

MONS HENRY (HANK) NOLAN



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Born on October 5, 1930, Mons Henry Nolan attended St Patrick's College in Ballarat. He matriculated in 1948 (5th place) and was ordained by Bishop James O'Collins on July 22, 1956. Mons Nolan was dedicated and had a keen sense of justice and a depth of compassion. Many knew him as "Mons", "Hank" or "Henry". He served in the Parishes of Ballarat, Koroit, Bungaree, Charlton, Warrnambool, Mortlake, Edenhope, Sebastopol, Beaufort. He also served as Chaplain in Vietnam between 1968 - 73 however not much is known of this history. He later became Vicar General of the Diocese between 1982 -1991. Mons Nolan died in 2007 after a battle with cancer. He was 77.