



Ordinary Time

August 16, 2015 ♦ Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Monday

AUGUST 17

Weekday

Jgs 2:11–19

Mt 19:16–22

Tuesday

AUGUST 18

Weekday

Jgs 6:11–24a

Mt 19:23–30

Wednesday

AUGUST 19

Weekday

Jgs 9:6–15

Mt 20:1–16

Thursday

AUGUST 20

St. Bernard, Abbot and

Doctor of the Church

Jgs 11:29–39a

Mt 22:1–14

Friday

AUGUST 21

St. Pius X, Pope

Ru 1:1, 3–6, 14b–16, 22

Mt 22:34–40

Saturday

AUGUST 22

The Queenship of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

Ru 2:1–3, 8–11; 4:13–17

Mt 23:1–12

Sunday

AUGUST 23

Twenty-first Sunday

in Ordinary Time

Jos 24:1–2a, 15–17, 18b

Eph 5:21–32

or 5:2a, 25–32

Jn 6:60–69

My daughters had different approaches to food. One daughter, who would eat almost anything, could look in a cabinet or refrigerator full of food and declare, “There’s nothing to eat,” because nothing in them was exactly what she wanted at the time. My other daughter, who was a somewhat finicky eater, could usually find something to eat no matter how meager the offerings, simply because she wasn’t that particular—it just had to satisfy her hunger. We used to tease that in a famine the younger would outlast the elder because her foraging skills were better.

In today’s discourse about the Bread of Life, Jesus is trying to get the crowd to let go of the idea that only one particular spiritual food could nourish them. As he continues to identify himself as the true bread, the people become more agitated and confused. How could the food Jesus offered be better than the food God gave their ancestors in the desert? Jesus answers them: manna was food for bodily nourishment only—it could not give someone eternal life. Everyone was still subject to famine, starvation, and death. By contrast, the spiritual food that is Christ brings eternal life forever to those who eat and drink it. No famine, sword, or persecution can touch that life. For John the evangelist, the believers in Christ had eternal life already, and those who did not believe were perishing. Eternal life is the gift of baptism. What kind of food is in you today?

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20th Sunday In Ordinary Time

August 16, 2015



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EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m.
to 9:30 a.m
**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**
Both Before Mass and by Appointment.

Mass Schedule for this Week
Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule
Sun 7:30 am Our Parish Family
St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions
Sat 5:00 pm Our Parish Family
Sun 9:00am Our Parish Family

Mon 8:00 am +Fr Pete
Tues 8:00 am +Fr Pete
Wed 6:00 pm +Fr Pete
Thu 8:00 am +Fr Pete
Fri 8:00 am +Fr Pete

From Father Khoa's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The Gospel today makes a most radical assertion: "For my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink." From this and similar Scriptural texts the Church came to speak of the **real presence** of Jesus in the Eucharist. An appreciation of this concept is crucial in understanding why we Catholics value so profoundly the gift of the Eucharist. The foundation for the Church's teaching about the real presence is based upon the very words of Jesus at the Last Supper as recorded in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and I Corinthians 11 as well as chapter 6 of John's Gospel. In essence we believe that Jesus meant what he said when he uttered the words, "This is my body ... This is my blood." For the Jewish people of the time "body" meant the person and "blood" signified the source of life which was identifiable with the person. Thus, Jesus was saying over the bread and the cup, "This is myself" given as real food and drink for the journey of life. We believe that the bread and wine become the very person of Jesus Christ. The Church embraced this teaching from the very beginning but searched for a way to explain this mystery. Eventually the theological term "transubstantiation" found general acceptance in our Catholic tradition. It means that the "substance" of the bread and wine becomes the "substance" of Christ's body and blood, while the "appearances" of bread and wine remain the same. When the priest says the words of consecration over the bread and wine during the Mass, these elements still retain the appearance and taste of bread and wine, but the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ.

