



ST LUKE'S & ST IGNATIUS

Oxon Hill

24 July 2022



CONFESSIONS

Saturday 9-9:45 am

in the chapel

(in the church on 1st Saturdays)

3:30-4:15 pm

in the church

Tuesday 6:30-7:30 pm

in the church

MASSES

Saturday 4:30 pm [anticipated]

Sunday 8 am, 9:30 am, 11 am

Daily Mass *in the chapel*

Monday-Friday at 9 am

Saturday at 10 am

(First Saturdays in the church)

HOLY HOURS

*confessions &
eucharistic adoration
in the church*

Tuesday 6:30-7:30 pm

First Saturday 9 am

(followed by Mass at 10 am)

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THE MEANING OF OUR DAILY BREAD

The following excerpt is taken from Joseph Ratzinger's [Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI] book, Jesus of Nazareth. In chapter 5, he reflects on the Lord's Prayer, line by line. This section examines the phrase, "Give us this day our daily bread."

Give us this day our daily bread. "Daily" renders the Greek word *epiousios*. Referring to this word, one of the great masters of the Greek language — the theologian Origen (d. ca. 254) — says that it does not occur anywhere else in Greek, but that it was coined by the Evangelists. Since Origen's time, it is true, an instance of this word has been found in a papyrus dating from the fifth century after Christ. But this one example alone is insufficient to give us any certainty about the meaning of this word, which is at any rate very unusual and rare...

Today there are two principal interpretations. One maintains that the word means "what is necessary for existence". On this reading, the petition would run as follows: Give us today the bread that we need in order to live. The other interpretation maintains that the correct translation is "bread for the future", for the following day. But the petition to receive tomorrow's bread today does not seem to make sense when looked at in the light of the disciple's existence. The reference to the future would make more sense if the object of the petition were the bread that really does belong to the future: the true manna of God. In that case, it would be an eschatological petition, the petition for an anticipation of the world to come, asking the Lord to give already "today" the future bread, the bread of the new world — Himself. ... Some ancient translations hint in this direction. An example is Saint Jerome's Vulgate, which translates the mysterious word *epiousios* as *supersubstantialis* (i.e., super-substantial), thereby pointing to the new, higher "substance" that the Lord gives us in the Holy Sacrament as the true bread of our life.

The fact is that the Fathers of the Church were practically unanimous in understanding the fourth petition of the Our Father as a Eucharistic petition; in this sense the Our Father figures in the Mass liturgy as a Eucharistic table-prayer (i.e., "grace"). This does not remove the straightforward earthly sense of the disciples' petition that we have just shown to be the text's immediate meaning. The

Fathers consider different dimensions of the saying that begins as a petition for today's bread for the poor, but insofar as it directs our gaze to the Father in heaven who feeds us, it recalls the wandering People of God, who were fed by God Himself. Read in the light of Jesus' great discourse on the bread of life, the miracle of the manna naturally points beyond itself to the new world in which the Logos — the eternal Word of God — will be our bread, the food of the eternal wedding banquet....

...The great discourse on the bread of life in John 6 discloses the full spectrum of meaning of this theme. It begins with the hunger of the people who have been listening to Jesus and whom He does not send away without food, that is to say, the "necessary bread" that we require in order to live. But Jesus does not allow us to stop there and reduce man's needs to bread, to biological and material necessities. "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God" (Mt 4:4; Deut 8:3). The miraculously multiplied bread harks back to the miracle of manna in the desert and at the same time points beyond itself: to the fact that man's real food is the Logos, the eternal Word, the eternal meaning, from which we come and toward which our life is directed....

...The incarnate Lord gives Himself to us in the Sacrament, and in that way the eternal Word for the first time becomes fully manna, the gift of the bread of the future given to us already today....

...When we consider Jesus' message in its entirety, then it is impossible to expunge the Eucharistic dimension from the fourth petition of the Our Father. True, the earthly nitty-gritty of the petition for daily bread for everyone is essential. But this petition also helps us to transcend the purely material and to request already now what is to come "tomorrow", the new bread. And when we pray for "tomorrow's" bread today, we are reminded to live already today from tomorrow, from the love of God, which calls us all to be responsible for one another....

