

# Donation Form

YES I would like to help ensure the continued vibrant presence of Christ Church Cathedral in the heart of Darwin.

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Please keep me informed about what is happening at the Cathedral and the progress of the renovation and restoration work.

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# Christ Church Cathedral Darwin



From generation to generation...

## The history of Christ Church

**1902:** The original Christ Church was consecrated. Bishop White consecrated the little shale stone church on 2nd November 1902 and later celebrated the Eucharist.

**1941:** Christ Church was commandeered by the military for use as a garrison church for servicemen. Church records were trucked to Alice Springs for safety.

**1942:** During the Bombing of Darwin, the church was hit by a bomb that landed at the back of the vestry, blasting out windows, riddling the roof and walls with shrapnel.

**1944:** The Royal Navy added the porch to the church and the army built the entrance gate as a tribute to the memory of those members of all Services who died during WWII.

**1968:** The Diocese of the NT was formed and Ken Mason was consecrated as its first Bishop.

**1974:** On Christmas Eve, 1974, the church, along with much of the City of Darwin, was turned to rubble: only the porch was left standing by Cyclone Tracy.

**1976:** As Darwin recovered from the trauma of Cyclone Tracy planning for a new cathedral complex was begun. In August 1976, the foundation stone was laid by the Primate, Archbishop Frank Woods.

**1977:** On Sunday 13 March 1977, in the presence of the Archbishop of Canterbury, Christ Church Cathedral was consecrated.

**2009:** With assistance from the NT Government, a report was commissioned to identify solutions to the problems that had plagued the new Cathedral from its beginning.

**2010:** Following the receipt of two major grants towards the work, we committed to raising the balance of funds required to ensure the cathedral would continue to be a symbol of the resilience and determination of the people of Darwin and as a spiritual heart in the centre of the city for generations to come.



## Dear Friends,

The work we will do as a result of this appeal will last for years, well beyond our lifetimes. We will repair the Cathedral where the people of Darwin have prayed, and wept, and rejoiced together, and where future generations will find a quiet centre amidst the busyness of a vibrant city.

We'll ensure that as a community facility, the Cathedral more useable and more welcoming. There will be fresh paint, a sound roof, efficient cooling and improved acoustics. The whole complex will better suit the tropical climate and will be made safe, sturdy, accessible - and beautiful, as it has always been.

I commend this appeal to you and ask for your generous support.

Faithfully,

*Jeremy Greaves*

The Very Revd Jeremy Greaves  
Dean of Darwin



### Reducing our footprint: \$150,000

So that we may increase the energy efficiency of the Cathedral, the repair and replacement of the main window will include a system of vents to improve air-flow and facilitate passive cooling.

Suitable fans for improved circulation and ventilation will be installed, and we will reduce the solar glare and heat gain from some of the large windows to assist in providing a comfortable interior environment throughout the year. As well, wide verandahs along the northern and southern sides of the Cathedral will provide shade and increased capacity.

### How you can help

Thanks to the generosity of the Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation and the Northern Territory Government we are already halfway towards reaching our goal and will be able to begin work towards the end of this year. Your gift is needed to ensure we can complete the work before further damage is done with another wet season.

In conjunction with your appeal donation, you may also want to consider making a planned gift, such as a bequest in your will, a gift of life insurance, a charitable annuity, a gift of appreciated stock, or other appreciated property. Information on planned giving may be obtained from the Dean.

No matter how you decide to help, know that your gift is deeply appreciated and will be used wisely to ensure the continued presence of Christ Church Cathedral as a spiritual heart in the city of Darwin.

### For a strong foundation: \$550,000

So that our Cathedral remains safe and dry, we will make repairs to the roofing, flashing, and windows. The roof, which has leaked for 30 years, will be re-designed and, where necessary, replaced, and eaves will be added to improve shading and the efficiency of the building when it rains. Inside, we will repair water damage in the Cathedral ceilings, making good the damage done over the past thirty years.

The latest technology will be employed to improve the acoustics of the Cathedral, to improve its use for the arts and community events.

For the exterior of the Cathedral, we will repair and paint doors, woodwork, and steel windows.

