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SUNDAY MASS TIMES: 7:00pm (Saturday); 8am, 9:15am; 10:45am; 12:15pm, 3:00pm & 6:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES: 10am; 12:10pm & 6.45pm Saturday: 10am

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Weekday 12:45pm – 6:00pm; Sat.10:45am –12noon; Sun. 4pm-5.45pm

CONFESSION: Saturday after 10:30-11:30am; 6pm and at call. **ROSARY:** 11.30am (Monday—Saturday)

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: B

8TH AUGUST 2021

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 73: 20, 19, 22, 23

Look to your covenant, O Lord,
and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever.
Arise, O God, and defend your cause,
and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

HYMN: WE HOLD THE DEATH OF THE LORD

*We hold the death of the Lord deep in our hearts.
Living, now we remain with Jesus, the Christ.*

1. Once we were people afraid, lost in the night.
Then by your cross we were saved.
Dead became living, life from your giving.
2. Something which we have known,
something we've touched, what we have seen with
our eyes:
this we have heard, life giving Word.
3. He chose to give of himself, became our bread.
Broken that we might live. Love beyond love, pain
for our pain.
4. We are in the presence of God. This is our call.
Now to become bread and wine:
food for the hungry, life for the weary,
for to live with the Lord,
we must die with the Lord.
-David Haas

Gloria:

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,

O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of
the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

Collect

Almighty ever-living God,
whom, taught by the Holy Spirit,
we dare to call our Father,
bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts
the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters,
that we may merit to enter into the inheritance
which you have promised.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A reading from the first book of Kings 19:4-8

Elijah went into the wilderness, a day's journey, and sitting under a furze bush wished he were dead. 'O Lord,' he said 'I have had enough. Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down and went

to sleep. But an angel touched him and said, 'Get up and eat.' He looked round, and there at his head was a scone baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. But the angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, 'Get up and eat, or the journey will be too long for you.' So he got up and ate and drank, and strengthened by that food he walked for forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm **Ps. 33(34):2-9**

R. *Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**

Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free. **R.**

Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called, the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress. **R.**

The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who revere him, to rescue them.
Taste and see that the Lord is good.
He is happy who seeks refuge in him. **R.**

A reading from Ephesians **4:30-5:2**

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God who has marked you with his seal for you to be set free when the day comes. Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody, or call each other names, or allow any sort of spitefulness. Be friends with one another, and kind, forgiving each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ.

Try, then, to imitate God as children of his that he loves and follow Christ loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation **Jn14:23**

Alleluia, alleluia!

If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him.
Alleluia!

Gospel **John 6:41-51**

The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus, because he had said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' 'Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph' they said. 'We know his father and mother. How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus said in reply, 'Stop com-

plaining to each other.

'No one can come to me
unless he is drawn by the Father who sent me,
and I will raise him up at the last day.

It is written in the prophets:

They will all be taught by God,

and to hear the teaching of the Father,
and learn from it,

is to come to me.

Not that anybody has seen the Father,
except the one who comes from God:
he has seen the Father.

I tell you most solemnly,
everybody who believes has eternal life.

'I am the bread of life.

Your fathers ate the manna in the desert
and they are dead;

but this is the bread that comes down from heaven,
so that a man may eat it and not die.

I am the living bread

which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever;

and the bread that I shall give is my flesh,
for the life of the world.'

complain against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness
and said to them, 'Why did we not die at the Lord's
hand in the land of Egypt, when we were able to sit
down to pans of meat and could eat bread to our heart's
content! As it is, you have brought us to this wilderness
to starve this whole company to death!'

Then the Lord said to Moses, 'Now I will rain down
bread for you from the heavens. Each day the people
are to go out and gather the day's portion; I propose to
test them in this way to see whether they will follow
my law or not.

'I have heard the complaints of the sons of Israel. Say
this to them, "Between the two evenings you shall eat
meat, and in the morning you shall have bread to your
heart's content. Then you will learn that I, the Lord,
am your God."

And so it came about: quails flew up in the evening,
and they covered the camp; in the morning there was a
coating of dew all round the camp. When the coating of
dew lifted, there on the surface of the desert was a
thing delicate, powdery, as fine as hoarfrost on the
ground. When they saw this, the sons of Israel said to
one another, 'What is that?' not knowing what it was.
'That' said Moses to them 'is the bread the Lord gives
you to eat.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Homily

The Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only-Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
He came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, Catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins,
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

Prayer of the Faithful

HYMN: IN BREAD WE BRING YOU LORD

In bread we bring you Lord our bodies' labour
In wine we offer you our spirits' grief.
We do not ask you Lord who is my neighbour?
But stand united now, one in belief.
Oh, we have gladly heard your Word,
You holy Word, and now in answer Lord,
Our gifts we bring our selfish heart's make true
Our failing faith renew our lives belong to you our Lord
and King.

The bread we offer you is blessed and broken
And it becomes for us our spirits food.
Over the cup we bring your word is spoken.
Make it your gift to us your healing blood.
Take all that daily toil plants in our heart's poor soil.
Take all we start and spoil,
Each hopeful dream.
The chances we have missed the graces we resist
Lord in thy Eucharist take and redeem.

