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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

1 August – 2 August 2020

REFLECTION



Isaiah 55:1-3

Romans 8:35, 37-39

Matthew 14:13-21

This story of Jesus' feeding of the 5,000 brims with allusions to the Old Testament. Jesus is portrayed as a David-like shepherd who leads His flock to lie down on green grass as He spreads the table of the Messiah's banquet before them. Jesus is shown as a new Moses, who likewise feeds vast crowds in a deserted place. Finally, Jesus is shown doing what the prophet Elisha did—satisfying the hunger of the crowd with a few loaves and having some left over. Matthew also wants us to see the feeding of the 5,000 as a sign of the Eucharist. Notice that Jesus performs the same actions in the same sequence as at the Last Supper—He takes bread, says a blessing, breaks it, and gives it. Before He performs the miracle, Jesus instructs the Twelve to give the crowd "some food yourselves." This must be the ministry of the Twelve. Indeed, the Apostles themselves distribute the bread blessed by Jesus. And the leftovers are enough to fill precisely 12 baskets—corresponding to each of the Apostles, the pillars of the Church.

Masses and Intentions for This Week

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| Saturday | 01 | Memorial of St Alphonsus Mary, de'Ligouri, Bishop, Doctor of the Church | 10.00am | Holy Mass | Annetta Kanyanta (Mama Mabwe) |
| Saturday | 01 | EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 6.00pm | Holy Mass | Louie Park † (C & A Phelps) |
| Sunday | 02 | EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 10.00am | Holy Mass | People of The Parish |
| Monday | 03 | | 12.00pm | Holy Mass | Jennifer Sturgeon † (G Sturgeon) |
| Tuesday | 04 | | 12.00pm | Holy Mass | Peter Thorn I.d. (P Kirton) |
| Wednesday | 05 | | Private Mass | Holy Mass | |
| Thursday | 06 | | 7.00pm | Holy Mass | Intention of Sr Mary Kaunda (M Biggars) |
| Friday | 07 | | 9.15am | Holy Mass | Emily & Rebecca Moore † (S Moore) |
| Saturday | 08 | | 10.00am | Holy Mass | Sophie F (P Kirton) |
| Saturday | 08 | NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 6.00pm | Holy Mass | People of the Parish |
| Sunday | 09 | NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 10.00am | Holy Mass | Peter Kirton (P Kirton) |

HOLY MASS FROM ST JOSEPH'S

Is livestreamed via YouTube every day *except 6pm Mass on Saturday*

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq9QGYz7CmmPDRxzmT_ttow



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St Joseph's Catholic Parish, Malvern UK

HOLY MASS AT ST JOSEPH

It may be helpful for parishioners to know how many people have attended which Masses this week so everyone can see what capacity remains.

| Mass | Parishioners | Used Capacity |
|----------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Fri 24 Jul at 9:15am | 11 | 44% |
| Sat 25 Jul at 10am | 7 | 28% |
| Sat 25 Jul at 6pm | 20 | 80% |
| Sun 26 July at 10am | 33 | 132% |
| Mon 20 Jul at 12pm | | % |
| Tue 21 Jul at 12pm | | % |
| Thu 23 Jul at 7pm | | % |
| Fri 24 Jul at 9:15am | | % |

Parish Mass Books – as you know we cannot use the shared Mass books currently. In order to follow the readings and prayers of the Mass you may wish to purchase your own copies of the Sunday Missal. The CTS have published a paperback version of the Sunday Missal with all the readings for Mass etc. The current year (ending with the Solemnity of Christ the King on 22nd November) is available for £1 (code RM34). The paperback version of the 2020-21 year is available for £7.95 (code RM36). Both can be purchased at www.cts.org.uk

MAKE AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

If you cannot attend Mass, you may make an Act of Spiritual Communion by saying:

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. AMEN.

THURSDAY EXPOSITION

Taking into account requests I have had on partial resumption of the All-Day Thursday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, I have resolved an allowance of a limited exposition from 1pm till 6.45pm every Thursday until things come to a normality of some kind. This will start with Thursday, 30th July in the Aldwin Room. Those who wish to spend time before the Blessed Sacrament must book with Emily Vaughan-Spruce (tel: 07858048095). A maximum of three people can pray before the Blessed Sacrament at any one time. Please follow the procedure of sanitisation on entry and exit of the Aldwin room. Emily and others appointed by her will be responsible for cleaning up after the exposition. There will be no benediction to end exposition. Fr Naz.

Prayers, games reflections for children of all ages on Zoom. New summer holiday activity sessions on zoom on Tuesday mornings at 10.00am, lasting for about 30-40 minutes. The home is the domestic church and we hope that these sessions will help families to keep Christ at the centre of family life. If you

are interested, please email the office, sessions will begin on Tuesday 4th August.

Support for Quarantined or Isolating Parishioners

If you would like help or support during lockdown, please contact the parish office or call Chris & Liz Burger on 01886 832729. (Your details will be used by parishioners to contact you only for so long as you wish us to do so. Your information will be held securely on the basis of your consent by the parish and those parishioners who contact you in accordance with the diocesan privacy policy at <http://www.birminghamdioces.org.uk/privacy-policy>. St Joseph's parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, registered charity number 234216.)

The Ecumenical Prayer Intention for this week is for Commercial and Industrial Businesses Factory, office and shop workers; those who work from home; the self-employed and those with no employment; the local Job-centre.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for August

Church cleaning Due to the coronavirus pandemic several regular volunteer cleaners unable to continue at present. If anyone could spare an hour or two every three or four weeks and join one of our teams it would be much appreciated. Please contact Mary-Rose Hughes on 01684 560139 maryrose.hughes@gmail.com or the Parish Office.

The 100+ Club in our parish has recently had its 10th anniversary and over the years it has raised significant funds for our church maintenance. For many years now, Alf Teuma has been organising the draw but he has now retired from this role and we thank him for his very valuable service. Anne Lewis has taken over as the 100+ Club Organiser. Recently, the draws have been deferred due to the lockdown but we are now able to start catching up on the draws.

The 100+Club Draw for March subscribers was made on 16 July 2020. For this draw there is a first prize of £90. Congratulations to the winners: £90 Malcolm Garner; £45 Maria Plant; £45 Ruth Harrison; £22.50 David Taylor; £22.50 Elizabeth Griffin. The next draw will be on Thursday 30 July, which will include those who were subscribed to the 100+ Club in April. Draws for the June and July subscribers will take place in the coming weeks. Thank you to all of you who are contributing. If you would like to join the 100+ Club please contact Anne Lewis via the parish office.

Current shortages at Malvern Hills Foodbank: tinned potatoes (all sizes), packets of smash, sugar, tins of meat/ham, jars of jam, tins of fruit, cleaning materials and children's toothpaste. **Thank you everyone for your continued support.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR the sick & housebound of St Joseph's parish: Anne Wiseman, Martin Burger, Raymond Bree, Nicholas Ratcliff, Ellen Verdult, Jonah Willis, Anne-Marie Elder and Jessica. We include all those in hospitals, nursing homes & their own homes. **Our Lady, Health of the sick, pray for them. Amen.**