

Palliative Care first, say No to Euthanasia

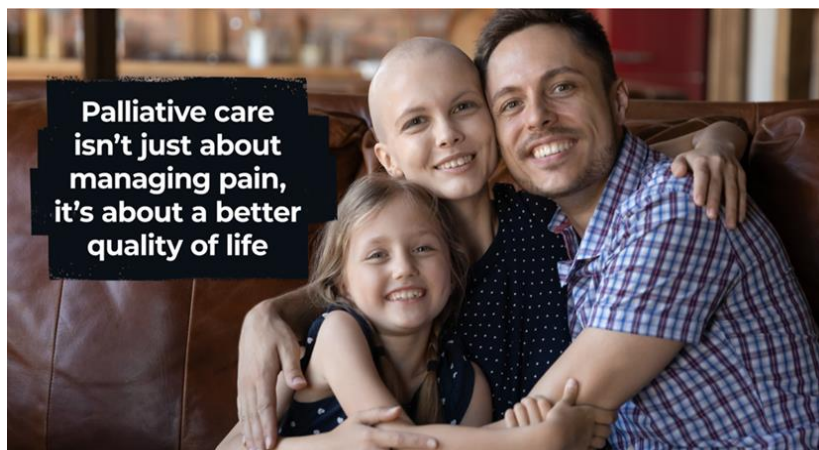
A message from the Parish Pastoral Council – 25 July 2021 – Week 2

This week we bring to your attention a couple of Editorial articles published recently. Dr Annmarie Hosie is an Associate Professor in Palliative care nursing with a focus on improving the care, function and quality of life of older people with advanced illness. She helps us to understand Dying and the question of dignity as she relates a few of her personal experiences with families facing the toughest of times. The article is available [here](#).

The second one is an article written jointly by a former president of the AMA Tasmania, Hayden Walters, and medical oncologist in Melbourne, Associate Professor Marion Harris. They explain a little of the history of legislation introduced in Victoria, Western Australia and (recently) Tasmania. The article is available [here](#).

In Queensland our politicians will be deciding on Euthanasia legislation currently before parliament during their sitting time in September. If you want to influence that decision and make your voice heard, we have attached a link to the [Call to Action flyer](#) by which you can arrange to meet with or email your local parliamentarian.

*If that's not your thing, then **let's P-R-A-Y together** that Queenslanders might respect Church teaching that life is sacred from conception to natural death and that a fully supported palliative care system would negate the need for assisted suicide.*



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[Archdiocese of Brisbane website 'Dying Peacefully' documents – see under Resources](#)