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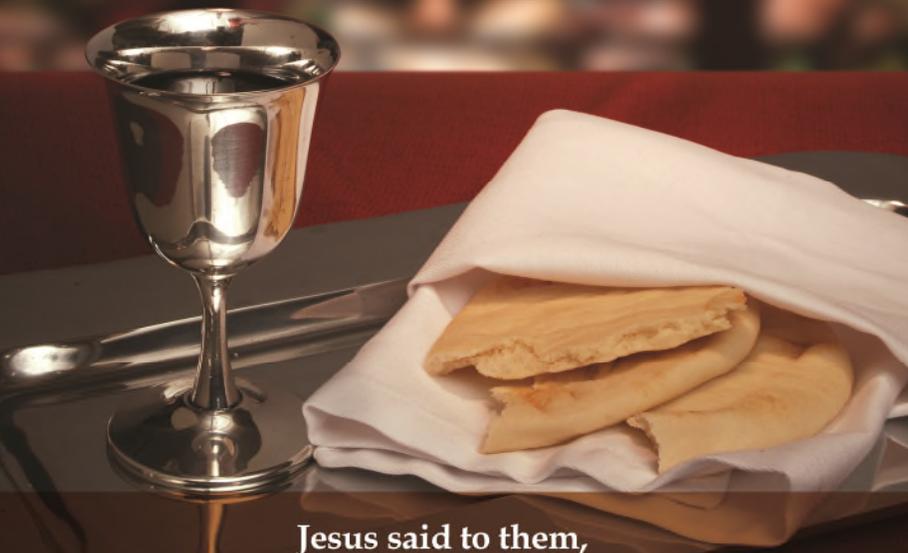
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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Jesus said to them,
"I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never
hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

- Jn 6:35

REV. ANTHONY BARRATT

Pastor

DEACON RICHARD WASHBURN

Deacon

REV. WINSTON BATH

Pastor Emeritus

SUNDAY 18 (B)

THE FOOD THAT ENDURES

Last week we heard how Jesus miraculously fed the 5,000. This now sets the stage for our Gospels over the next few weeks as we hear the “Bread of Life Discourse” of Jesus. Jesus has crossed over the Lake; but the crowds follow him having experienced the miracle. We might say that they come back for more food; although this time Jesus will feed them with his words and bring the promise of the “bread of life.” Our other readings, as it were, prepare us for this central and life-giving teaching of Jesus...

In our First Reading (Exodus 16: 2-4, 12-15), we have a classic case of what is called “typology”; that is where the Old Testament reading is like a foreshadowing or “type” that is fulfilled and completed in Jesus. The Israelites have escaped from Egypt and their cruel slavery under the pharaoh there; but now they grumble as they journey through the desert. God sends them a gift to feed them: manna. The people are amazed at this gift in the desert wilderness. In fact, the word *manna* (*man-hu*) literally means “what is it?” Experts have suggested all sorts of physical explanations for what this manna might be. Some, for example, claim it is a substance that comes from the tamarisk tree that is commonly found in the desert.

Such speculations miss the whole point of this gift of manna. This manna is, of course, physical food to sustain them, but it is so much more. It is a sign of God’s love and care for His people. He feeds and sustains them as they journey through the desert. In fact, this gift was so important to the faith of Israel in the centuries to come, that “the Bread of Presence” (a reminder of the manna) was one of the three things kept in the most sacred part of the Temple in Jerusalem. As Christians, we would also say that this manna is a sign or type of Jesus, the Bread of Life, who feeds and sustains us as we journey through life.

Our Psalm (Psalm 34) will be our companion for the next few weeks, as we work our way through the sixth chapter of Saint John’s Gospel. It sings of God’s love and care for His people, especially how He feeds and sustains them. That is why we can joyfully sing “taste and see the goodness of the Lord.”

In the Second Reading (Ephesians 4: 17, 20-24), we are urged not to revert back to our old way of

living before we received Christ. We are a new person in Christ from the roots upwards! We might say that receiving Christ, the Bread of Life, in the Eucharist is a powerful symbol of this change and total transformation in us. Writing over 1600 years ago, St. Augustine commented that the Eucharist differs from ordinary food. When we eat ordinary food and digest it: it becomes, so to speak, part of us. With the Eucharist, the opposite happens: we become part of the one we have received and consumed.

