

# 19th Sunday Ordinary Time 08 - 09 August 2015

### Our Parish Mission

The parish of St John XXIII is a faith community with the Eucharist as its heart. Inspired by John XXIII's prophetic opening of the windows of the Church, we welcome the fresh air of the Holy Spirit, inviting every person to share in the responsibility of enriching the life and faith of our community by sharing their gifts and talents."



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### **Mass Times**

Monday to Friday 9:00am

Also Wednesday 9:00am Holy Cross

Primary during school term

Saturday 9:00am, 6:00pm (Vigil) Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am

6:00pm (Youth)

Baptism 12:00pm Sunday by appointment

Reconciliation (First Rite)

Saturday 5:00 - 5:45pm

And after any weekday masses

### Parish Office Hours

Tuesday to Friday 8.30 - 4.00pm

### **Parish Office Contacts**

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### Devotions & Prayers

### Novena Masses

Tuesday 7:30pm

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

First Friday 7:30pm

Sacred Heart of Jesus

### **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

*Tuesday* 6:30 - 7:30pm

First Friday 6:30pm followed by

7:15pm Benediction

Saturday 8:00 - 9:00am (Vocations)

### Sacrament of the Sick

First Saturday 9:00am Mass or upon request

### Divine Office

Friday 12:00pm with Adoration

Sunday 8:15am

### Praise & Worship

3rd Saturday 7:30pm

led by SJ23rd Prayer Group

2nd Saturday 7:30pm

led by CRL (Community of the Risen Lord)



### From the Pastor's desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ

As I offer in this week's Reflection on the Readings, we need to take Paul's words to heart: the way we imitate the Sacrifice of Christ is to become 'food' /

'Eucharist' for others. That is, we are called to be the "food" (strength, sustenance, help) for others. And this necessarily involves Sacrifice, the giving up of something good to achieve a greater good.

In this way we can say with Jesus: "the bread that I shall give is my flesh for the life of the world".

- *Fr. Robert* will be away from Wednesday this week until 28<sup>th</sup> August, so that he can attend his niece's wedding in India. We wish him a safe journey and return. And we will welcome the Dominican Friars from Kingswood back to our Parish for the next two weekends.
- ASSUMPTION MASSES: Vigil Mass on Friday 14th August at 7:30pm and Morning Mass on Saturday 15th August at 9:00am. Please note that the Saturday evening mass is the Vigil Mass for Sunday and not the Solemnity of the Assumption.





- Please note that the **Parish AH phone number** is *for voice calls only*. DO NOT SEND an SMS, as this number is redirected to either Fr. Robert's or my personal mobile, and SMS's are not redirected.
- With regard to *Mass Offerings*, I would like to fine-tune the process for receiving the Mass Intention Envelopes. Could I suggest that they are placed in the letterbox near the Sacristy door rather than on the Collection Plates? Also, please feel free to hand the envelope directly to one of the priests. We will be placing the names of the recently deceased in the Prayers of the Faithful for three weeks upon receipt of the name of someone who has recently died, so that all in our community can pray for them. For anniversaries and other intentions, we will be continuing with the practice of listing them (if requested) in our Parish Bulletin. The intention for each mass is the responsibility of each priest, and will be announced at the beginning of the mass (excluding Sundays) by the priest when there is a specific intention for that mass. Please remember that the Australian Bishops' Conference has set offerings at \$10 and \$20 for November Masses.
- Please continue to pray for the children who will receive *Confirmation* in our Parish on Friday 28th August at 7:30pm and Saturday 29th August at 2:00pm. The Practice for all concerned (candidates and sponsors as well as parents) is this Wednesday (12 August) in the Church from 7:30pm.



