



## Pauline Black

Diocese of Wagga Wagga

Pauline has been involved with the St Vincent De Paul Society for around 50 years. She has served in all capacities, as a member and in leadership roles on Regional, Diocesan and State Council levels. During her term as Regional President 1988-2001 Pauline oversaw the building of a new Centre of Charity and the purchase and renovations of Micah House, a care and support home, which has provided the needy of Wagga Wagga with a place to go for a mid-day meal, for friendship and support. Pauline's vision and foresight was instrumental in ensuring Micah House became the reality it is today. She continues to work at Micah House even though she is currently the Wagga Wagga Diocesan Council President, having held this position since 2003.

Pauline's love of the poor, her tireless work for those less fortunate is a shining example of Jesus' call to love and to serve. Pauline has always been a woman of great prayer and faithfulness. She is the mother of 8, the grandmother of 17 and the great-grandmother of 5.

Pauline was involved with the commencement of a breakfast program at one of the local primary schools and also with the set up of a Craft Group – both of these activities are still operational today. She is also a member of the Rural Task Force which provides support to farming Families.

Pauline has certainly demonstrated that she is a dedicated, forward-thinking, energetic and enthusiastic leader who has contributed greatly to the Wagga Wagga community in its service to the poor.