



The Right Reverend Ian Palmer, BD, Dip. Th.L (The newly installed Bishop of Bathurst) was also recently appointed Episcopal Overseer of the National Anglican Cursillo Movement.

Bishop Palmer, 62, was born in the United Kingdom. He gained his Theology degree at King's College, London, in 1971, and his post-graduate diploma at Durham University four years later. He served in parish ministry and university chaplaincy in the north of England prior to moving to Australia to take up a position as Director of Evangelism in the Diocese of Newcastle in 1990.

He held this position for three years before returning to parish ministry in the Newcastle suburb of Belmont and subsequently at Muswellbrook. He moved to his most recent appointment in Queanbeyan in the Diocese of Canberra and Goulburn in 2005.

During his time in Queanbeyan he also served as Archdeacon of South Canberra, and as Archdeacon of Chaplaincies.

He was also a member of the Management Board of Anglicare NSW South, NSW West and ACT, the welfare arm of the Anglican Church which now operates as an alliance across the Dioceses of Canberra-Goulburn, Riverina and Bathurst - an area covering almost three-quarters of NSW.

He is married to Liz, who has considerable experience as a spiritual director and leads residential courses in this field at St Mark's National Theological Centre in Canberra. They have two adult daughters.

WE WISH A VERY WARM WELCOME TO BISHOP IAN.