

**Please prepare before we meet:**

- Read “The Four Pillars” in the pdf document attached to this email.

*(This document was given to you during the Rite of Welcoming)*

**Please bring with you:**

- **“The Four Pillars”**
- ***Ritual of the Secular Franciscan Order***
- This agenda, so we can pray together the closing prayer below.

**Agenda:**

- Opening prayer: Prayer before the Crucifix, page 100 in the ***Ritual***
- Highlights of **“The Four Pillars”**
- Status: Inquiry Phase reflection questions and St Francis biography  
Anything we can do to assist?
- Closing prayer – adapted from the ***Ritual***, page 10:

O Lord our God,  
you have shown us your wisdom and love,  
and you have called us to follow you.  
May we and all who are inquiring  
into the Secular Franciscan Order  
be inspired and strengthened  
by your grace and the support of our community.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Saint Francis, pray for us.

Saint Clare, pray for us.

Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, pray for us.