

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 6:56

Alleluia, alleluia!
All who eat my flesh and drink my blood live in me and
I in them, says the Lord.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 6:51-58

My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

Jesus said to the crowd:

‘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.’

Then the Jews started arguing with one another:

‘How can this man give us his flesh to eat?’ they said. Jesus replied:

‘I tell you most solemnly,

if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood,

you will not have life in you.

Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life,

and I shall raise him up on the last day.

For my flesh is real food

and my blood is real drink.

He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him.

As I, who am sent by the living Father,

myself draw life from the Father,

so whoever eats me will draw life from me.

This is the bread come down from heaven;

not like the bread our ancestors ate:

they are dead,

but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.’

The Gospel of the Lord

BACKGROUND ON THE GOSPEL READING

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Jesus teaches that whoever eats his flesh and drinks his blood will live forever.

On this Sunday, we continue to read from the sixth chapter of the Gospel of John. Today’s Gospel elaborates further on the teaching that Jesus began in our liturgy last week. In that reading, the crowds wondered about how Jesus could say that he had come down from heaven because they knew Jesus to be the son of Joseph. In this Gospel, some have difficulty with Jesus’ teaching that he is the living bread sent from God. Recall that Jesus had told them that just as God gave the Israelites manna to sustain them in the desert, so now God has sent new manna that will give eternal life. We hear the concluding verse of last week’s Gospel repeated in today’s reading: Jesus himself is the bread sent by God; Jesus’ flesh is the bread that is given for the life of the world.

Among the stumbling blocks for those who heard but did not understand Jesus is the teaching that the bread that Jesus will give is his own flesh. In response to the people who quarreled over his words, Jesus teaches with even greater emphasis that salvation comes to those who eat his Body and Blood. Jesus doesn’t seem to answer the question posed about how salvation will come about, perhaps because this reality can only be understood after his death and Resurrection. Instead, Jesus teaches about the life that he will give to the world.

To many ears, Jesus’ words are jarring and difficult to hear. Many who heard Jesus could not accept what he said. Many today continue to struggle to accept these words. But they are important words because they reveal our intimate connection with Jesus.

This is the mystery that is at the heart of our eucharistic theology. In the elements of bread and wine, Jesus’ Body and Blood are made truly present. When we share in the Body and Blood of Christ, Jesus himself comes to dwell within us. This communion with the Lord makes us one body, brings us eternal life, and sends us forth to be Christ’s body for the life of the world.



Parish Bulletin

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B 17/18 August 2024

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Proverbs 9:1-6

Come and eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared.

Wisdom has built herself a house,
she has erected her seven pillars,
she has slaughtered her beasts, prepared her wine,
she has laid her table.

She has despatched her maidservants
and proclaimed from the city’s heights:
‘Who is ignorant? Let him step this way.’

To the fool she says,
‘Come and eat my bread,
drink the wine I have prepared!
Leave your folly and you will live,
walk in the ways of perception.’

The word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 33:2-3, 10-15

Response:

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. Revere the Lord, you his saints.
They lack nothing, those who
revere him. Strong lions suffer
want and go hungry but those who
seek the Lord lack no blessing. **R**

3. Come, children, and hear me
that I may teach you the fear of
the Lord. Who is he who longs for
life and many days, to enjoy his
prosperity?. **R**

4. Then keep your tongue from
evil and your lips from speaking
deceit. Turn aside from evil and do
good; seek and strive after peace. **R**

SECOND READING

Ephesians 5:15-20

*Be watchful that you may know
the will of God.*

Be very careful about the sort of
lives you lead, like intelligent and
not like senseless people. This may
be a wicked age, but you redeem it.

And do not be thoughtless but
recognise what is the will of the
Lord. Do not drug yourselves with
wine, this is simply dissipation; be
filled with the Spirit. Sing the words
and tunes of the psalms and hymns
when you are together, and go on
singing and chanting to the Lord in
your hearts, so that always and
everywhere you are giving thanks to
God who is our Father in the name
of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The word of the Lord

*My flesh is real food
and my blood
is real drink.*

**EAT MY FLESH,
DRINK MY BLOOD.**

In the Incarnation, ‘the Word was
made flesh and dwelt among us.’
The Word continues to take flesh
in the Eucharistic species and in all
of us who partake of the flesh and
blood of Christ in Communion:
‘those who eat my flesh and drink
my blood live in me and I in them.’

