



AUGUST 22, 2021



21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?" Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." - Jn 6:67-69

August 22, 2021

FROM THE PASTOR...

This weekend we come to the end of the Bread of Life discourse and its climax. There were many people who heard Jesus' words: "My flesh is true food and My blood is true drink" and they said: "This is a hard saying; who can accept it?" St. John says that many people stopped following Jesus because of this teaching, we should be able to sympathize with the first hearers of this words. Would we have believed Jesus Christ right away? The ancient Romans even accused the early Christians of cannibalism in their misunderstanding of the Eucharist. Why should we believe such a teaching as Christ's Real Presence?

The Lord used very graphic language to describe how His flesh is real food and His blood real drink. He used the word eat but then went on to use an even more graphic verb which means gnaw; consider "if you do not gnaw on the flesh of the Son of Man you do not have life within you." After the people murmured like the Israelites of old, He even asked them, "Does this shock you?"

There is one verse in this discourse that is often used to say that the Eucharist is symbolic, and we heard it today: "It is the spirit that gives life while the flesh is of no avail. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and life." Some say that this verse means that Jesus doesn't want us to eat His body and drink His blood because the flesh is of no avail anyway. The Eucharist, according to them, would be only symbolic. Taken out of context, this one verse ignores the rest of Jesus' teaching in the previous 50 verses in which He states at six different points that His flesh and blood are real and should be eaten. The "flesh" unconnected from God is useless…not Jesus' flesh which is a bridge to the Holy Trinity.

Furthermore, the people at the time didn't interpret Jesus' words in a symbolic way. But they did walk away, "Many of His disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied Him." Not only did Jesus not correct any potential misunderstanding of the crowds, He even turned to the Twelve and asked them: "Do you also want to leave?"

Presumably Peter and the other disciples found this teaching hard, too, but they didn't leave. They had faith that Jesus would reveal how His words were true and so St. Peter responded to Christ's question saying: "Lord, to whom shall we go, you have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." The Lord wants us to trust Him because of who He is and in time we will grow in our understanding of the Sacred Mysteries.

The First Vatican Council said:

"Assisted by the grace of God, we believe that the things which he has revealed are true; not because of the intrinsic truth of the things, viewed by the natural light of human reason, but because of the authority of God himself who reveals them, and who can neither deceive nor be deceived." So, we believe what God's revealed not because we see how it's obviously true at first but because God is the one telling us...we can trust Him.

We might reasonably ask why the Lord chose to use physical matter as a means of elevating us to His invisible divine nature. All the sacraments use matter to mediate God's grace because we are a combination of body and soul, and we will have bodies forever just as Jesus Himself who has gone before us to heaven.

There is no greater gift that Jesus can give us than Himself, and He does so in this greatest of sacraments: "Taste and see the goodness of the Lord."

God bless,

Fr. Mike





In today's Gospel, Jesus asks "Do you also want to leave?" We must ask ourselves if we really want to hear the Good News of His love for us and for others. Is the Word of God able to break into our consciousness, change us and call us to hear the cries of the poor?

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to hear the cries of the poor by continuing to purchase items for the backpack project, donated backpacks for the Mission of Our Lady of the Angels' back to school supplies party and assisting a family

by providing food & monetary assistance for rent, bills, etc. God Bless You!

St Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish Social - Saturday, September 11, 2021

4:00 p.m. Mass*, followed by food, music, and fun for the whole family! Let's come together to thank God for the gift of our parish and all it has to offer. We hope you can join us!

* There will not be a 5:00 p.m. Mass on this day.

In the weeks leading up to the event, we will be highlighting all the different groups our parish/school has to offer. Here are the next two:

SPRED

<u>Special Religious Ed</u>ucation (SPRED) is a religious education program for persons with physical and mental challenges. The organization is divided into age groups. Our division has children ages six to ten and helps those children with special needs be able to receive their First Communion.

This is a high priority for parents who worry that their special needs child will not be able to receive First Communion. It is a specially developed program that does not require memorization of prayers. It is a program that has a one adult to one child ratio and that teaches about Jesus' love for the child and that He is always there for him/her. Groups are limited to six children / six adult partners. We had a full group prior to the start of the Covid pandemic. Now we will have to slowly contact families and catechists to see how and when we can start up again. We meet once a week - one week the adults prepare their program, and the next week we meet with the children. Our new meeting space is the art room in the junior high building of the school

For more information, please contact Carol Ideler by email at: acideler@aol.com

Boy Scouts

The mission statement of Boy Scout Troop 969 is to provide a safe, supportive, and participatory environment that enables scout's learning of new skills, personal growth, character, and leadership development, complete with an outdoor program consisting of one day outings, weekend campouts, and a week-long summer camp and high adventure. Our program is run within the guidelines outlined in the "BSA Mission Statement and Purpose". To provide such a program requires the full commitment and participation of all the adult and the scout membership.

