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**CHRISTMAS MESSAGE 2018  
FROM CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP ANTHONY FISHER OP  
EMBARGO: 10PM SATURDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER**

**21 December 2018**

Good morning,

Please find attached the text for Archbishop Fisher's Christmas Message 2018.

The message is also included below with links for broadcast media:

**Without overlay**

You Tube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LZc1Eq1PS4A>

**Dropbox files:**

2018 Christmas Message – Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP (Final):

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/pvrjj1w5wci7x28/AADqaZLq05NSSWexKFWpZnTSa?dl=0>

2018 Christmas Message – Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP (Without Overlay):

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/q5hwaxjkd9ig5pl/AAC114U4eG3C24AkUmHJB54za?dl=0>

2018 Christmas Message – Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP (Audio Only):

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/z8h2ht0qvp704l8/AACLmzHFB7YJeDV19-uZJTxa?dl=0>

2018 Christmas Message – Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP (Direct of Camera):

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/imt27jj1v2vab34/AABzTbs3CKHMmWdPYMiaptdHa?dl=0>

**Please note the embargo to publish any aspect of the Christmas message is 10pm on Saturday 22 December.**

**Archbishop Fisher will celebrate the Christmas Eve Midnight Mass (following the carols at 11:15pm on Monday 24 December) and the 10:30am Christmas Day Solemn Mass on Tuesday 25 December at St Mary's Cathedral.**

This year, media are invited to attend and cover **both** the Midnight Mass and 10:30am Christmas Day Solemn Mass.

Please note, while both Masses attract large numbers of worshippers, Midnight Mass will have particularly large numbers of people and media will therefore need to adhere to the times below to enter the cathedral to set up.

If you are considering covering this Mass please contact Michael Kenny (contact details below) **by 3:00pm on Friday 21 December** to assist with any arrangements. For all Mass times at St Mary's Cathedral over the Christmas Season, visit <https://www.stmaryscathedral.org.au/liturgy-and-sacraments/mass-and-confession-times/>

**MIDNIGHT MASS: Media to meet outside the College St entrance to St Mary's Cathedral AT 11PM. Given the large numbers of worshippers, media will not be granted entrance after this time and will be escorted to and allocated a set area.**

**CHRISTMAS DAY: 10:30AM SOLEMN MASS: Media to meet outside the College St entrance to St Mary's Cathedral AT 10AM.**

**Please note that Archbishop Fisher will not be available for interview after either Mass.**

**Media wishing to attend the Midnight Mass should contact Michael Kenny *Manager Communications & News Media Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney* mobile: 0438 046 406**

**Media wishing to attend the 10:30am Christmas Day Mass should contact Monica Doumit *Director Public Affairs and Engagement Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney* mobile: 0417 102 103**

Please contact me if you need any further information.

Have a wonderful Christmas.