



## Parish of St Mary Magdalen, Jordanville

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*The Parish of St. Mary Magdalen is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.*

1 August 2021

# 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

*I will rain bread from heaven upon you.*

Responsorial Psalm:

**THE LORD GAVE THEM BREAD FROM HEAVEN**

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

*Put on the new person that has been created in God's image.*

Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**No one lives on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes  
from the mouth of God**

**Alleluia!**

Gospel: John 6:24-35

*Whoever comes to me will never be hungry; whoever believes in me will never thirst.*

## SCRIPTURE REFLECTION

In many ways the Exodus story of the bread from heaven is very similar to last Sunday's accounts. However, the focus today is not divine prodigality shown through the overabundance of food, but total dependence on God. The bread comes from heaven, not merely because the food seems to come down from the sky, but because it comes from God. The restriction about collecting it was meant to emphasise this point. Our survival is in God's hands, not ours.

Jesus insists that he is the true bread from heaven; he is the real basis of our survival. The people followed him because they saw him as a source of bread; they did not realise that he is really the source of life. If we fill ourselves with all that the world provides as nourishment we will still hunger. Only faith in Jesus can satisfy our deepest hungers, and we will not be able to survive apart from him.

Acceptance of Jesus as the source of our life and the very nourishment of our spirits effects a total transformation in us. We will no longer be content to live with full bellies but empty minds. We will put aside our old selves steeped in ignorance and self-interest and put on a new self, created in his image. Having fed on the bread from heaven, we will be mysteriously transformed into it. The spirit of our minds will be renewed by his teaching. As a result, we will be able to launch out into a way of living that witnesses to our new understanding, our new life.

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### MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

<b>Tuesday:</b>	Mass 10:00am	Rosary 10:30am
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Morning Prayer and Communion Service 10:00am	Rosary 10:30am
<b>Thursday:</b>	Mass 12:00noon	Rosary 12:30am
<b>Friday:</b>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11:00am Mass 12:00noon	
<b>Saturday:</b>	Mass 10:00am Vigil Mass 6:00pm	Rosary 10:30am
<b>Sunday:</b>	Mass 9:30am	

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**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:** After Mass when a priest is available

**BAPTISM:** During Sunday Mass or at 11:00am. Email the Parish office to book.

## NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTER

August 7 & 8, 2021	6.00pm Vigil	9.30a.m.
Commentator	Helen Selwood	Sharon D'Souza
Readers Saint Mary of the Cross (MacKillop)	Michael Bampton	Patrick Van Reyk/
Special Ministers	Len DeSilva	Morley Fernando
Meet & Greet	Roshini Boteju Stephen Goss	David Strancar Bojana Pearson
Data Proj & CD Optr	Carlo Sinay	Edwin Gomez
Counting – Sun, 10am	David Forrest, Jos & Louise Kulkens	
Church Cleaning	*Christine Barcham, Rukmin Silva, Phillip Davis, David Strancar	

Any notices that need to be included in the weekly newsletter, email the parish [jordanville@cam.org.au](mailto:jordanville@cam.org.au) by Thursday.

### MASSES STREAMED FROM ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL, MELBOURNE

Daily Mass: The 1.00pm Mass is streamed live daily (*Mon - Fri*) from St. Patrick's Cathedral in Melbourne and is then available as a recording on demand until one hour prior to the next 1.00pm Mass.

On Sundays, the 11.00am Mass is streamed and it is also available as a recording on demand via Channel 44.

### DO YOU FEEL LIKE BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

The Permanent Diaconate is open to single and married men who want to serve God and the Church as ordained ministers.

COME & SEE! An Information Session about the Permanent Diaconate will be held on **14 August, Saturday 10:00 -11.45 am** at the Catholic Theological College (CTC), East Melbourne.

For more information:

Watch: Melbourne's Deacons <https://youtu.be/q2RhNDbtTS0>

Watch: Pope Francis' 2020 Prayer Intention for Deacons

<https://youtu.be/NuG99HDILaY>

Read More: [Brochure] <https://www.caml.org.au/permanent-diaconate>

Contact: Office of the Permanent Diaconate (Phone) 03 9412 335 (Email) [diaconate@cam.org.au](mailto:diaconate@cam.org.au)

Foster Carer Week – 12-18th September

Have you ever considered becoming a Foster Carer?

Is there someone in your community who is a Foster Carer? During Foster Care week, we recognise and celebrate Foster Carers and all they do to help children in our community feel loved and part of a family.

Foster and kinship carers make a real difference to vulnerable children by providing stability, support and care, whilst working with a team to create a nurturing environment for each child.

To find out if you could become a foster carer with MacKillop Family Services, call 1300 791 677 or visit [www.mackillop.org.au/fostercare](http://www.mackillop.org.au/fostercare).

### Parish Safeguarding

Our Parish is committed to the safety of children. I ask everyone to view the relevant policy on our website at [www.smmchadstone.com.au](http://www.smmchadstone.com.au).

Parish Safeguarding UPDATE – The Archdiocese's Professional Standards Unit has recently produced e-learning videos, which aims to educate all volunteer and our parish community in safeguarding our children. I would like to encourage all, especially our volunteers, to watch the videos on this link Safeguarding e-learning videos | The Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne ([melbournecatholic.org](http://melbournecatholic.org))

May I take this opportunity to remind all volunteers to make sure that your Working With Children Check is up to date?

### St Mary Magdalen's Parish School – Foundation (Prep) 2022

Enrolment applications are now open for 2022 Foundation (Prep) at St Mary Magdalen's School 15 Bambil Street Chadstone. Our website and Facebook pages have information about our active learning program. School tours are available online and in person at a time that suits you. Book through our website [www.smmchadstone.catholic.edu.au](http://www.smmchadstone.catholic.edu.au) or call the school office 98070315. Limited vacancies in other levels. Enquiries welcome.

'Mindfulness & Meditation via Zoom, 1hr x 4 Tuesday nights, 7.30pm-8.30pm, 6-27 July 2021'. This is an evening series on the practice of contemplative mindfulness and meditation. It provides input and guidance, encouraging regular practice within a supportive group. The series is led by Paola Cheng, a qualified meditation teacher, spiritual director and social worker, who brings an inclusive and gentle approach to her sessions. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Cost \$50. Book and pay via website [www.heartoflife.melbourne](http://www.heartoflife.melbourne), email [info@heartoflife.melbourne](mailto:info@heartoflife.melbourne) or tel 9890 1101.

## **LIVING GOSPEL**

### **The Body of Christ**

*Christ is present in the Eucharist in many forms: in the people gathered; in the celebrating priest; in the Word proclaimed; and in the consecrated bread and wine – the Body and Blood of Christ. In relation to receiving Christ through the reception of communion, St Augustine wrote, 'Be what you see, and receive what you are.' We not only receive the Body of Christ through Eucharist, we are called to be the Body of Christ because of what we have received; and we receive the Body of Christ because we are already part of the Body of Christ.*