

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 11TH 2024

First Reading

1 Kings 19:4-8

The Lord feeds Elijah, strengthening him for his journey to Horeb.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 34:2-3,4-5,6-7,8-9

A prayer of praise to God for his goodness

Second Reading

Ephesians 4:30—5:2

The Ephesians are encouraged to be imitators of Christ.

Gospel Reading

John 6:41-51

Jesus responds to the murmurs of the crowd, who wonders what he means when he says that he came down from heaven.

Background on the Gospel Reading

On this Sunday, we continue to read from the “Bread of Life discourse” found in the sixth chapter of John’s Gospel. Recall that we have been reading from this chapter for the past two weeks and will continue to read from it for another two. Last week, the crowd asked for a sign that would show that Jesus came from God. Jesus replied by saying that he is the sign and the bread of life sent by God. At this point, our Lectionary omits six verses in which Jesus predicts the unbelief of the crowd and further develops his connection with God the Father. In these verses, Jesus says that he was sent by God to do the Father’s will. Jesus promises that those who look upon the Son with faith will find eternal life. Some of these themes are repeated in today’s Gospel reading.

Today’s Gospel begins with a report that the Jews complained about Jesus’ claims regarding his identity. They knew his family, and they knew he was the son of Joseph. They could not comprehend what Jesus meant when he said that he came down from heaven. Jesus responds to the complaints by saying that only those who are chosen by God will recognize him as the one that God sent. This is a recurring theme in John’s Gospel, that God has chosen those who will have faith in Jesus.

In the verses that follow, Jesus talks more about his unity with the Father. He is the one who has seen the Father and, therefore, knows the Father. Those who listen to God will recognize that Jesus is the one sent from God. Those who believe will have eternal life. Jesus concludes with the central element of our eucharistic theology. He promises that the bread of life will bring eternal life to those who partake of it, and he tells us that the bread of life will be his own flesh, given for the life of the world.

In today’s reading, we hear Jesus say again, as he did in last week’s Gospel, that he is the bread of life. We also hear Jesus add that he is the living bread. Both of these statements help us understand better the gift that Jesus gives us in the Eucharist. We celebrate this gift of Jesus each time we gather for Mass. We believe that receiving Jesus in the Eucharist will lead us to eternal life.

Bible Verse for the Week

“He gives power to the weak and strength to the powerless. Even youths will become weak and tired, and young men will fall in exhaustion. But those who trust in the Lord will find new strength. They will soar high on wings like eagles. They will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not faint.” *Isaiah 40:29-31*

Pro Sanctity

You are invited to join Pro Sanctity

When: Monday nights for the Rosary and today's Gospel reflection

Thursday nights for Sunday's scripture readings and reflections and periodic special programs

Why: To pray, learn and share

How: Call (339) 207- 8069 on Mondays and

Thursdays at 7:00PM ALL ARE WELCOME!

Please note: Our meetings have been suspended for the rest of the summer. We will resume on Monday, September 9th at 7:00PM.

Prayer for Vocations

Lord of the Harvest, we petition you as you have instructed us to ask for more laborers to serve in the vineyard of Your Church. You have told us that the harvest is rich and laborers are few and we experience this great need in the face of the challenge of the New Evangelization we ask the Holy Spirit to inspire young men and women to seriously consider vocations for the priesthood and religious life. Help all of us to be effective instruments to encourage and support those whom you are calling to serve and lead the Church of Brooklyn and Queens in the future. Lord, you told the Apostles to put out into the deep. We ask for the grace and courage to accept your call as we pray and work for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life.

Every First, and Third Sunday, of the month after each mass Fellowship is followed in the Parish Center all are welcomed



Weekend Masses in the Canarsie Cluster Parishes:

Our Lady of Miracles

(E. 86th St. & Flatlands Ave.)

Sat. 5:30 PM (Eng.)

Sun. 8:30 AM (Eng.)

10:30 AM (Eng.)

12:30 PM (French/Creole)

Holy Family

(Rockaway Pkwy. & Flatlands Ave.)

Sat. 5:00 PM (Eng.)

Sun. 8:00 AM (Eng.)

9:15 AM (Creole)

11:15 AM (Eng.)

12:45 PM (Eng.)

St. Jude

(Seaview Ave. & Canarsie Rd.)

Sat. 5:30 PM (Eng.)

Sun. 8:30 AM (Eng.)

10:30 AM (Family)

12:30 PM (Bi-Lingual)

1st Sun ... Eng/French/Creole

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Please Pray for ALL Our Sick In Our Parish

Ann Jacobs Deryck Ming, Dorthea C Hogarth, Marie Kernizan, Ann Bethany, Sue Vales, Rose-marie Campanilla, Rosamund Gilkes, Dexter Stiell, Joseph Esposito, Tyra Plaisimond, Noel Toussaint, Anthony Cavaliere, Joseph Virgile

We will keep names on the sick list for three weeks.

