

# ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE



Oueensland Law Reform Commission - Review of Termination of Pregnancy Laws

For the second time in two years, the Queensland Parliament will debate whether to make abortion legal. The draft bill will allow abortion until the day that a baby is born – late-term abortions will be legal in Queensland as long as two doctors agree that it "in all the circumstances, the termination should be performed". This will mean that social reasons will be enough for a legal abortion of a full-term baby. The Archdiocese wants to ensure that Queenslanders understand this new bill and have time to consider it. We believe both lives matter and the bill should not go ahead. Please visit our website to learn more: https://community.actonit.com.au/aob/

For your information, here is a video that the Archbishop has made on the abortion laws: https:// www.youtube.com/watch?v=H6E7wAwtXv8

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#### The Plenary Council 2020

is a gathering of the Church in Australia to make decisions for the future. Your voice is important. All people are invited to contribute to the Plenary Council Listen to what the Spirit is saying. agenda by sharing your experience of faith and of the Church.

See www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au for more information.

You are invited to host or join a small group for Plenary Council Listening and Dialogue Encounters. Register your interest with the parish office on 3844 2744. We are gathering to pray, talk and listen to one another about our experiences of faith, and the Church.

The Holy Spirit is leading us and the stillness of prayer opens our hearts to hear God's voice. You can find the Plenary Council prayer at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au



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EMBRACING THE COMMUNITIES OF: St Mary's - South Brisbane; St Ita's - Dutton Park: St Francis of Assisi - West End & Our Lady of Perpetual Succour - Fairfield. Under the care of the Capuchin Franciscan Friars

# 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) 19th August 2018

Dear Parishioners.

For the last five Sundays we have been listening to Chapter 6 of the Gospel of John on the discourse of the Bread of Life. Following the feeding of the five thousand, Jesus invites the people to go from the physical bread that they ate to their hearts' content, to the encounter with the Bread of Life! Jesus invites them to eat His flesh and drink His blood for them to enter into eternal life.

The people find the invitation to eat His flesh and drink His blood to be a form of cannibalism. Remembering God prohibited them from drinking blood (See Genesis 9:4), the people refuse to accept Jesus' offering and could not understand what Jesus was tell-

ing them. Jesus is actually pointing to the mystery of the Eucharist. His life would be a sacrificial offering on the altar of the cross. As a sacrificial victim, anyone who partakes in the communion of His body and blood will be closely united with Him. They will become recipients of His redemptive actions and gain forgiveness of sins. They will receive the fullness of life and will merit His promise of eternal life.

This makes sense since God gives food to plants and animals, should He not give food to us whom He loves so much? Since God arants life to plants and animals, should He not grant more life to us who are very dear to Him? Since God in the natural order of things gives food to these plants and animals, why should He not in the supernatural order of things provide us with more than food?

# MASS TIMES

**St Mary's Church** (20 Merivale St. South Brisbane) Mon-Fri 7am; Sat 8am (Rosary after Mass) Sunday 9am and 5pm

**St Francis' Church** (47 Dornoch Tce., West End) Mon-Fri 10am (Anointing: 1st Friday); Sunday: 9am

St Ita's Church (Pope St., Dutton Park) Saturday (Vigil) 5pm; Sunday 8.00am

**Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour** (Victoria St., Fairfield) Sunday 7am (Anointing:1st Sunday)

# Confession

St Mary's Church: Sat 8.30-9.30am; Sun 4-4.45pm St Ita's Church: Sat 4-4.50pm





Yes, God gives us the best sustenance. God grants us food that will last. He gives us food that will lead us to everlasting life. Thus, God gives us Jesus. He is the Bread of Life. Jesus publicly declares, "For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink". St Augustine says, "God is everything for all. If a person is hungry, God is bread: if one is thirsty, God is water; if in darkness, God is light; if naked, God is a robe on immortality."