The Gospel, as we have noted, begins the Bread of Life Discourse of Jesus. The crowd ask all sorts of questions of Jesus: “When did you get here? What can we do to accomplish the works of God? What sign can you give that we may believe? These could be our questions too! Jesus gives a clear and direct answer to these questions; in fact, it is a key moment where Jesus reveals who he is.

His reply is: “I am the Bread of Life.” Jesus goes on to open this up and teach further. His message is: do not focus on surface things but go deeper. The crowd was amazed that he had given them physical food in the feeding of the 5,000; but Jesus has so much more to offer. He is the bread that feeds and sustains us spiritually, and this food does not perish or go bad. No, it endures and it is permanent. Jesus, the Bread of Life, feeds not so much physical appetites, but those deeper spiritual appetites and desires that we have. This is why we will never hunger or thirst again.

As we prepare for the Diocesan Eucharistic Congress, we can also make a strong connection between our readings this week and the Eucharist. The Eucharist is the real and continuing presence of Jesus, the Bread of Life: it is the food that satisfies our deepest hungers. It is the Bread of Presence or the manna from heaven: a real and living sign of God’s love and care for us. The Eucharist gives us strength, so that we too may “go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.”



Father Anthony



THE WEEK AHEAD



Eucharistic Adoration:

New day and time!

You are invited to spend a quiet hour in the Lord's presence on **Sundays** from **2-3 p.m.** in a silent Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary's Church, Hudson. To be held every Sunday from August 5 until the official opening of the Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel in October. Come join us in praying for the success of the Chapel project as well as for your own needs.

"Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament has His hands full of graces and He is ready to bestow them on anyone who asks for them." (St. Peter of Alcantara)



The following **Eucharistic Moment** has been shared by the perpetual Adoration Committee to promote Eucharistic adoration:

Sunday, August 5

"From the Eucharist comes strength to live the Christian life and zeal to share that life with others."
-St. Pope John Paul II

Would you consider committing to one hour of adoration every week?

TUESDAY, August 7

- **Adoration Committee Meeting:
7:00 p.m. St. Mary's Academy**

THURSDAY, August 9



- **Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. St. Mary's Academy**



Alight Center's Coin Drive!

This is a simple way to partner with Alight and get involved in creating a culture of life in your community!

- Take a bottle or envelope (or two, or three, or four).
- Fill it with currency, coins or checks.
- Return it to your church when it is full or by Labor Day.
- Pray for Alight and the families in your community.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Let Jesus feed your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Sep 28-30, 2018 in ALBANY, NY and Nov 3-4, 2018 in ALBANY, NY. For more information, call Ed & Rhonda Staats at 518-279-3243 or visit them at <https://www.womenyalb.org>.



REMINDER

School supplies are still needed for area children. Supplies maybe left in the church vestibule over the next several weekends.

Thank you so much for your help with this wonderful service.

HEARTS AFLAME EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Saturday, September 22nd

Here's what you need to know -

3 'MUSTS':

It is **FREE** to attend; however, you **MUST** register on-line at the RCDA.org site - only registered persons may attend. (*Please see below if you do not have internet access).

The only food and drink available **MUST** be pre-purchased when you register, **for \$12**. You are free to bring your own food and drink (a picnic!) if you wish. . . please be certain to do one or the other.

Our Parish has reserved a bus and we have **50 seats** available; however, you **MUST let Maura Nedwell know** if you would like a seat on the bus. Suggested donation will be \$10, collected on the day of the Congress as you get on the bus. You may drive yourself as well.

*If you are not able to sign up on line, please take one of the sign-up forms at the back of the Church and:

- complete the form fully;
- include \$12, if you are not bringing your own food/drink;
- put in an envelope marked for **“Maura Nedwell”** and place in the weekend collection basket. Checks can be made out to Holy Trinity.
- Be certain to note if you want to reserve a seat on the bus (\$10 donation on day of trip)

Questions? Call Maura Nedwell 518-851-3688

SACRAMENTS

The sacraments are wonderful gifts from God to us.

BAPTISM: Congratulations! If you would like to arrange preparations and a date for Baptism, please contact the Parish Office.