Our Parish needs your Weekly Support

	TIME	People
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Saturday	5:30 PM	Eng	50
Sunday	8:30 AM	Eng	110
Sunday	10:30 AM	Eng	65
Sunday	12:30 PM	French/Kreyol	205

Weather: Sunny Day

Our weekly goal is \$4850.00

This Weeks Total was \$3,440.00

Previous Week \$3,427.00

Your generosity is greatly appreciated

Second Collection

Coming Up This Week



Monday: August 12

8:30 AM Mass

Tuesday: August 13

8:30 AM Mass

Wednesday: August 14

8:30 AM Mass

Thursday: August 15

8:30 AM Mass

Friday: August 16

8:30 AM Mass

Saturday: August 17

8:30 AM Mass & 5:30 PM Mass

Sunday: August 18

8:30 AM English Mass 10:30 AM English Mass 12:30 PM Haitian Mass

Our Lady of Miracles Rectory Office Hours

Monday 10AM-5PM, Tuesday 10AM-5PM,

Wednesday 10AM-5PM, Thursday 10AM-5PM,

Friday 10AM-5PM, Saturday Closed, Sunday Closed

Our Lady of Miracles Rectory office is now open from Monday-Friday 10AM-5PM

Saturday August 10

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Adely August by Aunt Gladys Jean

5:30 PM In Memory of Germain & Lewis Johnson by Children & Grandchildren

5:30 PM Thanksgiving to All Saints & All Souls by Nana, & Anne Emmanuel

Sunday August 11

8:30 AM In Memory of Jeanine Kenscoff by her son Joseph Kenscoff

8:30 AM Happy Birthday to Tonia Kenscoff by her Husband Joseph

8:30 AM In Memory of June, Veda, & Pearline Modeste by Felicity Modeste

8:30 AM In Memory of Caridad, Andrea, & Rolinda Cordenillo by Letecia Casipe

10:30 AM No Mass Intentions

12:30 PM Anniversary of Baptism for Andrelerne Augustin by The Augustin Family

12:30 PM In Memory of Office Cazeay, & Dieula Kelo Alidor by Rose Charles

Monday August 12

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Yanick Etienne by Gladys Jean

8:30 AM In Memory of Ludovic Andre by Gladys

Tuesday August 13

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Florence Meo by Gladys Jean

Wednesday August 14

8:30 AM In Thanksgiving for Sharilyne Etienne by Marie Hyppolite

Thursday August 15

8:30 AM Birthday In Heaven for Michael Riti by Nina Riti & Family

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Arly Etienne by Gladys Jean

8:30 AM Thanksgiving to the Blessed Mother by Letecia Casipe

Friday August 16

8:30 AM No Mass Intentions

Saturday August 17

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Junie Desmarattes by her Sister Gladys Jean

5:30 PM For All The Souls In Purgatory by Ann & Family



In Honor of Our Lady of Assumption
by Cyriane Richard

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Pope Francis's Reflection for Sunday August 11th 2024 Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!

The initial scene of the Gospel in today's liturgy (see Jn 6,24-35) shows us some boats moving towards Capernaum: the crowd is going to look for Jesus. We might think that this is a very good thing, yet the Gospel teaches us that it is not enough to seek God; we must also ask why we are seeking him. Indeed, Jesus says: "You seek me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves" (v. 26). The people, in fact, had witnessed the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves, but they had not grasped the meaning of that gesture: they stopped at the external miracle, they stopped at the material bread: there only, without going beyond, to the meaning of this.

Here then is a first question we can ask ourselves: why do we seek the Lord? Why do I seek the Lord? What are the motivations for my faith, for our faith? We need to discern this, because among the many temptations we encounter in life, among the many temptations there is one that we might call *idolatrous temptation*. It is the one that drives us to seek God for our own use, to solve problems, to have thanks to Him what we cannot obtain on our own, for our interests.

But in this way faith remains superficial and even, if I may say so, faith remains miraculous: we look for God to feed us and then forget about Him when we are satiated. At the centre of this immature faith is not God, but our own needs. I think of our interests, many things ... It is right to present our needs to God's heart, but the Lord, who acts far beyond our expectations, wishes to live with us first of all in a relationship of love. And true love is disinterested, it is free: one does not love to receive a favour in return! This is self-interest; and very often in life we are motivated by self-interest.

A second question that the crowd asks Jesus can help us: "What must we do, to be doing the works of God?" (v. 28). It is as if the people, provoked by Jesus, were saying: "How can we purify our search for God? How do we go from a magical faith, which thinks only of our own needs, to a faith that pleases God?" And Jesus shows the way: He answers that the work of God is to welcome the One whom the Father has sent, that is, welcoming Himself, Jesus. It is not adding religious practices or observing special precepts; it is welcoming Jesus, it is welcoming Him into our lives, living a story of love with Jesus. It is He who will purify our faith. We are not able to do this on our own. But the Lord wants a loving relationship with us: before the things we receive and do, there is Him to love. There is a relationship with Him that goes beyond the logic of interest and calculation.

