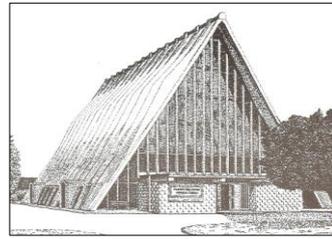


HOLY FAMILY PARISH

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

19 August 2018



First Reading. Proverbs 9:1-6;

Wisdom has built herself a house, she has erected her seven pillars, she has slaughtered her beasts, prepared her wine, she has laid her table. She has despatched her maidservants and proclaimed from the city's heights: 'Who is ignorant? Let him step this way.' To the fool she says, 'Come and eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared! Leave your folly and you will live, walk in the ways of perception.'

Responsorial Psalm. Psalm 33(34):2-3,10-15;

℟. *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. ℟.*

*Revere the Lord, you his saints.
They lack nothing, those who revere him.
Strong lions suffer want and go hungry
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing. ℟.*

*Come, children and hear me
that I may teach you the fear of the Lord.
Who is he who longs for life
and many days to enjoy his prosperity? ℟.*

*Then keep your tongue from evil
and your lips from speaking deceit.
Turn aside from evil and do good;
seek and strive after peace. ℟.*

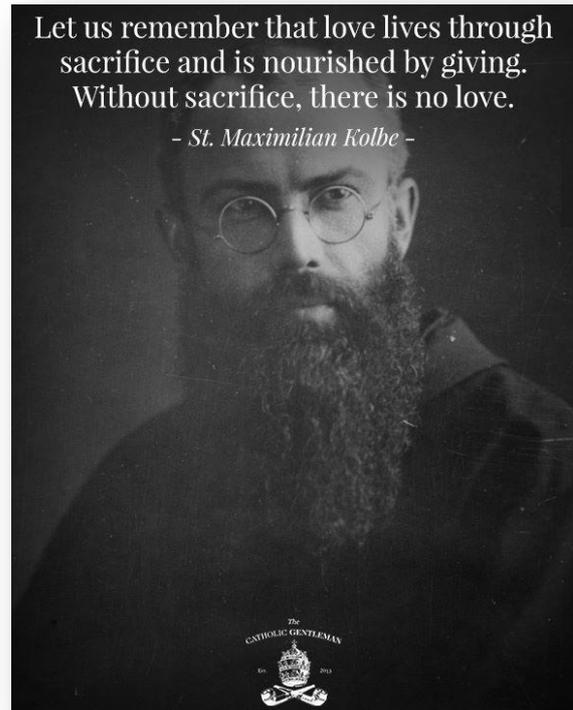
Second Reading. Ephesians 5:15-20;

Be very careful about the sort of lives you lead, like intelligent and not like senseless people. This may be a wicked age, but you redeem it. And do not be thoughtless but recognise what is the will of the Lord. Do not drug yourselves with wine, this is simply dissipation; be filled with the Spirit. Sing the words and tunes of the psalms and hymns when you are together, and go on singing and chanting to the Lord in your hearts, so that always and everywhere you are giving thanks to God who is our Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel. John 6:51-58;

Jesus said to the crowd: 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day. For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him. As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'



FAITH FORMATION – EXCERPT FROM THE CATECHISM

The Immaculate Conception

490: To become the mother of the Saviour, Mary "was enriched by God with gifts appropriate to such a role." The angel Gabriel at the moment of the annunciation salutes her as "full of grace". In fact, in order for Mary to be able to give the free assent of her faith to the announcement of her vocation, it was necessary that she be wholly borne by God's grace.

491: Through the centuries the Church has become ever more aware that Mary, "full of grace" through God, was redeemed from the moment of her conception. That is what the dogma of the Immaculate Conception confesses, as Pope Pius IX proclaimed in 1854:

The most Blessed Virgin Mary was, from the first moment of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege of almighty God and by virtue of the merits of Jesus Christ, Saviour of the human race, preserved immune from all stain of original sin.

492: The "splendour of an entirely unique holiness" by which Mary is "enriched from the first instant of her conception" comes wholly from Christ: she is "redeemed, in a more exalted fashion, by reason of the merits of her Son". The Father blessed Mary more than any other created person "in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places" and chose her "in Christ before the foundation of the world, to be holy and blameless before him in love".

493: The Fathers of the Eastern tradition call the Mother of God "the All-Holy" (Panagia), and celebrate her as "free from any stain of sin, as though fashioned by the Holy Spirit and formed as a new creature". By the grace of God Mary remained free of every personal sin her whole life long.

"Let it be done to me according to your word..."