The Eucharist offers us the best means of nourishing our souls. When we receive the Eucharist, God in Christ becomes part of us, and we become part of Him. There is that holy exchange. We become aware that we are in the image of God (Gen 1:27). The thirst of our souls to go beyond the here and now is satisfied. We commune with God.

And yet, the challenge remains: we tend to celebrate the Eucharist and receive the Eucharist as a matter of routine. We become a victim of habituation. Our spiritual senses become numb to the working of the Spirit within us.

Today, being challenged by the Word of God, let us respond to the invitation of the Spirit to consciously receive the Body and Blood of Jesus. When the communion minister reminds us, "The Body of Christ" or "The Blood of Christ", and as we respond with the 'Amen', let us renew our faith in the presence of Christ in that bread. And may the Eucharist become the food for our soul. May the promise of Jesus become real to us: "Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever" (Jn 6:58).

Pax et bonum Fr Lam Vu OFM Cap

# **PARISH OFFICE**

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# PARISH ACTIVITIES

# BAPTISMS

Saturday | 9.30am | monthly 1st Saturday St Francis' 2nd Saturday St Mary's **3rd Saturday** St Ita's Family preparation sessions are held at St Ita's church on the first Thursday night of each month at 6.30pm

St Mary's Church Adoration Sunday | 4-5pm Devotion 1st Friday of each month | 6pm (Mass & Adoration) Church open 12-2pm | Monday to Friday

Awaken: Together in Christ Every Tuesday | 7pm St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Terrace, West End website: awaken.org.au

St Francis Cake Stall Third Sunday of the month After the 9am mass | baking on the Saturday prior

St Francis Table Every Monday | 10am -1pm St Francis Hall, 47 Dornoch Terrace, West End

# Anointing of the Sick and Morning Tea

First Friday of the Month | 10am | St Francis First Sunday of the month |7am | OLPS Fairfield

Mornina Tea First Sunday of the month | after 9am mass | St Francis

## St Ita's Family Mass

Fourth Saturday of the month | 5pm | St Ita's Church (school term only)

## Last Month's Collection Totals July 2018

South Brisbane 1st Collection: \$4,323.15 2nd Collection: \$3,335.95 Dutton Park 1st Collection: \$5,188.15 2nd Collection: \$3,916.45

#### This Week's Liturgical Calendar (Psalm Responses) 20th Week in Ordinary Time

Monday 20th: St Bernard (Memorial) R/You have forgotten God who gave you birth. Tuesday 21st: St Pius X (Memorial) R/ It is I who deal death and give life. Wednesday 22nd: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial) R/ The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Thursday 23rd:

R/I will pour out clean water on you and wash away all your sins.

Friday 24th: St Bartholomew (Feast)

R/ Your friends tell the alory of your kinaship, Lord. Saturday 25th: Mass of the Virgin Mary R/ The glory of the Lord will dwell in our land.

Entrance A	Antiphon	Ps 83: 10-11
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	on the face of your o vithin your courts	anointed one;
	an a thousand else	where
First readin		Prov 9:1-6
Come and	d eat my bread, d	rink the wine I
have prep		
Responsor		Ps 33:2-3, 10-15
R/ Taste ar Second re	nd see the goodnes	s of the Lord. Eph 5:15-20
	ul that you may knc	•
	clamation	John 6:56
Alleluia, al		
	It my flesh and drink	
	and I in them, says t	he Lord.
Alleluia!		
Gospel		John 6:51-58
Jesus said	to the crowd:	
'I am the li	ving bread which h	as come down from
	iven.	
	ho eats this bread v	
	read that I shall give of the world.'	e is my nesh,
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		y with one another: 'How to eat?' they said. Jesus
replied:		
'I tell vou n	nost solemnly,	
		ne Son of Man and drink
	blood,	
you will not have life in you. Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood		
has eternal life,		
and I shall raise him up on the last day.		
For my flesh is real food		
and my blood is real drink.		
He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me		
and Llive in him.		
As I, who am sent by the living Father,		
myself draw life from the Father,		
so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven:		
not like the bread our ancestors ate:		
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but anyon	e who eats this brea	ad will live for ever.'
Communio	on Antiphon	Ps 129: 7
	ord there is mercy;	
in him is pl	entiful redemption.	
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<u>s</u>		Church 10am
	KOSAN	/ at 9.30am

# 2 Minute Catechism

What happened when our Lord said, "This is my body; this is mv blood"?

