

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st August 2021



OPENING HYMN

I am the bread of life.
He who comes to me shall not hunger;
He who believes in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me unless the Father draw him.

*And I will raise him up,
and I will raise him up,
and I will raise him up on the last day.*

The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
and he who eats of this bread,
he shall live for ever,
he shall live for ever.

I am the resurrection,
I am the life.
He who believes in me
even if he die,
he shall live for ever.

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FIRST READING: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

I will rain down bread for you from the heavens.

PSALM RESPONSE: **The Lord gave them bread from heaven.**

SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

Put on the new self that has been created in God's way.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord;
no one can come to the Father except through me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: John 6:24-35

He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.

NICENE 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, (*as we say the words in italics, we bow*) 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.

COMMUNION HYMN

Alleluia, sing to Jesus, His the sceptre, His the throne;
Alleluia, His the triumph, His the victory alone:
Hark! the songs of peaceful Sion, thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus, out of every nation, hath redeemed us by His Blood.

Alleluia, not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia, He is near us; faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received Him when the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget His promise, "I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia, Bread of Angels, Thou on earth our food, our stay.
Alleluia, here the sinful flee to Thee from day to day;
Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth's redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia, King eternal, Thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia, born of Mary, earth Thy footstool, heaven Thy throne;
Thou within the veil hast entered, robed in flesh our great High Priest;
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim in the Eucharistic Feast.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Those who are unable to attend Mass, and those physically present who are not receiving Holy Communion, are invited to pray this prayer of spiritual communion:

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.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Hail Redeemer, King divine!
Priest and Lamb, the throne is Thine;
King, whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of everlasting peace.

*Angels, saints and nations sing:
"Praised be Jesus Christ our King;
Lord of life, earth, sky and sea,
King of love on Calvary!"*

King most holy, King of truth,
Guard the lowly, guide the youth;
Christ Thou King of glory bright,
Be to us eternal light.

Eucharistic King, what love
Draws Thee daily from above,
Clad in signs of bread and wine :
Feed us, lead us, keep us Thine!

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