-Kevin Nichols

Sanctus:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Agnus Dei:

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

Communion Antiphon **Ps 147: 12, 14**

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord,
who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

HYMN: EAT THIS BREAD, DRINK THIS CUP

Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup,
Come To Me And Never Be Hungry.
Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup,
Trust In Me And You Will Not Thirst.

I Am The Bread Of Life,
The True Bread Sent From The Father.

Your Ancestors Ate Manna In The Desert,
But This Is The Bread Come Down From Heaven.

Eat My Flesh And Drink My Blood,
And I Will Raise You Up On The Last Day.

Anyone Who Eats This Bread,
Will Live For Ever.

If You Believe And Eat This Bread,
You Will Have Eternal Life.

-Jacques Berthier

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gifts of
our priests; help them to be strong in their vocation
and become instruments of your love and grace.
Send your Holy Spirit to give courage and guidance to
all those you are calling to the priesthood, diaconate
and religious life in our Archdiocese. May those called
hear your voice and respond wholeheartedly to become
the person you created them to be.
Heavenly Father, form us all in the likeness of your
Son, Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, so that we may
love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully.
We ask this through Christ, Your son, the Eternal
High Priest, **Amen**

RECESSIONAL HYMN: LOVE IS HIS WORD

Love is his word, love is his way,
feasting with men, fasting alone,
living and dying, rising again,

Love, only love, is his way.

Refrain:

*Richer than gold is the love of my Lord:
better than splendour and wealth.*

Love is his way, love is his mark,
sharing his last Passover feast,
Christ at his table, host to the twelve.
Love, only love, is his mark.

Love is his mark, love is his sign,
bread for our strength, wine for our joy,
"This is my body, this is my blood",
Love, only love, is his sign.

Love is his sign, love is his news,
"Do this," he said, "lest you forget
all my deep sorrow, all my dear blood."
Love, only love, is his news.

Love is his news, love is his name,
we are his own, chosen and called,
family, brethren, cousins and kin.
Love, only love, is his name.

Love is his name, love is his law.
Hear his command, all who are his:
"Love one another, I have loved you."
Love, only love, is his law.

Love is his law, love is his word:
love of the Lord, Father and Word,
love of the Spirit, God ever one.
Love, only love, is his word.

Luke Connaughton (1919-1979)

COVID-19 Step 4 Guidance

The important step to take during this period is to ensure a safe environment in our places of worship and other buildings where activities take place within our parish. This will be a collective responsibility of everyone, especially those involved in the daily life of our parish as the safeguarding of public health now lies with the management of each organization. In the absence of the 'rule of law,' we strongly emphasise on common sense and risk averse activities to continue to mitigate against transmission of the virus which is still prevalent in society. To this effect, we are urged to take note of the following as the route to take in our parish from July 19.

1. Hand sanitisation shall continue and we shall continue to observe good cleaning regime as we have always done.
2. Test and Trace contacts shall be taken during Sunday celebrations.
3. Those who drive to Church during the week for Mass and prayers need to register their vehicles.
4. We strongly advise the use of face coverings while at Mass and within our ancillary buildings.

5. Please, leave one seating space between you and a non-member of your family.
6. Congregational singing can now take place at Masses. It is highly recommended we do this with the masks on until infection levels reduce.
7. Our parish church will now open Monday to Saturday (8am-7.30pm) for private prayers.
8. The Weekday 12:10pm Mass can now have parishioners in attendance.
9. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will hold on Wednesday from 12:45pm to 6pm; Saturday 10:45am to 12noon with the various devotions; Sunday 4pm to 5:45pm.
10. Holy Water is provided now in the dispenser for those who come with their small bottles for this sacramental.
11. We shall resume offertory collection at Masses. We however encourage parishioners to do more of online donation, register for standing order donation and gift aid if they pay taxes.
12. Holy Communion will be given under one kind and is recommended to be received on the hand. However, those who wish to receive on the tongue are free to do so as long as the ministers are careful of contamination. We shall continue the practice of being ushered for communion by the stewards pew by pew from the front.
13. Baptism is still one child or family at a time but with no limit to numbers attending.
14. No restrictions on numbers attending Marriages as well as Funerals.
15. We shall resume home visits by priests, deacon and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy communion.
16. Social activities can resume in the parish; so also, catechetical and group activities.
17. Liturgical Ministers can take up their roles again: Choristers, Lectors, EHMC and Altar Servers. We however request that Old and would be Altar Servers are to register for serving. Forms are at the back of the church for this registration and once the forms are returned, we shall commence training sessions. Closing date for submission of forms is 31st August 2021.
18. Parish Surgery for Baptisms, Marriages, Signing of School forms, etc shall hold henceforth on Tuesdays & Fridays 9am-12:30pm; 2pm-4:30pm.

FR PETER SEBASTIAN'S Thanksgiving Mass for his First Ordination Anniversary holds at 12:15pm on Sunday 15th August 2021. We request for stewards and volunteers to help to arrange the hall for a light refreshment after the 9:15am Mass on Sunday and to also direct the activities in the hall for the occasion.