

## **CHOOSING TO NOT STAND STILL!**

A number of years ago there was a popular American television show called "*Believe It or Not.*" On one show the presenters showed a piece of metal that was worth about \$5 and when it was broken down into horse shoes its value rose to \$50. The metal was further refined into medical needles and its value increased to \$5,000 and then when the metal was turned into wristwatch springs its value rose to \$500,000!

The challenge before us all is to remember that we are all works in progress and the possibilities of our basic talents and the opportunities before can be beyond our imagination. When I was a student for the priesthood the history lecturer before each course would bow before the students before him and asked why he said they could well be some of the future bishops of Australia. And some of them did become bishops!

It is the call to use our talents well where we are in life that is the key to personal growth. It was once wisely pointed out to me that we would be very remiss to ever underestimate the influence that our example can have on others. The call not to stand still with our life talents and opportunities perhaps prompted Jesus of Nazareth to say; "*To everyone who has they will be given more to those who have not, even what they have will be taken away.*" Matthew Ch.13 verse 15. *Fr Martin R Maunsell*