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Laudato Si' We Need Change, We Want Change Pope Francis Join the Laudato Si' Action Platform

The words of this beautiful [canticle](#), Saint [Francis of Assisi](#) reminds us that our common home is like a sister with whom we share our life and a beautiful mother who opens her arms to embrace us. "Praise be to you, my Lord, through our Sister, Mother Earth, who sustains and governs us, and who produces various fruit with coloured flowers and herbs" (Laudato Si 1.). This sister now cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her by our irresponsible use and abuse of the goods with which God has endowed her. We have come to see ourselves as her lords and masters, entitled to plunder her at will. The violence present in our hearts, wounded by sin, is also reflected in the symptoms of sickness evident in the soil, in the water, in the air and in all forms of life. This is why the earth herself, burdened and laid waste, is among the most abandoned and maltreated of our poor; she "groans in travail" (Rom 8:22). We have forgotten that we ourselves are dust of the earth (cf. Gen 2:7); our very bodies are made up of her elements, we breathe her air and we receive life and refreshment from her waters (Laudato Si 2.)". <https://www.laudatosi.org/laudato-si/>



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Sensational Saint Vincent De Paul

So much that we think we know about St Vincent is wrong. He was never abducted by pirates; he didn't convert his Muslim captors in order to escape slavery in North Africa. The reality is not as exciting. St Vincent joined the priesthood because it was a high-status position and promised a comfortable living. The conversion of his heart towards the poor came from the most unlikely place. Through hard work, he transformed himself to become the saint who reformed the Church and refocused its energy and resources towards the poor. Find out about St Vincent in this week's Sensational Saints.

[Watch here](#)



Journey Catholic Radio Listen as Lana Turvey Collins explains the Plenary Council week from 3-9 October <https://soundcloud.com/pulse941/week-425-jude-hennessy-in-conversation-with-plenary-council-facilitator-lana-turvey-collins-radio-edit/s-pz29ka6AuXv> Visit www.jcr.org.au or www.itunes.jcr.org.au where you can listen anytime and subscribe to weekly shows by email.

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Catholic Christianity Launch

This week we launch our Catholic Christianity Project which is an online initiative aimed at reaching those who might be enquiring about the Catholic faith. This project features a weekly podcast and video presentation that systematically walks listeners on a journey toward faith, addressing everything from how do we know there is a God, to why the Church's moral teachings can actually be life-giving and compelling when properly understood.

Join us on a journey through the teachings of the Catholic Church, explained in a way that is inspiring, challenging, and easy to understand. Find out more about Catholic Christianity here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TJqCsEiorZs>

Where to get Catholic Christianity

The first episode of **Catholic Christianity Season 1: Reasons to Believe** is now available. To listen to the podcast, visit your preferred [podcast streaming platform](#). To watch the video, visit the [Catholic Christianity YouTube channel](#), or head to the Catholic Christianity website at catholicchristianity.org.

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The Holy Spirit will Teach You

John 14:24-39

Through the Listening and Dialogue phase, along with the Listening and Discernment phase, parishes and faith communities right across the Archdiocese of Brisbane have been integral to the Plenary journey. If you wish to remain close to the Plenary First Assembly and pray together with us, you are welcome to attend the Plenary Council First Assembly Opening Mass at 12.00pm on Sunday October 3 in St Stephen's Cathedral, as well as the Closing Mass at 10.00am on Sunday October 10 at St Stephen's Cathedral. All are welcome. Please remember to wear a mask to comply with COVID requirements. A return to ticketed seating and registration will better help us accommodate the expected numbers. Please book for free via the following booking systems for the Mass you would like to attend: Opening Mass on Sunday 3 October at 12 noon <https://plenarycouncilopeningmass.eventbrite.com.au> Closing Mass on Sunday 10 October at 10.00am <https://plenarycouncilclosingmass.eventbrite.com.au>

May the Spirit lead us and inspire us.



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The celebrations and prayer intentions of The Season of Creation culminate on the Feast of St Francis 4th October. A Historic joint Statement issued by Pope Francis, Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew and Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury is below —this is a first ever message from the three faith leaders calling on all Christians and their communities to address the 'unprecedented threat of climate change and environmental degradation.'

A JOINT MESSAGE FOR THE PROTECTION OF CREATION

For more than a year, we have all experienced the devastating effects of a global pandemic—all of us, whether poor or wealthy, weak or strong. Some were more protected or vulnerable than others, but the rapidly-spreading infection meant that we have depended on each other in our efforts to stay safe. We realised that, in facing this worldwide calamity, no one is safe until everyone is safe, that our actions really do affect one another, and that what we do today affects what happens tomorrow. These are not new lessons, but we have had to face them anew. May we not waste this moment. We must decide what kind of world we want to leave to future generations. God mandates: 'Choose life, so that you and your children might live' (Dt 30:19). We must choose to live differently; we must choose life. September is celebrated by many Christians as the Season of Creation, an opportunity to pray and care for God's creation. As world leaders prepare to meet in November at Glasgow to deliberate on the future of our planet, we pray for them and consider what the choices we must all make. Accordingly, as leaders of our Churches, we call on everyone, whatever their belief or

worldview, to endeavour to listen to the cry of the earth and of people who are poor, examining their behaviour and pledging meaningful sacrifices for the sake of the earth which God has given us.

