

# **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DEACONS** **CONFERENCE IN CANBERRA**

**19-22 September 2013**

The National Association of Deacons invites all Deacons and their spouses, candidates, aspirants, interested clergy, religious and those interested to the biennial Conference to be hosted by the St Thomas the Apostle Parish, 35 Boddington Street, Kambah in Canberra.



The Conference will be opened on the Thursday evening by the Archbishop and Dr Brendan Nelson, Director of the Australian War Memorial.



Come and celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the city of Canberra – why not stay for a few days either side of the Conference? This will be a very balanced Conference - informative, educational and insightful, with plenty of time to discuss, reflect and socialise and importantly, network with the world-wide diaconate. The Archbishop will address the gathering and celebrate the farewell Mass on Sunday.

The key-note speakers will be:



Rev Deacon Bill Ditewig PhD from the Diocese of Monterey, former President of the US deacons association & decorated former US Navy Commander, ordained for the Archdiocese of Washington in 1990, and



Rev Dr Elio Capra from the Salesian Community who lectures in Liturgy and Sacramental Theology at CTU, Melbourne, plus the special guest speaker at the Saturday night Conference dinner will be



Entertaining philosopher and Jesuit priest Dr Peter L'Estrange AO, who recently returned from Georgetown University in Washington.

For further information search for [www.ausdeacons.org.au](http://www.ausdeacons.org.au) and click on Conference at the left, then go to Registrations, or contact Deacon Mick O'Donnell on [corroq@ozemail.com.au](mailto:corroq@ozemail.com.au) or 0423 798 737



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