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19th Sunday in Ordinary time, August 11th 2024

The Gospel: John 6: 41-51

Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life.

We are living in a world where people of all races and creeds hunger more for spiritual sustenance than for physical food. In response to the spiritual hunger of people in his own day, Jesus, in today's Gospel passage from John 6, proclaims Himself to be"the Bread of Life that came down from Heaven." It is through Jesus, the Bread of Life, that we have access to the Divine life during our earthly pilgrimage to God. The sixth chapter of the Gospel of John which contains Jesus' teaching on the Eucharist begins with Jesus' miraculous feeding of five thousand people in a deserted place to satisfy their bodily hunger.

Today's Gospel describes Jesus' discourse in the synagogue at Capernaum a day after this miraculous feeding. During the discourse, Jesus reveals that he is the true "Bread of Life that came down from Heaven," to give life to the world. "Manna" was God's gift rained down "from Heaven" upon the Chosen People; Jesus, however, is the new and perfect manna as the Incarnate Son of God. This means that the Bread we consume in the Eucharist is more than just a guarantee that one day we'll have eternal life. This Bread actually gives us a share of that eternal life while we are still on earth. But some of those who had just witnessed Jesus' ability to supply them with earthly food turned away when Jesus identified His Heavenly Origin as the Divine Source of His miraculous powers.

There will be Coffee Morning in Malpas on the 17th this Month -10am-12pm

LIFE MESSAGE

We need to accept the "Real Presence" of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist as an inspiring challenge. Based on sound tradition and the centuries-long teaching of the Magisterium, the Roman Catholic Church has consistently held fast to the belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states: "The mode of Christ's presence under the Eucharistic species is unique. It raises the Eucharist above all the other sacraments as the perfection of the spiritual life and the end to which all sacraments tend." In this most blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist, we receive "the Body and Blood, together with the soul and Divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ and, therefore, whole Christ, is truly, really, substantially contained" (CCC #1374).

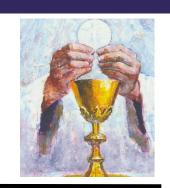
Let us learn to receive Jesus, really present in the Eucharist, with due reverence, true repentance, proper preparation, and grateful hearts. Let us remember that Holy Communion a) increases our intimate union with Christ; b) preserves, increases, and renews the Sanctifying Grace received at Baptism; c) strengthens the theological virtues of Faith, Hope, and Charity, thus enabling us to be separated from our disordered attachments and to be rooted in Christ; and e) unites us more deeply to the Mystery of the Church.

Anima Christi:

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, embolden me.
Water from the side of Christ, Wash me.
Passion of Christ, Strengthen me.
O Good Jesus, hear me.
Within your wounds hide me.

Permit me not to be separated from you. From the wicked foe, defend me. At the hour of my death, call me and bid me come to you. That with your saints I may praise you For ever and ever.

Amen



Mass Times

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Saturday 10 August	6:30pm	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 11 August	9:30am 11:00am	David Speed Cara O'Farrell
Monday 12 August St Jane Francis de Chantel.	10:00am	NO Mass
Tuesday 13 August Ss Pontian Pp & Hippolytus, P	10:00am	Veronica Evan
Wednesday 14 August St. Maximillian Kolbe. P. M Evening Mass of the Virgil of ASSUMPTION	6:30pm	Anthony Evans
Thursday 15 August THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	10:00am	Sanctification of Priests
Friday 16 August St. Stephen of Hungary, K	6:00PM	Mukabe's intentions
Saturday 17 August	6:30PM	Souls in Purgatory
Sunday 18 August	9:30am 11:00am	Parishioners

Prayers to the Immaculate Heart of Mary .

Immaculate Heart of Mary, full of love for God and mankind, and of compassion for sinners, I consecrate myself to you.

I entrust to you the salvation of my soul.

May my heart be ever united with yours,
so that I may hate sin,
love God and my neighbour,
and reach eternal life with those whom I
love.

May I experience the kindness of your motherly heart and the power of your intercession with Jesus during my life and at the hour of my death.

Amen.

YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL 2024

The annual Youth 2000 Summer Festival will take place from Friday 23rd August to Monday 26th August 2024 in the beautiful surroundings of Ampleforth Abbey, North Yorkshire.

This festival is an opportunity for young people (aged 16-35) from across the UK to grow in their relationship with God, form friendships and be inspired to live out their faith. The programme will include input from speakers, a variety of workshops, and opportunities for Eucharistic Adoration.

Tickets (which include food and accommodation) can be purchased from www.youth2000.org/events

Mass Offering for August 04 ----£398.85

Standing orders———£118.25

Sat. 6:30PM	Sun. 9:30am	Sun.11:00am
Jo Williams	Eileen Livesey	Helena Bellis

Confession is Saturdays 5-6pm, 30mins before and after mass and on request.

Our Parish Safeguarding representative is Helen Clarke