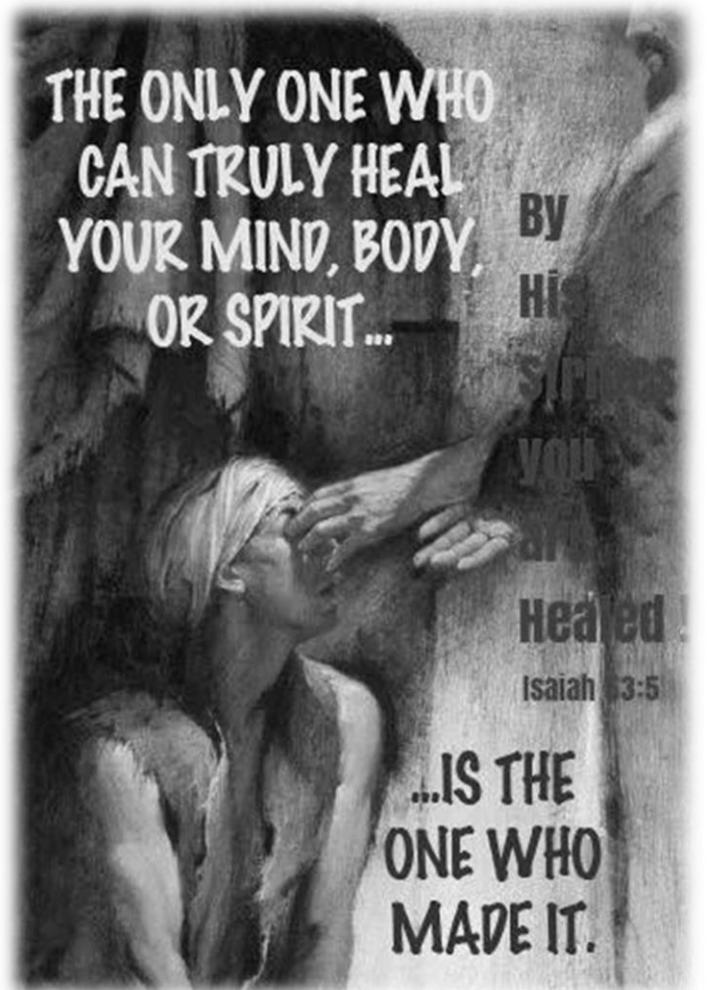
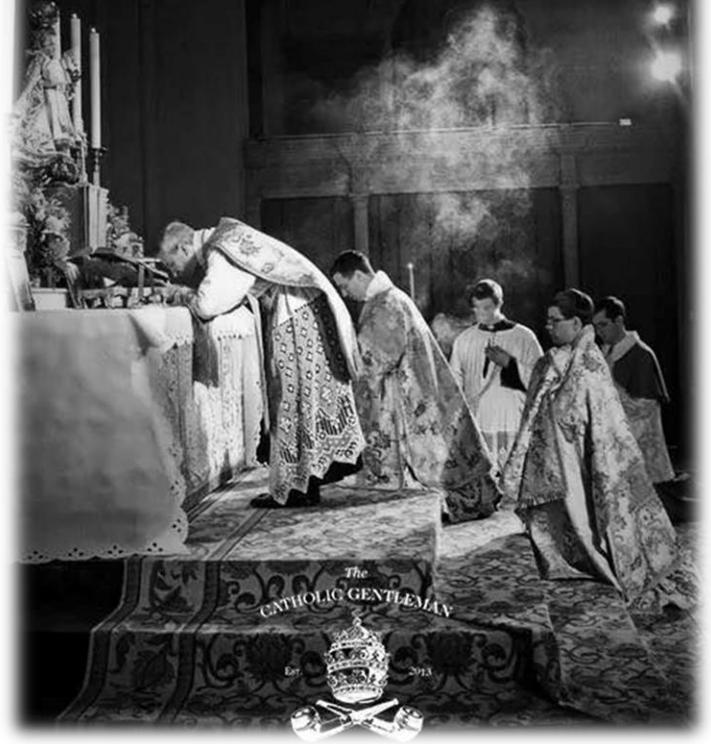
494: At the announcement that she would give birth to "the Son of the Most High" without knowing man, by the power of the Holy Spirit, Mary responded with the obedience of faith, certain that "with God nothing will be impossible": "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be [done] to me according to your word." Thus, giving her consent to God's word, Mary becomes the mother of Jesus. Espousing the divine will for salvation wholeheartedly, without a single sin to restrain her, she gave herself entirely to the person and to the work of her Son; she did so in order to serve the mystery of redemption with him and dependent on him, by God's grace:

As St. Irenaeus says, "Being obedient she became the cause of salvation for herself and for the whole human race."

Hence not a few of the early Fathers gladly assert... : "The knot of Eve's disobedience was untied by Mary's obedience: what the virgin Eve bound through her disbelief, Mary loosened by her faith." Comparing her with Eve, they call Mary "the Mother of the living" and frequently claim: "Death through Eve, life through Mary."

