



Assistant Bishop of Tasmania
The Right Reverend Ronald F. Stone

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Dear Archbishop Keith,

Thank you for your kind letter in which you noted my absence from the Bishops' Conference.

I missed being in my place with the other bishops. There were two reasons for my absence.

First, a matter of sexual harassment which is in the hands of lawyers and requiring my presence in Hobart on the Friday. This matter, involving a senior person in the diocese, is extremely sensitive.

Secondly, on the Monday of the Bishops' Conference I had to be in Melbourne to attend to legal matters relating to my elderly mother and to settle her into an Anglican Hostel as my father is no longer able to care for her in the family home.

I hope to be at the 1995 Bishops' Conference and anticipate being there.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Bishop