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**LITURGY**

**First reading:** 1 Kings 19:4-8

**Response to the Psalm:** Taste and See that the Lord is good.

**Second reading:** Ephesians 4:30-5:2

**Gospel Acclamation:** 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



**Dear Parishioners**

To obtain the life of Jesus from the bread he gives, we must first believe in his word that he himself is in the bread. This is the belief of the Church which she has never changed. Even the threat and revolt of Luther against it did not shake her faith. In the first century, Christians said this, the church of the Middle Ages said this, the pre-Vatican church said this and the post-Vatican church also says the same. The church cannot really explain it. A little boy asked the electrician: "What exactly is electricity?" The electrician said: "I don't really know, son, but I can make it give you light." Likewise, the Church cannot really explain how Jesus is in the Eucharist, but she can make it give us the life of Jesus. If we believe in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, we will receive his life from it and that life will provide us with the strength needed to sustain our life's trials.

Not only that. With his life, we will also be able to "get rid of all bitterness, all passion and anger, harsh words, slander, and malice of every kind, following the way of life, even as Christ loved us." Thus, with hearts filled with Christ's own love, we will be able daily to take from our own hearts a few cups of love and one teaspoon of patience, one tablespoon of generosity, one pint of kindness, and one quart of laughter, mix it up, stir it well and then spread it over the span of a lifetime

and serve it to others.

God Bless,  
Fr. Benedict OSB

# St Mary's Roman Catholic Church

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**Parish Priest: Fr. Benedict Thompson O.S.B**

**Rev. Deacon Peter Griffiths**



**19<sup>th</sup> Week of Year (B)**

**Week commencing Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2021**

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### Masses

|                              |     |                                       |                      |
|------------------------------|-----|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> August   | 5pm | <b>19<sup>th</sup> Sunday (YearB)</b> | Elizabeth Watton RIP |
| Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> August   |     | <b>19<sup>th</sup> Sunday (YearB)</b> | People of the Parish |
| Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> August   |     |                                       |                      |
| Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> August |     | <b>St Laurence (F)</b>                | Tony Lyons           |
| Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> August  |     | St Clare of Assisi (m)                |                      |
| Thur 12 <sup>th</sup> August |     |                                       | Private Intention    |
| Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> August  |     |                                       |                      |
| Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> August  | 5pm | <b>The Assumption</b>                 | Alan Clatworthy      |
| Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> August  |     | <b>The Assumption</b>                 | People of the Parish |

**Mass is celebrated daily except on Mondays.**

**If you would like a mass offered for a particular intention, please email the parish or put a note through the door of the presbytery.**

**Those Who Have Asked for Prayers:** Faith Lyons, Steve Smith, Jane-Christina Thomson, Joan Smith, Derek Sollis, Michael Hall, Christopher Hurd, Edward O'Neill, Michael Smith, Barbara Wall, Mick Sollis, Margaret Birkett, Annie McHugh, Georgette Cowell, Dolores Flynn, Carol Shuck, Tony Lyons, Jackie Ingrams, Brian Arthur, Michelle Norton, Melvin Probyn, Peter Sollis, Fred Chadfield. Mary Cross, Alan Clatworthy, Anthony Woodhouse, Maurice Andrews, Bud Sollis, Max Stoddart. Chanel Mullings

**Those who have recently died:**

Jill Smith, Paula Brookes, Jean McCarthy, Joe Brennan, Paul Bunn, Richard Flynn, Denis Charlton, Mary Gardner, Charles Maries, Sheila Hall, Donald Newell, Helen Meaney Bridget Clarke, Sylvia Flanagan, Robert McCarthy, Pamela Young, Norah O'Neill-Thomas, Susanna Westmeath, Nell Bridge. Doleen Evans, Jean Monica Tucker, Fr. John Fallon, Judy Husband Graham Janes, Elizabeth Watton.

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### **PRAYER FOR A SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love You above all things and I passionately desire to receive You into my soul.



Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to You now and forever. Amen

*Based on a prayer of St Alphonsus Liguori*

### **INFORMATION**

As from Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> July, following guidelines from the government and the diocese and after completing yet another Risk Assessment, we would like to welcome you back to 5pm Mass on Saturdays. We would ask you to please support our wonderful stewards, by following their guidance so that we can continue to keep everyone safe.

**We are encouraging all those attending Mass to:**

- Wear a face covering
- Use the QR code or complete a paper Test, Track and Trace form. These are located in the porch **or can be downloaded from our website to be completed before you arrive.**
- You are free sit where you wish but no more than 4 adults and 2 children under 12 years to a bench please. (Total 96)
- Please do not attend if you have symptoms of Covid 19
- **The toilets remain closed.**

These guidelines will remain the same for weddings, funerals and baptisms. I look forward to seeing you. God Bless.

**Fr. Benedict OSB**