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**Plenary Council 2020**  
 Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

"A Pope who is not afraid of open discussion and even dissent in the Church" by Fr Noel Connolly SSC, Plenary Council Facilitation Team.

Pope Francis is an unusual Pope who is bringing real change to the Church by encouraging open discussion and refusing to silence dissent. In fact, he has said, "Open and fraternal debate makes theological and pastoral thought grow.... That doesn't frighten me. What's more, I look for it." Many people would like to see him clarify matters and crack down on dissent, but Francis is patient and wants people to speak their minds because he believes in a synodal Church. He trusts that the Holy Spirit will guide us in the right direction. The full account is on the website— [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)



This weekend we celebrate the feast of the **Most Holy Trinity**. This feast is one of our dogmas of our faith in the Catholic Church. Today we honour and worship God, as father, Son and the Holy Spirit. They are the three Divine Persons. But they are not persons in essence as we understand from the philosophical viewpoint. They are, one true God. There is no first and last or superior and inferior. They are one, equal and united. They manifest themselves through love. This is our fundamental belief. God the Father, out of love, creates, gives life and sustains. He provides and gives everything so we can live fully and fruitfully. But we disobeyed and ran away from Him. Our God is a merciful Father who desires only the good of His children. So out of His great love for us, He sends His only Son.

His Son Jesus, reveals to us the works of the Father. He communicates God's love for us so that we come to know God. We realize the Father's love for us through miracles and parables of Jesus, especially through his self-giving on the cross and his resurrection. After his ascension to his Father, we know of the Father's lasting love with the coming of the Holy Spirit. The love and guidance of the Holy Spirit promises us the continuing presence of the Father and of the saving work of Jesus in our lives. The Holy Spirit sanctifies, strengthens and helps us to continue the work of Jesus in our life. He encourages us to remember and live the teaching of Jesus and the love of the Father and the Son. In the gospel we that Jesus commands us to act in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. They manifest themselves through selfless love. Today's feast urges us to proclaim that love to all the nations. This is our call today. So let us ask the Lord to give us His grace and power to witness the Trinitarian love in our daily life. - Neville

**Our Sick:** Bailey Delaney, Frank Vogels, Xavier Reicha, Fletcher Densley, Fr Peter Murnane, Geoff Townsend, Philip Delaney

**May Anniversaries:** Shirley Freeman, John Gaut, William Delahenty, Carolina Gagel, John Evans, John Conheady, Patrick Hession, Park Kennedy, Peter Vu, Harry Gatens, Merle Ludeman, Elsie O'Donnell, Fr Barry Stickland, Cath Howman,



Anyone interested in forming a meeting group in the parish —rosary, spiritual discussion etc to contact Katrina Currell please.

Devotions at St Andrew's Simpson on the Feast of the Sacred Heart 8th June **10:45am**, with soup and sandwiches at 880 Bucks Road, **11:45 pm**. Please note change in times.

**Available in back foyers of churches**

- \*Newsletter from Victor General
- \*Liturgy Formation Registration Forms
- \*Our Diocesan Community
- \*Australian Catholics
- \*Pray with Pope Francis

**Annual Mass Counts continues this week.**

Timboon	May 27th Ass of W & C 10am	June 3rd	June 10th Ass of W & C 10am
Welcome	M van Nieuwkerk		P Haugh
Leaders	P Nicholson C Martin		R Hoffmann J McInerney
Statue	K Currell	C & P Martin	M Turner
Reader	K Currell		L McInerney
P.O.F.	C Marr		E O'Connor
Gifts			
M of C	E Roberts		C Bullen
Church Cleaning	C. Kerr E. Roberts	K Currell K Delaney	K Currell K Delaney
Bulletin	C. Marr A. McMeel.	P Nicholson M Moloney	P Nicholson M Moloney
Slides	A. Vogels.	P Nicholson	P Nicholson
Simpson	Ass of W & C	Mass 9am	Ass of W & C 9am
Statue	J Weeterman		F & B Wouters

**Liturgy Formation 2018**

The Diocesan Liturgical Commission is offering Liturgy Formation Sessions this year:

**Ararat – Sunday, June 24;**

**Hamilton – Sunday, July 29.**

Bishop Paul will celebrate Mass at 10.30am with the formation program beginning at 12.00noon. Lunch will be supplied by the parish at 1.00pm.

Chose two of the tree topics– Prayerful Engagement with Scripture in the Liturgy, Launch of the Guidelines for the Use of Visual Display Systems in Liturgical Celebrations and RCIA

The flyer and registration form is available in church foyers. Registration is also available via the diocesan website [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au).