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A dedicated servant

St Vincent de Paul Society Queensland (Vinnies) recently lost one its greatest servants in Vincentian and former State President Brian Moore who passed away after a long-term illness.

A member for more than 50 years, Brian held various roles as a Vincentian, State President, Senior Vice President of the Society's State Council, Diocesan President Toowoomba and Regional President in the Toowoomba region on three occasions.

Brian who is known to Catholic Leader readers as the primary contributor of monthly Vinnies View articles, was also involved in a number Vinnies' State Committees, and most recently served in the role of Good Works Ambassador.

Peter Maher OAM who recently retired as CEO of Vinnies Queensland said Brian exemplified what being a Vincentian was all about.

"What impressed me the most about Brian was his commitment to the Society, to its mission and ethos," he said.

"Whenever Brian saw a need he did something about it, whether it was to set up transport services for people with disabilities, a food division, a training program for members or a new Vinnies Centre, the list goes on.

"Brian really understood what it was to be a member of the St Vincent de Paul Society, to be a Vincentian."

Vinnies Queensland State President Dennis Innes said Brian left a lasting legacy on the organisation, not only throughout the Toowoomba region but across the state.

"Having served the Society for over five decades in a number of different leadership roles Brian had a huge impact, the Society would not be where it is today without his passion and dedication," he said.

"He was a man who practiced his beliefs every day in helping the lonely, checking on the sick and providing assistance to the people of the Toowoomba and Warwick communities over many years.

"Brian will be greatly missed by us all for his guidance, love, compassion and respect for others.

"Our deepest sympathies are with his wife Beverley and his extended family and our thoughts and prayers are with them at this difficult time."

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