



Margaret (Peg) McEntee OAM

Diocese of Wollongong

Peg McEntee was born in Sydney and raised in Warrawong in the Wollongong Diocese. She attended St Patrick's primary school in Port Kembla and Our Lady Star of the Sea College in Wollongong. Peg worked as a Physical Education teacher and was also a catechist at Berkeley High School and Cringilla Primary School.

Peg also ran her own business – Schools of Dance – where she taught ballet, tap and national dancing. In 1966 Peg and her husband Ron moved to live at The Oaks where they have been for 35 years. Peg has 4 children and 10 grandchildren.

Peg has been very involved in church life particularly through the Catholic Women's League. She was a branch president, diocesan president, state president twice and national president. On a national level, she was also Publicity Officer and International Secretary for six years. This role saw her attending many international meetings representing CWL and Catholic women in general. These included the Symposium for NGO women in The Philippines and the Ministerial meeting in Jakarta on behalf of WUCWO/CWL both in 1994 and, in 1995, the Commission for the Status of Women meeting in New York at the UN, the Pontifical Council of the Laity at the Vatican and the 4th UN Conference on Women in Beijing.

Peg has served also on a number of boards and councils, including:

- The Pontifical Council for Missions to Papua/New Guinea
- Carrington Centennial Care aged care facility in Camden of which she is currently the Chair
- The Bishops National Commission and the Diocesan Council for Priestly Life and Ministry
- The Diocesan Council for the Aged
- The Diocesan Council for Multiculturalism
- Aged Care, Southern Cross Care
- The Diocesan Council of Catholic Women where she was the first Chair.

Peg is currently on the State Executive of the Catholic Women's League as the Development Officer. Peg received an OAM for her work for women especially through the Catholic Women's League.