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**The Plenary Council 2020**  
 The Church in Australia has been preparing for the **Australian Church Plenary Council**. The Plenary Council is still in its first phase. This first phase is a "Listening" process whereby each Australian Catholic is asked to respond to the question "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia?" This question could be answered in a small group setting anywhere or could be answered individually by going onto the website for the Plenary Council and answering the question yourself.  
 The St Mary's responses are now being collated and you are invited to take the opportunity to join other parishioners to review the responses and spend some time reflecting on a topic, thinking and talking about your experiences of faith, life and the Church. The first of the **dialogue encounters are on Sunday, 3 February after the 9 am and 5 pm Masses in St Mary's Church and on Thursday, 7 February in St Mary's House commencing at 7.00 pm.**  
**Dutton Park Parish** please come along on the following dates to write your responses.  
 • **Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Fairfield**  
 3rd February after the 7am mass  
 • **St Francis Church**  
 3rd February after the 9am mass in the hall  
 • **St Ita's Church**  
 3rd February after the 8am mass and 23rd February after the family vigil mass

**RISING YOUTH MINISTRY**  
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**Fourth Sunday In ordinary Time (Year C)**  
**3rd February 2019**

**Dear Parishioners,**  
 The central theme of today's readings is that we should have and show the courage of our Christian convictions in our day-to-day lives in our communities, when we face hatred and rejection because of our Christian faith. In both the first reading and the gospel, Jeremiah and Jesus are presented as prophets, chosen, consecrated and sent to their brothers and sisters as emissaries of the Word of God. Today's Gospel is a continuation of last Sunday's gospel presenting his own people's reaction to Jesus' "Inaugural Address."  
**Amazement turning to hatred.** The first reaction of the people in the synagogue to Jesus' words was one of astonishment. They were amazed that one of their fellow villagers could speak with such grace and eloquence and with such authority. But their amazement turned into displeasure when, during His "Inaugural Address" or "Mission Statement," Jesus took upon Himself the identity of a prophet, different from the image of the other prophets of the past, Jesus called upon people to relinquish their selfishness, faithlessness, and lack of justice and mercy and their sinfulness. Hence their displeasure turned into anger when Jesus claimed that He was the promised Messiah of Isaiah's prophecy. They challenged His Messianic claim, asking, "Isn't this the son of Joseph?" They could not understand how a mere carpenter could be the Messiah who would liberate them from Roman rule and reestablish the Davidic kingdom. Jesus explained their attitude by saying "No prophet is accepted in his native place."

**Total rejection and attempted murder:** Jesus, like the earlier prophets, dared to speak the truth to people who did not want to hear it. Jesus' reference to the unbelief of the Jews and to the stronger faith of the Gentiles infuriated His listeners. Hence, without a trial or even a hearing, and in violation of both Jewish and Roman Law, His townspeople rushed to seize Jesus and throw Him over the edge of the cliff on which their town was built. But Jesus escaped because "His hour had not yet come." This rejection of Jesus by His own townsfolk must have sincerely grieved Him.  
**Face rejection with prophetic courage and optimism:** The story of Jesus' rejection in His own hometown is a story that we can identify with, because it is a story that has happened to most of us. Perhaps we have experienced the pain of rejection, betrayal, abandonment, violated trust, neglect or abuse. What about rejection by those closest to us? Often our friends, families, or childhood companions fail to listen to us, refuse our advice, and reject the words of grace, love and encouragement that we offer to them because they are unable to see us as God's appointed instruments, the agents of God's healing and saving grace. Perhaps we ourselves are guilty of such rejection. How often have we discounted people through prejudice? We must realize that God's power is always available to transform even the most unlikely people, and that His power may come to us through unlikely instruments.  
**Peace and blessings**  
**Fr Bollar Barreto OFM CAP**

**MASS TIMES**  
**St Mary's Church** (20 Merivale St. South Brisbane)  
 Mon-Fri 7am; Sat 8am (Rosary after Mass)  
 Sunday 9am and 5pm  
**St Francis' Church** (47 Dornoch Tce., West End)  
 Mon-Fri 10am (Rosary before Mass at 9.30am)  
 (Anointing: 1st Friday); Sunday: 9am  
**St Ita's Church** (Pope St., Dutton Park)  
 Saturday (Vigil) 5pm; Sunday 8.00am  
**Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour**  
 (Victoria St., Fairfield)  
 Sunday 7am (Anointing: 1st Sunday)

