

## NOTICES

**Booking for Mass:** Although social distancing measures have been reduced, leading to increased capacity in the church, it is still recommended to book for all our weekend Masses to simplify the track and trace check in procedure at the door. To book, contact Ewan Walker by calling or sending a text message to 07913 824 258 or by email [eaw287@gmail.com](mailto:eaw287@gmail.com).

**Parish Finances** It is possible to donate via bank transfer if you wish. The parish account details are:

**Sort code: 80-02-27 Account number: 00126361 Account name: Archdiocese of St Andrew's & Edinburgh: St Joseph's** Please remember to include your name as a reference.

**Collection 25<sup>th</sup> July:** £383.66; **1<sup>st</sup> August:** £461.10

**Votive candle donations July:** £68.12. *Thank you for your generosity.*

**Further Relaxation of Covid Restrictions:** As you may be aware, the First Minister has announced further changes to Covid restrictions in Scotland, including to social distancing measures. The PPC intend to meet to discuss how best to proceed in order to keep everyone as safe as possible. It may be that we maintain some measures in the church for the time being. Any parishioner with any concerns, comments or suggestions should feel free to approach a member of the PPC to discuss.

**Safeguarding Webinar:** The Bishops of Scotland invite clergy, religious, church employees and volunteers across Scotland to a national safeguarding webinar at 11am on Saturday 2 October. It will be a chance to find out more about the safeguarding document In Gods Image v2 and reflect upon on its implications for your safeguarding role in the Church. The link to register is: [bit.ly/3gQRdPu](https://bit.ly/3gQRdPu).

**Courses at Gillis Centre, Edinburgh:** Applications are now open for variety of courses run by St Mary's University, Twickenham, at our Gillis Centre Campus in Edinburgh this autumn. Why not improve your knowledge of the faith with an MA in Theology? Visit [stmarys.ac.uk/edinburgh](https://stmarys.ac.uk/edinburgh) for more information.

**Getting married?** You should be in touch with your parish priest at least six months before getting married of making any preparations. A Marriage Preparation Course is a requirement for those wishing to get married in the Catholic Church. Your parish priest will give you guidance on how to do the preparation and which course to use. As one of the options, there is a course run by the Archdiocese which seeks to lead couples to a greater understanding of God's plan for marriage and his call to live this beautiful vocation. Course details and dates can be found at [bit.ly/ArchMarriagePrep2021-22](https://bit.ly/ArchMarriagePrep2021-22)



SAINT JOSEPH'S  
BROOMHOUSE



PLEASE TAKE THE BULLETIN WITH YOU—  
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8th August 2021

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

I am  
the **living bread**  
which has come  
down from  
**heaven.**

John 6: 41-51

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# ORDER OF THE MASS

## 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.

## Introductory Rites

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

✠ *Amen.*

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

✠ *And with your spirit.*

## Penitential Act

*I confess to almighty God / and to you my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned / in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do,  
through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the angels and saints / and you my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.  
Amen.*

P: Lord have mercy.

✠ *Lord have mercy*

P: Christ have mercy.

✠ *Christ have mercy*

P: Lord have mercy

✠ *Lord have mercy.*

## The 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.

## Reflection

*The confusion:* Jesus presented himself as “*the bread that came down from heaven*” (Jn 6: 41). The gospel passage of today portrays the reaction of the Jews upon hearing Jesus’ claim as the bread of life. Their immediate reaction is that of unbelief. The reason for their unbelief is that they could not accept the divine origin of Jesus. They could think only of his human origin. They knew that Jesus was son of Joseph, a carpenter; they knew his mother as well. Knowing their background, they ask themselves how Jesus can claim to be the “*bread from heaven*”. This passage, therefore, invites each of us to reflect about our notion of Jesus. Who is Jesus for us? Our belief in Jesus cannot be limited to his human origin.

*The answer:* To believe in the divine origin of Jesus, the first requirement is to go beyond our ordinary and human way of thinking; God’s plan and His interventions in life go beyond our understanding and imaginations; our God is a God of surprises; this aspect of God’s mysterious and miraculous intervention is clearly manifested in the life of the prophet Elijah who was fed by an angel of God in the desert.

The second requirement to believe in the divine origin of Jesus is to believe the Word of God; the Word of God cannot deceive. The Word of God reveals that the sound from heaven identified the divine origin of Jesus in these words: “*This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased*” (Mt 3:17). Inspired by divine revelation, St Peter confessed the identity of Jesus saying, “*You are the Christ, the Son of the living God*” (Mt 16:16).

A third requirement to accept the divine origin is to know the works of Jesus; the works that Jesus did, may they be preaching, teaching, healing, cannot be done if not through the power of God. Nicodemus confesses it saying, “*Rabbi, we know that you have come from God to teach us, for no one can perform miraculous signs like you do unless God is with him*” (Jn 3:2).

The fourth requirement is to believe in the words of Jesus himself who claims to have seen God and have come down from God (cf. Jn 6:46).

*Fr Baji Joseph, SSP*

*as we forgive those who trespass against us;  
and lead us not into temptation, / but deliver us from evil.*

P: Deliver us Lord, we pray...  
*For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,  
now and forever.*

P: Lord Jesus Christ.... For ever and ever.  
✠ Amen.

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
✠ And with your spirit.

### **Breaking of the Bread**

*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.*

P: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.  
✠ *Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.*

### **Communion Antiphon**

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

**Ps 147: 12, 14**

### **FEASTS OF THE WEEK**

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> August:** St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein);  
Virgin, Martyr (Feast)

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> August:** Saint Laurence; Deacon, Martyr (Feast)

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> August:** Saint Clare; Virgin

**Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> August:** Saint Maximilian Kolbe; Priest, Martyr

**NEXT SUNDAY:** The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
(Solemnity)

**Thank you** to the parishioners who responded to the appeal for a piano stool in last week's bulletin. It was great to get such a swift resolution.

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**

### **First reading**

**1 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**

✠ *Thanks be to God*

### **Responsorial Psalm**

**Psalm 33(34):2-9**

✠. ***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. ✠.

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. ✠.

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. ✠.

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. ✠.

**Second Reading****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**

℟ Thanks be to God

**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 complaining 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.'

**The Gospel of the Lord**

℟ Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

**Profession of Faith**

*I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit /  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; /  
he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven;  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty,  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting.*

**Amen.**

**Prayers of the Faithful**

P: Lord, hear us.

℟ Lord Graciously Hear us.

**The 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.*

**The Mystery of Faith**

*We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you  
come again.*

**Doxology and Great Amen**

P: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the  
unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

C: **Amen.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

*Our Father, who are in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; / thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.*

*Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses,*