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# New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference

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## Office for Young People



### THE DELARGEY AWARDS 2010

The New Zealand Catholic Bishops Conference and its Office for Young People sponsor the Delargey Awards.

The Awards recognise significant and outstanding contributions made in the field of Catholic youth ministry in Aotearoa New Zealand and are named in honour of Cardinal Delargey (short bio attached). The aims of the Awards are:

- To provide recognition for ministry workers and supporters of ministry with young people in New Zealand
- To educate the community about ministry with young people
- To raise the profile of Catholic ministry with young people in New Zealand
- To recognise the place of long-term involvement in Catholic ministry with young people

The Awards are presented biannually. The inaugural Award Ceremony took place in 2004 with subsequent Awards presented in 2006 and 2008. The 2008 awards were presented at the NZ Gathering at WYD08 in Sydney.

#### Delargey Award Recipients

<b>2004</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2008</b>
Gil Price <i>Diocese of Auckland Advocacy</i>	Mary Bennett <i>Diocese of Palmerston North Catechesis</i>	Kitty McKinley <i>Archdiocese of Wellington Justice and Service</i>
Kevin and Helen Plant <i>Archdiocese of Wellington Leadership Development</i>	Philippa Pidd <i>Archdiocese of Wellington Advocacy</i>	Br John Paul Wilson fms <i>Diocese of Auckland Evangelisation</i>
Fr Peter Fahy <i>Diocese of Palmerston North Community Life</i>	Raylene Dwyer rsm <i>Diocese of Christchurch Leadership Development</i>	Susie Jorgensen <i>Diocese of Dunedin Pastoral Care</i>

Each Award indicates the component of Youth Ministry in which the significant contribution is being recognised.

<b>Components of Youth Ministry</b>	
Advocacy	Justice and Service
Catechesis	Leadership Development
Community Life	Pastoral Care
Evangelisation	Prayer and Worship

## The Nomination Process

To nominate a person for the NZCBC Delargey Award

- Complete the nomination form.
- A second person to write a letter of recommendation (Suggested form attached)
- Send nomination form and supporting letter to

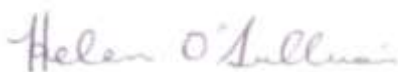
National Project Coordinator - Delargey Awards  
 NZCBC Office for Young People  
 Catholic Centre  
 PO Box 1937  
 Wellington 6140

Nominations are due **Monday November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010**

The Awards Committee will review nominations and make their recommendations to the National Project Coordinator for approval. A person who has been nominated in a previous year may be nominated again through the completion of a new nomination form. [Note: Diocesan Youth Directors are ineligible for nomination or to nominate.]

Your support in promoting the Delargey Awards amongst your youth and young adult ministry contacts would be greatly appreciated. Let us all continue to promote youth and young adult ministry and the wonderful work being done by so many talented and gifted people.

Yours in Christ



Helen O'Sullivan  
 National Project Coordinator  
 July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010

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NOMINEE			
Name:			
Address:			
Telephone:			
Award Category:			
<i>(Circle one)</i>	Advocacy	Catechesis	Prayer and Worship
	Evangelisation	Pastoral Care	Justice and Service
	Community Life	Leadership Development	
Years of Service in Catholic Youth Ministry:			
What significant contributions has this person made to youth ministry in the category they have been nominated for?			

NOMINATOR	
Name:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
<i>I know the person nominated for this award and I endorse their nomination</i>	
Signature: .....	Date: .....

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## LETTER OF SUPPORT

Writer Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (Not to be Nominator)  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**TO: The Delargey Awards Committee**

**RE: \_\_\_\_\_** (Name of Nominee)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signed

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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## REGINALD DELARGEY

Born in Timaru in 1914, Reginald Delargey went to school in Lawrence, Patea, Napier and then to college at Sacred Heart in Auckland. On completion of his secondary education, he entered Holy Cross Seminary, Mosgiel, before being asked to complete his study in Rome where he was ordained in 1938.

Back in New Zealand, Father Delargey was appointed Director of the *Catholic Youth Movement* (CYM) in 1942 and later introduced the work of the *Young Christian Students* (YCS) into New Zealand Catholic secondary schools.

He had witnessed Catholic Action first hand during his time in Rome and was impressed by the then relatively novel methods of this movement in working with young students and workers. He applied the lessons learned then throughout his life, and many young New Zealanders benefited from the inspirational leadership he brought to the CYM.

In 1957 he represented New Zealand at the Congresses of *Young Christian Workers* and the *Lay Apostolate* in Rome. The dominant theme was the role of the laity in the social change needed to transform the world order, and Delargey returned with even more enthusiasm for lay participation in the Church.

On 27 February 1958 he was consecrated Auxiliary Bishop to Archbishop James Liston of Auckland and proved to be an inspiring and effective leader of lay people. He went to the *Second Vatican Council* and upon return, began to put its ideas and principles (such as the parish and diocesan pastoral council) into practice.

In 1970, Delargey, as the newly appointed Bishop of Auckland, set up a team to work with him - the forerunner of today's Diocesan departments.

Approval of Delargey's efforts was evident in the decision to appoint him Archbishop of Wellington on 16 July 1974, and in his elevation to Cardinal almost two years later. Uncertain of his reception among priests and people who did not know him, Delargey soon won them over by his constant availability and patent sincerity.

Cardinal Delargey died in Auckland's Mater Misericordiae Hospital on 29 January 1979 and is remembered fondly for his work with young people of the *Catholic Youth Movement* and all Catholic people of New Zealand.