



12 October 2020

Rt Rev Fr John Herbert OSB  
Abbot  
Holy Trinity Abbey  
NEW NORCIA WA 6509

Dear John,

I write to share with you my sincere thanks and congratulations in relation to your successful 'launch' of 'La table de l'abbé' on Saturday, 10 October 2020. It was an honour to have been included among the first 50 guests you have welcomed to this new initiative, and for that I am most appreciative. The culinary offerings were complimented by the homely ambiance of the New Norcia Hostel and the hospitality extended to the guests by the members of your team and yourself.

Indeed, within the front cover of the menu you captured well the experience which was afforded to all who gathered on Saturday evening:

*'This series of dinners hosted in the grand old New Norcia Hostel seeks to celebrate fresh seasonal produce and New Norcia's own fine produce to be enjoyed with family and friends – or strangers – in this unique and special place ... a town like no other'.*

Thank you for the continued gift and witness of the Benedictine charism within the Archdiocese. It is occasions like Saturday evening which highlight the depth and accessibility of monastic spirituality through the lens of 'a lived experience' for those who may not have previously had a first-hand glimpse. Thank you for this very special gift to us all.

In appreciation,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'D. Lynch'.

Mr Daniel Lynch  
Director, Office of the Archbishop

