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DECREE OF ESTABLISHMENT

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

At the request of several clergy, desirous of preserving the historic Catholic Faith, Apostolic Ministry, Sacramental Life, and traditions of the Western Church, **The National Catholic Church** was established on this **29th day of September, in the Year of Our Lord 2025**, the **Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel**.

The National Catholic Church is established as an independent Catholic ecclesiastical body, preserving Apostolic Succession, the historic episcopate, the Seven Sacraments, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, and the traditional sacramental and devotional life of the Catholic Faith.

Independent from the jurisdiction of the Roman Catholic Church, we recognize the historic place of the Bishop of Rome while not accepting the doctrine of Papal Infallibility or holding communion with Rome as necessary for the continuation of the Catholic Faith and Apostolic Ministry.

This Church is established for the worship of Almighty God, the preaching of the Holy Gospel, the administration of the Sacraments, the preservation of Catholic faith and worship, and the pastoral care of God's people, always joining fidelity to Catholic tradition with **charity for all**.

We entrust The National Catholic Church to the protection and intercession of **Saint Michael the Archangel**, upon whose feast this Church was established.

May Almighty God preserve this Church in the Catholic and Apostolic Faith and direct its clergy and faithful in all things to His greater glory and the salvation of souls.

Given in confirmation of the establishment of The National Catholic Church, effective September 29, 2025, the Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel.

✠ ✠ **The Most Rev. Andrew Redpath**
Presiding Archbishop of The National Catholic Church
Archbishop of Australia