RCIA: For those enquiring about the Catholic Faith or wishing to complete their sacraments: welcome! Please contact the Parish Office and we will be very glad to help you further.

RECONCILIATION: Celebrated on Saturdays 2.30-3.45 pm in Hudson, before and after Masses in Germantown, or at anytime by appointment. (Note: it is best to call ahead first to check on the availability of a priest)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Priests regularly visit the hospitals, nursing homes and the homebound. Please do contact the Parish Office if you or someone you know is in need of the anointing of sick.

MARRIAGE: Congratulations! So that proper arrangements (paperwork, preparations etc.) can be made, please contact the Parish Office or Fr. Anthony at least six months before the desired date.

VOCATIONS: If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life, please contact Fr. Anthony to share thoughts and prayers further.

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

We are giving the fullest expression of our faith when we have a genuine desire to share with others and do all that we can to build up our parish and our Church.

HUDSON

Regular Offertory Last Weekend (Jul. 29).....	\$5,728.00
Mission Appeal.....	\$ 2784.00
Peter's Pence.....	\$ 692.00

GERMANTOWN

Regular Offertory Last Weekend (Jul. 29).....	\$1,542.00
Mission Appeal.....	\$ 850.00
Peter's Pence.....	\$ 210.00



SACRAMENTS

The sacraments are wonderful gifts from God to us. Through outward, visible signs the sacraments are channels of God's love and mercy and so they draw us into the life of the Trinity. They, therefore, also continue the saving mission and ministry of Jesus Christ in and through His body, the Church. Below is some information on how to make contact regarding the celebration of the sacraments.

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READINGS AND HYMNS (HUDSON)

Reading: p. 215 Opening Hymn: # 390 Closing: # 497

MASSES FOR THIS WEEK

MONDAY: Transfiguration of the Lord (Aug. 6)

7:15 AM Marion & Charles Scheu - Ann Skibo
Mary & Al Warakomski - Son, Dave
Priscilla Malak - Thomas & Debbie Daus

TUESDAY: Weekday (Aug. 7)

7:15 AM Bertha Wallace Hallenbeck - Mary Ann Kovalich
Josephine Dinardi - Sister, Mary & Family
Stephen Gurny - Joseph Holodook

WEDNESDAY: St. Dominic, Priest (Aug. 8)

7:15 AM Tony & Jennie Paone - Son, Joseph
Sally Van Buskirk - Elaine Erickson
Stephen Gurny - Diane Kreig

THURSDAY: Weekday (Aug. 9)

7:15 AM Salvatore LaLumia & Santo Randazzo - Wife
Michael Du Four (Birthday) - Ann Susan Du Four
Sally Van Buskirk - Catholic Daughters Court #248

FRIDAY: St. Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr (Aug. 10)

7:15 AM Margaret & Antonio Fabiano - Sarah A. Fabiano
Dec'd of Schmitt Family - Florence Carlucci & Family
Sally Van Buskirk - Dick & Frieda Van Deusen
9:00 AM For World Peace
(G'TWN)

19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: (Aug. 11)

4:00 PM Sister Adrian Francis Cuddy - Anne Drew
(HUD) Marian & Charles Kalinowski
Catherine & William Heeney - MaryAnn & Jimmy
5:30 PM Walter Hull - Family
(LNLTH) Living and deceased of the parish

SUNDAY MORNING MASS: (Aug. 12)

9:00 AM Karen Schmolz - Mother
(HUD) Reginald Grener - Vanessa Grener & Jeff
James Marotta - Dee Marotta
11:00 AM John Gunther - His loving wife, Marilyn
(G'TWN) Patrick Sheridan - Liepshutz Family

Readings for the Week of August 5

Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15/Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 [24b]
/Eph 4:17, 20-24/Jn 6:24-35
Monday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 [1a, 9a]/2 Pt 1:16-19
/Mk 9:2-10
Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21,
29 and 22-23 [17]/Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14
Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Mt 15:21-28
Thursday: Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [12a]
/Mt 16:13-23
Friday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/Jn 12:24-26
Saturday: Hb 1:12-2:4/Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [11b]/Mt 17:14-20
Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:4-8/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [9a]/Eph 4:30-5:2
/Jn 6:41-5
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