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS *All who are suffering or sick and all caregivers who minister to the sick:*

Theresa Koshut, Jackie Windsor, Jack Figel, Sonya Estrada, Dave Hoppe, Barbara Manning; Andy, Paula, and Marian Luther; Jackie Chancio, Carollyn Grimm, Mark Mangione, Richard Thompson, Barbara Jo Russell, Marie Norment, Harold Joyce, Levi Harris, Joanne Newsom, Anne Marie Whittaker, Greg and Felicia Yohe, Joe Coleman, John Hogan, Danny Hart, Amy Howard, Mary Morehead and family, Curtis Bailey, Leondre Massey, Sister Constance Ward, Mark Anthony Turner, Rachel Fisher, Patricia Ransom, Beverly A. Woods, Kerrianna Prather, Domingo G., Adrian and Barbara.; M.M., R.M., K.M., C.M., C.A., E.D., E.G., W.B., and J.M., H.G., and J.G.

Please call or email the office to add a name to the prayer list. **Before calling, please be sure you have spoken to the person for a member of his family about adding the name—we do not want to inadvertently disregard someone's desire for privacy.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PATRONAL FEAST OF ST. IGNATIUS is next Sunday, July 31st. We will be having a parish potluck and ice cream social to celebrate this great feast for our parish. So pull out your casserole dish; we ask all parishioners to bring a main course or side dish to share. The parish will be providing the ice cream and fixings. The festivities start at 12:30 pm, following the 11 am Mass.

SUMMER SCHEDULE FOR TUESDAY HOLY HOURS

Our Tuesday Holy Hours will only be held on the third Tuesdays in July and August [July 19th and August 16th]. Confessions will be heard every Tuesday this summer from 6:30 to 7 pm in the chapel. The regular Tuesday schedule resumes in September.

ST. IGNATIUS IS IN NEED OF LECTORS for the Saturday/Sunday 4:30pm, 8:00am and 9:30am masses. If you are interested in this ministry, please call Fr. Vidal at 301 567-9570 or Connie Somerville at 301 248-7111. Your assistance will be greatly appreciated.

A SODALITY OF ST. MONICA Do you have family members and friends who have left the practice of their faith, or who have never found a home in Christ's Church? Join the Sodality in prayer!

Prayer cards are available in the narthex for daily petition, and the Rosary will be offered for this intention at the 1st Saturday Holy Hours.

LOOKING FOR A WAY TO TAKE POSITIVE PRO-LIFE ACTION?

The Maryland Catholic Conference has developed resources on their website to assist parishes and individuals undertake charitable work on behalf of pregnant women and struggling mothers.

For practical ways that YOU can help support those for whom abortion has been offered as a solution to their struggles, visit mdcatholic.org/hopeblooms

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 23 July

Anticipated Mass for the Sixth Sunday after Trinity
4:30 pm pro populo

Sunday, 24 July

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity
8 am in thanksgiving for Fr. Catania
9:30 am Brian Smith + [anniversary commemoration]
11 am Corazon Bilgera +

Monday, 25 July

James, Apostle
9 am Peter Ehrenhaft

Tuesday, 26 July

Joachim and Anne, Parents of the blessed Virgin Mary
9 am Peter Szekrenyessy +

Wednesday, 27 July

Feria
9 am those who have wronged the Madan-Casas family

Thursday, 28 July

Feria
9 am William Lenck + [anniversary commemoration]

Friday, 29 July

Martha, Mary, and Lazarus
9 am Victoria Paredes +

Saturday, 30 July

Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
10 am those who have been wronged by the Madan-Casas family
Anticipated Mass for the Patronal Solemnity of St. Ignatius
4:30 pm Marjorie Mastrangelo + [Frank and Mary Privitera]

Sunday, 31 July

THE PATRONAL SOLEMNITY OF ST. IGNATIUS
8 am pro populo
9:30 am in thanksgiving for Fr. Vidal
11 am Rev. Arthur Woolley +

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