14th March 2024

DEATH AND FUNERAL NOTICE

With great sadness, I announce the death this morning of Emeritus Archbishop Francis Carroll, the Fifth Archbishop of Canberra and Goulburn. He was 93 years of age.

Born 9 September 1930 and ordained a priest on 27 July 1954. Archbishop Carroll served the Canberra and Goulburn Archdiocese from 1983 until his resignation in 2006. Prior to this he was Bishop of the Diocese of Wagga Wagga from 1968 to 1983.

Archbishop Carroll served as the President of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference from 2000-2006. He was awarded the Centenary Medal in 2001, an honour introduced during the Centenary of Federation year.

Archbishop Carroll is well remembered as the first Australian Bishop to call a Diocesan Synod following the 1960's Second Vatican Council, followed by a second Synod in 2000. He welcomed Pope John Paul II to the National Capital during his visit to Australia in 1986 and is well remembered for his active support and encouragement to the youth and renewal movements.

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Archbishop Christopher Prowse
Catholic Archbishop of Canberra and Goulburn

Funeral Liturgies

St Brendan's Church, Ganmain – 7.00pm 19 March 2024

St Michael's Cathedral, Wagga Wagga – Mass 11.00am 20 March 2024

St Christopher's Cathedral, Canberra – Vigil 7.30pm 20 March 2024

Funeral Mass and Burial

Pontifical Requiem Mass for Archbishop Carroll will be celebrated at St Christopher's Cathedral,
Cnr of Canberra Ave & Furneaux St,
Manuka, at 11am on Thursday 21 March 2024.

Internment in the crypt of St Christopher's Cathedral will occur at the conclusion of Mass.

Hear with favour our prayers, which we humbly offer, O Lord,
For the salvation of the soul of Francis Carroll, your servant and priest,
That he, who devoted a faithful ministry to your name,
May rejoice in the perpetual company of your Saints.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son,
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, for ever and ever.

Amen

Requiescat in pace.