Through the Eucharistic
community, Christ continues to be
enfleshed and to dwell in our
world.

PRAYER BEFORE HOLY MASS

Heavenly father, we are about to offer
this wonderful memorial of the passion
and death of your Son. Bless our Priest
as he stands in the person of Christ and
makes present for us the great sacrifice
of Calvary.

Bless our Ministers here present today-
our ministers of the Eucharist, our readers,
our Altar Servers, our musicians and
ushers. When we reflect on the magnifi-
cence of these Sacred Ministries, we are
somewhat overawed at our calling. But
also we are overjoyed that You have
asked us to stand at Your altar and
serve You.

Help us to be reverent and to be faithful
to our responsibilities. May this Eucha-
rist that we are about to offer be a bond
of unity and a sacrament of love for our
people. We make this prayer through
Christ our Lord. Amen.

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

By The Knights of
the Southern Cross
after 9:30am Mass on
Sunday 25 Aug 2024

We appreciate
your support!



\$3.00



Next week is Catholic Schools Open
Week and we are celebrating all the
things that make our school so special.
Come and experience our welcoming
and connected community, and find out
more about our quality learning pro-
grams.

Join us next **Wednesday 21st August** for a Principal Tour. Feel free to share with
family and friends. Book here

<https://www.stjotran.catholic.edu.au/enrolment/book-a-tour>



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Mass Times
Sunday 9:30 am
Saturday Vigil Mass 6:30 pm
Tuesday to Friday 9:15 am

Confessions
Saturday 6:00 pm

Rosary
Tues to Fri 8:45am

Adoration of the Eucharist
Friday before Mass 8:30am

Novena to St. Joseph
Wednesday after Mass

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Vinnies Assistance Hotline
1300 729 202 - 9:00am to 4:30pm

Rosters—24/25 Aug 2024
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Time	Commentator/Readers
6.30pm Vigil	Anne Marie Platten Chris Platten
9:30am	Stephanie Roach Aloysius Achusiogu Ifeoma Achusiogu
Children's Liturgy	Suanne Woitd Antonetta Bartley
Count team	Andrew Gaal Gail Gaal Sandra Librandi Shane Foley
Altar and Flowers	Dolores Arboit Christina Wong Sarita Ingham and volunteers

All those who have volunteered please arrive at least 15 minutes before the start time and report to the commentator for that Mass

SUNDAY COLLECTION SUMMARY	10/11 Aug 2024
Open Plate	\$424.00
Planned Giving	\$510.50
PARISH TOTAL	\$944.50

This week's contribution to the Diocesan Presbytery Fund : \$576.45



Please remember in your prayers
We pray for those listed and all the deceased relatives and friends of our Parishioners.

For the Repose of the Soul:
Stan Mencil

Death Anniversary:
Dominic Giuliani
Carmen Frosco

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them; present them to God the Most High.

Sick:
We pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish and our relatives and friends who are unwell.

If you know of sick or elderly parishioners who are house-bound or in care and would appreciate a visit, please phone and leave a message with the parish office.

Pope Francis @pontifex
Dear young people, please reflect on the wonder of God's love for us just the way we are, not the way society or we say we should be, but as we are with all our faults and our limitations. Trust in God because He is our Father who loves us.



Tranmere Parish Direct Giving App

You can now make your donations to the first and second collection online. Direct Giving via the Archdiocesan App is cashless, fast and secure. Download the Adelaide Archdiocese app. Find a mass on your mobile phone and set up Direct Giving to the first and second collections as well as special appeals. Or contact the Parish Office to set up Direct Debit or Direct Credit. The following website provides a direct link to Tranmere Parish from a pc, laptop, or tablet. Thank you for your donations!
<https://adelaide.goodgiving.com.au/qr/parish/tranmere>



Parish Children's Liturgy

We have a very dedicated team of catechists who teach Children's Liturgy at every Sunday morning mass. If you know of any children between the ages of 3-10 who would benefit from attending our Children's Liturgy, please speak to their parents and encourage them to attend. We would love to see more children benefit from attending this program. For more information, please contact Anne Dudzinski, 0418 847 804.

ARCHDIOCESE EVENTS

Save the Date: Migrant and Refugee Sunday (Multicultural Mass) at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral

Everyone is invited to celebrate Migrant and Refugee Sunday at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral 2.30pm Sunday September 29. All are welcome! Come dressed in cultural attire and enjoy an ice cream and coffee after Mass, as we celebrate the many cultures that make up our amazing church in Adelaide.

