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## Seventeenth Sunday *in Ordinary Time*

JULY 25, 2021

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 11:00am**

**Saturday: 8:00am & 5:00pm (Sunday Vigil Mass)**

**Weekdays: 6:30am Adoration: First Tuesday of the Month**

**ST. PEREGRINE DEVOTION** ~ First Saturday of the Month after 8am Mass

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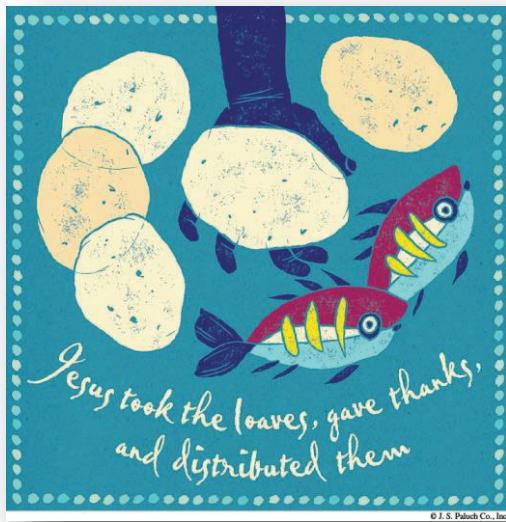
Our mission is to be a welcoming family dedicated to proclaiming the gospel, celebrating the Sacraments, educating, serving, and providing opportunity for all to enrich their faith.

## Feast of Faith

### The Preface Dialogue

“Lift up your hearts.” “We lift them up to the Lord.” “Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.” “It is right to give him thanks and praise.” With this ancient dialogue we enter the Eucharistic Prayer, the heart of the Mass. These venerable words have been part of the Christian liturgy almost from the beginning—by the time of Hippolytus of Rome (c. 215) they were already fixed in the liturgy. Several times during the Mass the priest has invited us to pray. There is something different here. We are invited to be “lifted up,” to ascend, to climb the Lord’s mountain, as it were, to go to a new place for this most solemn part of the Mass. And we are invited to a new frame of mind, a sense of joy, of focused dedication: our hearts must not be cast down, but lifted up, and lifted to the Lord. Why? Because we are going to give thanks—we are going to “eucharist!” It is right and just that we do this.

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## One Lord, One Faith

Do you suppose the authors of the four Gospels were aware of today’s first reading from the second book of Kings? Of course they were. The prophet Elisha fed a hundred men with twenty barley loaves in order to prove God’s power. This same miracle, now multiplied by more people fed by fewer loaves, is attributed to Jesus in all four Gospels. In today’s passage from John we even have the detail that the loaves were barley, reminding every pious Jew of that miracle that Elisha worked. Yet Jesus went into hiding when they wanted to make him king. It is the passage from Paul’s Letter to the Ephesians that gives us the reason for this. The power of Jesus comes from God. It is not meant merely to feed us, or to provide one group with a king. There is one Lord, one faith, one God and Father of all who works through Jesus Christ and through us all.

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## Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23;  
Mt 13:31-35

**Tuesday:** Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-13;  
Mt 13:36-43

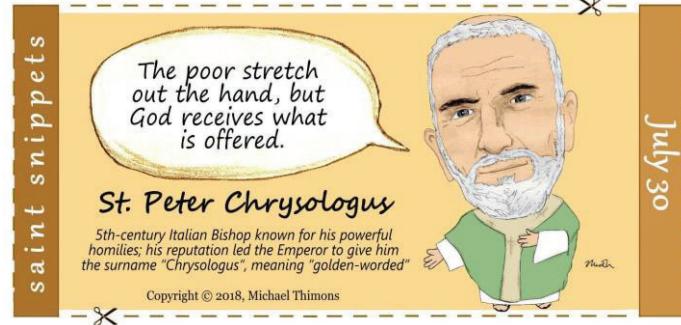
**Wednesday:** Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Mt 13:44-46

**Thursday:** Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11;  
Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

**Friday:** Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37;  
Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58

**Saturday:** Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8;  
Mt 14:1-12

**Sunday:** Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54;  
Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35



## Saints and Special Observances

**Sunday:** Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

**Monday:** Ss. Joachim and Anne

**Thursday:** Ss. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus

**Friday:** St. Peter Chrysologus

**Saturday:** St. Ignatius of Loyola

## Today's Readings

**First Reading** — Elisha feeds a hundred people with twenty barley loaves (2 Kings 4:42-44).

**Psalm** — The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs (Psalm 145).

**Second Reading** — Paul urges the Ephesians to live in a manner worthy of the call they received (Ephesians 4:1-6).

**Gospel** — Jesus feeds a large crowd with five barley loaves and two fish (John 6:1-15).

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Seventeenth Sunday  
In Ordinary Time  
July 25, 2021

The eyes of all look hopefully to you,  
And you give them their food  
In due season

—Psalm 145:15

## Treasures From Our Tradition

The feeding of the five thousand (and more) by the seaside is certainly the most famous of picnics. The miracle of the loaves reminds us of the earlier miracle of the wine at Cana. Like the Cana miracle, this one begins with human initiative as the small child responds to the hunger of the crowd by offering a seemingly meager gift. What could be more appropriate for deep summer than a Gospel account of a joyful picnic with Jesus and the generosity of a child at the center?

The coming month of August has always been a time for delight in the bounty of the earth, for picnics by the sea, dinner under the stars, for porch and rooftop, for parks and beaches, and enjoying the best of local crops. August's festivals of Transfiguration and Assumption have long given Christians the best of excuses for feasting on the abundance of summer: corn, tomatoes, pesto, bowls of fresh fruit. Picnics are a sign of the welcome table of God: always room for one more, always plenty to share, always a place of laughter and story-telling and always speaking to us of our deepest longings. Don't let August pass by without a picnic!

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## The Prophet's Profit

It's no coincidence that the first reading shows the prophet Elisha feeding a crowd of people like Jesus in the gospel. If you want to compare miracles, Elisha did his first, but Jesus did it better. Elisha had a hundred people to feed with twenty barley loaves and a handful of fresh grain. Jesus had five thousand people and only five loaves and a couple fish. So was Jesus trying to show up Elisha?

Neither Jesus nor Elisha ever did a miracle for their own benefit. The very next story in 2 Kings about Elisha is the one where he cured Naaman, the king's servant, of leprosy. (2 Kgs 5:1-19) When Naaman realized he was cured, he came back to Elisha and offered him a gift in thanksgiving. Elisha refused the gift, because it would imply that Elisha did the miracle, while the prophet knew that God had cured him. Jesus also refused to benefit from feeding the crowds. They came to take him away and make him king, but he went up to his place of prayer on the mountain.

Jesus' miracle of feeding the five thousand was not done just for the crowd. He was using it to teach the disciples something important. He knew there would be times when they felt they were not holy enough or good enough preachers, to spread the gospel over the world. So he showed them what God can do with our meager abilities.

There are millions of people hungry for the good news that Jesus brings to the world. Remember the miracle of the loaves when you only have a few dollars to give to the missions, when you're not sure you know enough to teach someone about Jesus, when you don't know how to invite someone to come back to church. And remember that you do those things, not to make you look holy, but to let God show his loving power.

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# Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 25, 2021

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Andrew said to Jesus,  
“There is a boy here who has  
five barley loaves and two fish;  
but what good are these for so many?”

JOHN 6:8-9

## GOD FEEDS AND CARES FOR US

Today's message could be summed up in psalm 145, "The hand of the Lord feeds us, he answers all our needs." Each reading shows how carefully God feeds and cares for us, in an up-close and personal fashion. Elisha fed the crowd from twenty barley loaves. Jesus blessed a few loaves and thousands were fed. Perhaps this seems far-fetched, but we read stories in the news about chefs taking the leftovers from fancy restaurants and feeding many people in a soup kitchen. As a schoolgirl, one of my favorite stories was "Stone Soup," the tale of a couple of war-weary soldiers convincing the people of a frightened and starving little country village to bring out their meager supplies and share them to make a marvelous soup to feed the town. The second reading asks us to "Consider well our call." How do we respond to those in need around us?

### MIRACLE OR MAGIC?

It can be easy to just say, "Oh yes, this is the story of the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes, when everybody decided to share the bits of food they had." But how much of it is really about feeding the crowds? "Jesus said to Philip, 'Where can we buy enough food for them to eat?' He said this to test him, because he knew what he was going to do." It must have been very hard to trust Jesus, especially when the disciples often didn't understand him. This year has been challenging for us, too, to trust that God will provide, and also challenging for us to ask for help.

In the Rule of Saint Benedict, there is a chapter called "The assignment of impossible tasks." It says, in essence, that when your superior tells you to do something impossible, it is fine to go talk to them about it, but in the end you may still be asked to do this task. In what situations are we called to trust? When are we asked to act in faith or to do the impossible task?

### HOW WILL WE KNOW WE ARE DOING THE RIGHT THING?

Miracles are seldom as obvious as the multiplication of loaves and fishes. Many years ago, I overheard a family conversation in a restaurant at the end of a long holiday weekend. At the register was one of those collection jars saying, "For just fifty cents a day you can feed a child." The little girl asked her folks about it and they explained it. She said, "I have money left from my weekend, could I put it in the jar?" The parents said yes and let her go on the adventure for herself. She came back and sat down, and they chatted some more. She said, "If fifty cents feeds a child for a day, then I was able to feed one for three days, because I had \$1.50 left from the weekend."

When we follow this child's example and go beyond the minimum, when we give all we can, we know we are doing the right thing, and we have understood the test that Jesus posed to Philip so long ago.

### TODAY'S READINGS

2 Kings 4:42-44  
Psalm 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18  
Ephesians 4:1-6  
John 6:1-15

# Prayer of the Faithful

The hand of the Lord feeds us, indeed he answers all our needs; and so we bring our prayers today before the throne of grace.

For Pope Francis, our bishops, and all leaders of the Church, as they continue to feed God's holy people with the word of God,  
let us pray to the Lord.

For nations to work together in ensuring that no one will ever go hungry again,  
let us pray to the Lord.

For our community of faith to deepen our appreciation for the Eucharist as true nourishment for our faith, and for the welcome return of all those who stayed away from church because of the pandemic,  
let us pray to the Lord.

For those in our midst who are hungry, for those without shelter and without work,  
let us pray to the Lord.

For plentiful rain to grow the crops that feed our nation and world, let us pray to the Lord.

For all those who are sick, for all who suffer from COVID-19, and for all who have died, especially N., N., and N.,  
let us pray to the Lord.

For all the prayers that we hold in the silence of our hearts; for all our intentions spoken and unspoken,  
let us pray to the Lord.

Generous God,  
your Son Jesus fed the multitude  
and you continue to meet our needs every day.  
Hear these our prayers and grant them  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

# God's Word for Children

Look in the basket below.  
Draw circles around the two fish that look the same.  
Then draw rectangles around the five loaves of bread that look the same.  
Jesus took this amount of food and, by a miracle,  
fed about five thousand hungry people.  
(You can read the story in your Bible at John 6:1–15.)

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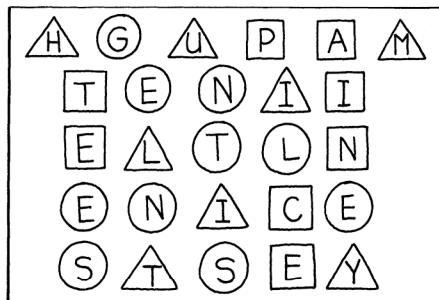


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Do you know what Paul wanted the Ephesian people to live with?  
Follow the directions to find out.

(You can read Paul's letter in your Bible at Ephesians 4:1–6).

1. Write down all the letters in the triangles, in the order they appear, on the blank by the large triangle.
2. Do the same with the letters that appear in the circles and squares.



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# Letters from Heaven



Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

After Jesus performed the miracle of the loaves and fish, people said, "This is truly the Prophet, the one who is to ...

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Answer:nz,om 3lp

## The Little Ones

Jim Burrows

ONE SURE WAY TO MEET  
JESUS IS AT A MEAL.  
PASS THE BREAD PLEASE



So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. Jesus then took the loaves, and having given thanks, he distributed to those who were seated; likewise also of the fish as much as they wanted. Jn 6:10-11

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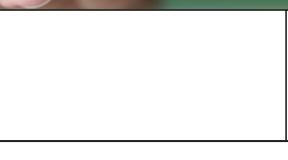
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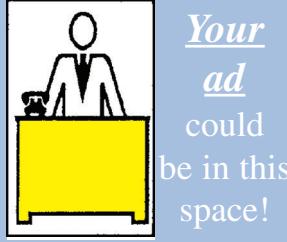
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