



Recently I was invited to a relative's home for dinner. This family has been having more than a little trouble with their 13-year-old daughter, who is going through a particularly defiant and rebellious stage. The young girl was not happy with the vegetables her mother served at dinner and so she refused to eat them. The uneaten vegetables became the staging ground for an adolescent conflict. Trying to coax the girl into eating, her mother calmly used some lines I'd heard before.

'Wasting food is a sin' and 'There are starving people in the world who would be grateful for what you don't want'. With that the girl jumped up and left the dining room. A few minutes later she returned with an oversized envelope and a marker pen. She began to stuff the food into the envelope and as she did she angrily asked, 'What starving people do you want me to send these vegetables to?' Who said being a parent was easy? Celibacy had never looked better!

In today's Gospel, after the 5,000 have been fed, Jesus says, 'Gather the pieces together that are left over. Let nothing be wasted'. Some of us have never truly been hungry, so it can be hard to fully appreciate how wasteful our developed world must appear to those who watch their families die of starvation. People who lived through the Depression or have lived through wars often carry the scars of being hungry. To this day some of them are on guard against waste. Others try to numb the memory of want by overindulging. For most of us in the developed world, especially 13-year-old middle-class kids, hunger has only ever been fleeting, and we are presently eating ourselves into obesity.

Some people would prefer to think of the story of the feeding of the five thousand exclusively in spiritual terms. There is no question that today's Gospel refers to the Eucharist where all are spiritually nourished by Christ our host. It also refers to the eternal banquet where hunger will be no more. But this Gospel asks us to look at our world through the eyes of Christ's kingdom where the mighty will be cast down from their thrones, the poor will be raised up, and the rich who will not share will be sent away.

There is such a thing as healthy guilt. It's where we become aware of what we have done or failed to do to bring about Christ's Kingdom in our world. Given that it is entirely unnecessary for 29,000 people, on average, to die each day because of lack of food and water and the diseases this brings, guilt on our part seems a reasonable response. It becomes a healthy moment in our lives when we decide to change our priorities, and call for similar changes in a nation's priorities which spends more on bombs than starving babies.

I often wonder what God thinks when he hears wealthy nations say that the reason they refuse to share more with the poor is because these poorer nations often have unelected despots who divert their country's wealth into Swiss bank accounts or nuclear and conventional weaponry programmes. Even in the face of these complex issues we could find a way to feed the hungry who might, one day, be empowered to take charge of their nations.

'What starving people do you want me to send these vegetables to?', the 13 year old asked. To which I wanted to reply, 'Put your own name on the envelope because your own comfort makes you the neediest person in the world'.

May this Eucharist enable us to do on earth what is done in heaven, where the hungry are welcomed and fed, the leftovers are gathered together and nothing is wasted.

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MONDAY TO THURSDAY

8:00AM TO 4:00PM

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MONDAY TO FRIDAY

9AM TO 4:30PM

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St. Joseph the Worker Church

44 Imperial Parade, Labrador

Sunday Masses

7:00am & 8:30am

Weekday Masses

Monday & Wednesday - 7:00am

Gold Coast University Hospital

Friday Mass at 10.30am

Rosary 10.00am

Mass Friday 10:30am

Guardian Angels' Church

99 Scarborough St., Southport

Saturday & Sunday Masses

Reconciliation : 4.30pm

Saturday (Vigil) 5.30 pm

Sunday 7:00am & 9:00am

Prayers & Adoration

Wednesday 12.00noon -1.00pm

Weekday Mass

Friday 12:30pm

Mary Immaculate Church

31 Edmund Rice Drive, Ashmore

Saturday & Sunday Masses

Saturday (Vigil) 4.30pm

Sunday 9:00am & 5.30pm, including
the Korean Mass

Weekday Masses

Tuesday 9:00am

Thursday 9:00am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Guardian Angels Church 4.30pm

FR GERARD'S INSTALLATION MASS



A big thank you to all the Parishioners who attended my Installation Mass. Thank you for your well wishes and for your on going support for the last year and a half.
A big thank you to all those who helped in any way to make this Mass a memorable one.

Wishing you all God's blessings

Fr Gerard McMorrow PP



ADORATION AT MARY IMMACULATE CHURCH

Please join us every Tuesday as we will have Eucharistic Adoration in the Church at **Mary Immaculate Church, 31 Edmund Rice Dr. Ashmore** from 7.45 till 8.45 am. There will be rosary, chaplet of the Divine Mercy and Private prayer.

Followed by Holy Mass.

NEW MASS AT GUARDIAN ANGELS CHURCH 3RD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

Please join us on **Saturday, the 21st August** to celebrate Mass dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary at **Guardian Angels Church, 99 Scarborough St. Southport.**

We will commence at 10am with Rosary followed by Mass with Marian Hymns at 10:30am. We hope this will be an on going Mass time and will depend on attendance and priest availability. No booking required.

Wednesday Hour Holy at Guardian Angels Southport



"It maybe that we do not want to go to Our Lord because we are ashamed of our misery and wretchedness. Our Lord often prefers our helplessness to everything else, He is pleased with it and blesses it" (St. Peter Julian Eymard)

Please join us with Our Lord for **exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Wednesday**

commencing 12 noon including silent prayer time, hymns, rosary and spiritual reflections on the Blessed Sacrament concluding with **Benediction at 1 pm.** **Confessions also available.** No booking required.

'THE LONG WALK HOME' SUNDAY, 8TH AUGUST.



This is a 28km walk to raise money for the Homeless – from Hope Island Golf Course to the end of Miami Beach. Sr Lis is walking the Course to raise money for **ANGEL'S KITCHEN.** She is hoping (and praying) you will support and encourage her. Every dollar she raises will go to Angel's Kitchen.