This applies to God, but it also applies to our human and social relationships: when we seek first and foremost the satisfaction of our needs, we risk using people and exploiting situations for our own ends. How many times have we heard it said of someone; "But he uses people and then forgets about them"? Using people for one's own gain: this is bad. And a society that puts interests instead of people at its centre is a society that does not generate life. The Gospel's invitation is this: rather than being concerned only with the material bread that feeds us, let us welcome Jesus as the bread of life and, starting out from our friendship with Him, learn to love each other. Freely and without calculation. Love given freely and without calculation, without using people, freely, with generosity, with magnanimity.



Scriptures For The Week

Monday August 12

Ez 1:2-5; 24-26 Mt 17:22-27(413)

Tuesday August 13

Ez 2:8—3:4 Mt 18:1-5;10;12-14(414)

Wednesday August 14

Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22 Mt 18:15

Thursday August 15

Vigil 1 Chr 15:3-4; 15-16;16; 16:1-2/1

Cor 15:54b-57 Lk 11:27-28(621)

Friday August 16

Ez 16:1-15;60;63 Mt 19:3-12(417)

Saturday August 17

Ez 18:1-10; 13b; 30-32 Mt 19:13-15(418)

Our Lady of Trust Catholic Academy

up coming events

Open House for Pre-3, Pre – K4 & Pre K
9:00 to 11 AM

For more information call 718-241-6633

Record of PARISH contributions

If you use our church envelopes and need to have a record of your contributions to Our Lady of Miracles Church for the past year(2023) for income tax purposes, please contact the rectory during office hours or send a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request to

Haitian Prayer group meet every Monday night at 7:00 PM in the church. All are welcomed

Every last Saturday of the month after the 8:30 AM Mass 1000 Hail Mary's will be done by the Etincelles D'Amour Group

Friday August 9th 2024 at 7:30 PM

A English meeting will take place in the rectory at 757 East 86th St for only just the leaders of each organization

August 13th 2024 at 7:30 PM

A meeting for only the Haitian leaders of each organization will take place in the rectory at 757 East 86th St

September 17th 2024 at 7:30 PM

A meeting will take place at 757 East 86th St for only PPC, Financial, and Liturgy.

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Office Of Faith Formation News

Welcome to the Religious Education year 2024-2025 classes begin on September 8th. From 2024 onwards classes begin at 8:45 AM to 10:15 AM. All children and their parents are required to attend the 10:30 AM Mass.

All Parents and Guardians of children receiving Holy Communion and Confirmation in 2025 have a mandatory meeting on September 8th at 9:00 AM in the Parish Center

To register for Religious Education classes you can take and fill out forms in the back of the church and put these forms back into the basket in the back of the church.

Anyone including adults who want to register for any religious education should contact Sr Francesca at 718-649-1006 on the following office hours and days

Our office Days and Hours

Tuesday: 9:30AM-4:00PM

Friday: 9:30AM-4:00 PM

Email: dre101163@diobrook.org

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A New Book by Sister Ave Clark, O.P.**

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Sister Ave Clark, 718-428-2471**

**Heart to Heart Ministry
151-58 17th Road, Whitestone, NY 11357**

**Cost per book \$10.00 plus \$3.50 shipping
Please make check payable to Sisters of St. Dominic**

**For more information Visit Heart to Heart Ministry
Website at www.h2h.nyc**

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St Brooklyn NY 11236**

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday, from 9:30 AM till 12:00 Noon, we have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and Benediction. We are looking for people to sit in church while the Blessed Sacrament is on the altar. Please come to the rectory to put your name down for an hour or two.

The only time we will not have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is if we have a funeral

Annual Catholic Appeal 2024 CATHOLIC APPEAL PRAYER

Loving Father, through Baptism you have made us members of the Body of your Son and His Priestly People. You have enriched us with the outpouring of the gift of your Holy Spirit. You continue to make your Son present among us through the Sacrament of His Body and Blood in the Eucharist.

We are ever grateful for what you do for us and we seek to respond by revealing your goodness through the witness of our lives.

Help us to nourish and support those members of the Body of Christ who are in need of our generous sharing of our time, talent and treasure.

We make this prayer through Christ our High Priest and Lord. AMEN

***Annual Catholic Appeal 2024 Goal at Our
Lady of Miracles R.C is \$35,000***

Thank for your generous support.

God bless you!

**PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR CELL
PHONE WHEN YOU ARE ENTER-
ING THE CHURCH. THIS IS
QUITE DISTRACTING TO THE
PRIEST AND OTHER
PARISHIONERS THANK YOU.**

Bible Word Search

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Books of the New Testament



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