

On the death of Cardinal Pell

For the second time in recent weeks, our prayers are focussed on survivors of clerical abuse whose trauma is rekindled by the death of Cardinal Pell

An article in *The Sydney Morning Herald* 21 March 2005 concerned a silent demonstration by women and men about the lack of women in power positions in the Roman Catholic Church. Pell gave a statement to the Herald that women priests would never happen, "not in any lifetime"

It hasn't happened in his lifetime but it will.

The abused children didn't get justice in Pell's lifetime but it will come for all those marginalised and abused by the hierarchical church