

19th Sunday Ordinary Time (b) 11th August 2024

Introduction

*leader: Greet the people and name the Sunday of the Year (see above)
 Acknowledge visitors and welcome them.
 Remind everyone about refreshments at the end of Mass ????
 Announce the theme of the liturgy (see next)*

Theme – HEARING & INTERNALISING WISDOM

leader: We gather to hear more of Jesus' teaching about the Bread of Life, from John's gospel account. These are sayings of Jesus in the synagogue, to people who had followed him searching for an answer of what they should do. They had misunderstood the earlier signs of Jesus' feeding of crowds with bread and fish! They hadn't understood these symbolic actions. According to John, Jesus now tells them that the 'miraculous food' their ancestors had, hasn't solved any of their problems!

(Announce the opening hymn:)

Greeting

*presider: Ki te ingoa o te Matua, ✠ o te Tamaiti, o te Wairua Tapu: /
 In the name of the Father, ✠ and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit:
 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, whose table we share,
 be with us:*

or

*Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord,
 be with you all:*

*all: **And with your spirit.***

Penitential Rite *Invitation to Repentance*

either (confer with the Projectionist beforehand if you choose the: 'I confess'.)

leader: Gathered together in Christ, let us ask forgiveness with confidence, for God is gentle and compassionate.

*all: **I confess: . . .***

and/or

leader: Friends, we gather to hear more of Jesus' teaching about the Bread of Life from John's gospel. These sayings of Jesus in the synagogue are addressed to people who had followed him in search of finding out what they should do:

Like those onlookers, we misunderstand the signs Jesus gave, when he fed them with bread and fish! - (pause) - Lord, have mercy:

*all: **Lord, have mercy:***

leader: Jesus reminds us that God's gift of food, won't solved any of our problems, unless we want to change profoundly:

- (*pause*) - *Christ, have mercy:*

*all: **Christ, have mercy:***

*leader: Jesus clarifies Life in his Spirit; but we settle for the letter of the law rather than acting in his Spirit: - (*pause*) - Lord, have mercy:*

*all: **Lord, have mercy:***

leader: May the God of mercy, forgive us in Jesus' name, who loved us and gave himself up for us. May he lead us to life that lasts:

*all: **Amen***

GLORIA *invitation*

either

leader: With all the voices of heaven, let us sing praise, honour and glory to God.

or

leader: With peoples everywhere, let us glorify our God in joyful song.

or

leader: Let us sing the praises of the Lord, the God who made us, whose glory is from age to age.

Opening Prayer

leader: (Kia inoi tatou / Let us pray: ...) God, our Father and Provider, whose Son has given his flesh for the life of the world, sustain Your pilgrim Church on its journey with the Word of Life and the Bread of heaven. Draw us nearer to him in whose name we gather, that, following his way of sacrificial love, we may come to the banquet of eternal life. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ:

*all: **Amen.***

Introduction to the first reading: (*1 Kings 19 : 4 – 8*)

leader: In the passage from the First Book of Kings, Elijah faces a crisis and flees for his life. Life has become so hopeless and miserable that he wants to be allowed to die. He is like any other broken, discouraged, misunderstood and persecuted prophet.

Introduction to the second reading: (*Ephesians 4 : 30 – 5 : 2*)

leader: All the vices that the Letter to the Ephesians lists are anti-social attitudes that make communication, or communion, between people difficult – if not impossible. Whereas, the virtues are social attitudes that lead to communication and communion.

Gospel Acclamation:

*all: **Alleluia! Alleluia!***

I am the Living Bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live forever. Alleluia!

Introduction to the gospel reading: (*John 6 : 41 – 51*)

leader: The life of the Triune God, is a mystery of communion; of encounter; of coming together; of being face-to-face, in the unity of Jesus with the

Father, in the Spirit.

Homily Notes (presider)

- *As would-be disciples on our good days we may allow God to be God and allow mystery to define our lives. But more than likely, we want knowledge, control and goods on our own terms!*
- *This lack of trustfulness in our living; this lack of respect for the true power for life-giving, leads us to denials and cover-ups. The same thing that happened with Jesus' listeners.*
- *We, like Jesus' original audience, cannot believe or imagine we stand on the threshold of God's new shaping of our world, neighbourhood, community and our self.*
- *Things can be ordered in completely 'other' ways. The denial that things can be ordered differently, contradicts the virtue of hope and fails to respect other peoples' right to enjoy the realm of God.*
- *The moment of worship, where real transformation is possible, must be hosted with awe, respect and patience. In the Word of God and the Bread "come down from heaven" we can internalise the real and active presence of the God of our Israelite ancestors – and the God of the first disciples.*
- *As the speaker in the psalm states: "Be still and acknowledge that I am God!" (Ps.46:10).*

Creed / Statement of Faith

Intercessions – 19th Week Ordinary Time [Sun 11th – Sat 17th August 2024]*invitation to pray:*

leader: *Friends, before we offer thanks for the bread of Christ's Body, we join in prayer for our world:*

1: *For the leaders of the Christian church; that they may speak the message of life, united by the Bread that lasts: - (pause) - True Bread of Life, hear us:*

all: **True Bread of Life, hear us.**

2: *For every member of the Christian church; that they may be strengthened in all the trials of life by the Bread that comes from God:*

