

ECCLESIASTICAL AND CIVIC AWARDS

Forms which can be accessed from this site allow for people to nominate other members of the community to be considered for the Award of one of several types of Honours.

Strict **confidentiality** must be maintained through the process of gathering the requested numbers of references and other information. This is then considered by the Ecclesiastical and Civic Honours Committee which makes recommendations to the Archbishop of Sydney.

Nominations may be lodged via the Chancellor of the Archdiocese to support one of three types of Awards:

- * Papal Honours – may be sought by individuals to acknowledge the good works of others in respect of their contributions to the Church and to the broader Australian community
- * The Dempsey Medal – this Honour from the Archbishop of Sydney seeks to acknowledge those whose diligence and efforts within their parish deserves special recognition, and
- * Civic Honours – applications may be made to seek the support of the Archdiocese in requesting the Award of Australian Honours to acknowledge the commitment of individuals to society.

More detailed explanatory information regarding the various Honours and Awards is available on this site along with a brief history of pioneer Catholic layman, James Dempsey.

Completed forms and references must be sent to:

Mr Chris Meney
Chancellor
Polding Centre
133 Elizabeth Street
Sydney NSW 2000

Contact may be made through his Executive Officer, Mr Mike Bailey on 9390 5100 or by email to mike.bailey@sydneycatholic.org

Awards will take some time to be processed, but nominees and general members of the community must not be informed about applications until Honours are formally announced.