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Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ

Just as a moment of joy can break into a day that otherwise seems quite ordinary, such as when a child gives us a beautiful smile, or a friend says something affirming to us, so there can be moments of Resurrection in lives that otherwise might seem to be dominated by Lent.

Our recent Diocesan Assembly, when over two hundred of you came from across our vast diocese, was one of those. We are resolved to look to the future with hope. The Royal Commission has held up a mirror to the Church and we must not avoid our reflection in it, but move to correct and renew and live even better our mission in Christ. We are committed to seek and find how the Church might rediscover its attractive voice, might show forth more strongly the beauty of Christ and His word of life for our young people, our wider society and ourselves.

The resurrection of Christ has shown us that even death can be conquered, so also any sins of our past. We are therefore hope bearers for the world, people who acknowledge that our lives should be transformed by the joy of Jesus Risen.

Yours in Christ

+ Gregory O'Kelly SJ
Bishop of the Diocese of Port Pirie

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