The Living Word

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

11 August 2024

First Reading 1 Kgs 19:4-8

Strengthened by the food, he walked to the mountain of the Lord.

Elijah went into the wilderness, a day's journey, and sitting under a furze bush wished he were dead. '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.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 33:2-9. R. v.9

(R.) Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

1. 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.)

- 2. Glorify the Lord with me.
 Together let us praise his name.
 I sought the Lord and he answered me;
 from all his terrors he set me free. (R.)
- 3. 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.)

4. 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.)

Second Reading Eph 4:30-5:2

Walk in love, just as Christ.

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 by loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

Gospel Acclamation Jn 6:51

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord:

whoever eats this bread will live for ever.
Alleluia!

Gospel Jn 6:41-51

I am the living bread come down from heaven.

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 complaining to each other.



'No one can come to me unless he is drawn by the Father who sent

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.'

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Reflection by Greg Sunter

This passage continues the extended discourse on the Bread of Life. The passage shows the crowd bristling at Jesus describing himself as the 'bread that came down from heaven'. They dismiss his claim because they know his earthly parents. Mary and Joseph. How could he have come down from heaven if they are aware of his parents on earth? It must also be remembered that Jewish tradition held firm to the idea of God as one God only, with no offspring or personified manifestations. For the Jews of Jesus' time, the very idea of Jesus being the Son of God was completely blasphemous. But this gospel is a Christian document, written at a time when the Christians and Jews were emphasising their differences.

Jesus replies to the complaints of the crowd through an extended image. He depicts the intimate relationship that exists between himself and the Father. Later, this discourse will be drawn on in the argument about the divinity of Jesus and that he is 'one in being with the Father'. Those who are drawn to Jesus and his message are perhaps unknowingly - drawn by the Father and by listening to the teaching of Jesus they are in fact drawing closer to the Father. It is a somewhat complicated image that at its heart paints but intertwined emphasises the nature between Father and Son. Refuting the concern of the crowd, Jesus again describes himself as the living bread that has come down from heaven. Unlike the manna the people ate in the desert that sustained them physically for a short period of time, the living bread of Jesus will sustain those who believe for all time.

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We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather, the Wathaurong people. We pay our respects to them for their care of the land. May we

walk gently and respectfully in the land. We are committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

PASTORAL TEAM

Rev Fr Geoff Baron (priest in residence) Parish Secretary: Mrs Daniella Sutera Safeguarding & Admin Support: Ms Jennie Ryan Parish Mission Ambassador: Ms Josephine Barnes Pastoral Care Coordinator: Sr Nola Morrissy RSM

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OFFICE HOURS

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

OCEAN GROVE: QUEENSCLIFF:

BARWON HEADS: Saturday Vigil 6:00pm Sunday 9:00am

Sunday 11:00am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Please see below: Liturgy in our Parish this week

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

is available prior to each weekend Mass, and before or after weekday Masses if needed.

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Visit our website for all information or contact Parish office www.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/sacraments/

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Please visit our website for all information: https://holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/sacraments/sacramental-program-1/

Please send in bulletin notices by 1pm on Thursdays

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Anniversaries 11th August to 17th August: Tom Rossiter, Juan Munoz Campos, Patricia O'Sullivan, Beverley Greelish, Rita Gatt, Kevin Mahoney, Margaret 'Margie' Jones, Michael Kennedy, George Frances, Mary Malone, Leslie Lomas, Janet Wells and Reece McNulty.

Please pray for those who are Sick: Naomi Bianco, Margaret Borg, Peter Bourke, Helen Carter, Sam Caruana, Sue Casey, Jack Davin, Ian Downing, Robert Drummond & Patti Semler, John Drury, Nell Fraigneux, Kay Freyne, Ross Gilham, Margaret Gladstone, Mary Gladwin, Martin & Mary Grundy, Justin Hanan, Stephen Hanan, Susan Hardy, Peter Harrington, Gregory Holien, Robert & Lyne Horner, Robert Hurley, Melissa Keogh, Hilda Koerntjes, Margaret Lomas, Toni Lukauskas, Michelle Mahoney, Brendan Merriman, Belinda Monterosso, Christine Naulty, Helen Pearce, Cecilia Piec, Mavourneen Ray, Margaret Renwick (Snr), Geraldine Richards, Betty Rushton, Pam Sullivan, Salvatore & Santa Sutera, Kevin Teasdale, Deanne Warren, Cathy Williams, Peter Williams and Shirley Woodruff.

ROSTERS

If you are unable to meet your commitment on your day, please arrange a substitute. Thank you!

COMMENTATOR (C), LECTOR (L), SPECIAL MINISTER (SM), WELCOMERS (W), PROJECTIONIST (P)

OCEAN GROVE: 18th August at 9:00am:
(C) Gerry Rainey (L) Frank Rice (SM) Carmel Rice, Dan O'Meara (W) Jo Ballard, Marg Lucas.

