

# Anglican Diocese of Perth

1856 –

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## Details

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The Anglican Diocese of Perth is part of the Western Australian Province of the Anglican Church of Australia, which also contains the North West and Bunbury Dioceses. The Diocese of Perth has been actively involved in out of home care, beginning with traditional institutional care from 1868 and moving on to small group care and fostering in the late twentieth century. Its key agency, Anglicare, provides and coordinates non-institutional residential child care for young people and teenagers.

The Church of England (Anglican Church) was the established church of the colonial government in Western Australia. Perth became a Diocese in 1857, having earlier been part of the dioceses of Calcutta (1829), Australia (1836) and Adelaide (1843). Matthew Blagden Hale was the first Bishop of Perth and had a reputation for being a 'relatively enlightened' man, who hoped for 'reformatory' rather than penal policies to prevail in the colony. Leaving to become Bishop of Brisbane in 1875, Bishop Hale had played a key role in the development and support of residential schools for Aboriginal children and orphanages for non-Aboriginal children in Western Australia.

## More info

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### Chronology

- Anglican Diocese of Kalgoorlie (1914 - 1973)
  - **Anglican Diocese of Perth (1856 – )**

### Related Entries

#### Ran

- [Bentley House \(1972? - 2006?\)](#)
- [St James Residential College, Moora \(c. 1977 - current\)](#)

The Anglican Diocese of Perth ran the St James Hostel in Moora, possibly from the 1960s.
- [Anglican Farm School, Stoneville \(1955 - 1961\)](#)

The Anglican Diocese of Perth managed the Anglican Farm School, Stoneville.  
Date: 1960 - 1961
- [Forrest River Mission \(1913 - 1968\)](#)

Direct responsibility for Forrest River Mission was given by the Anglican Diocese of Perth to subsidiary

Anglican organisations from the 1920s, and handed back to the Diocese in 1955.

Date: 1913 - 1968

- [Hillston, Anglican Farm School, Stoneville \(1962 - 1969\)](#)

The Anglican Diocese of Perth managed Hillston, Anglican Farm School, Stoneville.

- [St Andrew's Hostel, Esperance \(1968 - 2000?\)](#)

Date: 1973 - 1974

- [Bishop Hale's Institution for Native and Half-Caste Children \(1871 - 1888\)](#)

- [McDonald House \(1952 - 1985?\)](#)

Date: 1958 - 1972

- [Merredin Residential College \(1954 - current\)](#)

From 1962, the Anglican Diocese of Perth was responsible for managing the hostel under agreement with the Country High School Hostels Authority.

Date: 1962 - ?

- [St Christopher's Hostel, Northam \(1941 - 2002\)](#)

Date: 1941 - 2002

## Related Organisations

- [Anglicare WA \(2003 - current\)](#)

- [Safe Ministry and Professional Standards, Anglican Diocese of Perth \(2004 - current\)](#)

*Professional Standards* has been set up by the Anglican church as a service for people who have suffered abuse in out of home care run by the Anglican church or its agencies.

- [Broken Rites \(1992 - current\)](#)

Broken Rites monitors allegations of abuse by Anglican clergy.

- [Anglican Diocese of North West Australia \(1910 - current\)](#)

- [The Committee \(1868 - 1888\)](#)

- [Anglican Orphanages Board of Management \(1940 - 1954\)](#)

The Anglican Orphanages Board of Management included senior members of the Anglican Diocese of Perth.

- [The Anglican Homes Board \(1955 - 1970\)](#)

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- [Swanleigh Council \(1959 - 1961\)](#)

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- [The Swanleigh Hostel Council \(1962 - 1970\)](#)

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- [The Anglican Homes Board: Swanleigh Council \(1971\)](#)

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- [Swanleigh Council \(1972 - 2010\)](#)

Swanleigh Council was assisted by and included member from the Anglican Diocese of Perth.

- [Girls' Friendly Society \(Western Australia\) \(1888 - current\)](#)

- [Parkerville Children's Home \(1909 - 2005\)](#)

Since 1941, the Anglican Diocese of Perth has had a formal role in the management of Parkerville Children's Home, usually via participation in a management committee.

Date: 1941 - 2005

- [Anglican Health and Welfare Services \(1974 - 2003\)](#)

- [Orphanages' Committee \(1889 - 1939\)](#)

The Orphanages' Committee included senior members of the Anglican Diocese of Perth.

## Holds

- [Anglican Diocese of Perth, Western Australia, Records \(1880s - 2010\)](#)

## Related Legislation

- [Anglican Church of Australia \(Swanleigh Land and Endowments\) Act 1979, Western Australia \(1979 - current\)](#)

## Resources

- [Anglican Diocese of Bunbury, Western Australia \(website\)](#), No date
- Anglican Church of Australia General Synod, [Family Issues \[Resolution 51/04 The Forgotten Australians - Apology\]](#), 2012

- House of Commons Health Committee, [Minutes of Evidence Taken Before the Health Committee on 4 June 1998 \(Health - Third Report\)](#), 4 June 1998
- [Church of England News](#), The Inquirer & Commercial News, 10 November 1875
- A. Roy Peterkin, *The Noisy Mansions: the story of Swanleigh 1868-1971*, 1986

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- [Western Australian Records \[Anglican Church\], State Library of Western Australia \(1834 - 2003\)](#)
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