



WITNESS OF HOPE

Caroline Chisholm

Caroline Chisholm was a pioneering humanitarian and social reformer, remembered for her tireless work to support migrants, especially women and families, in colonial Australia. Born in England in 1808, she arrived in Sydney in 1838.

With **courage and compassion**, Caroline established employment agencies, safe housing, and training programs to give **dignity and hope** to the disadvantaged, guided by her **deep Christian faith** and a belief in the **equal worth of every person**.

Caroline's efforts helped over 11,000 people find work and stability. **She saw Christ in the poor** and responded with action. Her life was a testament to the power of practical love—a faith lived out in service to others.

Often called the "Emigrant's Friend," Caroline Chisholm is celebrated as a national heroine and a woman of great moral vision. Her legacy of advocacy and compassion continues to inspire today.

May Caroline Chisholm inspire us to bring hope to the poor.

We are called

to be **builders of bridges,**
not walls.

Pope Francis

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