The Importance of Sustainability

In our common Christian tradition, the Scriptures and the Saints provide illuminating perspectives for comprehending both the realities of the present and the promise of something larger than what we see in the moment. The concept of stewardship—of individual and collective responsibility for our God-given endowment—presents a vital starting-point for social, economic and environmental sustainability. In the New Testament, we read of the rich and foolish man who stores great wealth of grain while forgetting about his finite end (Lk 12.13–21). We learn of the prodigal son who takes his inheritance early, only to squander it and end up hungry (Lk 15.11–32). We are cautioned against adopting short term and seemingly inexpensive options of building on sand, instead of building on rock for our common home to withstand storms (Mt 7.24–27). These stories invite us to adopt a broader outlook and recognise our place in the extended story of humanity. But we have taken the opposite direction. We have maximised our own interest at the expense of future generations. By concentrating on our wealth, we find that long-term assets, including the bounty of nature, are depleted for short-term advantage. Technology has unfolded new possibilities for progress but also for accumulating unrestrained wealth, and many of us behave in ways which demonstrate little concern for other people or the limits of the planet. Nature is resilient, yet delicate. We are already witnessing the consequences of our refusal to protect and preserve it (Gn 2.15). Now, in this

MASS TIMES

St Mary's Church (20 Mirivale St. South Brisbane)
 Mon-Fri: 7am; Sat: 8am (Rosary after Mass)
 Sunday: 9am and 5pm
 Youth Mass: 4th Sunday 5pm
 (Anointing 1st Friday of each month)

St Francis' Church (47 Dornoch Tce., West End)
 Sunday: 9am

St Ita's Church (Pope St., Dutton Park)
 Saturday (Vigil): 5pm

Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
 (Victoria St., Fairfield)
 Sunday: 7am (Anointing: 1st Sunday)

CONFESSION

St Mary's Church:
 Fri: 7.30am—8am Sat: 8.30-9.00am; Sun: 4-4.45pm

St Ita's Church: By appointment contact parish office

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Readings at Mass

Entrance Antiphon **Dn 3: 31, 29, 30, 43, 42**

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

First reading **Numbers 11:25-29**

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they prophesied, but not again. Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 18 :8,10,12-14 R.v.9** **The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.**

The law of the Lord is perfect,
it revives the soul.
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
it gives wisdom to the simple. **R/**

The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding for ever.
The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just. **R/**

So in them your servant finds instruction;
great reward is in their keeping.
But who can detect all his errors?
From hidden faults acquit me. **R/**

From presumption restrain your servant
and let it not rule me.
Then shall I be blameless,
clean from grave sin. **R/**

Second reading **James 5:1-6**

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that you stored up as your treasure for the last days. Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them – listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on eating to your heart's content. It was you who condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered you no resistance.

Gospel Acclamation **cf John 17:17**
Alleluia, alleluia! Your word, O Lord, is truth: make us holy in the truth. Alleluia!

Gospel **Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48**
Anyone who is not against us is for us. If your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off.

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one of us casting out devils in your name; and because he was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said, 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not against us is for us. 'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you

belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward. 'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does not die nor their fire go out.'

Communion Antiphon **Cf. Ps 118: 49-50**

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Next Sunday's readings: 1st reading: Gen 2:18-24,
2nd reading: Heb 2:9-11;., **Gospel:** Mk 10:2-16

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This Week's Liturgical Calendar Psalm Responses

Monday 27th: **St Vincent de Paul (Memorial)**
R/ The Lord will build up Zion again, and appear in all his glory.

Tuesday 28th:
R/ God is with us.

Wednesday 29th: **Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael (Feast)**
R/ In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

Thursday 30th: **St Jerome (Memorial)**
R/ The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

Friday 1st Oct: **St Therese of the Child Jesus (Memorial)**
R/ For the glory of your name, O Lord, deliver us.

Saturday 2nd: **The Holy Guardian Angels (Memorial)**
R/ He has put his angels in charge of you, to guard you in all your ways.

Children's Liturgy

NO Children's Liturgy this Weekend at St Ita's
Or St Mary's Church due to school holidays.

St. Francis of Assisi Feast Day



A mass dedicated to the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi will be celebrated Next Sunday 3rd October at St. Francis Church 9am.

A **'Blessing of the Animals' will take place after 9am mass on the grass beside the church.** Please bring your pets for this community gathering. (Dogs must be on a leash at all times, cats and chickens need to be in crates or cages.)

October



Pilgrim Virgin Statue Month of October

Invite a Pilgrim Virgin statue into your home and commit to praying the Rosary everyday while it is there. To arrange for a home family visitation of the Pilgrim Virgin Statue during October please contact the Parish Office.

moment, we have an opportunity to repent, to turn around in resolve, to head in the opposite direction. We must pursue generosity and fairness in the ways that we live, work and use money, instead of selfish gain.

