

Saint Mary's Catholic Church

Mount Evelyn



Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5 August 2018

readings

Next Week

1 Kgs 19:4-8
Ps 33:2-9. R. v.9
Eph 4:30 – 5:2
Jn 6:41-51

10:30 Mass hymns

Entrance: No. 509
Offertory: No. 564
Communion: No. 454
Recessional: No. 449

in a nutshell

The manna the Israelites discovered in the wilderness satisfied their hunger. More importantly it was a sign that God was with them in their time of trial. Likewise, the multiplication of the loaves and fishes was not intended simply to satisfy the hunger of the crowds but to be a sign to them of the presence of God in Jesus. In the symbolic actions of the Eucharistic celebration we also recognise the presence of Christ, the Bread of Life, among us.

we pray for

all who are sick or suffering and those parishioners unable to be among us this weekend, especially *Kaye Williams, Diane Wright, Cameron Beyer, Kaye Law and Fay Grant.*

For those who have died recently, especially Stephen Lowry and those whose anniversary occurs at this time.

of special note

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Raise Your Voices

Entrance Antiphon

O God, come to my assistance;
O Lord, make haste to help me!
You are my rescuer, my help;
O Lord, do not delay.

Psalm Response

(R) The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

The things we have heard and understood,
the things our fathers have told us,
we will tell to the next generation:
the glories of the Lord and his might. (R.)

He commanded the clouds above
and opened the gates of heaven.
He rained down manna for their food,
and gave them bread from heaven. (R.)

Mere men ate the bread of angels.
He sent them abundance of food.
He brought them to his holy land,
to the mountain which his right hand had
won. (R.)

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from the mouth
of God.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,
endowed with all delights and sweetness in
every taste.

The Parish of St Mary's

Parish Priest
REV. MICHEL G CORRIVEAU

Parish Secretary
Janine Meades

Parish Office Hours
Thursday
9:00am-4:00pm

Weekly Schedule

Sunday Mass
Saturday—6:30pm
Sunday—10:30am & 5:00pm

Weekday Mass & Rosary
Tuesday—9:00am
Thursday—9:00am
Friday—9:00am
*Except 2nd Fridays of the month
Mass at 11:30am
Rosary prayed before morning Mass*

Reconciliation
Saturday—11:30am-12:30pm
Friday—8:00am-8:45am
Except 2nd Fridays of the month

Exposition
Friday at 8:00am
Except 2nd Fridays of the month

Weddings

Please contact the office

Baptisms

Please see Father after Mass

Parish Primary School

Principal: Angela Glennie

Website:
smmountevelyn.catholic.edu.au

MINISTRIES

August 4/5

Lectors

Sat 6:30pm	F Willoughby
Sun 10:30am	S Somers
Sun 5:00pm	J Griffin

Extraordinary Ministers

Sat 6:30pm	H Rolando
Sun 10:30am	A Van Tilburg, A Somers, V Borelli
Sun 5:00pm	A Zmegac

August 11/12

Lectors

Sat 6:30pm	J Foley
Sun 10:30am	M O'Kane
Sun 5:00pm	A Zmegac

Extraordinary Ministers

Sat 6:30pm	R Pritchard
Sun 10:30am	A Van Tilburg, M Roberts, P McIlrath
Sun 5:00pm	K Zmegac

New rosters available in the foyer.

Counters

August 5: S & J Caton
August 12: M & J Cullinan
August 19: C & B McGuire
August 26: M Cross & N Madden

Do you need a Helping Hand?

Ring the St Vinnies Call Centre 1800 305 330
Monday - Friday 10am to 3pm, St Mary's Conference 0427 874 374 or Nick Madden 0408 179 707.

Bulletin notices:

muntevelyn@cam.org.au

For positions vacant within the Diocese visit:

<http://www.cam.org.au/Jobs.aspx>

Parish Notices

Celebrate Moira Burgi's Birthday

Moira Burgi says a big thank you, to Fr Michel & the St Mary's parishioners, for helping her celebrate her milestone 102nd birthday, last weekend.

Catholic Mission Appeal—Thank you

'How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of the messenger who announces peace, who brings good news...' Isaiah 52:7

Thank you for supporting this year's Catholic Mission Church Appeal through your kind gifts and prayers, and for being a part of an "education revolution" in Myanmar. Your generosity makes it possible for programs such as the Pyinya Sanyae Institute of Education, as well as schools like St John's in Hakha, to provide quality, child-centred education to children. Thank you also to parishioners who have become an integral part of this inspiring work by joining as monthly giving partners.

