

First Reading

1 Kings 19:4-8

The Lord feeds Elijah, strengthening him for his journey to Horeb.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 34:2-3,4-5,6-7,8-9

A prayer of praise to God for his goodness

Second Reading

Ephesians 4:30—5:2

The Ephesians are encouraged to be imitators of Christ.

Gospel Reading

John 6:41-51

Jesus responds to the murmurs of the crowd, who wonders what he means when he says that he came down from heaven.

Background on the Gospel Reading

On this Sunday, we continue to read from the “Bread of Life discourse” found in the sixth chapter of John’s Gospel. Recall that we have been reading from this chapter for the past two weeks and will continue to read from it for another two. Last week, the crowd asked for a sign that would show that Jesus came from God. Jesus replied by saying that he is the sign and the bread of life sent by God. At this point, our Lectionary omits six verses in which Jesus predicts the unbelief of the crowd and further develops his connection with God the Father. In these verses, Jesus says that he was sent by God to do the Father’s will. Jesus promises that those who look upon the Son with faith will find eternal life. Some of these themes are repeated in today’s Gospel reading.

Today’s Gospel begins with a report that the Jews complained about Jesus’ claims regarding his identity. They knew his family, and they knew he was the son of Joseph. They could not comprehend what Jesus meant when he said that he came down from heaven. Jesus responds to the complaints by saying that only those who are chosen by God will recognize him as the one that God sent. This is a recurring theme in John’s Gospel, that God has chosen those who will have faith in Jesus.

In the verses that follow, Jesus talks more about his unity with the Father. He is the one who has seen the Father and, therefore, knows the Father. Those who listen to God will recognize that Jesus is the one sent from God. Those who believe will have eternal life. Jesus concludes with the central element of our eucharistic theology. He promises that the bread of life will bring eternal life to those who partake of it, and he tells us that the bread of life will be his own flesh, given for the life of the world.

In today’s reading, we hear Jesus say again, as he did in last week’s Gospel, that he is the bread of life. We also hear Jesus add that he is the living bread. Both of these statements help us understand better the gift that Jesus gives us in the Eucharist. We celebrate this gift of Jesus each time we gather for Mass. We believe that receiving Jesus in the Eucharist will lead us to eternal life.

Jesus has demolished all boundary expectations. It is not social definitions such as class, religion, gender, or ethnicity that determines who is our neighbor. A neighbor is a person who acts with compassion toward another. The point becomes not who deserves to be loved as I love myself, but that I become a person who treats everyone with compassion.

When Jesus asks the lawyer who was the neighbor in the story, the lawyer can’t bring himself to say it was the Samaritan. All he says is that it was “the one who treated him with mercy.” Jesus’ response was similar to that of the first discussion: “Go and do likewise.” The lawyer, and we, know what is right. The key is to do it.

Pro Sanctity

BIBLE SHARING: PRO SANCTITY MOVEMENT MEETS EVERY THURSDAY AT 7:00 PM IN THE SIMONETTI CENTER: 741 E. 86TH ST STARTS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2020 ALL ARE WELCOME. FOR INFO CALL 718-649-0324 or 917-873-1707

Prayer for Vocations

Lord of the Harvest, we petition you as you have instructed us to ask for more laborers to serve in the vineyard of Your Church. You have told us that the harvest is rich and laborers are few and we experience this great need in the face of the challenge of the New Evangelization we ask the Holy Spirit to inspire young men and women to seriously consider vocations for the priesthood and religious life. Help all of us to be effective instruments to encourage and support those whom you are calling to serve and lead the Church of Brooklyn and Queens in the future. Lord, you told the Apostles to put out into the deep. We ask for the grace and courage to accept your call as we pray and work for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. We ask

Every First, and Third Sunday, of the month after each mass Fellowship is followed in the Parish Center all are welcomed

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Weekend Masses in the Canarsie Cluster Parishes:

Our Lady of Miracles

(E. 86th St. & Flatlands Ave.)

Sat. 5:30 PM (Eng.)

Sun. 8:30 AM (Eng.)

10:30 AM (Eng.)

12:30 PM (French/Creole)

Holy Family

(Rockaway Pkwy. & Flatlands Ave.)

Sat. 5:00 PM (Eng.)

Sun. 8:00 AM (Eng.)

9:15 AM (Creole)

11:15 AM (Eng.)

St. Jude

(Seaview Ave. & Canarsie Rd.)

Sat. 5:30 PM (Eng.)

Sun. 8:30 AM (Eng.)

