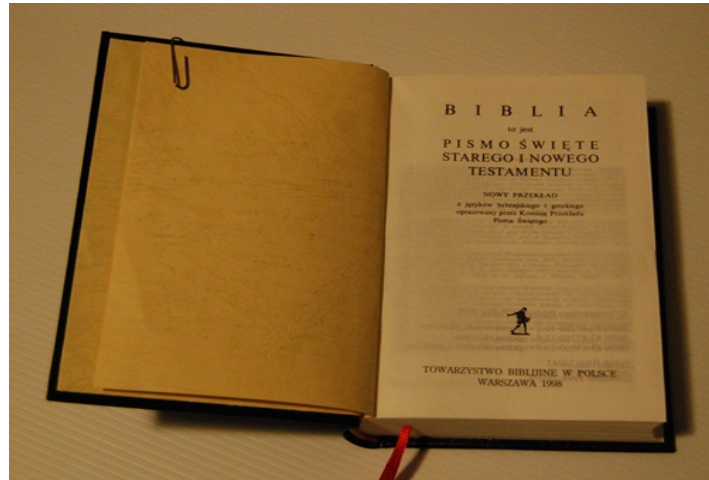


First Oath of the Premier of South Australia on the Bible

March 25, 2010



- On July 24, 1980, the Polish Hill River Church Museum was entered into the state heritage register.
- The official opening of the museum by Monsignor Horgan took place on October 9, 1988.
- In 1996, a committee was formed to organize exhibitions at the museum and ensure its regular opening to the public. The museum is currently registered under the "Museum Accreditation and Grants Program" and is administered in accordance with the requirements of the History Trust of SA. This website was funded by a grant from the Blum Foundation, managed by ANZ Trustees. The PHRCM has received a new acquisition that we are excited about and proud of.

The Labor Party government was re-elected for a third four-year term

- On Thursday, March 25, 2010, the Governor of South Australia, His Excellency Rear Admiral Kevin Scarce AC, presided over the swearing-in of Mr. Mike Rann as Premier and Minister.
Mr. Rann took the oath using a Polish Bible, which was presented to him by the prelate of St. Mary's Basilica in Kraków, Dr. Fidelus. This was done to express respect and sympathy for the Polish community. Considering that he would be the first Premier of Australia ever to take the oath using a Bible in Polish, Mr. Rann graciously donated it to the Polish Hill River Church Museum.

Hon. Mike Rann M.P., the 44th Premier of South Australia, was sworn in for his third term at Government House in Adelaide on March 25, 2010, with this Polish Bible. In 2008, Mr. Rann was awarded the "Commander's Cross of the Order of Merit of the Republic of Poland." This Bible was presented to the Premier in December 2008 at St. Mary's Church in Kraków by Prelate Dr. Fidelus, a close friend and former assistant of Pope John Paul II.