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**Confession**  
**St Mary's Church:**  
 Fri 7.30am—8am Sat 8.30-9.30am; Sun 4-4.45pm  
**St Ita's Church:** Sat 4-4.50pm

## Parish Activities in 2019

### BAPTISMS

Saturday | 9.30am | monthly

1st Saturday St Francis'  
2nd Saturday St Mary's  
3rd Saturday St Ita's

Family preparation sessions are held at St Ita's on the first Thursday night of each month at 6.30pm bookings essential

### ADORATION

Sunday 4-5pm St Mary's Church

### PRAYER AND QUIET REFLECTION

Monday to Friday 12-2pm St Mary's Church

### AWAKEN: TOGETHER IN CHRIST

Tuesday 7pm  
St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Terrace, West End  
website: [awaken.org.au](http://awaken.org.au)

### CAKE STALL St Francis Church Resumes in Feb

Third Sunday of the month After the 9am mass

### ST FRANCIS TABLE—Ministry to the Elderly

Monday 10am -1pm Resumes 4th February  
St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Terrace, West End

### ANOIDING OF THE SICK MASS

First Friday of the Month | St Francis 10am  
First Sunday of the month | OLPS Fairfield 7am

### PARISH MORNING TEAS

Every Sunday St Mary's (and Feast Days)  
First Sunday of the month  
OLPS Fairfield after 7am Mass  
St Francis Church after 9am mass

### FAMILY MASS

Fourth Saturday of the month | St Ita's Church 5pm  
(school term only)

### NEW PARISHIONERS

We would like to help you feel at home in the Parish. Would you please make yourselves known to our Priests and to the parishioners who greet you as you arrive. Welcome leaflets with basic information about the parish are also available either at the door of the church or by contacting the parish office. Thank you for becoming part of our community.

### READINGS AT MASS

Entrance Antiphon Ps 105:47

Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

First reading Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

In the days of Josiah, the word of the Lord was addressed to me, saying:

'Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; before you came to birth I consecrated you; I have appointed you as prophet to the nations.

'So now brace yourself for action. Stand up and tell them all I command you. Do not be dismayed at their presence, or in their presence I will make you dismayed.

'I, for my part, today will make you into a fortified city, a pillar of iron, and a wall of bronze to confront all this land: the kings of Judah, its princes, its priests and the country people.

They will fight against you but shall not overcome you, for I am with you to deliver you – it is the Lord who speaks.'

Psalm Ps 70:1-6, 15, 17.R.v.15

R/ I will sing of your salvation.

### Second reading

1 Cor 12:31-13:13

Be ambitious for the higher gifts. And I am going to show you a way that is better than any of them.

If I have all the eloquence of men or of angels, but speak without love, I am simply a gong booming or a cymbal clashing. If I have the gift of prophecy, understanding all the mysteries there are, and knowing everything, and if I have faith in all its fullness, to move mountains, but without love, then I am nothing at all. If I give away all that I possess, piece by piece, and if I even let them take my body to burn it, but am without love, it will do me no good whatever.

Love is always patient and kind; it is never jealous; love is never boastful or conceited; it is never rude or selfish; it does not take offence, and is not resentful. Love takes no pleasure in other people's sins but delights in the truth; it is always ready to excuse, to trust, to hope, and to endure whatever comes.

Love does not come to an end. But if there are gifts of prophecy, the time will come when they must fail; or the gift of languages, it will not continue for ever; and knowledge – for this, too, the time will come when it must fail. For our knowledge is imperfect and our prophesying is imperfect; but once perfection comes, all imperfect things will disappear. When I was a child, I used to talk like a child, and think like a child, and argue like a child, but now I am a man, all childish ways are put behind me. Now we are seeing a dim reflection in a mirror; but then we shall be seeing face to face. The knowledge that I have now is imperfect; but then I shall know as fully as I am known.

In short, there are three things that last: faith, hope and love; and the greatest of these is love.

### Gospel Acclamation

Lk 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and free dom to prisoners. Alleluia!