God dwells in our
midst, in the Blessed
Sacrament of the altar.

- St. Maximilian Kolbe -



LIFE OF SPANISH CHEMISTRY PROFESSOR SHOWS 'HOLINESS IS IN THE ORDINARY'

Madrid, Spain, Aug 15, 2018 / (ACI Prensa).

Guadalupe Ortiz de Landázuri, a Spanish member of Opus Dei who is moving toward beatification, teaches us that sanctity can be found amidst chemistry books and classrooms, said a priest leading her cause.

Spanish priest Fr. José Carlos Martínez de la Hoz, who is responsible for the canonization causes of Opus Dei members in Spain, said that Guadalupe's life contains a simple message: "Holiness is in the ordinary."

"She became holy giving chemistry classes, being a good professor, and this tells the rest of us that we can achieve the same in an ordinary life," he reflected.

"Guadalupe lived dedicated to her chemistry students, dedicated to souls and especially her mother who died a half hour after her. She lived dedicated to God and others, despite her serious heart disease which at the end of her life really slowed her down."

In June, Pope Francis authorized the Congregation for the Causes of Saints to publish the decree approving on a miracle attributed to Guadalupe's intercession.

The miracle involved a 76-year-old man suffering from a malignant skin tumour near his eye. After praying to Guadalupe in 2002, the tumour instantaneously and inexplicably disappeared.

In addition to this recognized miracle, Martínez de la Hoz said "there are many favours from people who start to lose hope and Guadalupe has given them back peace, thanks to the patience that she had."

Guadalupe was born in Madrid in 1916. She studied chemical sciences and was one of five women in her graduating class.

She met St. Josemaría Escrivá, the founder of Opus Dei, in early 1944. According to Martínez de la Hoz, "one Sunday in 1944 when she was at Mass in the church of the Conception on Goya Street in Madrid, she became distracted and heard the voice of God inside telling her that although she had a boyfriend, he had something else prepared for her. She left Mass impacted by this and knew that was God's call."

"On the tram going back home after Mass, she met Jesús Hernando de Pablos, a family friend, and she asked him if he knew of any priest she could talk with. He gave her St. Josemaría's contacts and she started to go to him for spiritual direction," the priest told ACI Prensa, CNA's Spanish-language sister agency.

St. Josemaría Escrivá taught her that Christ can be found in professional work and ordinary life.

"I had the clear sensation that God was speaking to me through that priest," Guadalupe would later say.

Martínez de la Hoz noted that "when Guadalupe discovered her vocation at 23, she had a boyfriend, was a chemistry teacher and lived with her mother. From that time on, she was in good spirits because of the intimate conviction of doing what God wants."

On March 19, 1944, Guadalupe joined Opus Dei as a numerary, committing to celibacy and complete availability for the work of the prelature. Numeraries normally live in an Opus Dei centre. However, she did not go to live at a centre, but settled into an apartment with her mother, who needed care due to her advanced age.

During her first years as an Opus Dei member, Guadalupe worked primarily in the Christian formation of young people in Madrid and Bilbao. She was later sent to Mexico to begin the apostolic work of Opus Dei there.

In 1956, she settled in Rome, where she worked with St. Josemaría in the administration of Opus Dei. After two years, because of health reasons, she moved back to Spain, where she again took up teaching and scientific research. She then finished her doctoral thesis in chemistry.

Martínez de la Hoz said that what stood out about Guadalupe was "her smile, her good humour, her laughter ... She was a woman who preferred to not dwell on the negative, and who completely trusted in God."

The priest emphasized that what really brought Guadalupe to sanctity was her patience as a chemistry professor.

At the same time, she continued to work in Christian formation in Opus Dei. In all her actions, she reflected her strong desire to love God in her work, her friendship and with a deep joy that radiated peace and serenity, he said.

Guadalupe died of heart disease in Pamplona, Spain on the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel in 1975. She was 59 years old and at the time of her death held a reputation of sanctity. Favours attributed to her intercession were quickly reported.

Her beatification cause was begun in the Archdiocese of Madrid in 2001, and was sent on to Rome in 2006.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

Gather, Lord, Your people,
called to be Your Bride,
formed by Blood and Water
flowing from Your side,
joined with You in baptism,
washed to give rebirth,
she filled with Your Spirit,
shall renew the earth.

You the one true Shepherd,
searching for the lost,
You the Lamb of offering,
counting not the cost,
You have called each one by name,
each Your precious choice,
May we enter by Your gate,
listening to your voice.

At Your mother's pleading,
You gave finest wine,
Now Your Church implores You,
Jesus fruitful vine.
Heed the thirsting of her heart,
and bring forth a flood,
Open wide the fountain of Your Precious
Blood.

Send Your Holy Spirit,
by that Blood outpoured,
making us one Body, Temple of the Lord.
With Your sev'n fold gifts descend,
font of Charity, that we may cry "Abba",
and true children be.

