## MONS GLYNN MURPHY OAM



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Mons Glynn Murphy has been a Priest of the Diocese of Ballarat since his Ordination in 1983 and also serving in the Military Diocese of Australia since 1986. He first joined the Military Diocese as an Army Reserve Chaplain and in 1997 he commenced fulltime service with Army Chaplaincy. In this time, he had a variety of postings. Some of these include Lavarack Barracks at Townsville, the Royal Military College-Duntroon, Enoggera Barracks Brisbane, Land Warfare Centre - Canungra and Puckapunyal in Victoria. He was posted in senior years as Command Chaplain for Joint Operations Command at Bungendore and Special Operations Command. Later in Canberra he held the position of Director General Chaplaincy-Army and Principal Chaplain-Catholic. Over these years, Mons Murphy has been deployed numerous times on Active Service to East Timor, Iraq, Afghanistan, Persian Gulf and with various humanitarian deployments.

Mons Murphy has also served the Military Bishop and Chancery as Judicial Vicar and Episcopal Vicar-Army. Following his service as Director General Chaplaincy – Army, he returned to the Diocese of Ballarat and was appointed to the parishes of Warracknabeal and Hopetoun. In January 2021 Bishop Bird appointed Mons Glynn as Parish Priest of Horsham, Nhill, Warracknabeal and Hopetoun which were merged into a single parish later that year under the diocesan plan, establishing the Parish of St Paul VI Wimmera-Mallee Victoria.