QUEENSCLIFF: 18th August at 11:00am:
(C) Bob Merriman (L) John Hanan (SM) Lisa Piasente (W) Paul Doolan.

COUNTERS: Tuesday 13th August at 10:00am:
David Mille and Sam Sammut.

** NEWS & EVENTS **

If you need Pastoral care & support, or you are aware of others who may need assistance, please phone our Parish office. Mobile number for emergencies is on the recorded message.

For all Safeguarding updates, please visit the parish website: www.holytrinityqueenscliff.org.au/safeguarding/parish-child-safe/ We appreciate your understanding and support as we work together to comply with our legal requirements. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Cuppa at Ocean Grove: parishioners are welcome for a cuppa and biscuit following 9:00am Mass on Sundays throughout Winter at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove.

A new Ministry Roster for Ocean Grove is scheduled to issue soon. It would be helpful if Ministry Volunteers would inform Monica on email: meaghermonica@gmail.com as to any Sundays you will not be available during roster cycle September - November inclusive. Thank you.

'Living Out Loud': workshop and concert hosted by Combined Refugee Action Group (CRAG) and Queenscliff Rural Australian For Refugees (QRAR). Date: Sunday 11th August. Time: 2:30-4:00pm. Location: Queenscliff Uniting Church (85 Hesse Street). Tickets \$30, book online at www.trybooking.com/CTFNG. See church narthex for flyer. All welcome!

Each Church in our Parish has a TAP & GO terminal. These have helped increase financial support for our Parish. Easy to use - please avail yourself of this way to support us. Thank you.

National Vocations Awareness Week (4-11 August): Vocations come from families, communities and parishes. Let us pray that our parish community may always be welcoming and encouraging of vocations to marriage, priesthood and consecrated life.

Together we pray for the children receiving the Sacrament of First Eucharist in the coming weeks. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

+ ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN +

Last weekend, all parishes of the Melbourne Archdiocese were introduced to a programme of fundraising designed to continue and develop various vital ministries conducted by and within the Archdiocese. The programme is called THE ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN.

The programme is described in the literature available today as "streamlining" current methods of financing Archdiocesan ministries. Until now, and over many years, parishes have had third collections to help finance these vital ministries. THE ARCHBISHOP'S CAMPAIGN intends to combine up to 8 of these "special collections" in favour of having ONE MAJOR COLLECTION per year.

For this campaign to succeed, it needs to be supported more securely by parishioners MONTHLY or SINGLE GIFTS.

Please review the campaign material available today and prayerfully consider pledging a recurring monthly gift. You can also make a gift online at www.melbournecatholic.org/archbishopscampaign or via the QR codes on the campaign materials. I invite you to give generously.

Geelong Catholic Diners Club: You are warmly invited to join us for a social get-together for food & friendship. Date: Tuesday 13th August. Time: 6:00pm. Venue: Great Western Hotel (Shannon Ave, Geelong West). Cost: Purchase meals & drinks at your own cost. RSVP to Michael 0431 959 584 or Michael.Belleville1970@outlook.com by 9th August.

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www.catholicdevelopmentfund.org.au/communityfund/offer or Anton Pan-Cassin apancassin@melbcdf.org.au or Bernard Docherty bdocherty@melbcdf.org.au. *Interest rates subject to change. View current rates on the CDF website.

LITURGY IN OUR PARISH THIS WEEK

Monday 12th August - Weekday, Ordinary Time 19 Tuesday 13th August - Weekday, Ordinary Time 19

9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Wednesday 14th August – St Maximilian Mary Kolbe (Memorial)

9:15am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

11:00am Mass with anointing at Arcare, Point Lonsdale 6:00pm St Aloysius School Sacrament of First Eucharist Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Thursday 15th August – The ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (Solemnity, Holy Day of Obligation)

9:15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove 6:00pm Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Friday 16th August – Weekday, Ordinary Time 19 9:15am Mass at Holy Trinity, Queenscliff

Saturday 17th August - Weekday, Ordinary Time 19

Sunday 18th August – 20TH SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME 12:30pm Baptism Service at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Ocean Grove

Thought for the Week:

The key to everything is patience. You get the chicken by hatching the egg, not by smashing it.

- Arnold H. Glasgow.

OUR CHANGING ARCHDIOCESE

With the shortage of priests and declining Mass attendance, the Archdiocese of Melbourne is restructuring some parishes, merging three parishes into one parish and two parishes merging into one. However, each church will retain its patronal name.

As of 10th August 2024:

- St James' Gardenvale, St Joan of Arc, Brighton, and St Finbar's, Brighton East, will be named Emmaus Parish.
- St Mary's, Hampton, Immaculate Heart of Mary, Hampton East and Sacred Heart, Sandringham, will be named The Parish of the Holy Spirit and St Francis.
- The two partnered parishes of St Agnes, Highett and Our Lady of the Assumption, Cheltenham, will be known as Christ Our Light Parish, Highett Cheltenham.



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