Jesus goes on to say, "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." The person who "feeds" on Jesus in the Eucharist has communion with God, i.e. a life with

divinity itself! We say that when we attend Mass, we receive "communion." However, we frequently overlook the implications of what we are actually saying. When we reflect more in depth on the message of the New Testament, we see that life itself is seen as a feast to which the Lord invites us. At the Incarnation Jesus, the God-made-man, fully entered the "banquet of life" prepared by the Father for the children of the kingdom. Jesus as Son fulfilled the will of his Father in everything, even when it meant drinking the chalice of suffering and death. Jesus entirely accepted the mission entrusted to him by his Father. He fully entered into communion with humanity and ate the bread of humanity's pain and struggle as well as triumph and glory. Jesus drank the cup of sorrows and the cup of joy. He gave himself totally to humanity by dying on the cross. The Father accepted the total gift offered by his Son and raised him through the resurrection. We, as disciples of Jesus, are invited to enter this banquet of life and feast on His life. That is the awesome gift that is ours each time we celebrate the Eucharist!

Have a great week! May God bless all of us!

...Fr. Khoa

Bible Study: We studying *the mass*. Please join us. Classes are on **Wednesdays 6:30-8 pm, and on Thursday from 9-10:30am at the office**. For more information, please contact **Ruth Schonewitz and Henrietta Ladner**.

CCD: CCD will start in September. We need three more teachers to teach CCD this coming year. Please contact Robert Lizana the DRE. Thank you.

Catholic Students of our parish to receive subsidy are: V. Jeanfreau, S. Thomas, K. Leverette, J. + J. Estrada, E. Enroth, T. Enroth, A. Scarengoas, and N. Quintini. Please contact me this week if your children or grandchildren are not on the list.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sun Aug 15 5pm	Paul McGill	Sharon Ladner , Richard Dunlap , Henrietta Ladner	Boots Moran Katie Ladner	Doug August	Ira Necaie
Aug 16 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Tery Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Aug 16 9am	Sharon Leimer	Dale Babin , Carolyn Brewer , Kim Wood	Rylie Rines Keegan	Robert Jimmy	Lester Palmer Family
Sun Aug 22 5pm	Lisa Cuevas	Ellen West Lenell King , Sharon Ladner	Boots Moran Katie Ladner	Doug Ira Necaie	Patricia Lizana
Aug 23 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Tery Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Aug 23 9am	Jason Necaie	Chantel Crabtree , Helena , Dale Babin	Conner Kaison McGill	Robert David	Jason & Lisa Necaie Family

ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.

Church Cleaning: Lester and Keisha Palmer will clean the church on August 2 and 9. Please call Ellen West at 341-0279 to sign up.

OL Chartres: Thank you Dianne and Phyllis for taking care of OL of Chartres.

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP: 79** Identifiable: **\$1,490.00**; Loose: **\$1,223.00**; Total: **\$2,713.00**; Children: **\$19.00** Building Fund: **\$144.60**; Extension Society: **\$17.00**; Assumption: **\$10.00**

OL OF CHARTRES STEWARDSHIP:

Identifiable: **\$90.88**; Loose: **\$291.00**; Total: **\$381.88**. Building Fund: **\$10.00**

****Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84.**

Thank you for your generosity.

Lizana Light: Doris Snowden and Dianne Northrop will serve the Lizana Light. For more information, please contact Doris or Diane. Thank you.

Parish Council: meet **this Saturday August 15** after 5:00 pm mass.

Altar Society: will meet in September.

CYO: meet every other week on Sunday 6:00pm. You can visit St Ann CYO contact **Katelyn Moran** and **Danielle Ladner** or on the website **www.facebook.com/stannslianacyo.**

VISITATION OF THE SICK: Please keep the parish office informed so we may minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. For those wishing to receive the Eucharist contact the parish office, 832-2560.

RCIA: RCIA classes will begin in September.

MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS: You can have Masses offered for the deceased, or for living family and friends. Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE

Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Our advice is to call well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive information: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic pre-nuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding ceremony.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, W. DeMello, B. Pierce, Den J, Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, J. Thompson, V. Moran, Michael Gilbert, Jerry Malley, V. Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, Julia Perronne, Jerry Rutland, Pat Leimer, Chad Wood, Ricky Crabtree, Austin (Osborne), C. Brewer, B. Saucier, Aug. Schone., Elizabeth Necaie, and Loretta Ladner.