### Evangelicum

### V. LINES OF APPROACH AND ACTION (163-201)

This chapter addresses the question of what we can and must do. Analyses are not enough. We need proposals "for dialogue and action which would involve each of us individually no less than international policy" (15). They will "help us to escape the spiral of self-destruction which currently engulfs us" (163). For Pope Francis it is imperative that practical proposals not be developed in an ideological, superficial or reductionist way. For this, dialogue is essential, a term present in the title of every section of this chapter. "There are certain environmental issues where it is not easy to achieve a broad consensus... The Church does not presume to settle scientific questions or to replace politics. But I am concerned to encourage an honest and open debate, so that particular interests or ideologies will not prejudice the common good" (188).

**1.** Dialogue on the environment: "Interdependence obliges us to think of one world with a common plan", proposing solutions "from a global perspective, and not simply to defend the interests of a few countries" (164). The Encyclical is not afraid to judge international dynamics severely: "Recent

World Summits on the environment have failed to live up to expectations because, due to lack of political will, they were unable to reach truly meaningful and effective global agreements on the environment" (166). Instead, as Popes have repeated several times starting with *Pacem in terris*, what is needed are forms and instruments for global governance (175): "an agreement on systems of governance for the whole range of the so-called -global commons" (174).

- **2.** Dialogue for new national and local policies. "Local individuals and groups ...] are able to instill a greater sense of responsibility, a strong sense of community, a readiness to protect others, a spirit of creativity" (179) and a deep love for one's own land. Politics and economy need to abandon the logic of short-sighted efficiency, focused on profit alone and short-term electoral success.
- 3. Dialogue and transparency in decision-making: It is essential to analyze and evaluate business proposals from an environmental and social point of view so as not to harm the most disadvantaged populations (182-188). It is necessary to foster the development of honest and transparent decision making processes, in order to "discern" which policies and business initiatives can lead to "genuine integral development" (185). In particular, the environmental impact study of a new project "demands transparent political processes involving a free exchange of views. On the other hand, the forms of corruption which conceal the actual environmental impact of a given project in exchange for favours usually produce specious agreements which fail to inform adequately and to allow for full debate" (182).





# First Reading 1 Kings 19:4-8

Strengthened by the food, he walked to the mountain of the Lord.

Elijah went into the wilderness, a day's journey, and sitting under a furze bush wished he were dead. '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.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

## Responsorial Psalm Ps 33:2-9

## R. Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

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.

## Second Reading Ephesians 4:30-5:2

Walk in love, just as Christ.

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 names, or allow any sort of spitefulness. Be friends with one another, and kind, forgiving 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 by loving as he loved you, giving himself up in our place as a fragrant offering and a sacrifice to God.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



# Gospel Acclamation John 6:51

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this bread will live for ever.

Alleluia!

## Gospel John 6:41-51

I am the living bread come down from heaven.

The Jews were complaining to each other about Jesus, because he had said, 'I am the bread that came down from heaven.' 'Surely this is Jesus son of Joseph' they said. 'We know his father and mother. How can he now say, "I have come down from heaven"?' Jesus said in reply, 'Stop complaining to each other.

'No one can come to me unless he is drawn by the Father who sent me, and I will raise him up at the last day.

It is written in the prophets: They will all be taught by God, and to hear the teaching of the Father, and learn from it, is to come to me.

Not that anybody has seen the Father, except the one who comes from God: he has seen the Father.

I tell you most solemnly, everybody who believes has eternal life.

I am the bread of life.

Your fathers ate the manna in the desert and they are dead; but this is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that a man may eat it and not die.

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



### Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

came down from heaven. At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.