Please put your donation in an envelope (with your name and email/phone number on the front so I can acknowledge it.) Your envelope can be left either at the Church, Parish Office or the Manor.

THANK YOU.

On behalf of the homeless people you will be supporting I thank you for your generosity.



BLUE CARDS

May we please remind all Volunteers to provide the Parish Office with a copy of your Blue Card once you have renewed it.



A VOCATION VIEW: Today we are reminded by St Paul that there is one body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism. The challenge before us is to bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patients. That is an essential part of our vocation: to lead a life worthy of these attributes. **Pray for Vocations.**

Liturgy of the Word for Next Sunday Year B/1

**1st Reading – Exodus 16:2-4,12-15 - 2nd Reading – Ephesians 4:17, 20-24
Gospel – John 6:24-35**

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Local Safeguarding Representative (LSR)

Guardian Angels Church
Rebecca

Mary Immaculate Church
Raphaelle

St Joseph the Worker Church
Cathy

*Our Parish has implemented the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy.
We are committed to high standards of recruitment, screening and selection of all our employees and volunteers
and undertake intentional strategies to maintain a safe and healthy ministry environment for all.*

Recently Deceased:

Ron Hally

*The names of our sick and
deceased family & friends
will be recorded in these books.*



Child Abuse Redress Options

Police Investigation 

National Child Abuse
Redress Scheme 

Legal Damages Claim 

Direct Response
from the responsible Church Entity 



**THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2021
IS NOW CLOSED
THE NEXT ENROLMENT WILL BE IN 2022.**

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES AND CREED:

**Saturday, 24th July 2021 Masses (4:30pm) at
Sunday, 25th July 2021 Masses (9am or 5:30pm)**

CONFIRMATION MEETING:

Sunday, 1st August @ 10:15am (after 9am Mass) or
Thursday, 5th August @ 4pm

FAMILY CONFIRMATION MEETING:

Saturday, 14th August either 10-12pm or 2-4pm

CONFIRMATION PRACTICE:

Wednesday, 25th August @ 4pm

CELEBRATION OF CONFIRMATION:

Saturday, 28th August 2021
1st Celebration - 9:30am
2nd Celebration - 11am

**All meetings are requirements and will be held at
Mary Immaculate Church Ashmore.**

If you require any further information in regards to
this matter please contact **Maria Blancia** on 5510 2222
or email Mariab@scp.org.au

***" Families need to know that the Church is making every effort to protect their children.
They should also know that they have every right to turn to the Church with full
confidence, for it is a safe and secure home. "***

A letter from His Holiness Pope Francis to Presidents of National Bishops' Conferences and Superiors of Religious Orders across the world, 2 February 2015.

QLD QR CODE IS NOW AVAILABLE

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU DOWNLOAD THE CHECK IN QLD APPS.

Open the app and scan the QR code
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Southport Catholic Parish

St Joseph the Worker Church

Labrador



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Guardian Angels Church



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Mary Immaculate Church



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PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Christ be Our Light

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain:

**Christ be our light!
Shine in our hearts,
shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church
gathered today.**

Longing for peace,
our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us,
make us your living voice. **R**

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GLORIA - SAID

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us
You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand
of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
You alone are the most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM – SUNG

Taste and See

Refrain

**Taste and see, O taste and see,
taste and see the goodness of God.**

Glory, glory to God most high,
glory, blessing and praise.
With one voice, O people,
rejoice in our God,
who hears the cry of all in need.

Refrain

Who has fashioned the earth and sky,
who created the deep,
who exalts the lowly
and sets captives free,
who opens the door
to all those who seek. **Refrain**

Oh, the love of God!
Become flesh of our flesh,
so that we might live in glory. **Refrain**

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GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

“The sheep of my flock,” says the Lord,
“hearing my voice, they will listen.
They will follow me, for I know them,
they are mine.”

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

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GIFTS PROCESSION

Lord to Whom Shall We Go?

Refrain:

**Lord, to whom shall we go?
You are our bread,
broken and shared.
Lord, to whom shall we go?
Yours are the words of life.**

The manna we ate,
yet our hunger remained,
our hearts left unsatisfied. **R.**

O Lord,
you feed us with the finest of wheat,
our pledge of eternal life. **R.**

The bread you give is the living bread,
your flesh for the life of the world. **R.**

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We proclaim your death Lord,
and profess your Resurrection
until you come again.

COMMUNION PROCESSION

One Bread, One Body

Refrain:

**One bread, one body,
one Lord of all,
one cup of blessing which we bless.
And we, though many,
throughout the earth,
we are one body in this one Lord.**

Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
woman or man, no more. **R**

Many the gifts, many the works,
one in the Lord of all. **R**

Grain for the fields,
scattered and grown,
gathered to one, for all. **R**

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REFLECTION HYMN

Be Still, My Friends

Refrain:

**I ask you, my friends, to be still,
and know that I am here with you.
The longing in your heart I will fill,
for I now make my home in you.**

The mountains, the valleys,
the oceans deep
sing praises and glory to you,
and all of creation joins in song,
but we find you within. **R**

The crowds on the hill sides
need your bread,
the lame need your healing hand.
The blind and the dumb
cry out for you,
when will our hearts be filled? **R**

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

Lord, the Light of Your Love

Lord, the light of your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness, shining,
Jesus, light of the world,
shine upon us, set us free
by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me.

Refrain:

**Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land
with the Father's glory.
Blaze, Spirit, blaze,
set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations
with grace and mercy,
send forth your word, Lord,
and let there be light.**

Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
from the shadows into your radiance.
By the blood
I may enter your brightness.
Search me, try me,
consume all my darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me. **R.**

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