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Mass for the Opening of the First Assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia Sunday 3rd October 2021.

Archbishop Tim Costelloe SDB, President of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia, will officiate at the Opening Mass of the Plenary Council to be celebrated at **St Mary's Cathedral, Perth**. This Mass will be livestreamed for the faithful at 11 am Perth time (2pm Sydney time) via the Plenary Council website: plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au This special Mass will invoke the Holy Spirit upon the Plenary Council, and replace the orations of the Mass for the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time. Similarly, the Australian bishops in their dioceses will be celebrating special Masses on that day in their cathedrals, as I will be doing in **St Mary's Cathedral, Sydney, at 10.30am on Sunday 3rd October**. Because the current Public Health Order will prevent most attending the Masses in person, the Mass will be livestreamed: <https://www.youtube.com/c/StMarysCathedralSydney> using the texts taken from the Roman Missal and the Lectionary proposed by the Plenary Council organising team. These have been selected from the Mass for a Council or Synod and the Votive Masses of the Holy Spirit, and are below.

Archbishop Anthony Fisher See attachment for the Mass

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT 2021-22 by Australian Bishops is entitled "Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor". Introduction and Audio available : <https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au>

ROSARY VIA ZOOM Good Shepherd Church invites you to come together virtually via zoom to pray the Rosary, tomorrow, Saturday 2nd October at 5 p.m. and then again the following Saturday 9th October. Please click the link below to join. <https://scscatholic.zoom.us/j/65976217312?pwd=bnZNZTRwbDkvMkIMY0NqOGZGemhodz09> Meeting ID: 659 7621 7312 Password: 934837

DIRECTIONS FROM SYDNEY ARCHDIOCESE FOR THE RESUMPTION OF LITURGY

STAGE ONE – WHEN 70% ARE VACCINATED – ESTIMATED DATE 11 OCT.

The first stage commences when 70% of eligible people are fully vaccinated – this is expected to be 11 October. The Archbishop has decided that **we will wait the estimated two further weeks until we reach 80% fully vaccinated before re-opening our churches to the public**, and conducting public Masses etc. However, during this first stage, priests who are themselves fully vaccinated will be free to invite some fully vaccinated parishioners to their private Masses and to conduct ceremonies such as Baptisms for families that are fully vaccinated.

STAGE TWO – WHEN 80% ARE FULLY VACCINATED – ESTIMATED

DATE 25 OCT. At 80% fully vaccinated we will open our churches and ceremonies to "mixed" congregations (fully vaccinated, partially vaccinated and as yet unvaccinated); the 4 sqm rule will apply, and masks must be worn indoors. We will not be required to check a person's vaccination status. **We continue to urge everyone to be vaccinated.** There will be good ventilation, social distancing, hand sanitising, no congregational singing. People are free to remain at home and live-streaming of Masses. Although congregational singing is not permitted, we presume that a cantor will be allowed as before.

STAGE THREE – WHEN 90% ARE EXPECTED TO BE FULLY VACCINATED – 1 DECEMBER 2021 – "THE NEW NORMAL"