Boy Scout Troop 969 has been in existence since 1932 and continues to be one of the biggest troops on the northwest side of Chicago. For additional information, check out the troop's website at www.troop969.com, or stop by our annual pancake breakfast during the first weekend of March.







Willow Marie, child of Hosea & Danielle & (Arena) Moser Picture not available

Nadia Alejandra, child of Ivan & Sonia & (Garcia) Reinoso



Save the date! ANNUAL SPAGHETTI DINNER Benefiting the Station School in Rwanda



Date: Sunday, September 26th

Time: 11:30 am-3:00 pm L

Location: Phil's Pizza D'Oro

Cost: \$6.00 carry out per person

Due to COVID-19 this year's event will be carry out only

MENU
Salad
Bread
Spaghetti with meat sauce
Dessert

Tickets will be sold outside of the church on September 18th & 19th or the rectory

You will have an opportunity to sign up for sponsorship when picking up your dinner order



Michele Schmidt — Maria Szumski — Carol Williams —
Gary Sowell — Virginia Barski — Jeffrey Lalowski —
Jadwija Chudzynski — Amy Grudzinski — Bernadette Bannac —
Patricia Newell — Guzman family — Angela Ross — Kasia
Worth — Nicholas Guerrieri — Cathy Minnick — Marie
Brasher — Stan Wolenczuk — Beverly Underwood — Molly
Morris — Paola Estrada — Judy Biala — Eva Anderson — Elise
Fernandez — Gerard Rangel — Roger Rangel — Emery Tanski —
Jeanne Ryjewski — John Carr — Fr. Dan Fallon —
Franciszka Posada — Cathy Muldoon-Pauly
(Call the rectory office to have your name added or removed)

The Respect Life Committee – Save the Dates

October is Respect Life Month and the first Sunday of October is designated as Respect Life Sunday.

In honor of Respect Life Month, SEOTT & the Respect Life Committee are supporting the fundraising efforts of the Baby Bottle Drive as organized by The Women's Center of Chicago! The drive runs from October 3rd - October 24th.

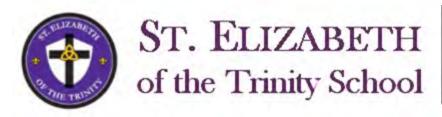
We're also having a movie night! Please join us on Friday, October 22nd at 6:00 p.m. in the school auditorium for a viewing of *PRAY: The Story of Patrick Peyton*. The beautiful documentary hopes to continue Father Peyton's mission of bringing families closer together through the power of prayer: The Family That Prays Together Stays Together. Hospitality will be provided!

Stay tuned - details to follow!

NOTICE

If you attend the 8:30 A.M. daily Mass please do not park in front of the school beginning on the first day of school, Tuesday, August 24. Thank you!





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This week at St. Elizabeth of the Trinity School...

Monday, August 23 -School Supply Drop Off for grades K-8 from

8:30-11:30 a.m.

Tuesday, August 24 -First Day of School for Grades K-8

Hello Visits for PK3 and Junior Kindergarten from

8·15-11·00 a m

Wednesday, August 25 - First Day of School for PK3 and Junior Kindergarten

Prayer for Students



Dear Jesus, thank you for the gift of learning! I want to grow closer to you in everything I do at school. In math and science, help me to see your beautiful plan in the world. Help me to discover new stories and values as I read and write. In arts and music, help me to be creative.

In sports, help me to treat my teammates and my opponents fairly. Help me to learn new skills in technology.

Jesus, you are the perfect teacher.

Help me to listen with open ears, an open heart, and an open mind to all my teachers at school. Help me to treat my classmates with care, kindness, and respect.

Thank you, Jesus, for school! Amen.

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or at weekend Masses and the rectory office



RELIGIOUS ED

First Day of RE Classes: September 19th!

FEWITH CHRIST IS A WONDERFUL ADVENTURE!-POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II



Summer with the Saints: Blessed Per Giorgio Frassati

Blessed Pier Giorgio was born into a wealthy family Turin, Italy. It was uncommon at the time for the wealthy to serve the poor, but Blessed Pier Giorgio did just that. He knew that by doing so he was serving Jesus Christ.

When he was just 24 years old, he was stricken by polio. As he lay very sick in bed, he wrote down the medications needed for a poor man he had befriended so that this man would not become ill. Even on his deathbed, Blessed Pier Giorgio saw Christ in all those he helped.

Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati's feast day is July 4th.

Early Bird Discount

Registration is now open for the 2021-2022 Religious Education Program for students in 1st-8th grades. Take advantage of the **Early Bird Discount** by submitting the registration form and payment by **August 31st**! Scan the QR Code to complete the registration form.



