



APOSTOLIC NUNCIATURE  
AUSTRALIA

## APPOINTMENT OF THE BISHOP OF WAGGA WAGGA

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Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> May 2020*

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The Apostolic Nunciature in Australia has the honour to announce that:

His Holiness Pope Francis has appointed the Most Reverend **Mark Stuart Edwards, OMI.**, Bishop of Wagga Wagga, who until now has been Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

Canberra, 25<sup>th</sup> May 2020.



## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

### **MOST REVEREND MARK STUART EDWARDS, O.M.I. BISHOP ELECT OF WAGGA WAGGA**

The Most Reverend Mark Stuart Edwards, O.M.I., was born in Balikpapan, Indonesia, on 14<sup>th</sup> June 1959. He attended St Leonard's Primary School, Glen Waverley, Mulgrave and then Secondary School at Mazenod College. He obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree from Monash University in Melbourne.

Having entered the Novitiate of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate in 1980, he made final profession on 17<sup>th</sup> February 1984. He studied for the priesthood at Catholic Theological College within the University of Divinity and was ordained priest on 16<sup>th</sup> August 1986. His priestly ministry has seen him engaged in wide-ranging appointments in education and formation.

He pursued higher studies at Monash University where he obtained a Bachelor of Letters and a Doctorate in Philosophy in 2007. He served as a Counsellor of the Australia Province of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate from 2001 to 2012.

Bishop Edwards was appointed Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Melbourne and given the Titular See of Garba on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2014. He received the Episcopal Ordination on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2014.

At present he is a member of the Bishops Commission for Catholic Education of the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference.

#### **Appointments:**

- 1986 - 1989 Teacher, Mazenod College, Mulgrave
- 1990 - 1997 Teacher, Iona College, Brisbane.
- 1998 - 2004 Aspirants' Master, Saint Mary's Seminary, Mulgrave.
- 2004 - 2007 Novice Master, Saint Mary's Seminary, Mulgrave.
- 2005 - 2010 Lecturer, Catholic Theological College, Melbourne.
- 2007 - 2010 Director of Scholastics, Saint Mary's Seminary, Mulgrave
- 2010 - 2014 Rector, Iona, College, Brisbane