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CHRISTMAS MESSAGE 2019 FROM CATHOLIC ARCHBISHOP ANTHONY FISHER OP

19 December 2019

Good morning Chiefs of Staff and News Editors,

Please find attached the text for Archbishop Fisher's Christmas Message 2019.

The message is also included below with Dropbox download links for broadcast media and news websites.

With Overlay – (for all online portals i.e. news websites/social media):

https://www.dropbox.com/s/klck9lmixkza701/xmas_msg_2019_social_final.mp4?dl=0

Without Overlay – (for TV broadcast):

https://www.dropbox.com/s/xpuklf7ioqiavm1/xmas_msg_2019_media_draft_01.mp4?dl=0

Audio Only – (for radio):

https://www.dropbox.com/s/ybbxddz73qbqtlh/xmas_msg_2019_radio_draft_01.mp4?dl=0

Also attached is the full text of the message.

Archbishop Fisher will celebrate the 10:30am Christmas Day Solemn Mass on Wednesday 25 December at St Mary's Cathedral.

Media are invited to attend and cover this Mass. **We ask TV networks to arrange pooling of the footage from this Mass.**

If you would like to send a reporter/camera operator to this Mass, please contact Anita Quigley (contact details below) by **5:00pm Monday 23 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/sysweb/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/Christmas-mass-times-flyer-V4.pdf>

CHRISTMAS DAY: 10:30AM SOLEMN MASS: Media to meet outside the College St entrance to St Mary's Cathedral NO LATER THAN 10AM due to the large crowds which attend this Mass.

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

Media wishing to attend the 10:30am Christmas Day Mass should contact Anita Quigley Director Communications, News Media & Creative Archdiocese of Sydney: anita.quigley@sydneycatholic.org or 0421 612 978.