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John

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday
Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b
Ephesians 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32
John 6:60-69

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2015

Sunday, August 16, Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

TH 8:30 Shirley Weartz from Mike & Chris Ryan

BW 10:30 Special Intentions of the Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose

BW 12:00 Lucille Hamilton from Tom & George Ann

Monday, August 17, Weekday,

12:10 Holy Souls in Purgatory from Vince Staley

Tuesday, August 18, Weekday,

12:10 Shirley Weartz from Rose Ann & Brian

Wednesday, August 19, St. John Eudes, Priest

12:10 Leonard Marek from Lucy Davis

Thursday, August 20, St. Bernard, Abbot & Dr. Of the Church

12:10 Kathe Seta from The Rizzo Family

Friday, August 21 St. Pius X, Pope

12:10 Bridget Lindsay

Saturday, August 22, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:10 Marianne Witt from Robert & Clara Goldsberry

BW 7:00 Ray Neyer from Helen Weartz

Sunday, August 23, Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

BW 8:30 Catherine Ruberg from Rose Ann & Brian

CW 10:30 Special Intentions of the Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose

CW 12:00 Margaret Riedinger from Roy

Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio has some volunteer and giving opportunities available.

Catholic charities teaches sewing to refugees and Su Casa Clients. They are looking for donations of Sewing shears, Christmas materials(no wool please) Christmas patterns, quilt batting and portable sewing machines in working condition. If you have anything to donate contact Mary Joan at 513-672-3733.

They are also looking for Computer Lab Monitors for Hispanic Youth. You will be working with young people (mainly high school) newly arrived in the U.S. Spanish and computer skills essential. Michelle Spotts 513-672-3725.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

The annual **St. Rose Family Parish Picnic is Today**, August 16 from 5-7pm. St. Rose will supply the meat and drinks and you can bring a side dish to share. There is a sign up sheet in the back of church.

Our CCD Program begins Sept. 13 for grades Kindergarten to 8th grade. Class times are 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. every Sunday. Registration will be that morning at 9:00 a.m. Any questions or new families please contact Debbie Wesselman 513-703-8229 or wesselmandmma@aol.com

RCIA Fr. Barry is starting up the RCIA again in September. The classes meet at 10:00am on Saturday at the Cathedral. If you know anyone who is interested in becoming Catholic or would like to learn about the Church invite them to come. For more information call Fr. Barry at 421-5354.

If you like to play Bingo or would like to help support the parish and other organizations our Bingo is a fun way to do this. The doors open at 5:30pm and the games start at 8:00pm. There are concessions and instant games available also.

St. Rose is online! Explore our new website at www.strosecincinnati.org.

Here you can find parish news, photos, calendars, bulletins, volunteer schedules, and more.

Bingo Volunteers for Saturday August 22, Team 4

Marge & Peggy Coffey, Harold Fischer, Dan Colletta, Tom & Bonnie Detzel, Mary Schoettle, Eileen McMahon, Erin Deeds, Mike Mattingly, LuAnn Schirmer, John Finnigan, Kim White,

Lectors/Lay Distributors for August 22 and 23

7:00 William Russ, Joseph Christmann, Lou Solimine, Michael Luehrmann

8:30 Matt Howland, Tim Elsbrock, Tom Perrino

10:30 Roland Becker, Timothy McMahon, Dennis O'Connor, Michael Alfieri

12:00 Matt Schwietering, Jim Condo, Ron Frey



Opening Prayer

O God, who have prepared for those who love you good things which no eye can see, fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love, so that, loving you in all things and above all things, we may attain your promises, which surpass every human desire. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Reflecting on Living the Gospel

Who is “this man”? This question underlies the quarrel the Jews in this gospel are having “among themselves.” Jesus declares that he is “living bread” sent by his “living Father”; he shares divine Life with the Father. In Jesus divine Life has been incarnated in human flesh. When we eat his flesh and drink his blood, we partake in this same divine Life. And so, like God, we will “live forever.” And so, like the risen Christ, we will be the Presence of God incarnated in human flesh. What a mystery! Its depth challenges us no less than the Jews of Jesus’ time. We, too, are faced with the question, Who is “this man”?

Jesus’ invitation to eat and drink his flesh and blood is an invitation to enter into his own mystery of self-giving dying and rising. Eucharist is self-giving. We can be self-giving like Jesus because by eating his flesh and drinking his blood we become more perfectly the Body of Christ. This is why we can “remain” in Jesus—we are transformed by what we eat. Our relationship to Jesus, then, becomes a relationship of indwelling, of divine Life. This is why Eucharist is a promise of eternal Life: because we already have divine Life within us. The mystery of the Eucharist strengthens us for our daily dying and rising, our daily Gospel giving of ourselves for the sake of others so that we all might share more abundantly in divine Life. Surely, this is a lifelong process of encounters with the One who ever so patiently teaches us who he is. Indeed, who is “this man”?

Closing Prayers

May we always and everywhere raise grateful hearts in praise for the gift of Eucharist. May we come to a deeper appreciation for who the risen Christ is for us and who we are for him. Our Father . . .



For Reflection:

- What and who have helped me grow in my understanding of the Eucharist are . . . I help others grow in their understanding of Eucharist by . . .
• To partake in divine Life means to me . . .

Suggestions for group and individual use:

- 1. Pray aloud the opening prayer (in The Roman Missal called the “collect”);
2. One person read aloud the gospel;
3. Each read prayerfully “Reflecting on Living the Gospel” and spend some time in personal prayer;
4. Share together responses to “For Reflection”;
5. Pray the “Closing Prayers.”

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Gospel

John 6:51-58

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.”

Readings for the week:

Table with 10 columns: 20th Sunday in Ord. Time, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 21st Sunday in Ord. Time. Each column lists biblical readings for that day.