

PARISH LIBRARY PROJECT

At its recent meeting, the Diocesan Pastoral Council made the first delivery of books as part of its Parish Library Project. This initiative is currently in its pilot stage, with books going to three parishes (Ouyen, Gordon and Creswick). These parishes will provide feedback to the Diocesan Pastoral Council before the project is offered more widely. The project was developed by the Diocesan Pastoral Council following a presentation at a DPC meeting by Kate Lawry from the Diocesan Resource Centre.

The aim is to provide each parish with a collection of books that will provide information and inspiration about Catholic Christian faith, presented in an up-to-date and engaging way. The Library is for current and new parishioners, for those wanting to explore or renew faith, for parents and grandparents, for those who come to church occasionally or who are new, for those who want to be inspired. These local parish libraries will be small, but parishioners can also link into to the free Resource Centre borrowing service, with its very extensive collection.

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DPC members Bishop Paul Bird, Stacey Atkins, Shawn McLindon, Marie Shaddock with some of the books that will be in the Parish Library.