



ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

PERTH, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

29 January, 2025

STATEMENT

I am writing to share with you an exciting update regarding the St Mary's Cathedral, Music Program.

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Alessandro Pittorino as Master of Music for St Mary's Cathedral, Perth.

The position of Master of Music is central to achieving the St Mary's Cathedral Music Program Vision. Mr Pittorino's appointment has been made following a national and international search that engaged many talented liturgical music professionals.

With extensive experience in both developing and managing chorister programs and supporting young voices in deepening their understanding of liturgical music, Mr Pittorino possesses a rich background in mentoring organ scholars and developing comprehensive liturgical music programs and events.

Mr Pittorino also brings exceptional gifts as a liturgical organist and conductor, having earned a Master of Music from the renowned Juilliard School in New York. At Juilliard, Mr Pittorino had the privilege of studying under Grammy Award-winning organist Paul Jacobs.

With this experience and energy, Mr Pittorino will lead the St Mary's Cathedral Music program, embodying the spirit and values of our Cathedral community to ensure we successfully implement our strategic objectives as we continue to glorify God through Sacred music.

I extend my gratitude and thanks to the panel members who provided their support, time and expertise during the selection process:

- Elizabeth Hamer - Director of Music - Bob Hawke College
- Chris McMillan – Musical Director - Aquinas College
- Bernard Mackin – Director – WCA Solutions
- Fiona Walker - Advisor, People and Culture – Catholic Archdiocese Perth

Please join me in extending a warm welcome and congratulations to Mr Pittorino on his appointment as Master of Music of St Mary's Cathedral, Perth.

Very Rev Dr Sean Fernandez
Dean – St Mary's Cathedral