

A very warm Welcome to St Michael's Church Sunday 16th August



In today's *Gospel* we meet a woman who really had no right to come to *Christ* asking for a favour. She was an outsider and a pagan. But she had the most extraordinary faith in him, and that faith was rewarded.

Opening Sentence

God, our protector, keep us in mind: always give strength to your people. For if we can be with you even one day, it is better than a thousand without you.

Greeting and Entrance

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you
And with your spirit

Call to Confession

My brothers and sisters,
to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries,
let us first call to mind our sin.

Penitential Rite

Lord Jesus, you came to gather the nations into the peace of
God's Kingdom **Lord have mercy**

You come in word and sacrament to strengthen us in holiness.
Christ have mercy

You will come in glory with salvation for your people.
Lord have mercy

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring
us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

The Liturgy of the Word

Let us pray.

God our Father,
May we love you in all things and above all things and reach the
joy you have prepared for us beyond all our imagining.
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah(56:1, 6-7)

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest. Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm (66)

**R. Let the peoples praise you, O God:
let all the peoples praise you**

O, God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help. **R.**

Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
you guide the nations on earth. **R.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us his blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him **.R.**

Second Reading

A reading from St Pauls letter to the Romans.(11:13-15, 29-32)

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world,

do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia!

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice,
says the Lord,

I know them and they follow me.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Gospel

The Lord be with you,

And also with you.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew (15:21-28)

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word.

And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

This is the Gospel of Christ.

Praise to Christ our Lord.

Sermon

Creed

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the
forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Intercessions

Lord in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Merciful Father,
accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Peace

Christ is our peace he has reconciled us to God in one body by
the cross; we meet in his name and share his peace!

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And with your spirit.

Offertory Prayers

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness
we have this bread to offer, which earth has given and human
hands have made; it will become for us the bread of life.
Blessed be God for ever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation. Through your goodness
we have this wine to offer, fruit of the vine and work of human
hands; it will become for us our spiritual drink.
Blessed be God for ever.

Let us pray my brothers and sisters, that our sacrifice may be
acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept this sacrifice at your hands,
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

Prayer over the Gifts

Lord,
accept our sacrifice
as a holy exchange of gifts.
By offering what you have given us
may we receive the gift of yourself. **Amen.**

The Lord be with you,
and with your spirit.
Lift up your hearts,
we lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right and just

Preface

Father, all-powerful and ever living God,
we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Out of love for sinful man,
he humbled himself to be born of the virgin.
By suffering on the cross
he freed us from unending death,
and by rising from the dead
he gave us eternal life.

And so with all the choirs of angels in heaven
we proclaim your glory
and join in their unending hymn of praise.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Lord, you are holy indeed, the source of all holiness;
grant that, by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;
Who in the same night that he was betrayed,
took bread and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying.
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way after supper
he took the cup and gave you thanks;
he gave it to them, saying.

Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of me.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,
his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of all,
rejoicing at his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension,
and looking for his coming in glory,
we celebrate the memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving,
we bring before you this bread and this cup
and we thank you for counting us worthy
to stand in your presence and serve you.
Send the holy spirit on your people
and gather into one in your kingdom
all who share this one bread and one cup,
so that we, in the company of Holy Mary mother of God,
St Michael and all the saints,
may praise and glorify you for ever,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

By whom, and with whom, and in whom,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Communion

Our Father

Let us pray with confidence to the Father
in the words our Saviour gave us:

**Our Father,
who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,**

**and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the Kingdom, the power,
and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the bread

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

**Though we are many, we are one Body,
because we all share in one Bread.**

Lamb of God

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
grant us peace.**

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the World.
Happy are those who are called to His supper.

**Lord I am not worthy to receive you
but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

Communion Antiphon

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord
if anyone eats this bread he will live forever.

If watching the Mass online, we would encourage you to join in with the liturgy. At the point at which the clergy who are present receive Holy Communion you may wish to make an act of spiritual communion by using one of the following prayers:

My Jesus, I believe that you are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I long for you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though you have already come, I embrace you and unite

myself entirely to you; never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.

Or

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the bread of life and the one true vine. I believe that you are truly present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist. I seek you. I worship and adore you. Since I cannot receive you in the Eucharistic bread and wine, I pray that you will come into my heart and soul, that I may be united to you, by your all-powerful and ever-present Holy Spirit. Let me receive you, and be nourished by you. Become for me the manna in my wilderness, the bread of angels for my very human journey through time, a foretaste of the heavenly banquet, and solace in the hour of my death. I pray all this, trusting that you yourself are our Life, our Peace, and our everlasting Joy. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Lord,
God of Mercy,
by this sacrament you make us one with Christ.
by becoming more like him on earth,
may we come to share his glory in Heaven,
where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

Blessing

The Lord be with you,
and also with you.

May you see the face of Christ
in everyone you meet;
May you show the love of Christ
to all who are in need.
And may almighty God bless you:
The Father, Son and Holy spirit. **Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ. **Thanks be to God.**

The Angelus

The angel of the Lord brought tidings to Mary
And she conceived by the Holy Spirit

Hail, Mary, full of grace
The Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

**Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Pray for us sinners, now,
And at the hour of our death.**

Behold the handmaid of the Lord
Be it unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary.....
Holy Mary.....

And the Word was made flesh.
And dwelt among us

Hail Mary.....
Holy Mary.....

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

We beseech thee, O Lord, pour thy grace into our hearts;
That as we have known the incarnation of thy Son Jesus Christ by
the message of an angel, so by his Cross and Passion we may be
brought to the glory of his Resurrection; Through Jesus Christ our
Lord. **Amen**

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11am SMWG

We pray for all who are ill, that God may grant them health and peace:

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for those who have died recently

Esarlatin Yildirim, Alberta, Ellerston, Terry, Adam, Sunnie Briggs, Eileen Ridge, Stella, Joan McLoughlin

and for all whose anniversary of death falls at this time:

16th August

Brother Roger (Taize)

18th August

Oliver Blalock

St Michael's Candle: Is burning for Stuart Thomas
and in Loving memory of Oliver and David Blalock

The Blessed Sacrament Candle: is burning in loving memory of
Kay Sotiriou and Pakion Sumassee

The Blessed Virgin Mary's Candle: is burning in loving memory of
Guy and Liline NgYuTin