



THE CATHEDRAL OF
ST. STEPHEN

*Embracing Villa Maria and
St Patrick's Fortitude Valley*

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Weekend of January 26/27, 2019

Janus is a mythical Roman figure usually depicted with two faces – one facing the past and the other the future. This weekend is Janus-like when we look in two different directions at the same time. Culturally, we look internally on this Australia Day long weekend. Ecclesially, we look outwards towards Panama City where Pope Francis will celebrate World Youth Day. So we hold two different dimensions in tension: who we are as a civic society and who we are as the people of God. We look both ways by looking into the heart of our nation through the eyes of our collective history and we look into the heart of the gospel through the eyes of the young.

The last census figures in 2016 showed a decrease in religious affiliation. Almost one in three Australians now claim no religious affiliation. This does not mean that 30% of our nation are atheists but it does mean that our religious institutions have no attraction for a significant percentage of the population. This should be a cause of reflection for us rather than despair. How can we speak the gospel anew today? In essence, that is what the Plenary Council is all about. Your voice is an important one for shaping the church of tomorrow, so please take the time to respond either through the postcards available or through the Plenary Council website: <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>

This weekend we also look outwards and towards the future as we connect with the World Youth Day celebrations in Panama City. The massive gathering of Catholic youth, which takes place every two or three years, will be held this year for the first time in Central America. Pope St. John Paul II established World Youth Day in 1985. The purpose of World Youth Day is threefold: a celebration of and putting trust in the young; giving young people a chance to make pilgrimage; and to give young people a chance to encounter the worldwide Catholic community.

The theme for this year's gathering is taken from Mary's affirmation in Luke's gospel (1:38): "I am the servant of the

Lord. May it be done to me according to your word."

Panama is a small Central American nation of about 4 million people. Overall, the country is about 85% Catholic. Most of the events are held on Cinta Costera, a small peninsula jutting into the Panama Bay, which has been renamed Campo Santa Maria la Antigua for WYD. They are expecting up to 250,000 people for the culminating Mass tonight our time. Over 60 young people from the Archdiocese are there participating in this festival of faith. Pope Francis arrived in Panama on Wednesday. The next day, he met with Panamanian President Juan Carlos Varela Rodriguez, which was followed by a meeting with the Central American bishops and then a welcome ceremony to mark the beginning of World Youth Day. On Thursday, Pope Francis met with young detainees for a penitential service, and later that evening presided over a "Via Crucis" (Way of the Cross) at Campo Santa Maria la Antigua. On Saturday, Pope Francis dedicated the altar of the Cathedral Basilica of Santa Maria la Antigua, and, in the evening, led a vigil with the young people. At 11pm our time tonight, 8am Sunday morning Panama time, Pope Francis will preside over the closing mass for WYD. Stay tuned because Pope Francis appears to be quite free around young people and often says some very interesting things at events such as these (but that is generally the case with Pope Francis).

This weekend we are reminded of our dual citizenship; that we are citizens of our nation and citizens of God's kingdom. In thanksgiving and hopefulness, let us commit ourselves to the work that must be done in our time and place. May we give thanks for our nation and our church and recognise our responsibilities in working with God to build both a just and fair society and a renewed church alive with the ever-young power of the Gospel.

Enjoy the long-weekend
Fr. Anthony

Most Reverend Mark Coleridge
Archbishop of Brisbane

Fr Anthony Mellor; Fr Odinaka Nwadike; Fr Thomas Ismoyo; Deacon Joshua Whitehead
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Mass Times this week

Monday	10.00am (Australia Day Public Holiday)
Tuesday to Friday	8.00am Chapel; 10.00am Cathedral; 12.30pm Cathedral; 5.10pm Chapel
Saturday	9.30am Villa Maria; 11.30am Cathedral

Sunday

Cathedral of St Stephen	Saturday	6.00pm (Vigil Mass)
	Sunday	8.00am; 10.00am (Solemn Mass); 12 noon; 7.30pm
St Patrick's, Fortitude Valley	Sunday	9.00am; 12 noon
Villa Maria, Spring Hill	Sunday	9.30am

Reconciliation

Tuesday to Friday	10.30-11.30am; 1.00-1.30pm; 4.30-5.00pm
Saturday	10.00-11.00am; 4.30-5.30pm

Exposition

Tuesday to Friday	10.30am – 12.15pm	Benediction Tuesday to Friday	12.15pm
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PLENARY COUNCIL PRAYER

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.

Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.

*O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia
and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.*

*Give us the grace to see your face in one another
and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.*

*Give us the courage to tell our stories
and to speak boldly of your truth.*

*Give us ears to listen humbly to each other
and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.*

*Lead your Church into a hope-filled future,
that we may live the joy of the Gospel.*

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord,
bread for the journey from age to age.*

Amen.

