



## 14<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ST THOMAS MORE LECTURE



# ST THOMAS MORE PARISH AND FORUM DINNER 2018 LESSONS FROM ST THOMAS MORE AND THE FREEDOM OF RELIGION IN AUSTRALIA TODAY

St Thomas More is the patron saint of politicians and statesmen. He was beheaded for his Catholic faith and passionate defence of religious freedom. Nearly 500 years later, placing limits on the extent of an individual's religious freedom has never been more popular. Freedom of religion is a core Australian value and its protection requires strong vigilance from growing secularism and unbridled populism. A look at populism and the current state of the religious freedom debate in Australia through the eyes of St Thomas More.

**Keynote Speaker:** **The Hon Dan Tehan MP**  
Federal Minister for Social Services

**FRIDAY 22 JUNE 2018 | 7.30PM - 9PM**



The Hon Dan Tehan MP is the Member for Wannon in Victoria. He is Minister for Social Services and was sworn in on 20 December 2017.

Mr Tehan served as Minister for Veterans' Affairs, Minister for Defence Personnel, Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Cyber Security and Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Centenary of Anzac from

28 July 2016. Before that, he was Minister for Veterans' Affairs, Minister for Defence Materiel and Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for the Centenary of Anzac from 18 February 2016.

Mr Tehan was elected to Federal Parliament in 2010.

Prior to this, Mr Tehan worked in agriculture in Australia and

overseas. He has worked in the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, including as a diplomat in Mexico. Mr Tehan worked as a Senior Adviser to the Deputy Prime Minister and Chief of Staff to the Minister for Small Business and Tourism. He also worked as Deputy State Director for the Victorian Liberal Party.

**Venue:** **Mercure Hotel**  
**Limestone Avenue, Braddon ACT 2618**

**Cost:** **\$85.00 (Dinner and wine)**

*Canapes and complimentary glass of sparkling wine on arrival, followed by a two course dinner with a bottle of red and white wine per table and tea/coffee and cake.*

**RSVP:** **Noon Friday 15 June 2018**

**Enquiries:** **[forum@stthomasmore.org.au](mailto:forum@stthomasmore.org.au)**  
**0416 823 447**

Online booking and payment by credit card is required for seating and catering purposes.

**Register here:** <https://goo.gl/gwgv1U>

Please contact the Parish Office 0416 823 447, if you would prefer not to book online.

**Bookings Close Friday 15 June 2018**

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