedral later this year.

Archbishop Christopher Prowse said, "we congratulate Hubert and his wife Lynette on this wonderful honour that is so well deserved".

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