Pick up a Catholic Kids Bulletin each week on your way in or out of church. They are on the table inside the front doors. Looking for a way to get involved? We are looking for volunteers to serve as catechists in the RE Program as well as leaders for Children's Liturgy of the Word. Contact Kathleen Driscoll, kadriscoll@archchicago.org, if you would like to volunteer.

All volunteers must fulfill the volunteer requirements of the Archdiocese of Chicago.



The Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Sacrament of the Eucharist: Basic Ouestions and Answers – Part 3 of 8

Produced by the Committee on Doctrine of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and approved by the full body of bishops at their June 2001 General Meeting.

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Monsignor William P. Fay, General Secretary, USCCB

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Why is the Eucharist not only a meal but also a sacrifice?

While our sins would have made it impossible for us to share in the life of God, Jesus Christ was sent to remove this obstacle. His death was a sacrifice for our sins. Christ is "the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world" (Jn 1:29). Through his death and resurrection, he conquered sin and death and reconciled us to God. The Eucharist is the memorial of this sacrifice. The Church gathers to remember and to re-present the sacrifice of Christ in which we share through the action of the priest and the power of the Holy Spirit. Through the celebration of the Eucharist, we are joined to Christ's sacrifice and receive its inexhaustible benefits. As the Letter to the Hebrews explains, Jesus is the one eternal high priest who always lives to make intercession for the people before the Father. In this way, he surpasses the many high priests who over centuries used to offer sacrifices for sin in the Jerusalem temple. The eternal high priest Jesus offers the perfect sacrifice which is his very self, not something else. "He entered once for all into the sanctuary, not with the blood of goats and calves but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption" (Heb 9:12). Jesus' act belongs to human history, for he is truly human and has entered into history. At the same time, however, Jesus Christ is the Second Person of the Holy Trinity; he is the eternal Son, who is not confined within time or history. His actions transcend time, which is part of creation. "Passing through the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made by hands, that is, not belonging to this creation" (Heb 9:11), Jesus the eternal Son of God made his act of sacrifice in the presence of his Father, who lives in eternity. Jesus' one perfect sacrifice is thus eternally present before the Father, who eternally accepts it. This means that in the Eucharist, Jesus does not sacrifice himself again and again. Rather, by the power of the Holy Spirit his one eternal sacrifice is made present once again, re-presented, so that we may share in it. Christ does not have to leave where he is in heaven to be with us. Rather, we partake of the heavenly liturgy where Christ eternally intercedes for us and presents his sacrifice to the Father and where the angels and saints constantly glorify God and give thanks for all his gifts: "To the one who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor, glory and might, forever and ever" (Rev 5:13). As the Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "By the Eucharistic celebration we already unite ourselves with the heavenly liturgy and anticipate eternal life, when God will be all in all" (no. 1326). The Sanctus proclamation, "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord...." is the song of the angels who are in the presence of God (Is 6:3). When in the Eucharist we proclaim the Sanctus we echo on earth the song of angels as they worship God in heaven. In the eucharistic celebration we do not simply remember an event in history. Rather, through the mysterious action of the Holy Spirit in the eucharistic celebration the Lord's Paschal Mystery is made present and contemporaneous to his Spouse the Church. Furthermore, in the eucharistic re-presentation of Christ's eternal sacrifice before the Father, we are not simply spectators. The priest and the worshiping community are in different ways active in the eucharistic sacrifice. The ordained priest standing at the altar represents Christ as head of the Church. All the baptized, as members of Christ's Body, share in his priesthood, as both priest and victim. The Eucharist is also the sacrifice of the Church. The Church, which is the Body and Bride of Christ, participates in the sacrificial offering of her Head and Spouse. In the Eucharist, the sacrifice of Christ becomes the sacrifice of the members of his Body who united to Christ form one sacrificial offering (cf. Catechism, no. 1368). As Christ's sacrifice is made sacramentally present, united with Christ, we offer ourselves as a sacrifice to the Father. "The whole Church exercises the role of priest and victim along with Christ, offering the Sacrifice of the Mass and itself completely offered in it" (Mysterium Fidei, no. 31; cf. Lumen Gentium, no. 11).

