

Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish

**21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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**SUNDAY 22 August 2021**

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| **INTRODUCTORY RITES**  **ENTRANCE HYMN**  **67. WE WALK BY FAITH**  **FROM PARISH SONG BOOKLET**  **GREETING**  **PENITENTIAL ACT**  **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.  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.  **COLLECT**  O God, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose, grant your people to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found.  Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen | **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**  **FIRST READING** Jos 24:1-18  *We will serve the Lord, for he is our God*  Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel together at Shechem; then he called the elders, leaders, judges and scribes of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Then Joshua said to all the people, ‘If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve, whether the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are now living. As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord.’  The people answered, ‘We have no intention of deserting the Lord and serving other gods! Was it not the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors out of the land of Egypt, the house of slavery, who worked those great wonders before our eyes and preserved us all along the way we travelled and among all the peoples through whom we journeyed? What is more, the Lord drove all those peoples out before us, as well as the Amorites who used to live in this country. We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.’  **The word of the Lord.**  **Thanks be to God.**  **RESPONSORIAL PS.** Ps 45:10-12, 16  *Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.*  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.  *Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.*  The Lord turns his face against the wicked  to destroy their remembrance from the earth.  The Lord turns his eyes to the just  and his ears to their appeal.  *Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.*  They call and the Lord hears  and rescues them in all their distress.  The Lord is close to the broken-hearted;  those whose spirit is crushed he will save.  *Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.*  Many are the trials of the just man  but from them all the Lord will rescue him.  He will keep guard over all his bones,  not one of his bones shall be broken.  *Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.*  Evil brings death to the wicked;  those who hate the good are doomed.  The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.  Those who hide in him shall not be condemned.  *Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.* | **SECOND READING** Eph 5:21-32  *Christ loves the Church, because it is his body*  Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord, since as Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives to their husbands, in everything. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body – and we are its living parts. *For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body.* This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ and the Church.  **The word of the Lord.**  **Thanks be to God.**  **GOSPEL ACCLAM.** Jn 6:63-68  Alleluia, alleluia!  Your words, Lord, are spirit and life:  you have the words of everlasting life.  Alleluia!  **GOSPEL** Jn 6:60-69  *Who shall we go to? You are the Holy One of God*  After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, ‘This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?’ Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, ‘Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before?  ‘It is the spirit that gives life,  the flesh has nothing to offer.  The words I have spoken to you are spirit  and they are life.  ‘But there are some of you who do not believe.’ For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, ‘This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.’ |

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| After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him.  Then Jesus said to the Twelve, ‘What about you, do you want to go away too?’ Simon Peter answered, ‘Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.’  **The Gospel of the Lord.**  **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**  **HOMILY**  **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.  **PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL**  **THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**  **OFFERTORYHYMN**  **19.WE ARE MANY PARTS**  **FROM PARISH SONG BOOKLET**  Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you:  fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.  **Blessed be God for ever.**  Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you:  fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.  **Blessed be God for ever.**  Pray, brethren **(**brothers and sisters**)**, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father. | **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name,** **for our good**  **and the good of all his holy Church.**  **PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS**  O Lord, who gained for yourself a people by adoption through the one sacrifice offered once for all, bestow graciously on us, we pray, the gifts of unity and peace in your Church.  Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**  **THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**  The Lord be with you.  And with your spirit.  Lift up your hearts.  We lift them up to the Lord.  Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  It is right and just.  **Holy, Holy, Holy**  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 MEMORIAL ACCLAM**  **COMMUNION RITE**  At the Saviour’s command  and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:  Our Father, who art 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,  as we forgive those who trespass against us;  and lead us not into temptation,  but deliver us from evil.  Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.  For the kingdom, the power and the glory are your now and for ever. | **SIGN OF PEACE**  Lord Jesus Christ,  who said to your Apostles:  Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.  The peace of the Lord be with you always.  And with your spirit.  Let us offer each other the sign of peace.  **LAMB OF GOD**  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  **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**  **COMMUNION HYMNS:**  **7. SWEET HEART OF JESUS**  **FROM PARISH SONG BOOKLET**  **PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**  Complete within us, O Lord, we pray,  the healing work of your mercy  and graciously perfect and sustain us,  so that in all things we may please you.  Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**  **THE CONCLUDING RITES**  **DISMISSAL**  **FINAL SONG:**  **16. HAIL QUEEN OF HEAVEN**  **FROM PARISH SONG BOOKLET** |