The Parishioners of Mount Evelyn and Upper Yarra together donated \$589.55

CatholicCare Sunday Appeal—August 11/12

Next weekend is the CatholicCare Sunday Appeal. As our parish's social service agency, CatholicCare delivers family and relationship counselling, refugee and settlement support, education and school programs, and pastoral services. Donations from our parish community will help care for the most vulnerable families in our community.

Upcoming Collection: September 1/2: Priest's Retirement Fund

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Assumption is celebrated on Wednesday, 15 August. This is a Holy Day of Obligation, i.e. we are required to attend Mass. The Masses are as follows: Mount Evelyn: 7:00pm Tuesday, 14th August & 11:40am Wednesday, 15th August (whole school)

Upper Yarra: 9:00am Wednesday, 15th August (Yarra Junction, whole school) & 7:00pm Wednesday, 15th August (Warburton).

Thanks to all for their work on the Confirmation Liturgy

A week ago Friday, we had 34 children from the parish received the Sacrament of Confirmation. I would like to thank all those who made the liturgy so beautiful including those who prepared and set up for the liturgy, those who provided and prepared the beautiful flowers and those who sometimes go unnoticed but never unappreciated, who clean the church. Thanks to one and all!

A 28-Year-Old Lady from East Timor Needs a Ride to Church

There is a Catholic girl living with a family in Lilydale who needs a ride to the 10:30am Mass on Sundays. If you would be willing to provide a ride, please contact the office for family contact information.

Mount Lilydale Mercy College musical "Back to the 80's"

The musical will transport you back to a time of acid wash jeans, Rubik's cubes, and fluoro leg warmers. With nearly 200 students, teachers and parents involved in the production, this show is set to be an extravaganza of colour, fun and, of course, many of your favourite '80s tunes. Attending this event is a wonderful way to experience life at the college first hand. Tickets are now on sale for three performances: Thursday 2, Friday 3 and Saturday 4 August at 7.30pm BOOKINGS: <https://www.trybooking.com/WLHU>

Another Euthanasia bill to be voted on

Write to senators to oppose euthanasia. The Senate will soon vote on a Bill which would allow territories to legalise euthanasia and assisted suicide. Please contact your senators TODAY and ask them to protect vulnerable people by voting against the Bill. Visit the HOPE website to send your message:

<http://www.no euthanasia.org.au/sign>

The Eucharist.

To show that You love me, You came down from the purest delights of heaven. Despised and mocked, You let Yourself be suspended in torment on a vile scaffold. O God of love, You have redeemed me in this terrible, though generous fashion..... St. Maximilian Kolbe

Adoration, Friday mornings 8:00am except second Friday of the month. Yarra Junction, Thursday nights at 7:00pm except first Thursday (Warburton).

St Maria Annunziata Fest—September 23

The annual St Maria Annunziata Festa will be held on September 23rd. The organising committee are calling for people to volunteer their time to help out on the day. Please contact Carmel on 0407 002 529 if you are willing to help.

Become more involved - Volunteers needed!

If you are interested in becoming more involved, speak to Fr. Michel or call the office on a Thursday

Have you thought of volunteering to be a reader. It would be good to have some new faces and voices up there.

Sign up to assist with the preparation and serving of morning tea after 10:30 Mass.

We have a very small group of people who clean the church each month and on special occasions therefore it would be lovely to add to their numbers.

Wednesday Night Faith Night

We have begun a new series on The Bible and the Sacraments. If you want to gain a greater understanding of the Sacraments, come and join us. We meet at St Mary's Community Room (the portable next to the presbytery) at 7:30pm. All are welcome to join us.

Stewardship Corner

"Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not." EXODUS 16:4

When the Israelites gathered more than their daily portion of manna, the surplus became wormy and rotten. In the same way today, self-reliance, pride and ego leads to hoarding and excessive surplus of goods and money. Living a stewardship lifestyle helps us discern our "wants" from our "needs". Living a generous lifestyle reminds us that God will provide all that we need and that we have plenty to share.

Volunteer with Palms Australia- Teachers always required!

East Timor needs Teachers – Ready to take your skills to new heights in the mountains of Timor? Contact Christine on 02 9560 5333. The parish and school community of Hatubulico have requested two volunteers: a Secondary Teacher/Mentor and a Community Development Mentor. For more opportunities, visit palms.org.au/volunteer

Can't commit just yet but would like a look? Try a short Encounter tour to Timor Leste or Samoa- Call us 02 9560 5333 or go to palms.org.au/encounters

Readings Reflection

[Endurance Test](#)

The journey of discipleship is a life-long exodus from the slavery of sin and death to the holiness of truth on Mount Zion, the promised land of eternal life.