For us men and for our salvation he

### and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day 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. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Readings for Next Week

10 Mon 19th ordinary time 1st Reading 2 Corinthians 9:6-10 Ps 111:1-2. 5-9 Psalm Gospel John 12:24-26 11 Tues 19th ordinary time 1st Reading Deuteronomy 31:1-8 Deuteronomy 32:3-4. 7-9 Psalm Gospel Matthew 18:1-5, 10, 12-14 12 Wed 19th ordinary time 1st Reading Deuteronomy 34:1-12 Psalm Ps 65:1-3. 5. 16-17 Matthew 18:15-20 Gospel 13 Thurs 19th ordinary time 1st Reading Joshua 3:7-11. 13-17 Psalm Ps 113A:1-6 Matthew 18:21 - 19:1 Gospel 14 Fri 18th ordinary time 1st Reading Joshua 24:1-13

Ps 135:1-3. 16-18. 21-22. Psalm

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Gospel Matthew 19:3-12 15 Sat The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Vigil

1st Reading 1 Chronicles 15:3-4. 15-

16; 16:1-2

Psalm Ps 131:6-7. 9-10. 13-14 2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 15:54-57

Gospel Luke 11:27-28

If you or a family member is homebound and would want to receive communion in your home please contact the parish office.



### Gospel Reflection

The Word of God for the *Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B* revolves around the twin themes of *Food* and *Sacrifice*.

In our *First Reading* we hear of God sending his angel to despairing Elijah, making him eat so that he is strengthened for the journey ahead, the journey to Mt Horeb or the Mountain of the Lord. From our Christian perspective we realize that Christ is the true bread for the journey through life which will lead us to a 'Horeb experience' of encounter with the Lord.

And in our **Second Reading** St. Paul exhorts us to imitate Christ's love for humankind, a love that involves sacrifice for the sake of the other. He offers some ethical admonitions which aid us in this task:

**Do Not...** have grudges, lose your temper, raise your voice, call others names, be spiteful and **Do...** be friends with others, be kind, be forgiving.

And with these two readings in mind with their twin points of Christ as the true Bread for the Journey and our need to imitate Christ's Sacrificial Love, we turn to the *Gospel*.

Jesus said that "I will give my flesh for the life of the world". Thus, he will voluntarily give up his earthly life for a good purpose, to bring all to New Life. And this comes about through his Death and Resurrection which is commemorated and made present in our Eucharistic Celebration, the Mass. Here, the true bread from heaven, Christ, is the bread of sacrifice for all; he is the daily bread that offers food for the journey of life.

And if we take Paul's words to heart, then the way we imitate the Sacrifice of Christ is to become 'food' / 'Eucharist' for others. That is, we are called to be the "food" (strength, sustenance, help) for others. And this necessarily involves Sacrifice, the giving up of something good to achieve a greater good.

In this way we can say with Jesus: "the bread that I shall give is my flesh for the life of the world".

### From the Pastor's desk (cont'd)

• There are still *FOUR places available* for my upcoming **Pilgrimage from Paris to Santiago de Compostela**. (3 weeks starting on 20th September). Please contact me personally if you are interested in joining us on this marvellous adventure. I am hoping to do another Pilgrimage in 2018: From Antioch to Rome – tracing the steps of St. Paul from the beginning of his journeys to his last days in Rome. Stay tuned re. this over the next few years!!!

Have a great week, everyone. Let's continue to pray for one another. God bless you all

Fr. John



### Evangelicum

- 4. Politics and economy in dialogue for human fulfilment: Starting from the global crisis, "a new economy, more attentive to ethical principles, and new ways of regulating speculative financial practices and virtual wealth" (189), should be developed. "The environment is one of those goods that cannot be adequately safeguarded or promoted by market forces" (190). Looking at things differently allows us to realize that "a decrease in the pace of production and consumption can at times give rise to another form of progress and development. Efforts to promote a sustainable use of natural resources are not a waste of money, but rather an investment capable of providing other economic benefits in the medium term" (191). More radically, "redefining our notion of progress" (194) is necessary, linking it to improvements in the real quality of people's lives. At the same time, "economics without politics cannot be justified" (196). Together they are called to take on a new integral approach.
- 5. Religions in dialogue with science: The empirical sciences do not completely explain life, and technical solutions are ineffective "if we lose sight of the great motivations which make it possible for us to live in harmony, to make sacrifices and to treat others well" (200). These are often expressed in the language of religions. Nevertheless, believers must live in a way consonant with their own faith and not contradict it by their actions.
- 6. Religions must enter into "dialogue among themselves for the sake of protecting nature, defending the poor, and building networks of respect and fraternity" (201). At the same time, dialogue among the sciences helps to overcome disciplinary isolation. "An open and respectful dialogue is also needed between the various ecological movements" (201). Dialogue requires patience, self -discipline and generosity.

