

August 15, 2021

FAITH SHARING

Today's readings stress the fact that the Holy Eucharist is the food that gives us life forever. Jesus asserts that to eat this Bread is to have eternal life.

In <u>today's first reading</u> from the Book of Proverbs, Wisdom, representing God, offers wisdom and understanding in the form of a rich banquet to all those who are willing to heed her invitation.

In the second reading, Paul advises the Gentile Christians to show their gratitude to God for calling them, along with the Jews, to Christianity, and for giving them a share in Christ's life. They will be able to receive this life by avoiding their former foolish ways, for example, *getting drunk on wine*. Instead they are to be Spirit-filled and their talk edifying, always trying to discern and do the will of God.

In today's Gospel passage, Jesus asserts that eating the Living Bread, himself, allows us to participate in his life and is the inauguration of our eternal life with God. Jesus emphasizes the eternal-life dimensions of eating His body and drinking his blood. That means that those who have faith in Jesus have already stepped into heaven in this life, sharing in God's own life and therefore in eternal life. Our participation in the Eucharist also concretizes and energizes our relationship with Christ and with one another.

Responsorial Psalm R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

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20th Ordinary Sunday

ENTRANCE HYMN (Deuteronomy 8:3)

V. He therefore let you be afflicted with hunger, and then fed you with manna, a food unknown to you and your fathers.

R. In order to show you that not by bread alone does man live, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of the Lord.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Gospel

JN 6:51-58

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint John.

Jesus said to the crowds:

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" Jesus said to them. "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Today's Hymns

Processional Hymn Hymn of Faith

Hymn to the Holy Spirit 144 Come, Thou Creator

Offertory Hymn 159 Jesus, My Lord and Savior

Communion Hymn 227 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

> **Recessional Hymn** 224 Amazing Grace

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday, August 29 22 Ordinary Sunday 12:00 Noon – Holy Mass

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Let us pray for all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish, especially: Howard Friedman, Bernice Muha, Janet Caruso, Michael and Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank and Shellie Fisher, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Duane Schulte, Bill and Bernice Biroscak, Stephanie Besterci, David Potts, Andrew Chernesky, Joan Piechota, John Smith, Ernie Hoffman, Peggy Harris, Ina Reese, Bob Stutz, Tom Goff, David Gavenda, Michelle Freer, Kay Stampone, John Russell, Ronald Brower, Jan Cherneski, Ewelina Mendelewski-Filyushchenko, Richard Golazewski, Fr. Donald Wunderlich, Izabela Dryfik, Michal Mularczyk, Liz McGlone

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. Inflame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior.



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08/22/21	Su	12:00 Noon	OPEN
08/29/21	Su	12:00 Noon	OPEN

APPEAL FROM THE HISTORY AND ARCHIVES COMMISSION OF THE P.N.C.C.

The P.N.C.C. Archives, located at the National Church Center of the P.N.C.C., 1006 Pittston Avenue in Scranton, PA, desperately needs your help. The quantity of items needed to be catalogued before being archived in the vault is growing faster than can be done by one person. It is a job requiring data entry into an Excel file. At present, Joseph Seliga, Chair of the P.N.C.C. History and Archives Commission, travels from New Jersey to Scranton once per month to work for a week at the Archives. However, additional assistance is needed. Surely there are people in the church who want to see the history of the P.N.C.C. preserved. Please consider donating some of your time to this worthy project. Please contact Joseph Seliga at <u>seliga1@optonline.net</u> if you can assist in any way.

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