As an honorary Fellow of Warrane, a regular visitor over the years, sometime guest and speaker at the Wednesday formal dinner, former Archbishop of Sydney and a long-time admirer of Opus Dei, it gives me great pleasure to congratulate the College on fifty years of service to the Australian and international community.

Five thousand residents have lived at Warrane during this time, many of them from country centres, like myself. They have benefitted immensely from immersion into this Australian version of the Oxbridge College life during their time at university.

Special thanks are due the four Masters and the dedicated, often distinguished staff who have led the community. This leadership service is a rewarding and generally pleasant task, but the changes in the students’ world view in their personal core values over the decades have not made the work of Christian leadership easier in the appropriately mixed group which constitutes the student body. But it continues to be done well.

May God continue to bless Warrane College so that it goes from strength to strength over the coming decades.