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MARONITE EPARCHY OF AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND AND OCEANIA

EPISCOPAL DECREE

ON THE PLACES OF PILGRIMAGE IN THE MARONITE EPARCHY OF AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND & OCEANIA ON THE OCCASION OF THE JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE 2025

In accordance with Pope Francis' Bull *Spes Non Confundit* – “Hope does not disappoint” – issued on 9 May 2024, the Holy Father has proclaimed 2025 as a Year of Ordinary Jubilee and has invited all the faithful to participate fully.

Therefore

In consideration of the Norms issued by the Apostolic Penitentiary on 13 May 2024 concerning indulgences for the Ordinary Jubilee Year 2025

and

By the authority entrusted to us and in accordance with Canon Law, we, **Antoine-Charbel Tarabay**, Maronite Bishop of Australia, New Zealand and Oceania

hereby decree

the following churches as designated Places of Pilgrimage, where the faithful may obtain full Jubilee Indulgences under the usual conditions:

St Maroun's Cathedral, Redfern, NSW
Our Lady of Lebanon Co-Cathedral, Harris Park, NSW
St Charbel's Church & Shrine, Punchbowl, NSW
Our Lady of Lebanon Church, Thornbury, VIC

All pilgrims who fulfill the usual conditions for an indulgence—
receive the Sacrament of Confession,
attend the Divine Liturgy,
receive Holy Communion,
and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father—
will be granted a full Jubilee Indulgence
upon visiting any of the designated churches.

This decree is to be published on the Eparchy's website
and is to be duly communicated throughout the Parishes
of the Maronite Eparchy of Australia, New Zealand & Oceania.

Given at Harris Park, NSW,
this Third Day of February 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink, enclosed within a large, horizontal oval. The signature appears to read "F. B. Tarabay" with a stylized flourish extending downwards from the end.

+ Antoine-Charbel Tarabay
Maronite Eparch of Australia, New Zealand and Oceania