

STATEMENT FROM THE COMMUNICATIONS OFFICE OF OPUS DEI IN AUSTRALIA:

The Prelature of Opus Dei is an institution of the Catholic Church that promotes the message that everyone can strive to develop a close and loving relationship with Jesus Christ, through their work and all the different circumstances that make up their ordinary life.

Opus Dei supports people who wish to pursue this aim through ongoing input and spiritual guidance. Such support can be found in study centres and colleges which are staffed by members of Opus Dei.

Incorporation to Opus Dei as a member is only permitted for those over 18 years of age.

Schools of the Pared Foundation are independent Catholic schools – The Prelature of Opus Dei is not involved in their ownership or management. Pared Foundation engages the Prelature of Opus Dei for the provision of Opus Dei priests as school chaplains.

The Prelature of Opus Dei in Australia is committed to promoting the safety, welfare and protection of children and vulnerable persons in accordance with state and federal laws. The Prelature of Opus Dei does not, in any way, condone practices of grooming, self-harm, or “recruitment”. The Prelature of Opus Dei, as well as any organisation it supports, adheres to all the relevant Child Safeguarding standards and mandatory reporting obligations in each state and territory.