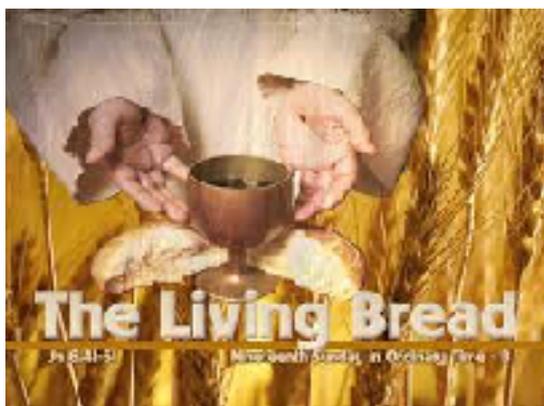


# St German's Church

12 August 2018 - Trinity 11 (OT19)



Living bread come down from heaven. Today's gospel is full of contrasts and confusion. We have the contrast with the legendary Manna which was God's gift of physical sustenance during the long Exodus from Egypt. Yet, they still died eventually. Christ's body is the living bread that leads to everlasting life. Confusion comes in from the Pharisees who do not comprehend the words of Jesus but mostly are astonished that this youngster who is known to them can speak up and out in this manner. Confusion and contrast's about the sacrament and mystery of the Eucharist still remain throughout the universal Church yet our faith enables us always to respond generously to the invite to believe and receive Christ's 'living bread'

## Parish Notes:

**Welcome and Thank You** - To the Rev'd Professor Tomos Watkins for preaching and presiding for us this Sunday. Next week Fr Phelim is back.

**Weekday Services** - No Monday mass this week. Fr Chris Lee will be with us again on Wednesday who will celebrate the 11am mass for us.

**Messy Church** - We will be trialling Messy Church in the Autumn with the first one at St Saviour's on Sunday 30 Sept at 4pm and in St German's on Oct 28 at 4pm. If you could help at either of this it would be most appreciated. More details in Sept.

**Patronal Festival and Friends AGM** - advance notice: Sun 30 September 2018.

**Confirmation Ceremony 2018** - 2 October 2018 in St German's. Advance notice that Bishop June will be coming to us for confirmation service in October. If anyone would like to be confirmed (or know of someone who would like this) please contact Fr Phelim. It is open to children and adults.

**Faith QI** - A new 6 week set of informal meetings for adults keen to know and understand more about our faith, liturgy, tradition and history (ideal for those exploring confirmation). Wednesdays 7:30 pm at the vicarage. Begins 5 Sept 2018. See website for more details. Placed limited and first come first served.

**PCC Sub Committees** - Social and Fundraising - after mass on 5 Aug; Pastoral Care - after mass on Sun 2 Sept; Finance - Monday 10 Sept at 7pm in the vicarage.

**PCC Meeting** - Monday 17 September beginning with Mass at 6pm.

**Recently Departed:** Douglas James Court

## This week:

### Sun 12 Trinity 11

9:30 Sung Mass (St S)

11am Sung Mass (St G)

**Mon 13:** No mass this week (St G)

**Tues 14:** 10am Mass (St S)  
St Maximilian Kolbe

**Wed 15:** 10am Mass (St G)  
**Mary, Mother of Our Lord.**

**Thur 16:** 5:45pm Mass (St S)  
St Stephen of Hungary

**Fri 17:** 6pm Mass (St S)

**Sat 18:** 11am Mass  
Sat Memorial of BVM

### Sun 19: Trinity 12

**St Saviour's:** 9:30 Sung Mass;

**St German's:** 11:00 am Sung  
13:30 Baptism (St G)

## Parish Priest:

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## READINGS THIS WEEK

1 Kgs 19:4-8  
Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
Eph 4:30—5:2  
John 6:41-51

## READINGS NEXT WEEK

Prov 9:1-6  
Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7  
Eph 5:15-20  
John 6:51-58

## PSALM:

**Taste and see that the Lord is good. (4vv)**

**Today's Hymns: 363 - Jesus, the broken bread; 714 - We hail thy glorious presence ; 180 - Forgive our sins; 408 - Lord enthroned ... ; (Mass setting: Rizza 955)**

## COLLECT:

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

## FIRST READING

The First reading is from the 1st book of the Kings.

Elijah went into the wilderness, a day's journey, and sitting under a furze bush wished he were dead. 'O Lord,' he said 'I have had enough. Take my life; I am no better than my ancestors.' Then he lay down and went to sleep. But an angel touched him and said, 'Get up and eat.' He looked round, and there at his head was a scone baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank and then lay down again. But the angel of the Lord came back a second time and touched him and said, 'Get up and eat, or the journey will be too long for you.' So he got up and ate and drank, and strengthened by that food he walked for forty days and forty nights until he reached Horeb, the mountain of God.

This is the word of the Lord.

*1 Kings 19*

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**Taste and see  
that the Lord is good.**

I will bless the Lord at all times,  
his praise always on my lips;  
in the Lord my soul shall make its  
boast.  
The humble shall hear and be glad.  
**R/**

Glorify the Lord with me.  
Together let us praise his name.  
I sought the Lord and he answered  
me;  
from all my terrors he set me free.  
**R/**

Look towards him and be radiant;  
let your faces not be abashed.  
This poor man called, the Lord  
heard him  
and rescued him from all his  
distress. **R/**

The angel of the Lord is encamped  
around those who revere him, to  
rescue them.  
Taste and see that the Lord is good.  
He is happy who seeks refuge in  
him. **R/**

*Psalm 34*

## SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God who has marked you with his seal for you to be set free when the day comes. Never have grudges against others, or lose your temper, or raise your voice to anybody, or call each other as readily as God forgave you in Christ.

Try, then, to imitate God as children of his that he loves and

follow Christ loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

This is the word of the Lord.

*Ephesians 4*

## GOSPEL

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St John.

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' They were saying, 'Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus answered them, 'Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, "And they shall all be taught by God." Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*John 6*