- (pause) - Bread from Heaven, hear us:

all: **Bread from Heaven, hear us.**

3: *For our families; that we may value the body that God has given us and care for it as we should: - (pause) - Bread that Sustains, hear us:*

all: **Bread that Sustains, hear us.**

4: *For ourselves; that the Eucharist, the sacrament of love, may rid our hearts of all bitterness harsh words, slander and malice of every kind:*

- (pause) - Bread of Love, hear us:

all: **Bread of Love, hear us.**

5: *For the sick: we pray for: .*

Mangawhai: Matteo Gray, Petronella Brom, Lorna Bocoock, Geraldine Choromanski, Judy Perry, Veronica Grigg, Margaret Rissman, Roselle & Owen McGrane, Richard Henry, Bob Walters, Colleen Griffith, Anne Griffith, Teresa McCarthy, Tom Ryan, Kathy Brokliss (Hokianga), Lee McCarthy, Emelia Brockliss, (Mexico)

Maungaturoto: Trevor Brljevich, Tony Ruiterman, Bill Lewis, Beverly Simons, Adolph Layec,

Wellsford: Dallas Colville, Alec Colville, Lucille Jenneker, Wilma Jansen, Gerard McCurran, Iris Barrow, Lagi Sands, Tim Emberson, Theresa Graham, Anne Nightingale, . . .

Bless them for they share in Christ's passion through their suffering:

- (pause) - Living Bread, hear us:

all: **Living Bread, hear us.**

6: *For those who have died recently: Christine Casey-Stiles,*

And for the death anniversaries of: Edmund Goldfinch, Phyllis Sanders,

Wiremu Taurua, Yvonne Hamilton, Number them among your saints:

- (pause) - Bread by which we live always, hear us:

all: **Bread by which we live always, hear us.**

Concluding Prayer:

leader: *Father, God of life, hear our prayer, as we put our trust in You. We ask this through Christ our Lord:*

all: **Amen**

(If no priest, the leader introduces Lord's Prayer.)

Prayer over the Gifts

*presider: (Kia inoi tatou / Let us pray: ...) Lord,
accept from Your Church these gifts,
which in Your mercy You have given us to offer
and which by Your power
You transform into the sacrament of our salvation.
Grant this through Jesus Christ our Lord:*

*all: **Amen***

Preface

(The Day of the Lord)

presider: The Lord be with you.

*all: **And also with you.***

presider: Lift up your hearts.

*all: **We lift them up to the Lord.***

presider: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*all: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.***

*presider: It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,
always and everywhere to give You thanks,
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.
From sunrise to sunset this day is holy,
for Christ has risen upon us today
and scattered the darkness of death
with light and life that will not fade.
This day the risen Lord assembles us,
unfolds for us Your Word,
and breaks for us the Bread of Life.
And though the night will bring this Sunday to a close,
You call us to live in endless light,
the never-ending Day of the Lord.
And so, with the choirs of angels,
with all the heavenly host, we proclaim your glory
and join their unending chorus of praise:*

*all: **Holy holy holy!***

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER – III**Memorial Acclamation**

(the Eucharistic Prayer ends with the great 'AMEN')

Introduction to the Lord's Prayer

either

*presider: With trust in God, who nourishes us in the hour of need,
let us pray as Jesus taught us:*

or

Let us pray for the coming of God's realm as Jesus taught us.

*all: **Our Father, . . .***

*presider: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil;
graciously grant peace in our days,
that by the help of Your mercy,
we may be always freed from sin
and safe from all distress,
as we await the blessed hope
and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.*

*all: **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours,
now and for ever. Amen.***

Sign of Peace

*presider: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles:
'Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you'.
Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church
and grant us the peace and unity of your Realm,
where you live, now and always:*

*all: **Amen.***

presider: The peace of the Lord be with you:

*all: **And with your spirit.***

presider: Let us offer each other a sign of peace:

Lamb of God

*all: **Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us (x2)
Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.***

*presider: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God,
who by the will of the Father
and the work of the Holy Spirit,
through your death gave life to the world;
free us by this your most holy Body and Blood
from all our sins and from every evil:
keep us always faithful to your commandments
and never let us be parted from you.*

*all: **Amen***

either

*presider: Behold the Lamb of God. Behold him who takes away the sins of
the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.*

or

*presider: This is the bread come down from heaven;
whoever eats this bread will never die.
This is the cup of eternal life;
whoever drinks of it will live forever:*

*all: **Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof,
but only say the Word and my soul shall be healed.***

Holy Communion

*presider: Ko te Tinana o te Karaiti:
(Ko nga Toto o te Karaiti:)*

Prayer after Communion

*presider: (Kia inoi tatou / Let us pray: ...) Merciful God,
let our sharing in this Sacrament
deliver us from evil
and make us stand firm in the light of Your truth.
We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Lord:*

*all: **Amen.***

(an opportunity for announcements/notices etc. . . .)

Dismissal

*leader: We are sent; in the name of God,
all loving and all-powerful;
we are sent in the name of Jesus,
the Living Word of God;
we are sent in the name of the holy Spirit,
the flavour of God's Truth;
to see the truth about life;
to know the truth about love;
to taste the truth about God's goodness,
by practising Jesus' respect
for the needs and rights of others,
in sharing the gift we have been given in the Eucharist,
until we gather again:*

*all: **Amen***

The Blessing

*presider: Kia whakapaingia koutou e te Atua kaha rawa,
e te Matua, ✠ e te Tamaiti e te Wairua Tapu. /
May the blessing of God, the Father, ✠ the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be with us now and always:*

*all: **Amene***

leader: The Mass has ended, go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

*all: **Thanks be to God.***

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