### Gospel

Luke 4: 21-30

Jesus began to speak in the synagogue, "This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen." And he won the approval of all, and they were astonished by the gracious words that came from his lips.

They said, 'This is Joseph's son, surely!' But he replied, 'No doubt you will quote me the saying, "Physician, heal yourself" and tell me, "We have heard all that happened in Capernaum, do the same here in your own countryside." 'And he went on, 'I tell you solemnly, no prophet is ever accepted in his own country.

'There were many widows in Israel, I can assure you, in Elijah's day, when heaven remained shut for three years and six months and a great famine raged throughout the land, but Elijah was not sent to any one of these: he was sent to a widow at Zarephath, a Sidonian town. And in the prophet Elisha's time there were many lepers in Israel, but none of these was cured, except the Syrian, Naaman.'

When they heard this everyone in the synagogue was enraged. They sprang to their feet and hustled him out of the town; and they took him up to the brow of the hill their town was built on, intending to throw him down the cliff, but he sloped through the crowd and walked away.

### Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 30: 17-18

Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love. O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading: Is 6:1-8; 2nd reading:

1Cor 15: 1-11; Gospel: Lk 5: 1-11

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### This Week's Liturgical Calendar (Psalm Responses) 4th Week in Ordinary Time

Monday 4th:

R/ Let your hearts take comfort, all who hope in the Lord.

Tuesday 5th: St Agatha (Memorial)

R/ They will praise you, Lord, who long for you.

Wednesday 6th: St Paul Miki & companions (Memorial)

R/ The Lord's kindness is everlasting to those who fear him.

Thursday 7th:

R/ God, in your temple, we ponder your love.

Friday 8th:

R/ The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Saturday 9th: Mass of Virgin Mary

R/ The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

### 2 MINUTE CATECHISM

Q: Is there a difference in meaning between the words Hallelujah and Alleluia. And if not, why are they spelled differently?

A: No, both words are the same. Hallelujah is a Hebrew word, ( הלל יהוה Hallal (Praise) + Yah (The LORD). Hence "Hallelujah" means, "Praise the Lord!" But the exact way that the Hebrew letters are transliterated into English and other languages has varied a bit over time. Perhaps most influential is the fact that the Greek New Testament rendered the Hebrew word Hallelujah as ἀλληλουϊα (allelouia). And since Greek is generally more influential in English spellings than Hebrew, many English translations render the word as Alleluia.

However, not an insubstantial number of English translators have preferred over the centuries, especially when translating the Old Testament Hebrew, to render the term Hallelujah. Some translators will use Hallelujah for the Old Testament and Alleluia for the New Testament.

Music has also influenced the decision over which spelling to use since some of the famous compositions from the Baroque period such as Messiah used the spelling Hallelujah that was more common in earlier English translations of the Bible.

At the end of the day, it is the same word, just with different spellings.

By Msgr. Charles Pope

Liturgy Brisbane invites you to join with us for a free lecture by a visiting scholars from Sydney Jewish Museum, Dr Ari Lander in the St Francis Rush Centre, St Stephen's Cathedral Precinct 19th February, 6.30pm for 7pm start, concluding at 8.30pm. Free parking is available from 6pm in the Cathedral car park Ari will be presenting on, "YHWH: How is the God of the Israelites depicted in the Hebrew Bible?" RSVP essential <https://lbsurvey.weebly.com/19-feb-rsvp.html>



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### Activities in the Parish this Weekend.

1. A 3rd Collection will be taken up for the Little King's Movement Annual Church Appeal.
2. Have your say in the Penal Council. **What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?** You may write your answer/s after Mass at the following churches: St Ita's Church 8am Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Fairfield and St Francis Church
3. **Monthly Parish Morning Teas** Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Fairfield After 7am mass St Francis of Assisi West End After 9am Mass
4. **Chinese New Year (Or Tet) Mass** 5pm St Mary's

### Sunday School and Children's Liturgy

Sunday School for St. Francis and Children's Liturgy for St. Mary's Starts this Sunday 3rd of February.



### ST FRANCIS' TABLE - ministry to the elderly

Resumes on Monday 4th February 2019  
10am-1pm at St Francis' Hall, West End. All welcome!



### Save the Date!! Rising Youth Ministry Launch Party!

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Mass and rosary



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