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Dear sisters and brothers,

Grace and peace to you. On the day before my installation here in Adelaide, a few thoughts for you.

Thank you for your messages and expressions of prayer, they are most welcome and mean a lot to me, and are much needed.

I emerged out of 'isolation' last Wednesday and ever since it has been a busy round of meetings, greetings, rehearsals, photo shoots and generally the business of getting my head around the many different details of life in a different modality. Thankfully today has been a little less so.

I've said so many times, once more will not hurt. The Diocese of Sale does have a wonderful spirit. A spirit whose quality is both reflective of God's Holy Spirit and the generous hearts that make up the clergy and God's holy people. Thank you for making me welcome into that and faithfully responding to the richness of God's call for just over five years.

I do earnestly look forward to the time, hopefully in the not too distant future when the borders are open and gatherings can be larger, when we can once again gather together in prayer to more properly give thanks for all that has been.

I shall continue to pray for their Diocese especially that another Good Shepherd will not be long in the coming. Jesus' reminder to the disciples in today's Gospel is heartening: "And know that I am with you always; yes to the end of time."

With renewed thanks and every best wish

In Domino

+ *Pat O'Regan*

Bishop Patrick O'Regan