

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 1, 2021

Welcome to all who are here to worship with us.
Today is the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time.
Whoever you may be, or wherever you find yourself on the
journey, please know that here at St. Matthias,
All Are Welcome.

- All Are Welcome to join the Diocesan celebration of 500 years of Philippine Christianization. A novena Mass will be held here at St. Matthias **tomorrow/this evening** at 5:00 pm with Fr. Abraham as the presider. We will be welcoming visitors from across the diocese. For more information, see the cover page of the bulletin.
- Please keep in your prayers the newly established steering committee for the Vocations Ministry. The committee **will be/was** commissioned **tomorrow/today** at the 10:00 Mass. Also, please watch the bulletin for special reflections from Vocations Ministry committee members on listening to God's very important call to service and holiness.
- This weekend begins the second of our parish's week-long ServiceWorX camps for our rising 8th graders preparing for Confirmation. Please pray for them as they focus their attention this week on making a connections between justice, service, and faith. For more information on what their week will entail, see Dee Nann's message on page 9 of the bulletin.
- Finally, if you are seeking spiritual formation on your own schedule, this weekend's bulletin provides links to several worthwhile resources for at-home engagement. Surely you will find something on the list of interest. And this is but a very small selection of resources. For more, don't hesitate to contact Ana Kelly or Dee Nann in the Parish office.

Today's gospel tells us that the hunger that can never be satiated is on the rise. In the words of Pope Francis from a recent homily,
"Let us not forget that the Eucharist is meant to nourish those
who are weary and hungry along the way. A Church of the pure
and perfect is a room with no place for anyone. On the other
hand, a Church with open doors, that gathers and celebrates
around Christ, is a large room where everyone – everyone, the
righteous and sinners – can enter."

Music for Our Assembly- August 1 2021- 18th Sunday of Ordinary Time

*O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay. (Psalm 70)*

Entrance Hymn - The Jesus Song

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, have mercy on me.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, have mercy on me. Amen.

Jesus, I trust in you. Jesus, I trust in you.

You are the Son of the Living God. Jesus, I trust in you. Jesus, I trust in you.

Text based on the Jesus Prayer and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Text and music © 2014, Tom Booth. Published by Spir

Responsorial Psalm 78

The Lord gave them bread, bread from heaven.

Communion Hymn - I Am the Bread of Life

I am the Bread of life. You who come to me shall not hunger; and who believe in me shall not thirst.

No one can come to me unless the Father beckons.

Refrain

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

The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world, and if you eat of this bread, you shall live forever, you shall live forever. **Refrain**

Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man and drink of his blood, and drink of his blood, you shall not have life within you. **Refrain**

I am the Resurrection, I am the life. If you believe in me, even though you die, you shall live forever.

Refrain

Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, Who has come into the world. **Refrain**

Text: John 6; Suzanne Toolan, SM, b.1927 © 1966, 1970, 1986, 1993, GIA Publications, Inc.

Closing Hymn – Joyful, Joyful We Adore You

Joyful, joyful, we adore you, God of glory, Lord of love;

Hearts unfold like flow'rs before you, opening to the sun above.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;

Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

All your works with joy surround you, earth and heav'n reflect your rays,

Stars and angels sing around you, center of unbroken praise;

Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,

Chanting bird and flowing fountain, praising you eternally!

Always giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,

Wellspring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!

Loving Father, Christ our brother, let your light upon us shine;

Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

Text: Henry van Dyke, 1852-1933, alt.

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PRAYERS FOR THE MASS

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.

Glory to God...

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.

Glory to God...

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.

Glory to God...

CREED

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.

Responsorial Psalm 78: 304, 23-24, 25, 54

R. The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

**What we have heard and know,
and what our fathers have declared to us,
we will declare to the generation to come
the glorious deeds of the LORD and his strength
and the wonders that he wrought.**

**He commanded the skies above
and opened the doors of heaven;
he rained manna upon them for food
and gave them heavenly bread.**

**Man ate the bread of angels,
food he sent them in abundance.
And he brought them to his holy land,
to the mountains his right hand had won.**

R. The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

July 31 – August 1, 2021

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our response will be: “In Your name, O God, we pray.”

- 1. For the Church, her leaders and members, especially this intentional faith community of Saint Matthias...Help us open our hearts to discern you holy will as we discover our true vocation in life; and nourish us with Your body, blood and holy word to strengthen us for the work of discipleship, we pray...**
- 2. For global, national, and civic leaders...Inspire them to find lasting solutions for the problems of hunger and thirst worldwide, we pray...**
- 3. For all who suffer or are ill in body, mind, or spirit, especially those on our parish and school sick lists...Grant them the peace and healing they long for, we pray...**
- 4. For those who have died, especially Frank Yusko and Aubrey McWatt...In life they were fed at the Eucharistic table; welcome them now into Your heavenly banquet, we pray...**
- 5. For the intentions of all of us assembled today in worship [LONG PAUSE], we pray...**

PRIEST: THIS MASS IS BEING SAID FOR _____

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus,

I believe that You are present in the most Blessed 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,
and I believe your words,**

**"Come to me all you who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will refresh you."**

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.