The Impact on People Living with Poverty

The current climate crisis speaks volumes about who we are and how we view and treat God's creation. We stand before a harsh justice: biodiversity loss, environmental degradation and climate change are the inevitable consequences of our actions, since we have greedily consumed more of the earth's resources than the planet can endure. But we also face a profound injustice: the people bearing the most catastrophic consequences of these abuses are the poorest on the planet and have been the least responsible for causing them. We serve a God of justice, who delights in creation and creates every person in God's image, but also hears the cry of people who are poor. Accordingly, there is an innate call within us to respond with anguish when we see such devastating injustice. Today, we are paying the price. The extreme weather and natural disasters of recent months reveal afresh to us with great force and at great human cost that climate change is not only a future challenge, but an immediate and urgent matter of survival. Widespread floods, fires and droughts threaten entire continents. Sea levels rise, forcing whole communities to relocate; cyclones devastate entire regions, ruining lives and livelihoods. Water has become scarce and food supplies insecure, causing conflict and displacement for millions of people. We have already seen this in places where people rely on small scale agricultural holdings. Today we see it in more industrialised countries where even sophisticated infrastructure cannot completely prevent extraordinary destruction. Tomorrow could be worse. Today's children and teenagers will face catastrophic consequences unless we take responsibility now, as 'fellow workers with God' (Gn 2.4-7), to sustain our world. We frequently hear from young people who understand that their futures are under threat. For their sake, we must choose to eat, travel, spend, invest and live differently, thinking not only of immediate interest and gains but also of future benefits. We repent of our generation's sins. We stand alongside our younger sisters and brothers throughout the world in committed prayer and dedicated action for a future which corresponds ever more to the promises of God.

The Imperative of Cooperation

Over the course of the pandemic, we have learned how vulnerable we are. Our social systems frayed, and we found that we cannot control everything. We must acknowledge that the ways we use money and organize our societies have not benefited everyone. We find ourselves weak and anxious, submersed in a series of crises; health, environmental, food, economic and social, which are all deeply interconnected. These crises present us with a choice. We are in a unique position either to address them with short-sightedness and profiteering or seize this as an opportunity for conversion and transformation. If we think of humanity as a family and work together towards a future based on the common good, we could find ourselves living in a very different world. Together we can share a vision for life where everyone flourishes. Together we can choose to act with love, justice and mercy. Together we can walk towards a fairer and fulfilling society with those who are most vulnerable at the centre. But this involves making changes. Each of us, individually, must take responsibility for the ways we use our resources. This path requires an ever-closer collaboration among all churches in their commitment to care for creation. Together, as communities, churches, cities and nations, we must change route and discover new ways of working together to break down the traditional barriers between peoples, to stop competing for resources and start collaborating. To those with more far-reaching responsibilities—heading administrations, running companies, employing people or investing funds—we say: choose people-centred profits; make short-term sacrifices to safeguard all our futures; become leaders in the transition to just and sustainable economies. 'To whom much is given, much is required.' (Lk 12:48)

This is the first time that the three of us feel compelled to address together the urgency of environmental sustainability, its impact on persistent poverty, and the importance of global coopera-

tion. Together, on behalf of our communities, we appeal to the heart and mind of every Christian, every believer and every person of good will. We pray for our leaders who will gather in Glasgow to decide the future of our planet and its people. Again, we recall Scripture: 'choose life, so that you and your children may live' (Dt 30:19). Choosing life means making sacrifices and exercising self-restraint. All of us—whoever and wherever we are—can play a part in changing our collective response to the unprecedented threat of climate change and environmental degradation. Caring for God's creation is a spiritual commission requiring a response of commitment. This is a critical moment. Our children's future and the future of our common home depend on it. 1st September 2021 Archbishop of Canterbury Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew Pope Francis

[Take action during the Season of Creation by signing the 'Healthy Planet, Healthy People' petition](#)

Parish Activities in 2021

BAPTISMS

Saturday | 10.00am | monthly
2nd Saturday St Mary's, South Brisbane
3rd Saturday St Ita's, Dutton Park

Family preparation sessions on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 10.00am. Bookings essential.

PRAYER AND QUIET REFLECTION

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

ADORATION

Sunday: 4-5pm St Mary's Church

ANOIDING OF THE SICK MASS

1st Friday of the month | St Mary's Church 7am
1st Saturday of the month | St Ita's Church 5pm
1st Sunday of the month | OLPS Fairfield 7am

CHILDREN'S LITURGY (School Term Only)

Saturday 5.00pm Vigil Mass St Ita's Church
Sunday 9.00am St Mary's Church

FAMILY MASS

4th Saturday of the month | St Ita's Church 5pm
(School term only — check dates on website)

ST FRANCIS TABLE - Ministry to the Elderly

Monthly 1st & 3rd Monday: 10am -1pm
St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Terrace, West End

YOUTH MASS

4th Sunday of the month | St Mary's Church 5pm

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.