10:30 AM (Family)

12:30 PM (Bi-Lingual)

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 8TH 2021



Please Pray for ALL Our Sick In Our Parish

Jadranka Knezevic, Frantz Darius, Marie Yvonne Darius, Melanie Peter, Donna Ann Burris, Angelia Agbi, Maureen Ming, Libera Kenai, Beryl Whyte

We will keep names on the sick list for three weeks. After that time, the family should call the rectory

Our Parish needs your Weekly Support

	TIME		People
Saturday	5:30 PM	Eng	90
Sunday	8:30 AM	Eng	95
Sunday	10:30 AM	Eng	90
Sunday	12:30 PM	French/Kreyol	125

Weather: Sunny Day

Our weekly goal is \$4850.00

This Weeks Total was \$3,500.00

Previous Week \$4,100.00

Your generosity is greatly appreciated

Second Collection

Coming Up This Week



Monday: August 9

8:30 AM Mass

Tuesday: August 10

8:30 AM Mass

Wednesday: August 11

8:30 AM Mass

Thursday: August 12

8:30 AM Mass

Friday: August 13

8:30 AM Mass

Saturday: August 14

8:30 AM Mass

Sunday: August 15

8:30 AM Mass & 10:30 AM Mass English

12:30 PM Mass French/Kreyol

Our Lady of Miracles Rectory Office Hours

Monday 10AM-5PM, Tuesday 10AM-5PM,

Wednesday Closed, Thursday 10AM-5PM,

Friday Closed, Saturday Closed, Sunday Closed

Saturday August 7

8:30 AM For the repose of Soul of Florence Forestal by Jean-Robert & Soeurette Fougere

5:30 PM In Memory of all deceased OLM Parishioners by OLM

Sunday August 8

8:30 AM Thanksgiving to God for all of my blessings by Letecia Casipe

10:30 AM Thanksgiving to Mary Immaculate Mother of Miracles by Yvonne Clergy

12:30 PM For the repose of the Soul of Florence Forestal by Jean-Robert & Soeurette Fougere

12:30 PM In Memory of Deacon Pierre Moliere Germain by Margareth Joseph

Monday August 9

8:30 AM Birthday In Heaven for Anthony Oliva by Nina Riti

8:30 AM Wedding Anniversary for Jean & Andrelene Augustin by The Augustin Family

Tuesday August 10

8:30 AM In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Miracles by Letecia Casipe

Wednesday August 11

8:30 AM For the repose of the souls of June & Veda Modeste by Felicity Modeste

8:30 AM For the repose of the souls of Joseph & Emelda Modeste by Felicity Modeste

Thursday August 12

8:30 AM In Memory of all deceased OLM parishioners by OLM

Friday August 13

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Florence Meo by Florence Meo

8:30 AM In Thanksgiving to Vitres & Larry Olivo by Nina Riti

Saturday August 14

8:30 AM In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Du Cap by Annelove Bernard & Family

8:30 AM In Memory of Natura SainRose by Family

5:30 PM For the repose of the soul of Albert Modeste by Felicity Modeste

5:30 PM For the repose of the soul of Norris Ferguson by Felicity Modeste

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 8TH 2021



Pope Francis's Reflection for Sunday August 8th 2021 Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!

We are living in a world where people of all races and creeds hunger more for spiritual sustenance than for physical food. In response to the spiritual hunger of people in his own day, Jesus, in today's Gospel passage from John 6, proclaims himself to be "*the Bread of Life that came down from heaven.*" It is through Jesus, the bread of life, that we have access to the Divine life during our earthly pilgrimage to God. The sixth chapter of the Gospel of John, which contains Jesus' teaching on the Eucharist, begins with Jesus' miraculous feeding of his five thousand hungry listeners in a deserted place to satisfy their bodily hunger.

Jesus' dialogue with the Jews no longer deals with manna, but with His very Person: the Revealer who brings us God's salvation. Although John's Chapter 6 does not name the Holy Eucharist, Jesus' words remind us of the centrality of the Eucharist as the primary source of our spiritual nourishment. Jesus knows quite well that we need both spiritual and physical food for life's journey. He offers both to us. Thus, the meal that we share at the Eucharistic table provides the food for this journey ("viaticum"). Furthermore, He tells us that this Bread from Heaven is *His Flesh, given for the life of the world.* The Jews, as well as Jesus' disciples, understood that he was speaking literally when he said that His Body was food. This statement appeared to some as outrageous and impossible. Later in the discourse Jesus, will insist that his words must be accepted literally and that his Father will draw men to accept them. Hence let us accept Jesus as the Heavenly Bread, medicine for the sick soul, nourishment for a wounded spirit, light and strength for a weary mind and the source of new and eternal life.