*Our Lady Help of Christians, **pray for us.***

*St Mary MacKillop, **pray for us.***

INVITATION TO JOIN THE CATHEDRAL MINISTRY OF EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF THE EUCHARIST

An extraordinary minister of Holy Communion is one who undertakes the liturgical ministry of distributing Holy Communion at Mass or to people who are sick or housebound. Extraordinary ministers of communion are specifically trained for the role and are commissioned in their local parish for this ministry. Liturgical Commission, Brisbane

Please accept this notification as your invitation to consider joining the Ministry of Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist. Training is being offered on Saturday 9th February @ 10.00am as per the notice below.

You can register your interest by emailing cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au or phone 3324 3030 if you would like to have more information.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS TRAINING

Late last year, Fr Odinaka conducted a compulsory training course for Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. As it was close to Christmas many Ministers were unable to attend and therefore he will be running another course in February.

We have schedule another two courses and if you were unable to attend last year, you are invited to attend on one of the following dates.

The course will be held on **Saturday 9th February @ 10.00am** in the Hanly Room and the car park will be available.

It is compulsory that all Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist attend training as instructions will be given in the correct procedure for purification of the chalice. If purifying the chalice is not something you are comfortable undertaking, and you no longer wish to be on the

Eucharistic Ministry roster, please let us know. Please rsvp by Wednesday 6th February to cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au

NECESSARY MAINTENANCE WORK

We thank you for your understand and patience whilst this necessary work is being carried. The work should be finished on Tuesday.

BAPTISM INTO CHRIST

With joy we welcome **Maya Anderson and Xavier O'Shaughnessy** who were baptised at the Cathedral this weekend.

AUSTRALIA DAY

Mass on the Australia Day public holiday, **Monday 28th January**, will be celebrated at **10.00am**.

LITTLE KING'S MOVEMENT FOR THE HANDICAPPED

The annual collection for the Little King's Movement for the Handicapped will be held next weekend the **2nd and 3rd of February**. Brochures and envelopes will be made available at the doors of the Cathedral. Your generosity would be appreciated.

RELIGIOUS PERPETUAL PROFESSION – SISTERS OF ST PAUL DE CHARTRES

On **Saturday 2nd February commencing at 2.00pm** four sisters from the Sisters of St Paul de Chartres will make their Religious Perpetual Profession. Archbishop Mark Coleridge will be the main Celebrant. You are welcome to attend this celebration.

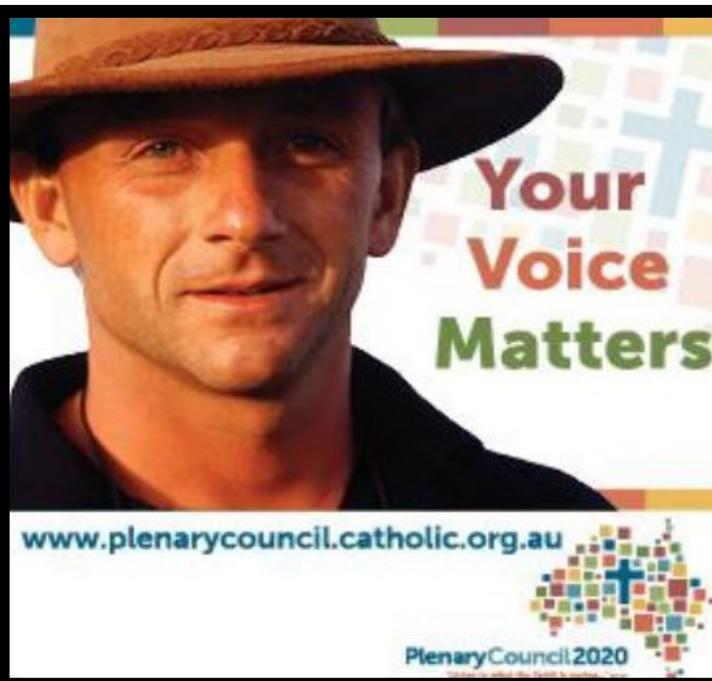
BAPTISM PREPARATION

On the first Saturday of every month in the Hanly Room of the Francis Rush Centre we hold a baptismal preparation meeting. At this short meeting we go through the symbols used in the sacrament, answer any questions and complete the necessary paperwork. The next baptismal preparation meeting will take place on Saturday morning, **9:30am on February 2nd**.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED



The Cathedral Coffee Lounge, located on the lower ground floor of Penola Place, is in desperate need of volunteers on a **Friday**. The coffee shop is open from 9.00am-2.00pm and whatever time you can give on a Friday will be appreciated. If you feel this is a ministry you would like to undertake, please contact Marg on 3336 9240.



What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?

Do you have something to say?

