

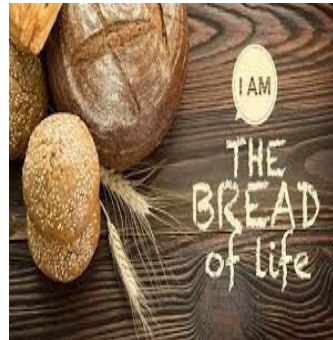


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18th Sunday in Ordinary Time — August 1, 2021 Year B



Jesus not only gives the Bread of Life (John 6:11, 27) — Jesus is the Bread of Life (John 6:35, 48). The Giver and the Gift are One and the same. As the Bread of Life from Heaven, Jesus claims that only He can satisfy man's spiritual hunger. While bodily food helps us to stay alive in this world, Spiritual Food sustains and develops our supernatural life which will last forever in Heaven. Through God's infinite love we are given, in the Blessed Eucharist, the very Author of the Gifts of Faith and Sanctifying Grace. Thus, the Eucharist is not a mere "symbol" of Jesus; rather, it is a Sacramental sign of Jesus' Real

Bodily Presence in His glorified, scarred, risen Body. This Bread of Life — Who is Jesus Himself — gives mankind a new relationship with God, a relationship of trust, obedience and love. *(frtonyhonilies)*

XVIII DOMENICA DEL TEMPO ORDINARIO (ANNO B)

Il Vangelo secondo san Giovanni ci offre vari discorsi che Gesù ha tenuto nella sinagoga di Cafarnao per spiegare ai credenti il significato della manna ricevuta nel deserto.

Queste spiegazioni devono aiutare i credenti del tempo della Chiesa a vivere in modo giusto. Il Vangelo di oggi riferisce il discorso che parla dell'importanza della fede in Gesù Cristo. Gesù Cristo è l'inviato di Dio, egli porta l'ultima rivelazione ed apre la via che conduce a Dio. Colui che segue Gesù con fede, che entra con Gesù nella comunità mediante il battesimo, che prende Gesù come modello e lo ascolta, troverà attraverso di lui la verità che calma la fame di vita. Perché questa verità è Dio stesso che, attraverso Gesù Cristo, offre a tutti gli uomini la possibilità di condividere la sua vita.

Quello che hanno cercato, presentito, e in parte riconosciuto i pensatori, i profeti e i nostalgici di Dio di tutte le nazioni e di tutti i tempi, raggiunge attraverso Gesù la chiarezza e la verità di Dio. Questa verità è presente e può essere colta nella parola e nell'esempio di Gesù, ma soprattutto nella sua persona. Perché egli è la verità, egli è la via, egli è la vita di Dio in persona! E ci è offerto di vivere con devoto rispetto in modo assolutamente diretto, oggi, nella festa liturgica della sua Chiesa. *(lachiesa.it)*

National Vocations Awareness Week will be celebrated 1-8 August 2021 in Australian churches. This week is an opportunity for parishes, schools and other groups to pray for and to help young people discern their vocation from God.

Gracious and loving God,
 Help the men and women of our parish to hear the call to serve in the Archdiocese of Melbourne.
 Our needs are great and our people thirst for your presence.
 Open the hearts of many, raise up faithful servants of the Gospel,
 dedicated holy priests, sisters, brothers and deacons,
 who will spend themselves for your people and their needs.
 Bless those who are serving now with courage and perseverance.
 Grant that many will be inspired by their example and faith.
 We ask this through Christ our Lord.

The sick in our parish: Teresa & Con Lamonaca, Nola, John Markis, Kathy Romanow, Elda Taranto, Maurizio Pierazzi, Panfilo Ambrosini, Carmela Renda, Peta Wright, Herrmann Family, Helen Rakuscek, Angelina Butera, Antonina Paulus, Bob Brown

Upcoming funeral: Grazia D'Alessandro: Thursday August 5 (10.45 mass).
Recently deceased: Joe Medalle, Grazia D'Alessandro, Concettina Foti, Vincenza Tabacco, Carmela Bovezza, Vincenzo Gatto

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Giuseppe Bovezza, Alvino Macuha, Angelo Vocale, Stella David, Concetta Di Nunzio, Youssef and Nagibie Lebnan

We especially pray for all the deceased whose names are on the Church pews & the Resurrection Chapel.

Rosters for weekend masses August 7/8

Lectors:

Saturday 5.30 pm : J. George
 Sunday 9.00 am : L. Iaria
 Sunday 10.30 am : C. DiGiulio

Special ministers:

Saturday Vigil mass 5.30 pm: K. Dibella
 Sunday 9.00 am : M. Torchia

Bus: B. Tajhano (Saturday 5.30 pm)

Mass times

Weekday:

Tuesday-Friday 9.30 am

Novena mass: Wednesday 6.00 pm

Weekend:

Saturday Vigil mass 5.30 pm
 Sunday 9.00 am ; 10.30 (Italian mass)

Vinnies Winter Appeal

"Australia is in the middle of a homelessness crisis. Each night, over 25,000 children are experiencing homelessness across the country. Their safety, their education, their emotional and physical health are all suffering. If we don't help now, this moment of pain may turn into a lifetime of struggle. By supporting our Vinnies volunteers, you will help ensure that families at risk of homelessness get the financial and emotional support they need to keep their children safe".

There will a collection for the Vinnies Winter Appeal at masses on the 7/8 August.

Please donate

St. Matthew's Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

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