

August 11th, 2024: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Background on the Gospel Reading:

On this Sunday, we continue to read from the “Bread of Life discourse” found in the sixth chapter of John’s Gospel. Recall that we have been reading from this chapter for the past two weeks and will continue to read from it for another two.

Last week, the crowd asked for a sign that would show that Jesus came from God. Jesus replied by saying that he is the sign and the bread of life sent by God. At this point, our Lectionary omits six verses in which Jesus predicts the unbelief of the crowd and further develops his connection with God the Father. In these verses, Jesus says that he was sent by God to do the Father’s will. Jesus promises that those who look upon the Son with faith will find eternal life. Some of these themes are repeated in today’s Gospel reading.

Today’s Gospel begins with a report that the Jews complained about Jesus’ claims regarding his identity. They knew his family, and they knew he was the son of Joseph. They could not comprehend what Jesus meant when he said that he came down from heaven. Jesus responds to the complaints by saying that only those who are chosen by God will recognize him as the one that God sent. This is a recurring theme in John’s Gospel, that God has chosen those who will have faith in Jesus.

In the verses that follow, Jesus talks more about his unity with the Father. He is the one who has seen the Father and, therefore, knows the Father. Those who listen to God will recognize that Jesus is the one sent from God. Those who believe will have eternal life. Jesus concludes with the central element of our eucharistic theology. He promises that the bread of life will bring eternal life to those who partake of it, and he tells us that the bread of life will be his own flesh, given for the life of the world.

In today’s reading, we hear Jesus say again, as he did in last week's Gospel, that he is the bread of life. We also hear Jesus add that he is the living bread. Both of these statements help us understand better the gift that Jesus gives us in the Eucharist. We celebrate this gift of Jesus each time we gather for Mass. We believe that receiving Jesus in the Eucharist will lead us to eternal life.

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Sacred Heart Parish
A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ



Parish Information

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am.

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday to Friday 10a.m.

Daily mass is cancelled any day schools are closed due to bad weather.

Lohnes Complex*

First Friday of each month - 2 pm

***Note:** No mass at the church on this day.

Bible Study:

To resume in September.

Holy Hour of Adoration:

Postponed until further notice.

Reconciliation:

By request.

Marriages:

Six months’ notice required. A year’s notice is recommended.

Baptisms:

Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.

Family Connections:

At www.rcchurch.com you will find a link to family connections.

St. Vincent de Paul:

To assist those in need. Call 709-638-9010.

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on August 3 & 4**

Regular Sunday	1417.00
Loose Offering	125.10
Building Fund	105.00
Votive Candles	37.00
Cemetery Fund	20.00
Marriage Certificate Fees	10.00
St. Vincent de Paul	25.00
Living with Christ	44.00

MASS INTENTIONS Aug. 13 - 18

Aug. 13	The Late Rita J. McGrath The Late Brian Canning
Aug. 14	The Late Cameron Carew
Aug. 15	The Late Ellen (Lewis) Lupascu
Aug. 17	The Late Patrick Drudge The Late Rita Josephine McGrath
Aug. 18	The late Jack & Agnes Carroll The late Nellie & Joe Hayes (Sr.)

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

August 17	
Reader	Eucharistic Minister
Lynette Taylor	Elizabeth Carew
August 18	
Reader	Eucharistic Minister
Anna House	Wayne Dicks
Communion to the sick – Tony Griffin	

NO MASS:

There will be no mass from August 20th to the 22nd as Father Lainey will be away.

WALK-A-THON: September 21st, 2024

Keep those Shoes handy for our next Fundraiser for our Walkathon. Starting from Sacred Heart Church To the Rock Art Wall on Griffin Drive And Back to the Church for Hot Chocolate. Nothing is finalized yet, however we do have sponsor sheets at the back of the church. Come sign up for this walk in support of our parish.

KITCHEN PANTRY:

This year instead of filling the Kitchen Pantry at Sacred Heart Elementary School at Christmas time with Breakfast items, we will have it done come this September when school opens. Such items would be juice packs, breakfast bars that are peanut free (should have a nut free logo on pack), fruit cups, puddings, etc... We will have a better list the closer we get to September. The Ladies Group will be available if there are any questions regarding this.

Joke of the Day

A pastor fell out with his church council over various church policies and procedures, including how the finances were handled.

After bitter arguments and many nights of lost sleep, he decided to leave the congregation to take a job as a prison chaplain.

He preached his last sermon at the church on John 14:1: "I go to prepare a place for you."

LOHNES COMPLEX MASS:

Mass at the Lohnes Complex will resume on the 1st Friday of each month starting on Friday September 6th.

THE LEGEND OF MARY:

A prayer vigil in honor of The Feast of Our Lady's Assumption will be held at Immaculate Heart of Mary School Chapel, on August 15th 7:00 p.m to 10:00 p.m. A Candlelight procession with Recitation of the Holy Rosary at 9:00 p.m.

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY ACTIVITY REPORT

During July, SSVP volunteers and friends made 32 furniture deliveries and picked up 51 furniture donations. The deliveries involved 63 volunteer hours and the donations involved 72 volunteer hours for a total of 135 volunteer hours. Of the 32 deliveries, 20 were to households of new Canadians from India, Bangladesh, Ukraine, the Philippines, Nigeria and Pakistan. Thank you to our volunteers and friends. And thanks to those who kindly donated furniture and other household items.

Mary's Kitchen is continuing with the noon time barbeques for the remainder of the summer. Last month we served 114 clients with a total of 96 volunteer hours. Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus for their participation in July.

As always, SSVP expresses gratitude to everyone who continues to bless us with their generosity and kindness. You are appreciated beyond what words can express. THANK YOU!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

– WESTERN ZONE HEALTH SERVICES:

Looking for meaningful ways to spend your spare time and feel a sense of purpose? The Western Zone of Newfoundland and Labrador Health Services (Western Health) is looking for volunteers to help out at our gift shops at our long-term care sites in Corner Brook and at the Information Desk at the new hospital.

If you are interested call 709 784 5369 or email volunteerresources@westernheath.nl.ca to find out more. You too will benefit as you will meet new people and experience personal satisfaction.

Reflection:

Trust in God

Lord, I've no idea where I'm going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself. And the fact that I think I'm doing your will, doesn't mean that I'm actually doing it.

But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you, and I hope that I have this desire.

Though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death, I will not fear, for you are with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

Thomas Merton