



## OUR LADY OF DOLOURS SERVITE CHURCH

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**21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2021**

**Sunday Reflection** – “Lord, you have the message of eternal life” – Today we read the fifth and final installment of the 6<sup>th</sup> chapter of the Gospel of John. Matthew, Mark and Luke tell the story of the Last Supper, how Jesus took bread and wine, blessed them and gave them to His disciples telling them, “This is My Body, this is My Blood.” John, on the other hand, tells us that Jesus opened people’s minds to how He planned to feed them with His very life through the gift of the Eucharist.

- Firstly, He fed 5000 people from 5 loaves and 2 fish, showing His concern for their hunger but also His creative power.
- When they followed Him to His next destination, He told them they were only seeking earthly food; the food they must seek is food for their spirit.
- Ordinary bread feeds their hunger; only Bread from Heaven can give life to their spirits.
- He, Jesus, is that bread; “I am the Bread of Life”, He told them.
- Bread must be broken to be shared, wine must be poured out; He will give His body to be broken on the cross for us, His blood poured out for us.

When we gather to celebrate Eucharist, the bread and wine we bring, the fruits of our labours, are transformed by His creative power into the same Body, the same Blood, broken and poured for us on the cross. We should read this 6<sup>th</sup> chapter of John’s Gospel again and again praying with Peter, “Lord you have the message of eternal life.”

**St Philip Benizi OSM** – Was born in Florence in the early 13<sup>th</sup> century. He became a Servite Friar. In 1267 he was elected Prior General. A remarkable Friar, he attracted many to join the Order because of his holiness of life, his following of Gospel values and his service of Mary. He gave strong leadership to the Order and Church of his day. He was canonized in 1671. Tomorrow, Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August is St Philip Benizi OSM’s Feast Day.

**St Peregrine Mass** – This Healing Mass in honour of St. Peregrine will be celebrated on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August at 6.30pm. At that Mass we pray for healing through the intercession of St. Peregrine for all Cancer Sufferers and all who are seriously ill. We hold all our sick brothers and sisters in prayer before the Lord.

**Volunteers Needed** – We are looking for Volunteers to help in our Repository shop. If you are interested, please send us an email.

### Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis

It is with great joy we have received and welcome a First-Class Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis into our Parish Church. We know Carlo was Baptised in our Church, so through this Relic we re-establish contact with Him and rely on His Prayerful Presence in our midst.

*Blessed Carlo Pray for us.*

**Vigil Mass:** Sat 6.30pm  
Sunday 9.30am  
11.00am  
Spanish Mass 12.30pm  
Mon to Sat 10am  
St. Peregrine Wed 6.30pm

### Sacrament of Confession

Please see a Priest/Email/Call the Parish Office.

### Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Fri 9am to 5pm  
(Lunch from 1.30pm to 2.30pm)

### Rosary

Every Wednesday after 10am Mass followed by Tea in the Founders Room.

### Legion of Mary

Every Tuesday at 7pm in the library.

### Holy Hour

On the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of every month after 10am Mass. The hour will include Rosary, Litany of Our Lady, Divine Mercy and Benediction.

### Saints Days

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> –St Philip Benizi & St Rose of Lima  
Tue 24<sup>th</sup> –St Bartholomew  
Wed 25<sup>th</sup> –St Louis & St Joseph  
Thu 26<sup>th</sup> –Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God  
Fri 27<sup>th</sup> –St Monica  
Sat 28<sup>th</sup> –St Augustine