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Dear Retreatants,

We are writing to you today to inform you that St Mary's Towers, Douglas Park is about to undergo some significant changes; to renew and refresh current places of prayer facilities, land management and business operations which includes the Retreat Centre.

As the Provincial Superior of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, together with the Provincial Council, after engaging in prayerful discernment, we have decided to allow the Retreat Centre business to enter a 'fallow' time. Therefore, the St Mary's Towers Retreat Centre in-house retreat programs will be *rested* until further notice.

As a consequence of this, the remainder of the 2022 program and the complete 2023 scheduled retreat in-house program, will be cancelled from 4 September 2022. This does not include retreat bookings by external groups. However, day visits, private retreats, spiritual direction or ministry supervision services will cease during this time.

I would like to advise you that we will be refunding, in full, all deposits and any pre-payments that have been made for any of our in-house Directed, Guided, weekend, private, Life's Healing Journey or 30-Days retreats booked from 4th September 2022 to the end of 2023.

At this moment in time, we would sincerely like to take this opportunity to apologise for any inconvenience caused by this announcement. I understand the place St Mary's Towers holds for many people and I sincerely want to thank you for your past prayer and continued support to St Mary's Towers over the years.

The Missionaries of the Sacred Heart future direction for St Mary's Towers, our hopes and our dreams are held within the spirit of our Founder Fr. Jules Chevalier who said, "May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be Everywhere Loved". The future is full of possibility and the story of the spirit of the Towers will continue to evolve in ways yet to be uncovered and revealed.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please contact Mrs Amy Parish, St Mary's Towers Property Manager by email at amy.parish1976@gmail.com

With every blessing
In His Heart



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