Synod Instrumentum Laboris (Working Document)

Please be advised the Synod of Bishop's Working Document has been released.

It can be accessed via the following link: [The Instrumentum Laboris \(synod.va\)](https://www.synod.va)

The Adelaide Planetarium- Season of Creation Event

The Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide invites you for a 60-minute experience at the Adelaide Planetarium, to celebrate the Season of Creation. The event will occur on Friday September 6 from 7pm-8pm at the UniSA Mawson lakes campus. Places are limited so register early at <https://www.trybooking.com/CTENZ>

Blessing of milestone wedding anniversaries Sunday September 15

Celebrations for milestone wedding anniversaries will be held on 15th September. Couples who are celebrating significant anniversaries will be presented a certificate. For nomination please contact Fr Roy or the parish office.

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Community Day on Meaningful Ageing

The World Community for Christian Meditation South Australia invites you to a Community Day on 'Meaningful Ageing' with the Rev Dr Les Underwood (Uniting SA Minister and Director of both the Uniting SA Clinical Pastoral Education Centre and the St Barnabas Anglican Clinical Pastoral Education Centre) as our guest speaker. There will be a Q&A panel in the afternoon; and time to meditate.

Date: Saturday August 24, 11am - 3pm
Place: St Michael's Anglican Church, 18 Church Road, Mitcham. Please bring some lunch to share and your own cup. Suggested donation \$15. C
Contact: chrmed.southaust@gmail.com for more information and to register your attendance please.

ACBC Research Project, Absent from the Table

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference is undertaking a research project aimed at investigating why some Catholics do not participate in regular weekly Sunday Mass (Sunday Mass includes the Saturday Vigil). <https://bit.ly/AbsentFromTheTableSurvey> The survey closes on Tuesday August 20. Parishioners are encouraged to reach out to those they know who could participate in the survey.



UN CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD



...more to come

The Kids' Bulletin
We Thank Jesus for Coming to Us

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells the people that He really will give Himself to them as food to eat. We receive Jesus every time we go to Holy Communion.



One of the words we use for Holy Communion is EUCHARIST, which means thanksgiving.

It tells us that the Mass is the best way of giving thanks to God. It also reminds us that we should be very thankful to Jesus for coming to us and giving Himself to us.



THANK YOU, JESUS, FOR COMING TO ME IN HOLY COMMUNION!

We should thank Jesus as soon as we have received Holy Communion. But don't stop being thankful as soon as Mass is over! Being a good Christian means being thankful and trying to please God all the time!



HOW CAN I SHOW JESUS I LOVE HIM TODAY?

Answer to St. Paul Word-Find: Give thanks always

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Pope Saint Pius X August 21

JOSEPH SARTO WAS BORN IN 1835 IN ITALY. HIS FATHER WAS A MAIL MAN. WHEN JOSEPH WENT TO SCHOOL TO BECOME A PRIEST HE WAS SO POOR THAT HE WENT BAREFOOT FOR MILES TO SAVE HIS ONLY SHOES.

AS A PRIEST, FATHER SARTO LOVED THE POOR AND GAVE EVERYTHING HE HAD TO HELP THEM.

FATHER SARTO BECAME A BISHOP AND THEN A CARDINAL.

WHEN THE POPE DIED HE WAS CHOSEN TO BE POPE. HE TOOK THE NAME PIUS X.

POPE PIUS X ENCOURAGED PEOPLE TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION OFTEN.

WHEN WORLD WAR I BROKE OUT HE WAS VERY SAD.

Those dishes were a lovely gift. We should give them to the Antoni family.

POPE SAINT PIUS X DIED ON AUGUST 20, 1914. RIGHT UP UNTIL THE END OF HIS LIFE HE GAVE EVERYTHING HE HAD TO THE POOR.

SAINT PIUS X WANTED EVERYONE TO BE ABLE TO RECEIVE JESUS IN HOLY COMMUNION. HE ALLOWED YOUNGER CHILDREN TO RECEIVE THEIR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION, WHEN BEFORE THEY HAD TO BE AT LEAST 12. WE CAN LEARN FROM HIM TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION OFTEN AND WITH GREAT LOVE.

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