(to be continued)



Watch St. Elizabeth of the Trinity 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass live on You Tube - search for St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parish channel

SATURDAY, AUGUST 21, 2021

5:00 PM — Don Love Jr., Stanley R Erie, Michael Maughan, Bernice Connolly, George Peterson, Henryk Bujno

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22, 2021

7:30 AM — Helen & Alexander Kolinski, Jo & Ed Sanborn, Anna, Joseph, Estelle & Walter Dyjak

9:00 AM — (livestreamed) - Eileen & Jack Owen, Don Quinn, Robert Bernice, Yasmin Perez, Bernice Connolly, Frank Greif (2nd anniversary)

11:00 AM — Henryk Bujno, Richard Bartuce, Richard & Lucyna Gustek

1:00 PM — (Spanish)

MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 2021

8:30 AM —Marjorie Carmody, Frank Greif (2nd anniversary)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 247, 2021

8:30 AM — Romulo V. Ronquillo

11:00 - 2:00 PM - Adoration with Benediction at 1:50

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2021

8:30 AM — Terrence, Edward & Mary Wilk, Edward O'Malley

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 2021

8:30 AM — Pietrina & Vito Bucaro

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27, 2021

8:30 AM — Hector Gonzalez, Thomas Kilcoyne

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 2021

8:30 AM — for our parishioners

3:30 - 4:30 PM—CONFESSIONS

5:00 PM — deceased members of the Ognibene family, Michael Maughan, Peter Joyce, Bernice Connolly, Christy Murphy, Mary Howard

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29, 2021

7:30 AM — Carmen Rosario Castro

9:00 AM — (livestreamed) - Eileen & Jack Owen, Don Quinn, Tom McManus, Louie Gonzales, Connie Mehl, Henryk Bujno, Sean G. Hawkins (8th anniversary)

11:00 AM — Richard Bartuce

1:00 PM — (Spanish)

Presider Schedule - August 28 & 29

5:00 pm — Fr. Landfried 7:30 am — Fr. McCarthy 9:00 am — Fr. Grisolano 11:00 am — Fr. Landfried (Spanish) 1:00 pm - Fr. Landfried

DISPENSATION

Cardinal Cupich has continued the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Day Mass until further notice.



Kay McAndrew Robert Emperado



SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Rose of Lima, Virgin Tuesday: St. Bartholomew, Apostle

Wednesday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz, Priest

Thursday:

Friday: St. Monica

Saturday: St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of

the Church

Next Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Readings for the Week

Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-

17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21

-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4,

5- 6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-

18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-

2ab [1]/Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14

and 17 [14]/Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10,

11-12 [12a]/Mt 25:1-13

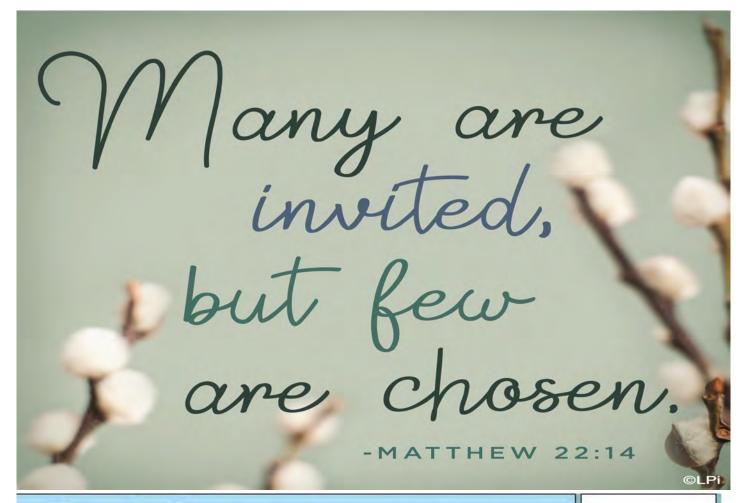
Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [9]/Mt

25:14-30

Next Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/

Jas1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-

15, 21-23



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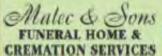
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SERVICES

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. & Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. (English) and

1:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday through Saturday: 8:30 a.m. First Friday: 8:00 p.m. (Spanish)

Church is open daily for private prayer until 5:00 p.m.

Confession:

Friday: 7:00 to 7:45 p.m. (bilingual) Saturday: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday: 11:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Benediction at 1:50 p.m.)

Rectory Hours - Monday through Friday: 9:00 - 5:00

Baptism:

Please contact Deacon Greg Bzdon to make arrangements: gbzdon@archchicago.org

Becoming a Catholic:

Would you like to learn more about what it means to be a Catholic? The Church calls this process *The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)*. It is a small group forum where interested people learn more about initiation and membership in the Catholic Church. Please call Kathleen Driscoll at the parish office for more information.

Marriage:

Must be arranged six months prior to the ceremony. Please contact a priest to make arrangements.

Religious Education for Public Grade School Students: Contact Kathleen Driscoll for more information: kadriscoll@archchicago.org

Parish Registration: New parishioners are asked to register at the Rectory. Forms are also available on our website under the Our Parish tab.

Communion Visits: Ministers of Care bring communion to the homebound. Contact Deacon Steve Wagner through the rectory to make arrangements.

High School Youth Group: Mr. Mike Wuich HEELSFINL4@AOL.COM

Bulletin Deadline: Noon on Fridays (9 days prior to bulletin date)

"It seems to me that I have found my heaven on earth, because my heaven is You, my God, and You are in my soul.
You in me, and I in You – may this be my motto."

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity