Concerned Catholics Tasmania Inc.

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Most Reverend Archbishop Julian Porteous Catholic Archdiocesan Centre Tower Road Newtown 7008 julian.porteous@aohtas.org.au

Dear Archbishop Julian

The second and final Assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of the Catholic Church

Our committee met on Monday 18 July 2022 and, inter alia, considered how best the conversations and outcomes of the second and final Assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council might be conveyed to Christ's faithful and others here in Tasmania.

Some noted that Archbishop Peter Comensoli has provided Christ's faithful in the Archdiocese of Melbourne with a letter referring to the final summary statement from the Assembly as well as its decrees. He continued,

You may ask, where to from here? May I encourage you to read the documents, not just on your own, but together as Christ's faithful in your local settings: parish forums, faith communities, clergy gatherings, religious houses, lay organisations, leadership groups, family settings, and anywhere where our local Church in Melbourne gathers. They are not the 'be all and end all' of all that is to be said and done in Melbourne, but they set a direction for us all.

Others note that Bishop Vincent Long has also sought to engage Christ's faithful in the Diocese of Parramatta in reflecting on that statement and decrees.

We ask whether similar steps will be taken by you in our archdiocese so that the energy and interest generated by the Plenary might be harnessed. CCT is planning to organise a forum with speaker(s) and would not wish to clash with your plans.

Yours sincerely

Kim Chen

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