### Social Justice corner

We are looking for additional members to the Social Justice Committee of the Parish. If you feel that you are being called to serve, would like to extend a helping hand and provide moral & spiritual support to those in need then come and join the team. If you would like to learn more, send as an email.

We are also preparing for Social Justice (Migrant) Sunday - if you are interested in helping out feel free to contact us. We meet every third Thursday. Come & join us!

Email us at si.john23rd@gmail.com





### Parish Pastoral Council Corner

In our vocation we lose ourselves in order to find ourselves. We give — to him who repays a hundredfold now in this age and in the age to come eternal life (cf Mk 10:17) — our energies of soul and body, our talents and abilities for the coming of his Kingdom. — St. John XXIII, 16 December 1961

On behalf of Ray Samonte and myself, I would like to express our heartfelt appreciation for your support in nominating us to receive the **Diocesan Medal of Honour** last 7 August. This award is as much yours as it is ours, for you have given us the privilege to serve God through His beloved parish community of St. John XXIII. Gratias vobis ago!

As our parish is consecrated to Mary, everyone is enjoined to attend the Vigil Mass for the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Friday, 14 Aug. at 7:30 pm and pray the Rosary during that weekend.

We still need **host families** for the Rosary statue for the second half of August, so please contact me if you are interested to host our Mother in your home.

The IFM Office For Worship is running the **Liturgical Ministry Formation Courses** again for this year

starting from 10 August. Interested parishioners may secure a registration form from the church foyer.

We are also planning to hold a **Lectors' Refresher Course** based on the lecture series that Fr. John is holding this week. We will post more details regarding this initiative in the coming weeks.

If you haven't seen the updated parish website yet, please visit the site at http://john23rd.com and provide constructive feedback to the team.

Our young parishioners have shown great interest in participating in the **2016 World Youth Day** in Poland. To help finance their trip, our youths are selling \$2 tickets to the Diocesan WYD fundraising raffle to be drawn next year. Please support them generously and buy tickets!

Have a blessed week! Bart

### Novena Mass to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Tuesday nights beginning with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 6.30pm, Evening Prayer of the Church at 7.00pm, Rosary at 7.15pm, sung Benediction Mass 7.30pm and Novena prayers at 7:40pm.

If you want the opportunity of having the statue visit you in your home contact Bart Sarlabus. Pick up the statue during the novena and return before the novena.

### Rosary Statue Family Roster

11 August Mojica Family 18 August Paguinto Family

25 August still open



### Why we do what we do......

### The Feast of Mary's Assumption by Marcellino D'Ambrosio

This discussion of the Catholic Doctrine of Mary's Assumption, defined by Pope Pius XII as a dogma of faith, originally appeared as an article on the Feast of the Assumption of Mary in Our Sunday Visitor.

I once asked a college theology class if anyone could explain the **doctrine of the Assumption of Mary**. A student replied, "yeah, that's the teaching whereby the Catholic Church 'assumes' that Mary is in heaven."

There's a bit more to the **dogma of the Assumption** than that. The Church does not just "assume" that any canonized saint in is in heaven. Rather, it authoritatively declares that a person is in glory and should therefore be honored in liturgy and imitated in life. Our church calendar is filled with saints' days.

