

Do you contribute to your local Diocesan community?

The Bishop's Award seeks to publicly recognise the efforts of students and young people within our Diocese who have contributed to the community through their Parish, Church group or Church agency.

Applications are now open to students and young people in the Catholic Diocese of Maitland-Newcastle for the 2018 Bishop's Award.

The award recognises and encourages the efforts of young people within the Diocese who have contributed to the community through their parish, their church group or their church agency.

This may include involvement in groups or agencies such as Caritas, Youth Ministries, St Vincent de Paul, Mini Vinnies or similar church groups. This also includes contributions made within parishes such as Liturgy and Youth Ministries.

Bishop Bill, the Catholic Schools Office and the Federation of P & F Associations view this award as an opportunity to acknowledge the contribution of students and young people to strengthening the links between parish communities, schools and the broader community.

The Bishop's Award is open to students, Years 7-12 and Young People (who have completed Year 12 and are under 25 years of age).

The Bishop's Award comprises four categories:

- ► Students in Year 7 & 8
- ► Students in Year 9 & 10
- ► Students in Year 11 &12
- Young People (those who have completed year 12 and are 25 years of age or less)

Each successful applicant will receive \$1,000 which may contribute towards the applicant's education or faith formation by assisting them to attend events such as World Youth Day, Diocesan Youth Retreat or music ministry. Each successful applicant will also receive a Certificate of Recognition from Bishop Bill.

There is a maximum award pool of \$10,000 for the 2018 awards.

4 award categories

Award pool of \$10,000

Applications close 8 February 2019

For further information or to request an application form, please contact your parish office, Catholic secondary school (where applicable) or visit www.mn.catholic/bishops-award