The road can get rough. And when it does, we can be tempted to complain like the Israelites in this week's First Reading.

We have to see these times of hardship as a test of what is in our hearts, a call to trust God more and to purify the motives for our faith (Deuteronomy 8:2–3).

As Paul reminds us in this week's Epistle, we must leave behind our old self-deceptions and desires and live according to the likeness of God in which we are made.

Jesus tells the crowd in this week's Gospel that they are following him for the wrong reasons. They seek him because he filled their bellies. The Israelites, too, were content to follow God so long as there was plenty of food.

Food is the most obvious of signs—because it is the most basic of our human needs. We need our daily bread to live. But we cannot live by this bread alone. We need the bread of eternal life that preserves those who believe in Him (Wisdom 16:20, 26).

The manna in the wilderness, like the bread Jesus multiplied for the crowd, was a sign of God's Providence—that we should trust that he will provide.

These signs pointed to their fulfillment in the Eucharist, the abundant bread of angels we sing about in this week's Psalm.

This is the food that God longs to give us. This is the bread we should be seeking. But too often we don't ask for this bread. Instead we seek the perishable stuff of our every day wants and anxieties. In our weakness we think these things are what we really need.

We have to trust God more. If we seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, all these things will be ours as well (Matthew 6:33).

[Dr. Scott Hahn](#)
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Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist

How is Christ truly present in the Eucharist?

[Jesus said:] 'I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never be hungry; he who believes in me will never thirst.'... Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you; he who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life....For my flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed. (Jn 35, 53-55)

[Jesus] took bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." (Lk 22.19)

The Church teaches that Jesus Christ is truly, really, and substantially present—in his Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity—in the Eucharist. The bread and wine consecrated by the bishop or priest in the Liturgy of the Eucharist become the Body and Blood of Christ.

The Church has always recognised Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist. Christ's words in instituting this Sacrament at the Last Supper were unequivocal: "This is my body....This is my blood" (Lk 22:19f). In the Eucharist "the body and blood, together with the soul and divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ and, therefore, *the whole Christ is truly, really, and substantially contained*" (Council of Trent [1551]). St. Paul condemns the unworthy reception of the Eucharist as a profanation of the very Body and Blood of Christ (cf. 1 Cor 11:27ff). Already in the fourth century St. Cyril of Jerusalem exhorted, "Do not see in the bread and wine merely natural elements, because the Lord has expressly said that they are his Body and his Blood: faith assures you of this, though your senses suggest otherwise."

This change in the Eucharistic species in which the substance of the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ is called *transubstantiation*. It occurs at the consecration during the Mass, when the bishop or priest pronounces the *words of consecration* over the bread and wine as Christ commanded.

In the Eucharist Christ remains truly and totally present under the appearances of bread and wine. He offers his Body and Blood to us in Holy Communion to be nourished by his divine life. The Eucharist is, therefore, not merely a symbol of Christ's presence but also the active presence of Christ himself, who gives himself to us unconditionally so our lives might be united to his intimately. The Eucharist is "the perfection of the spiritual life and the end to which all the sacraments tend" (St. Thomas Aquinas).

1094 It is on this harmony of the two Testaments that the Paschal catechesis of the Lord is built, and then, that of the Apostles and the Fathers of the Church. This catechesis unveils what lay hidden under the letter of the Old Testament: the mystery of Christ. It is called "typological" because it reveals the newness of Christ on the basis of the "figures" (types) which announce him in the deeds, words, and symbols of the first covenant. By this re-reading in the Spirit of Truth, starting from Christ, the figures are unveiled. Thus the flood and Noah's ark prefigured salvation by Baptism, as did the cloud and the crossing of the Red Sea. Water from the rock was the figure of the spiritual gifts of Christ, and manna in the desert prefigured the Eucharist, "the true bread from heaven."

128 The Church, as early as apostolic times, and then constantly in her Tradition, has illuminated the unity of the divine plan in the two Testaments through typology, which discerns in God's works of the Old Covenant prefigurations of what he accomplished in the fullness of time in the person of his incarnate Son.

129 Christians therefore read the Old Testament in the light of Christ crucified and risen. Such typological reading discloses the inexhaustible content of the Old Testament; but it must not make us forget that the Old Testament retains its own intrinsic value as Revelation reaffirmed by our Lord himself. Besides, the New Testament has to be read in the light of the Old. Early Christian catechesis made constant use of the Old Testament. As an old saying put it, the New Testament lies hidden in the Old and the Old Testament is unveiled in the New.

130 Typology indicates the dynamic movement toward the fulfillment of the divine plan when "God [will] be everything to everyone."

From the Didache Bible & the Catechism of the Catholic Church