

# Diocese of Wollongong

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## DIOCESE APPEALS DECREE FROM ROME

The Diocese of Wollongong has appealed to the Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura the Decree by the Congregation for the Clergy dated December 21, 2000, relating to Father John Nestor.

Diocesan Administrator Very Rev. Fr. Bryan Jones says the appeal was sent yesterday February 22, 2001.

The Decree from the Congregation for the Clergy was received by the former Bishop of Wollongong, Bishop Wilson on January 8, 2001. He wrote to the Congregation on January 12, 2001 asking for the Decree to be revoked or amended. Under Canon Law if no response is forthcoming within 30 days an appeal may be lodged.

It should be noted that with Bishop Philip Wilson's appointment as Archbishop Coadjutor of Adelaide, this matter now rests with the Diocesan Administrator. Fr. Jones has sought advice during the past week, and decided to appeal the judgement.

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