Jesus wants us to eat him because he IS Bread. "You are what you eat?" Jesus is Bread and he wants us to eat his Flesh. Thus, we bring him into the core of our being. He is ready to come into our lives, regardless of who we have been, or how unqualified we feel. Let us live the life of Faith ... making changes so that He becomes the staple food of our spiritual life, not a side dish. Let us be people who recognize that Jesus, whom we consume, is actually God Who assimilates us into His being. Then, from Sunday to Saturday we will grow into Jesus, as he grows in us, our lives will be transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit, and we will become more like him. Thus, we shall share in the joyous and challenging life of being the Body of Christ for the world – Bread for a hungry world, and Drink for those who thirst for justice, peace, fullness of life, and even eternal life.

The "Sacrifice of the Altar" is our participation in the entirety of Christ – his life, his ministry, his crucifixion and death for our sins, his Resurrection, and his Ascension to Heaven. We unite with him by offering our lives to him so that he ministers to the world through us. We sacrifice our will whenever and wherever it interferes with his, which results in our being raised up to new Life as we follow Christ to Heaven. Every Catholic Mass accomplishes this by providing us with our living Savior's Body and Blood, crucified and Risen, here and now, in the form of edible food. As Pope St. John Paul II pointed out in *Ecclesia de Eucharistic*, "The Second Vatican Council rightly proclaimed that the Eucharistic banquet of Mass is 'the source and summit of the Christian life'



Scriptures For The Week

Monday August 9

Dt 10:12-22 Mt 17:22-27(413)

Tuesday August 10

2 Cor 9:6-10 Jn 12:24-26(618)

Wednesday August 11

Dt 34:1-12 Mt 18:15-20(415)

Thursday August 12

Jos 3:7-10a,11, 13-17 Mt 18:21—19:1(416)

Friday August 13

Jos 24:1-13 Mt 19:3-12(417)

Saturday August 14

Jos 24:14-29 Mt 19:13-15(418)

Our Lady of Trust Catholic Academy

up coming events

Open House for Pre-3, Pre – K4 & Pre K
9:00 to 11 AM

For more information call 718-241-6633

Record of PARISH contributions

If you use our church envelopes and need to have a record of your contributions to Our Lady of Miracles Church for the past year(2020) for income tax purposes, please contact the rectory during office hours or send a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request to

Our Lady of Miracles Church, 757 East 86th street, Brooklyn, New York 11236. We will be happy to forward the information to you.

Due to the Corona Virus we will not be serving the Precious Blood we will let you know when we will be serving the precious blood.

Haitian Prayer group meet every Monday night at 7:00 Pm in the church. All are welcomed

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 8TH 2021

Office Of Faith Formation News

The Faith Formation Office will be closed in August. You can still register for September classes if you have not done so by completing early registration slips found in the back of the church, and leaving in the box provided. We will contact you in September.

Any Child who received Baptism and started 1st Grade in Public School or Catholic School must start First Communion Preparation. After Communion Public School Children must continue ongoing formation until they begin Confirmation preparation to be fully initiated Catholics. Catholic School children do not need

<u>For</u>	<u>Early</u> June to Aug 31st	<u>Regular</u> Sep 3rd-10th	<u>Late</u> Sep 12th– Oct 31st
1 Child	\$60	\$80	\$105
2 Children	\$100	\$140	\$165
3 or more	\$160	\$180	\$205

ongoing formation but must register for Confirmation preparation when they reach that level.

Payment Schedule for the upcoming 2021-2022 Registration Year

The days to call the Faith Formation Office is on Tuesday and Friday at this number **718-649-1006** Or by email at dre101163@diobrook.org

Our office Days and Hours

Tuesday: 10:00AM-4:30PM

Friday: 10:00AM-4:30 PM

OLM Spiritual Journey Program (OSJP)

Resumes in September

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday, from 9:30 AM till 12:00 Noon, we have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and Benediction. We are looking for people to sit in church while the Blessed Sacrament is on the altar. Please come to the rectory to put your name down for an hour or two.

The only time we will not have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is if we have a funeral

Annual Catholic Appeal 2021 CATHOLIC APPEAL PRAYER

Loving Father, through Baptism you have made us members of the Body of your Son and His Priestly People. You have enriched us with the outpouring of the gift of your Holy Spirit. You continue to make your Son present among us through the Sacrament of His Body and Blood in the Eucharist.

We are ever grateful for what you do for us and we seek to respond by revealing your goodness through the witness of our lives.

Help us to nourish and support those members of the Body of Christ who are in need of our generous sharing of our time, talent and treasure.

We make this prayer through Christ our High Priest and Lord. AMEN

Annual Catholic Appeal 2021 goal at Our Lady of Miracles R.C is \$33,494

Thank for your generous support.

God bless you!

PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONE WHEN YOU ARE ENTERING THE CHURCH. THIS IS QUITE DISTRACTING TO THE PRIEST AND OTHER PARISHIONERS THANK YOU.

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