When Our Lord said, "This is my body," the substance of the bread was changed into the substance of His body; when He said, "This is my blood," the substance of the wine was changed into the substance of His blood.

### How do we prove the Real Presence, that is, that Our Lord is really and truly present in the Holy Eucharist?

We prove the Real Presence — that is, that Our Lord is really and truly present in the Holy Eucharist:

By showing that it is possible to change one substance into another; By showing that Christ did change the substance of bread and wine into the substance of His body and blood: By showing that He gave this power also to His Apostles and to the priests of His Church.

#### How do we know that it is possible to change one substance into another?

We know that it is possible to change one substance into another, because:

God changed water into blood during the plagues of Egypt Christ changed water into wine at the marriage of Cana. Our own food is daily changed into the substance of our flesh and blood; and what God does gradually, He can also do instantly by an act of His will.

#### Are these changes exactly the same as the changes that take place in the Holy Eucharist?

These changes are not exactly the same as the changes that take place in the Holy Eucharist, for in these changes the appearance also is changed, but in the Holy Eucharist only the substance is changed while the appearance remains the same.

### How do we show that Christ did change bread and wine into the substance of His body and blood?

We show that Christ did change bread and wine into the substance of His body and blood:

From the words by which He promised the Holy Eucharist; From the words by which He instituted the Holy Eucharist; From the constant use of the Holy Eucharist in the Church since the time of the Apostles; From the impossibility of denying the Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist, without likewise denying all that Christ has taught and done; for we have stronger proofs for the Holy Eucharist than for any other Christian truth.

#### Is Jesus Christ whole and entire both under the form of bread and under the form of wine?

Jesus Christ is whole and entire both under the form of bread and under the form of wine.

#### How do we know that under the appearance of bread we receive also Christ's blood; and under the appearance of wine we receive also Christ's body?

We know that under the appearance of bread we receive also Christ's blood, and under the appearance of wine we receive also Christ's body; because in the Holy Eucharist we receive the living body of Our Lord, and a living body cannot exist without blood, nor can living blood exist without a body.

#### Is Jesus Christ present whole and entire in the smallest portion of the Holy Eucharist, under the form of either bread or wine?

Jesus Christ is present whole and entire in the smallest portion of the Holy Eucharist under the form of either bread or wine; for His body in the Eucharist is in a glorified state, and as it partakes of the character of a spiritual substance, it requires no definite size or shape.

Excerpt from - Baltimore Catechism



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Donation boxes are now at the back of our churches.

#### Bridge to Brisbane—Road Closures Sunday 26 August 2018

Please be aware that next Sunday the Bridge to Brisbane will be run. You may like to give yourself some extra time getting to Sunday Morning Mass as there will be road closures around the West End and South Brisbane areas. For more information visit https://bridgetobrisbane.com.gu/ change-traffic-conditions/

# 8 Day Holy Land Pilgrimage with Fr Bollar Barreto OFM Cap

Date: 21st - 29th October 2018

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## **Annual Multicultural Mass**

In our Archdiocese of Brisbane, the annual Multicultural Mass will be held at the Cathedral of St. Stephen on Sunday, 26 August, 2:30pm celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge and Priests ministering to multicultural communities.

#### Archdiocese Gold Wedding Anniversary Celebration Couples celebrating their **Golden Wedding Anniversary**

together with their family and friends are invited to Mass to be celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge at the Cathedral of St Stephen, 249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2018 @ 10.00am. Light refreshments in the Hanly Room will follow the Mass.

For catering purposes, please RSVP by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018 E: cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au T: 3324 3030