Then get involved & submit a response



Simply use your mobile phone's camera to scan the QR code to link straight to a submission page – **QUICK & EASY!**

GOD LOVES YOU! Catechesis for youth and adults

Location: Cathedral Meeting Room (old Choir Room downstairs)

Start: Monday 11th February 2019 at 6.00pm



His Holiness Pope Francis says:

“Dear brothers and sisters, your charism is a great gift of God for the Church of our time”

(address on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the NeoCatechumenal Way. Rome, 5 May 2018)

Presented by the NeoCatechumenal Way

For information feel free to email ncw.bne.nth@gmail.com

GOSPEL REFLECTION

More than the other gospel writers Luke approaches his work 'historically.' He views the time of Jesus as the centre point of history: the story of the Old Testament leads to its climax and fulfilment in Jesus and the Acts of the Apostles (also written by Luke) tells the story of the spread of the good news of Jesus. With this in mind Luke makes a distinctive use of the Old Testament.

Luke, like other early Christian writers, makes frequent references to the Old Testament. Matthew in particular made extensive use of Scripture. His references to the Old Testament were most often proof texts; that is, events from Jesus' life were clarified by references to the Old Testament to offer proof of Jesus' identity and mission. For example, Matthew explains Herod's execution of the infant boys in Bethlehem (Matt 2:18) as a fulfilment of Jeremiah 31:15. The overall effect is somewhat mechanical, a stilted alignment of biblical text and event from Jesus' life.

While Luke also does this, he does far more. On the grandest scale he sees the emergence and growth of the Church, recounted in Acts of the Apostles, as also a fulfilment of prophecy; moreover, words of Jesus in the gospel are fulfilled in Acts. But even in the gospel the whole shape of the story of Jesus, rather than specific events, fits a pattern of fulfilment; e.g., the story of Abraham and Sarah - both too old for children and Sarah barren - is reappropriated in the story of the aged and sterile Elizabeth and Zechariah. When Jesus reads from Isaiah 61:1 and 58:6 in this Sunday's gospel, it can be seen that the first line - 'the Spirit of the Lord is upon me' - has been specifically fulfilled in his baptism (Isa 61:1 confirms Luke 3:21-22). But the rest of the passage from Isaiah will be fulfilled broadly in the entire ministry of Jesus. Rather than a point-for-point correspondence the entire ministry is a fulfilment of prophecy. Luke announces as much in the introduction: his gospel is a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us (1:1).

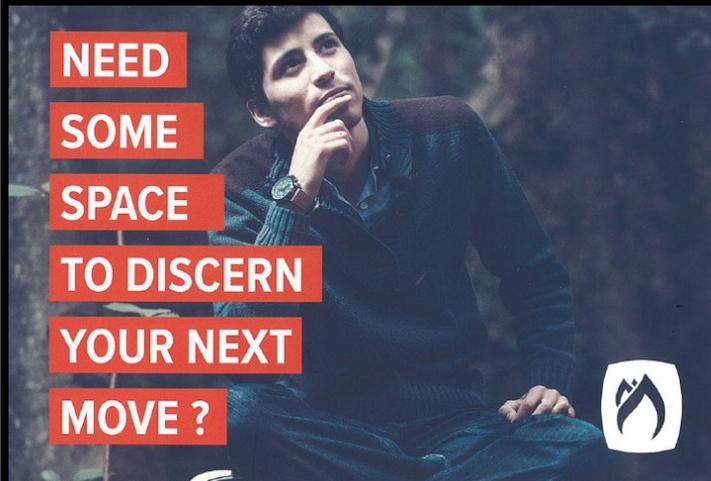
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The music is drawn from the Catholic Worship Book II for all Masses, available from our Welcomers at the entrances or on the pew seats. All Masses will be led by a Cantor.

The Cathedral Choirs are in recess.

	<p>6:00pm (Sat) (Sun) 8:00am, 10:00am 12:00pm 7.30pm</p>
Processional Hymn	CWB 598
Kyrie	CWB 22a
Gloria	CWB 22b
First Reading	Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10
Responsorial Psalm	Ps 18:8-10, 15
 <p>℟ Your words are spirit, O Lord, and they are life.</p>	
Second Reading	1 Corinthians 12:12-30
<p>Gospel Acclamation</p>  <p>℟ Al-le- lu- ia, al-le- lu- ia, al-le-lu- ia.</p>	
Gospel	Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21
Sanctus	CWB 22c
Agnus Dei	CWB 22h
Communion Hymn	CWB 593
Recessional Hymn	CWB 587



**NEED
SOME
SPACE
TO DISCERN
YOUR NEXT
MOVE ?**



You've heard God calling, what next?

If you're a young man who has heard God's call in your life and you are not totally sure what to do next, you might just need some time to discern exactly how you will respond. Maybe a year of discernment with other like minded guys could be just what you need.

There are many who have considered a vocation to the priesthood that have stayed in **Canali House** the year before they entered the Seminary. Some have gone on to become priests and others are now married, but the process has been well worth it. If you'd like more information please contact us on the details below.

