

# Anglican Diocese of Tasmania

1842 – 1981

**Other Names:** • Church of England Diocese of Tasmania

## Details

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The Anglican Diocese of Tasmania was established in 1842. After its arrival in Tasmania, the Church of England was either closely involved in or ran institutions for children and single mothers. In 1981, the Church of England became known as the Anglican Church of Australia.

The Church of England in Australia was established in 1788 at Sydney Cove following colonial settlement there. In 1842, the Diocese of Tasmania was created. Three years later, the rest of Australia was divided into four separate dioceses of Sydney, Newcastle, Adelaide, and Melbourne.

Members of the Church worked closely with the government to run the Queen's Orphan Asylum. In addition, the Church managed the Home of Mercy, Hope Cottage, Clarendon Children's Home, and Roland Boys' Home. From 1881, in conjunction with the state government, it ran the Cape Barren Island Reserve.

## Gallery

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**St David's Church, Hobart.**

**Description:** St David's Church, Hobart is a wood engraving measuring 8 x 11 cm. It was originally in the Picturesque atlas of Australasia. Vol. II p. 512, published by the Picturesque Atlas Publishing Company in 1886. St David's Church later became St David's Cathedral.



**The interior of the Anglican St David's Cathedral, Hobart**

## More info

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### Related Entries

#### Ran

- [Contagious Diseases Hospital \(1879 - 1900\)](#)
- [Hope Cottage \(1887 - 1896\)](#)

Date: 1892 - 1896

- [Lying-in Home, Cascades \(1888 - 1900\)](#)  
Date: 1895 -
- [Home of Mercy \(1890 - c. 1953\)](#)
- [Clarendon Children's Home \(1922 - 2004\)](#)  
Date: 1923 - 1981
- [Roland Boys' Home \(1951 - c. 1993\)](#)

#### Related Organisations

- [Queen's Orphan Asylum \(1833 - 1879\)](#)  
The Church of England was deeply involved in the management of the Queen's Orphan Asylum.
- [Anglicare Tasmania \(1977 - current\)](#)

#### Related Places

- [Cape Barren Island Reserve \(1881 - 1951\)](#)  
In conjunction with the state government, The Church of England In Australia and Tasmania ran the Cape Barren Island Reserve.

## Resources

- Kohl, Tanya and Crowley, Michael, *Not the way of Christ: independent pastoral inquiry into sexual misconduct by clergy or officers of the Anglican Diocese of Tasmania with particular reference to paedophilia*, March 1998
- Boyce, James, [Working for a just Tasmania: 25 years of Anglicare](#), 2007

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