

Diocese of Broome
50th Jubilee

While the Vicariate of the Kimberley was founded in 1887, now we celebrate our coming of age with the 50th Anniversary of the Diocese of Broome, founded the 7th June 1966.



*A Vicariate is an administrative church district of a temporary nature

Important Events

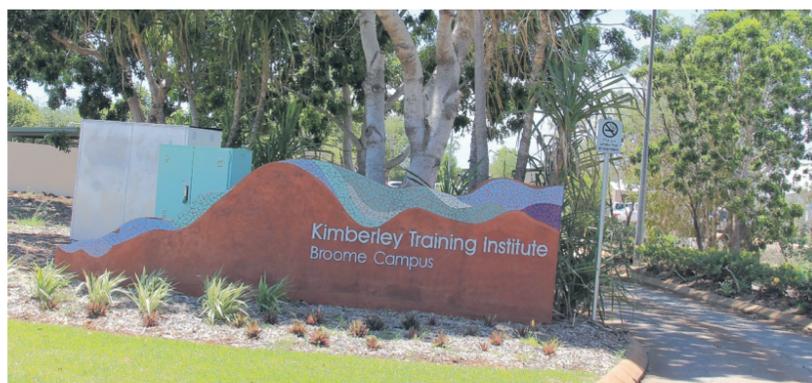
Jubilee Mass 2 June, Civic Centre Broome, 5.30 pm. *All Welcome*

WYD Legacy Cross will be visiting every parish in the Diocese

Jubilee Art Prize Theme 'Spirit of the Kimberley'
Entry closes Friday 20 May

"What do I mean by Spirit of the Kimberley?"

"I mean an expression in painting of how you see and experience the Kimberley. It's as general and as broad as that."



Kimberley Training Institute Broome campus. Picture: Nicola Kalmar

TAFE staff left in 'limbo'

■ Nicola Kalmar

TAFE staff from the Kimberley and Pilbara regions have been left "in limbo" since structural changes were made to WA vocational education and training, a trade union claims.

Training and Workforce Minister Liza Harvey announced earlier this year 11 TAFE colleges and their 70 campus locations would be managed by a network of five colleges from April 11.

Administrative structures across the 11 establishments have been streamlined into five administrative centres and five governing councils.

As a result, all Kimberley Training Institute campuses are now part of North Regional TAFE, including Broome, Derby, Fitzroy Crossing, Halls Creek and Kununurra, as well as the six Pilbara Institute campuses.

Community and Public Sector Union assistant secretary Rikki Hendon said 13 jobs would be axed as a result of the Kimberley/Pilbara

TAFE merger, while 43 jobs from the Kimberley and 32 positions in the Pilbara were under review.

Ms Hendon said there had been a "severe lack" of consultation with existing staff.

"Jobs may go from the smaller campuses like Fitzroy Crossing or Wyndham, as corporate services are to be centralised at the bigger campuses, so that's full-time jobs going from small Pilbara and Kimberley communities that need them most," she said.

However, Department of Training and Workforce Development director general Ruth Shean said the figure of 13 referred to the number of staff who would be offered alternative employment within the public training sector or voluntary severance.

She said there would be about 24 fewer positions at North Regional TAFE, some of which were already vacant.

"No staff have been made redundant," she said.



Broome Shire president Ron Johnston and Roebuck Bay Working Group's Kandy Curran stencil a message on a footpath in town. Picture: Simon Penn

Stencils send drain message

■ Glenn Cordingley

Two animals symbolic of Broome have been painted on a footpath at the entrance to the town's airport as part of a public campaign to cut pollution entering Roebuck Bay through stormwater drains.

The Roebuck Bay Working Group has used a threadfin salmon and dugong as the stars of the awareness drive that will be stencilled on pavements beside drains throughout the community by 30 local identities.

Shire president Ron Johnston and Roebuck Bay Working Group project manager Kandy Curran launched the project recently.

Ms Curran said she was confident

the campaign would have a positive effect after an enthusiastic response from people invited to participate.

She said a poster showing all the participants in the project would send a "keep Roebuck Bay clean" message to the Broome community.

"This message is to keep fertilisers, garden waste, sewage, pollutants, car wash detergents, rubbish, animal manure and pool water out of Broome's stormwater drains," she said.

The poster and stencils make the link between nutrients in stormwater becoming food for blue-green algae in Roebuck Bay.

Lyngbya blooms have been linked to stormwater run-off and polluted groundwater.

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