

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH
+++++ Perpetual adoration - in the chapel +++++

MONDAY 13th <i>Sts Pontian & Hippolytus</i>			
4.45pm	Exposition & prayer	5.15pm Mass	St Joseph's Parish Centre
TUESDAY 14th <i>St Maximilian Mary Kolbe</i>			
8.30am	Exposition & prayer	9.15am Mass	St Gregory's Church
6.30pm	PPRE		St Gregory's Parish Centre
WEDNESDAY 15th <i>THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</i>			
8.30am	Exposition	9.15am Mass	St Gregory's Church
10.00am	Prayer and Reflection Group		St Joseph's Parish Centre
		7.00pm Mass	St Gregory's Church
THURSDAY 16th <i>St Stephen of Hungary</i>			
11.30am	Rosary	Noon Mass	St Gregory's Church
FRIDAY 17th			
8.30am	Exposition & rosary	9.15am Mass	St Joseph's Parish Centre
SATURDAY 18th			
8.30am	Exposition	9.15am Mass	St Joseph's Parish Centre
9.45am	Sacrament of Reconciliation		St Joseph's Presbytery
4.00pm	Legion of Mary		St Joseph's Parish Centre
5.15pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation		St Gregory's Church
5.30pm	Rosary	6.00pm Mass	St Gregory's Church
SUNDAY 19th <i>20th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>			
8.30am	Mass	10.00am Mass	5.00pm Mass
			St Gregory's Church

PRAYER HELPLINE INTENTIONS

- > In thanks and praise for God's continuous love and on-going blessings
- > For the sick and lonely in the parish
- > For those suffering from the fires in California
- > For those who die on our roads each week and those who grieve for them

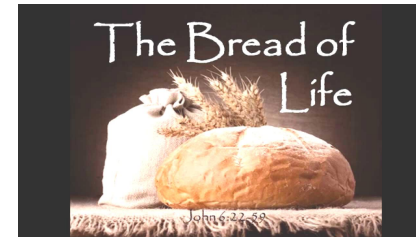
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12th August 2018

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr B

**WHOEVER EATS THIS BREAD
WILL LIVE FOR EVER**



Our gospel this week continues with the 'Bread of Life' theme of the past few weeks. Jesus once again encourages his listeners to move in their thinking from the empirical to the supernatural. This invitation is also for us. How else are we to understand the claim of Jesus that "...any one who eats this bread will live for ever."

The desire to eat first presupposes an appetite – a hunger. I believe that this hunger exists today as it did 2000 years ago. The ways in which we attempt to satisfy this hunger may change through out the ages, but surely the quenching of this thirst, the 'answer' to this hunger has remained the same. It's Jesus; only Jesus will ultimately assuage our yearning. Jesus attempts to make this very claim when he tells the people this weekend: I am the living bread come down from heaven, whoever eats this bread will live forever.

Fr John Adams
PARISH PRIEST

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and shared with the parish community on facebook/stjopap*

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary commemorates the death of Mary and her bodily assumption into Heaven. At the end of her life, the Blessed Virgin was assumed into Heaven body and soul, before her body could begin to decay, a foretaste of our own bodily resurrection at the end of time. Because it signifies the Blessed Virgin's passing into eternal life, it is the most important of all Marian feasts and a Holy Day of Obligation. Two Masses 9.15am and 7.00pm will be in St Gregory's Church this Wednesday.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Both youth groups will be combined from 6.00pm - 8.30pm, (Year 8s with high school students), until the end of this term.

CONFIRMATION 2018

The programme begins on Wednesday evening on 17th October; presentation of the candidates on Sunday 28th October; retreat day on Sunday 4th November; confirmation Mass on Saturday 24th November; presentation of certificates on Sunday 2nd December. More information to follow. If you have any questions contact Irene Maguire on 027 6229415 or irenemaguire100@live.com

33 DAYS TO MERCIFUL LOVE RETREAT

A journey with St Therese, where we read a few pages each day of the Michael Gaitley book and meet weekly with others to share our experience. This prepares us for an optional consecration to Divine Mercy on the eve of St Therese's feast day. Meeting Sundays from 26th August for 6 weeks at 1.30pm at St Joseph's Parish Centre. \$20.00 donation towards costs. Sign up on the clipboard in the foyer. For more information contact Lauren on 027 424 6045 or laurenbutler76@gmail.com

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Meeting this Thursday (16th) at 1.30pm in the St Joseph's Parish Centre. All welcome to hear Helen Grofski speak of her travels. The Annual Mass is on Sunday 19th August at 10.00am.

JOURNEY TO THE FATHER

Young adult (18-35) retreat on 24th - 26th August with prayer, adoration and fellowship in the beautiful setting of Banks Peninsula. Transport from Christchurch is included. Register online at cyt.org.nz/journey or contact Sinead for more information. sgilgunn@chch.catholic.org.nz or 022 0109828

TABLE TENNIS

Each Sunday from 2.00pm - 4.00pm in the St Joseph's School Hall.

TODAY'S READINGS

1 Kings 19:4-8 Eph 4:30 Jn 6:41-51

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Prov 9:1-6 Eph 5:15-20 Jn 6:51-58

JOHN PAUL II CENTRE FOR LIFE – RACE NIGHT

Will be held on Friday night 2nd November. Tickets will cost \$55-00 per person and will be available in October. Hamper tickets will be on sale the weekend of 27/28 October. For further information contact Phil Gourdie by email pgourdie@chch.catholic.org.nz

DAY OF REFLECTION

At Christ the King Parish Centre on 15th September starting after 9.00am Mass. Mary Betz speaks on "Laudato Si" and Judy Garvey on the role of the laity. Donation to cover lunch and Mary's travel. RSVP Kay kaypricenz@gmail.com

SUNDAY SCRIPTURES - GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK YEAR B

Tuesday 21st August, 7.30pm with Dr Kathleen Rushton RSM at Te Manawa Atawhai Catherine McAuley Centre at Villa Maria College. Using *lectio divina*, an exploration of the Galilean ministry, Jesus and the disciples on the way to Jerusalem and the endings there. Bookings on 379 1298 or roho@xtra.co.nz

MASS ON 18TH AUGUST (NB date change)

Mass for the Greater Company of Mary members at the Mary Potter Community Centre, 442 Durham Street North at 10.30am, followed by refreshments.

ROSARY MAKING SESSION

The Legion of Mary with a special guest, Chris Walker, invites you to a rosary making session on Saturday 18th August, 12 - 3.00pm in St Joseph's Parish Centre. Limited space available. Ring Darlene on 021 144 5356 for further details.

MARRIAGE UNPLUGGED - 1st September

Back by popular demand, Marriage Unplugged will equip you with the tools you need to build the kind of marriage you desire and have some fun while doing it! 9.00am - 4.00pm, Our Lady of Fourvière House of Prayer and Retreat, 67 Leithfield Road, with Tim & Jennifer Goulding. Enquiries beatitudesnz@gmail.com or 03 314 8837. Cost \$30.00 per couple.

RAFFLE RESULTS FROM LAST WEEKEND

Lucky tickets: first, 44D green hearts and second, 52D yellow diamonds. Don't forget to claim your prize - see Fr John.

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .



- § all those who have died recently -
- § and all those whose anniversaries or birthdays occur at this time