OFFERTORY HYMN:

All highest glorious God,
Cast Your light into
the darkness of my heart,
Give me right faith, firm hope,
perfect charity,
and profound humility,
with wisdom and perception,
O Lord, that I may do
what is truly Your will.

Laudate Dominum, laudate, quia bonus
est Dominus. Psallite nomini ejus, quia
jucundum est.

*Praise the Lord, praise, because the Lord
is good. Sing his name, because it is sweet.*

COMMUNION HYMN:

*Verily, verily, I say unto you:
except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man,
and drink his blood, ye have no life in you.
Who so eateth my flesh, and drinketh my
blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise
him up at the last day and I will raise him
up at the last day. For my flesh is meat
indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. He
that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my
blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him.*

Sing my tongue the Saviour's glory,
of His flesh the mystery sing,
of the Blood all price exceeding,
shed by our Immortal King,
Destined for the world's redemption,
From a noble womb to spring.

On the night of that Last supper,
Seated with his chosen band,
He is the Paschal Victim eating,
First fulfils the Law's command;
Then as food for his apostles,
gives Himself with his own hand.

Word made flesh, the bread of nature by
His word to Flesh he turns;
Wine to his own Blood he changes:
what though sense no change discerns?
Only be the heart in earnest faith her
lesson quickly learns.

Down in adoration falling, Lo, the sacred
host we hail; Lo, o'er ancient forms
departing, newer rites of grace prevail,
Faith, for all defects supplying,
where the feeble senses fail.

To the everlasting Father, And the Son
who reigns on high, With the Holy Ghost
proceeding forth from each eternally.
Be salvation, honour, blessing might
and endless majesty.

RECESSIONAL HYMN:

Holy God, we praise thy name;
Lord of all, we bow before thee!
All on earth thy sceptre claim,
All in heaven above adore Thee;
Infinite thy vast domain,
Everlasting is thy reign.

Hark! the glad celestial hymn
Angel choirs above are raising,
Cherubim and seraphim,
In unceasing chorus praising;
Fill the heavens with sweet accord:
Holy, holy, holy, Lord.

Lo! the apostolic train
joins thy sacred name to hallow;
Prophets swell the glad refrain,
And the white-robed martyrs follow;
And from morn to set of sun,
Through the Church the song goes on.

Holy Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, three we name Thee;
though in essence only One,
Undivided God we claim Thee;
And adoring bend the knee,
While we own the mystery.

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NEXT SUNDAY:

26 August 2018

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr B)

Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18; Eph 5:21-32;

Jn 6:60-69;

LITURGY ROSTER

Readers: J. Bright, M. D'Souza
Prayers of the Faithful: F. Xavier
Offertory: Murrell Family
Special Ministers: P. Vernon

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER

Leifi Family

SUNDAY CUP OF TEA ROSTER

Thotawattage/Molloy Families

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ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

- 19 Aug:** *Fr Eugene O'Sullivan, Bernedine Rutten, Georgina Fairlie*
- 20 Aug:** *Faumuina Ioane*
- 21 Aug:** *Leonora Stephens, Francis Wilson*
- 22 Aug:** *Godfrey Fawcett*
- 24 Aug:** *Harry Allen, Monica Shaw*
- 25 Aug:** *Elizabeth Gillespie*

PARISH FINANCES

Parish	\$ 748.00
Priests	\$ 374.00
Total Cash	\$ 1,122.00

Parish Notices

- **Reminder: Church Life Survey NZ - TODAY:** If you are 15 years old and over, we have a survey to fill out today after Mass. If you would prefer to fill in the survey online, please email the Parish Office hfparish@xtra.co.nz
- **Sunday Evening Series with Fr. Linus Clovis:** Fr Linus, will be continuing his series of talks on "The Natural Law and the Family: rediscovering the writing on our hearts" in the Bugler Centre at 7pm. All welcome. For more information call Michael on 021 825 955.
- **Catholic Movie Night:** - Saturday August 25th 7.00pm sharp. 'Bhakita' - The story of a pagan girl from Africa who became a slave, a nun and a saint, living most of her life in Italy.
- **Legion of Mary Auxiliary Day:** Sunday August 26th starting at 2pm in the Bugler Centre.
- **Mark in your Diary: QUIZ NIGHT, Saturday 1st December,** start thinking about your teams (maximum 8 people per team), more information to come soon.

Diocesan Notices

- **'Living the Splendour of Truth' International pro-life, pro-family conference:** 5-7th October. Epsom Girl's Grammar School. Early bird rates apply only for a short time. Register now at www.fli.org.nz/prolifeconference2018
- **PILGRIMAGE with Fr Carlo Cruz** For more information please email deerpark@precillatravel.com.au
- **More notices on the noticeboard...**