But why a particular day for each saint? The first evidence for this goes back to 155AD, to a bishop named Polycarp. The account of his martyrdom notes that after his execution, the faithful collected his bones, more precious than gold, and put them in a place of honor where every year they gathered to celebrate the anniversary of his death as a sort of "birthday" into eternal life. Celebrating Mass in the catacombs over the relics of the martyrs' led to the practice of putting relics in the main altar of every church. Eventually saints who did not die a martyrs death were also commemorated on their heavenly "birthday" and their relics were accorded great honor.

From very early times, August 15 has been observed as the "birthday" of our Blessed Lady. On this greatest of all Marian feasts we celebrate the greatest moment of her life – being permanently re-united with her son and sharing his glory.

All the saints experience the "beatific vision" upon their entry into heaven, and we celebrate this on every saint's day. But there is something unique about Mary's day. The Catholic Church teaches authoritatively that it is not just Mary's soul that was admitted to God's glory, but that at the end of her earthly life, Mary's body as well as her soul was **assumed** into heaven by the loving power of God.

There is no eyewitness account of this actual event recorded in the Bible. Come to think of it, though, no one witnessed the actual resurrection of Jesus either. The evidence was an empty tomb and eyewitness reports that the Risen Lord had appeared to them.

Interesting parallel here. There is a tomb at the foot of the Mt. of Olives where ancient tradition says that Mary was laid. But there is nothing inside. There are no relics, as with other saints. And credible apparitions of Mary, though not recorded in the New Testament, have been recorded from the 3rd century till today.

Mary is not equal to Christ, of course. Jesus, though possessing a complete human nature, is the Eternal Word made flesh. Mary is only a creature.

But she is a unique creature, the highest of all creatures. This is not just because she was born without the handicap of original sin. Eve and Adam were born



### Special intentions

### Recently Deceased:

Maria Stagnitta, David Buttgieg, Leovina Aguilar, Leo Simon

### Anniversary:

Joseph & Antonia Grima, Beryl Reckerman, Daisy Wamback, Aloysius Reckerman,

Maligaya Morales

For the sick:

Mark de Jesus **Thanksgiving:** 

RJ Santos,

Vincenzo Zamora



### Paying our debt together

Weekly collections

**1st Collection:** \$ 2,247.10 Funds go to Priest Remuneration Fund, to support the priests of our Diocese.

2nd Collection: \$ 5,317.25

Loose \$ 2,152.45 PG Envelopes \$ 1,568.80

PG by EFT \$ 1,596.00

Pays parish debt and on going running costs, including wages of staff.

Please contribute more on the Second Collection as this helps the parish community

If you would like to be a part of the church's plan giving program, an **SJ23rd form** (white) is available at the church foyer or contact the parish office.

### Why we do $\dots (cont'd)$

free of sin as well, but it did not stop them from sinning as soon as they had the chance. Mary instead chose, with the help of God's grace, to preserve her Godgiven purity throughout the whole of her life.

The bodily corruption of death was not God's original plan. It came into the world through sin, as St. Paul says "the sting of death is sin" (I Cor 15:56). So it is fitting that she who knew no sin should know no decay and no delay in enjoying the full fruits of her son's work. It is fitting that she who stood by Christ under the cross should stand by him bodily at the right hand of the Father. "The Queen stands at your right hand, in gold of Ophir" (Ps 45). Enoch and Elijah, who the Old Testament says were assumed into heaven, were surely great in God's eyes. But they do not begin to compare with the immaculate mother of His Son.

We too, one day, insofar as we accept God's grace, will stand at His right hand. But Paul says that "all will come to life again, but each one in proper order" (I Cor 15:23). The Redeemer, of course, blazes the resurrection trail. But who is to be first among his disciples? The one who is last is first, the Lord's humble handmaid who did no more than say yes, and keep saying yes, and whose soul magnified not herself, but the Lord.

http://www.crossroadsinitiative.com



### Parish Notices



Help our youth raise funds to enable them to join WYD 2016 Krakow Poland

Our youth of SJ23rd will be selling raffle tickets. Help our youth to raise funds to assist them on their journey to WYD.

