

St Saviour's Church

25 July 2021 - Trinity 8 (OT17)



Over the next few weeks our gospel readings come from John 6. This amazing chapter is a deep meditation on Jesus as the bread of life and how we are spiritually renewed, refreshed and transformed by his self giving to us. Not surprisingly, it also has deep significance for our appreciation of Eucharist and our growth as a Eucharistic community. Today we begin our reflection with the story of the feeding of the 5 thousand and how Jesus attends to their (and our) hunger with a miracle of multiplication.

Parish Notes:

Reserve your seat at St Saviour's mass via Liz on 07718918846

Ministry Area - The Parochial Church Council agreed at our last meeting to give consent to the signing of the decree which allows St Saviour's to join with the other parishes of South Cardiff in forming a new ministry area. We also agreed that our ministry area transition team representatives will be: Liz Norman, Wendy Gibbins, David Gibbins and Janet Fotheringham. Also, in preparation for joining the new MA a decree has been passed by Bishop June and the diocese formally separating St German's and St Saviour's who will now be known by their previous parish titles. The MA transition team next meets on Monday 26 July and will look at the next steps in forming our new MA.

Weekday Masses - Weekday masses resume this week with Fr Chris.

Farewells - Today is Fr Phelim's last Sunday with us and we plan on meeting in the church garden between 2-4pm to say our farewells (weather permitting). Please let us know if you hope to attend. Fr Phelim moves to Birmingham in the last week of August and will be on holiday from next weekend until that time. In the meantime Fr Chris will be available and from September he, the church wardens and the Area Dean, Fr Dyfrig Lloyd, will be the main points of contact for any church or PCC related matters.

Covid Risks Update - With the Welsh government now allowing more people to meet indoors and outdoors we will be updating our own risk assessment accordingly. The CinW has also now permitted churches to offer tea and coffee after our services. We hope to begin this in August. Please keep to social distancing whilst in church and wear a face covering.

Sanctuary Lamps available - If you would like to sponsor a lamp, please write your dedication on the list at the back of church and place your £4 donation in the candle box.

Singing - The CinW has again updated its guidance and suggests that individual churches do all that they can to adhere to government guidelines whilst ensuring we assess and respond to the risks accordingly. The size of our church, limited numbers, social distancing and wearing face coverings mean we are now in a position to resume singing.

Recently Departed - David Pine, Doris Rose Tweney, Glensy Prosser.

This week:

Sun 25 Trinity 8

9:30 Sung Mass (St S)

11am Sung Mass (St G)

Mon 26:

6:00pm Mass (St G)

Tues 27:

10:00 Mass (St S)

Wed 28:

10am Mass (St G)

Thur 29:

17:45 Mass (St S)

Fri 30:

No Mass (St S)

Sat 31:

No Mass (St S)

St Ignatius Loyola

Sun 1: Trinity 9

St Saviour's:

9:30 Sung Mass;

St German's:

11:00 am Sung Mass

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READINGS THIS WEEK

2 Kgs 4:42-44

Ps 145:10-11, 15-16,
17-18

Eph 4:1-6

John 6:1-15

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Exod 16:2-4, 12-15

Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25+54

Eph 4:17, 20-24

John 6:24-35

PSALM:

**You open wide your
hand, O Lord, and
grant our desires.**

COLLECT:

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

GATHERING:

All my hope on God is founded;
He doth still my trust renew,
Me through change
and chance He guideth,
Only good and only true.
God unknown, He alone
Calls my heart to be His own.

Pride of man and earthly glory,
Sword and crown
betray His trust;
What with care
and toil He buildeth,
Tower and temple fall to dust.
But God's power, hour by hour,
Is my temple and my tower.

God's great goodness
aye endureth,
Deep His wisdom,
passing thought:
Splendor, light and life
attend him,
Beauty springeth out of naught.
Evermore from His store
Newborn worlds rise and adore.

Daily doth th'almighty Giver
Bounteous gifts on us bestow;
His desire our soul delighteth,
Pleasure leads us where we go.
Love doth stand at His hand;
Joy doth wait on His command.

Still from man to God eternal
Sacrifice of praise be done,
High above all praises praising
For the gift of Christ, His Son.
Christ doth call one and all:
Ye who follow shall not fall..

OFFERTORY:

Here in this place,
new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away.
See, in this space,
our fears and our dreamings,
brought here to you
in the light of this day.

*Gather us in - the lost and forsaken,
gather us in - the blind and the lame.
Call to us now, and we shall awaken,
we shall arise at the sound of our
name.*

We are the young -
our lives are a mystery,
we are the old - who yearn for your
face.
We have been sung
throughout all of history,
called to be light
to the whole human race.

*Gather us in - the rich and the
haughty,
gather us in - the proud and the
strong.
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly,
give us the courage to enter the song.*

Here we will take
the wine and the water,
here we will take
the bread of new birth.
Here you shall call
your sons and your daughters,
call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of
compassion,
give us to eat the bread that is you.
Nourish us well, and teach us to
fashion
lives that are holy and hearts that
are true.

Not in the dark of buildings
confining,
not in some heaven, light years
away,
but here in this place,
the new light is shining;
now is the Kingdom, now is the day.

*Gather us in - and hold us forever,
gather us in - and make us your own.
Gather us in - all peoples together,
fire of love in our flesh and our bone*

COMMUNION:

Bread of heaven, on thee we feed,
for thou art our food indeed.
Ever may our souls be fed
with this true and living bread,
day by day with strength supplied
through the life of Christ who died.

Vine of heaven, thy love supplies
this blest cup of sacrifice.
'Tis thy wounds our healing give;
to thy cross we look and live.
Thou our life! O let us be
rooted, grafted, built on thee.

FINAL HYMN:

1 Christ triumphant, ever reigning,
Saviour, Master, King!
Lord of heaven, our lives sustaining,
hear us as we sing:

**Yours the glory and the crown,
the high renown, the eternal
name.**

2 Word incarnate, truth revealing,
Son of Man on earth!
power and majesty concealing
by your humble birth:

3 Suffering servant, scorned, ill-
treated,
victim crucified!
death is through the cross defeated,
sinners justified:

4 Priestly king, enthroned for ever
high in heaven above!
sin and death and hell shall never
stifle hymns of love:

5 So, our hearts and voices raising
through the ages long,
ceaselessly upon you gazing,
this shall be our song: He claims our
hearts to sing his praise

FIRST READING

The First reading is from the 2nd book of Kings.

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear.' 'Give it to the people to eat', Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted 'for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some left over."' He served them; they ate and had some left over, as the Lord had said.

This is the word of the Lord.

2 Kings 4

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God.

The eyes of all creatures look to you and you give them their food in due time. You open wide your hand, grant the desires of all who live.

The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts.

Psalm 145

SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called

into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, over all, through all and within all.

This is the word of the Lord.

Ephesians 4

people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, 'This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

John 6

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words are Spirit, Lord, and they are life; you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St John.

After this Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming towards him, Jesus said to Philip, 'Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?' He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, 'Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, 'There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?' Jesus said, 'Make the people sit down.' Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, 'Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.' So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the