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The Right Reverend Dr Arthur Jones, OAM

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I write with the sad news that Bishop Arthur Jones died peacefully at Royal Freemasons Homes in Sale during the early hours of this morning.

Bishop Arthur was the 9th Bishop of Gippsland (1994-2001). As Dean of St Paul's Cathedral Parish in Sale for five years before his election, +Arthur's ministry will have touched the lives of many of our clergy and people.

Beyond Gippsland he served as a parish priest in three other Australian dioceses, twice as a missionary priest in Panama, and held teaching positions in theological colleges within our national communion and overseas.

His gift for languages and contribution to education in developing countries, together with his service to the Anglican Church, was recognised with a Medal of the Order of Australia in 2006.

Since being diagnosed with liver cancer earlier this year, and electing not to seek intensive treatment, +Arthur has enjoyed precious time with family members, friends and colleagues, and has welcomed the pastoral visits and sacramental ministries variously offered by laity and clergy in recent weeks and months.

The prayerful condolences of our diocesan family are with his widow, Claudette, and his three daughters, Sharon, Sandra, and Elizabeth, and their families, along with all who feel +Arthur's passing most acutely.

Arrangements for his Requiem Eucharist will be communicated as soon as they have been made.

May our good shepherd, Arthur, be led by the Good Shepherd – in death as in life – to that table prepared for him in the house of the Lord.

Grace and peace,

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