PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 8, 2021

Welcome to all who are here to worship with us.
Today is the 19th 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.

NO ANNOUNCEMENTS THIS WEEKEND.

On the Sunday Website this weekend at the *Center for Liturgy*, *St. Louis University*, it's suggested that today we should concentrate on the DELIBERATE KINDNESS OF GOD...FEEDING us...giving us DRINK...pursuing us AGAIN and AGAIN in order to offer God's greatest gift of all...LOVE.

God follows us... QUIETLY... GENTLY... even when we are stumbling, with a love that is immeasurable.

How might we respond to God's goodness????

The Eucharist gifts us with FOOD for the journey...and our response is to <u>BE</u> food <u>TO</u> others, so that they might complete the journey too.

Perhaps we start today by simply slowing down...to STOP running away. Instead...let the Lord FIND us...LOVE us...FEED us.

And then for us to leave here seeing others as truly visible images of God so that we FEED them TOO in love, understanding and justice.

Music for Our Assembly- August 1 2021- 19th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones forever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you (Psalm 74)

Entrance 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**

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Responsorial Psalm 34

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Communion Hymn - The Supper of the Lord

Refrain

Precious body, precious blood, seen as bread and wine; here the Lord prepares the feast divine. Bread of love is broken now, cup of life is poured: come, share the supper of the Lord.

This is the bread of God coming down from heav'n, giving life to us, to all the world. **Refrain**

"I am the living spring of eternal life; you that drink from me shall not thirst again." **Refrain**

"I am the bread of heav'n giving life to you; you that eat this bread shall never die."

Refrain

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Closing Hymn - Christ In Me Arise

Refrain

Christ in me arise and dispel all the darkness. Christ in me arise with your power and your strength. Christ in me pour out your blessing and healing. Christ in me arise and I shall rise with you.

Be now my vision; open these eyes, showing me all that I must see. Onward to the kingdom, you are the way. Arise in me and I shall rise with you. **Refrain**

Be now my footsteps, leading the way, taking me where I must go. Onward to the kingdom, you are the way. Arise in me and I shall rise with you. **Refrain** © 2008, Trevor Thomson. Published by Spirit & Song®, a division of OCP. All rights reserved.

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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 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the LORD; the lowly will hear me and be glad.

Glorify the LORD with me, Let us together extol his name. I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears.

Look to him that you may be radiant with joy.

and your faces may not blush with shame.

When the afflicted man called out, the LORD heard,

and from all his distress he saved him.

The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him and delivers them. Taste and see how good the LORD is; blessed the man who takes refuge in him.

R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

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

- 1. For the Church, her leaders and members ...Help us to find nourishment and sustenance in Christ, the Bread of Life, for our daily journey, and fulfillment for all the hungers and yearnings of our hearts...
 - and for our NeXt Level delegates (Brandon, Emily, Isabella, James, Melody and Michael) and their mentors in this upcoming week of service in Trenton...As they encounter the most vulnerable and needy, make them "imitators" of You and a source of hope for those to whom they minister, we pray...
- 2. For global, national, and civic leaders...Give them Your food as strength and fortitude to rid our societies of prejudice, discrimination and hatred, replaced with peace, understanding and justice, 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 us healing and wholeness and protect us all from the resurgence of the COVID virus, we pray...
- 4. For those who have died...May they now share in the fullness of eternal life to which the Bread of Life introduced them, we pray...
- 5. For the intentions of all of us assembled today in worship [LONG PAUSE], we pray...

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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.