If you are between 18 & 35yrs and is interested to go in this journey, please email gtkyouth@gmail.com

### Confirmation Program Facilitators Needed

We are looking for facilitators to assist at this year's Confirmation program, especially at the ceremonies.

If you are interested, please e-mail Jill at admin@john23rd.org.au or call 9852-0583

### **BREAK OPEN THE WORD**

**SERIES** with Fr. John McSweeney Part 1 (*cont'd*)

Mark your calendars for the culmination of our Bible Study Series on the Gospel of Mark as follows:

Last session on the Gospel of Mark Friday, 21 Aug. 2015

Time: 7:30 to 9:00 pm

Where: St. John XXIII Parish, Perfection Ave., Stanhope Gardens Set aside this special Friday night for an evening with "the word of the Lord"...

### SVdP DOORKNOCK APPEAL 2 WEEKS TO GO & COUNTING ...

We only go knocking on doors once a year, and unlike some of the other worthy charities, we only ask for a one-off donation, and appreciate any contribution regardless of the value. But lots of small donations can add up to a significant total, and the collection is only limited by the number of collectors.

Please consider volunteering a few hours of your time on the weekend of 22/23 August to be a part of the Vinnies Doorknock Team.

To receive a registration form or to find out more information contact:

Michael 0425 362043

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### 2015 Parish Council Meeting Schedule

Executive (Council leaders)
22 Jul 18 Nov 16 Sep

General (all Parish Council members)

**18 Aug 7:30pm - 9:00pm** St Marks College Staff room

During the General Meeting, our School Executives and Finance committee are invited to provide updates. *Parishioners are all invited* to come and be part of this meeting.



### Diocese News

### Diocesan Housing Affordability Table Talks

Affordable housing in Sydney is a major issue for people of all ages especially for young adults, families and the elderly. This event will involve reflection and discussion on how people experience this issue and the moral and social justice implications around housing affordability. The event will also explore possible next steps to turn the talking into action. Join the Family & Life Office and Social Justice Office for an evening of "Table Talks."

Date: WEDNESDAY, August 19th

Time: 7.00 pm - 8.30 pm (Followed by supper)

Venue: IFM, 1–5 Marion St Blacktown (Enter down stairs past car park) RSVP Family and Life Office Ben Smith BSmith@parra.catholic.org.au

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### Youth Corner

### **GTK Youth Group**

(Getting to Know)

GTK is the St John XXIII Parish youth group where our young people get to know God, the Catholic faith a n d e a c h other through Gospel reflection, music, active participation at mass, games and food! So, if you are in years 4 - 9, come along to one of our sessions and let us grow together in our faith.

When: 2nd (choir) and 4th Sunday

Where: St Mark's Staff Room

**Time:** 4:30 - 7:30 pm Contact: gtkyouth@gmail.com http://www.gtkyouth.com/

Info:

(Community of the Risen Lord)

Praise & worship

When: 2nd & 4th Saturdays

Where: Church

**Time:** after 6:00pm vigil mass

### YFC

**CRL** 

(Youth for Christ)

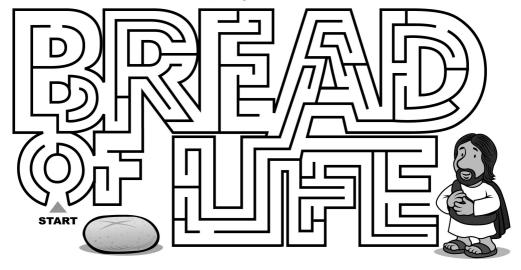
When: Meets every 3rd Sunday Where: St Mark's Staff Room Time: 1:00pm for Break open the

word

6.00pm Youth Mass

### Text Maze

### Can you make your way through the BREAD OF LIFE maze?





### Jesus is the living bread from heaven

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