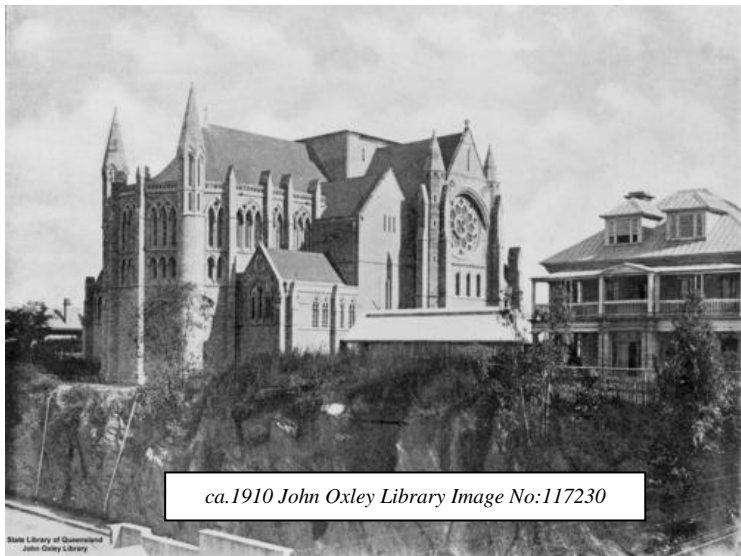


CONSERVATION APPEAL

St John's Cathedral Brisbane

The completion of what is likely to be the last Gothic-style Cathedral to be built in the world gains tax deductibility through The National Trust of Queensland. The massive undertaking by the Cathedral Chapter to finally complete one of Australia's finest heritage buildings has seen wonderful progress since building began in 1906.

The National Trust of Queensland is proud to be associated with this outstanding building project over a long period of time and lists it as one of its finest heritage buildings.



St John's Cathedral is being constructed in three building stages. Construction is by reference to plans drawn-up in the late 1800's and building techniques use the medieval style of construction, combined in more recent years with modern technology. As well as using traditional stonemasonry skills that date back hundreds of years, the project is now assisted by a computer operated diamond wire saw. The introduction of the diamond wire saw in the 1990's allows the massive sandstone blocks to be cut by the saw and then hand finished in the traditional way by stonemasons.

Stage One commenced in 1906 and was completed in 1910 - and witnessed the construction of the east end together with the first bay of the Nave .

Stage Two - 1964 to 1968 - completed the second and third bays of the Nave.

Stage Three - 1989 - 2008 - will see the completion of the West End and magnificent Towers, together with the construction of the Central (Bell) Tower.

Fundraising - many thousands of people in the wider community continue to support the building of the Cathedral, as well as each level of Government. It is through the continued and valuable support of so many that will see Brisbane's magnificent cathedral finally completed in the 2008 year - with celebrations to follow in Queensland's 150th year as a State.

St John's Cathedral is open daily and welcomes visitors from all denominations. Its primary role is a place of worship for the Anglican community. However, during each year the building opens its doors to many thousands of visitors who may simply wish to enjoy the peace and tranquility of the wonderful interior space, or attend cultural events and exhibitions.

Visitors to the National Trust of Queensland's website are invited to click on the cathedral website for more information. Website address :

www.stjohnscathedral.com.au