

CLERGY HEALTHCARE NETWORK CONFERENCE

Once again, I was privileged to attend the annual gathering of Clergy Health and Wellbeing Carers. This year's conference was held in Adelaide and held over three days in March. The conference was well attended with most dioceses represented, including three delegates from New Zealand.

Professional development topics included *'Initiating Difficult Discussions'*, *'Identifying and Maintaining Professional Boundaries'*, *'Clergy Health and Wellness: Good Stewardship'* and *'The Royal Commission and the Clergy'*.



Incorporated into the rather full agenda was also a pleasant afternoon tea with Archbishop Wilson at his home, a group trip by tram to Glenelg and, as always, great company and stimulating conversation.

Overall, meeting with my fellow clergy carers again was a wonderfully happy and valuable experience. As one of my colleagues said toward the end of the conference, it was "Like having a blood transfusion. It was rejuvenating and life-giving."

Many thanks to the Archdiocese of Adelaide for their gracious hospitality and a big thank-you must go to Sandi and Brie for all their hard work in putting this year's conference together.

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