

# ParishNews



**Blessed Sacrament Parish** Heavitree Exeter  
**12 August 2018.** *Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B*

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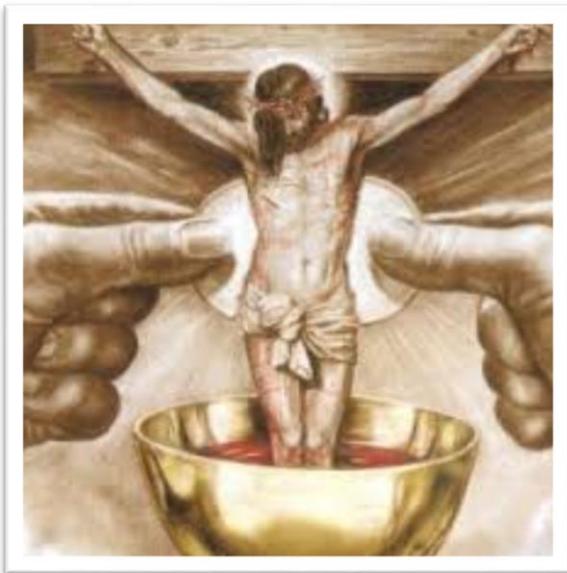
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*Blessed Sacrament Parish is  
part of the Roman Catholic  
Diocese of Plymouth.*



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

The bread that comes down from heaven is not just a bread which nourishes the body, but one which gives renewed life - be this in the form of energy and purpose (as we see in the story of Elijah) or in the form of a gift of eternal life. As Jesus continues his discourse on the Bread of Life, he faces the complaints and criticism of the crowd, who take a very short-sighted view of what he says, and affirms for them that true life, a life that will never end, is found in him, he is the one who has come from the Father, and so is the living bread which gives life. Jesus here makes an explicit link between “belief” and “eating the bread of life”: the two lead to each other, and they both bring about that which man most desires - to live for ever. The Response to the Psalm in many ways sums this up: ‘Taste and see that the Lord is good.’

# Welcome

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We hope you have a happy and peaceful time with us here in Exeter. Please ask one of the Welcomers or contact the parish office if we can help in any way.

## Liturgy of the Word for children

During the 10.30am Mass most Sundays.

## Refreshments

Sundays after 10.30am Mass and Wednesdays after 9.30am Mass.

## Parents and Toddlers

Monday mornings 9.30–11.30am in the St Richard Reynolds Centre. All welcome especially new faces.

## Getting married?

Congratulations! Please give us six months notice if you are planning to marry in the Church.

## Sick parishioners

Please inform one of the priests or the parish office if you know someone who is in need of a visit.

## Newsletter

Deadline for newsletter items 4.00pm Wednesday. By phone or email.

## Many thanks

Sunday Collections  
29 July **£1149.64**  
5 Aug **£1038.53**

# Calendar of Events

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- Mon 13 Aug **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.00pm*
- Sat 18 Aug **Catholic Women's League monthly Mass**  
*Sacred Heart Church 10.00am*
- Sat 18 Aug **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 10.00am*
- Sun 19 Aug **Mass in the Extraordinary Form**  
*Blessed Sacrament Church 3.00pm*
- Mon 20 Aug **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.00pm*
- Thurs 23 Aug **Thursday Lunch Club**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 12.00*
- Thurs 23 Aug **Stronghold Prayer & Praise & BBQ**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.00pm*
- Mon 27 Aug **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.00pm*
- Thurs 30 Aug **CWL Celebration Mass**  
*Ugbrooke 11.00am (coach leaves at 10.10)*
- Thurs 30 Aug **1115 Youth Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 6.30pm*
- Sat 1 Sept **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 10.00am*
- Mon 3 Sept **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.00pm*
- Wed 5 Sept **EYCC**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 6.30pm*
- Thurs 6 Sept **Thursday Lunch Club**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 12.00*
- 7 – 9 Sept **Adoremus Congress – Liverpool**
- Sat 8 Sept **Baptism preparation course**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 10.30am*
- Sat 8 Sept **Syro Malabar Feast**  
*Blessed Sacrament Church 1.00pm*
- Sun 9 Sept **Volunteer Mission Appeal**  
*All Masses*
- Mon 10 Sept **Livesimply Sewing Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.00pm*
- Tues 11 Sept **Livesimply Meeting**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.30pm*
- Thurs 13 Sept **Prayer Group**  
*St Richard Reynolds Centre 7.15pm*
- Sat 15 Sept **Catholic Women's League monthly Mass**  
*Sacred Heart Church 10.00am*
- Sun 16 Sept **Mass in the Extraordinary Form**  
*Blessed Sacrament Church 3.00pm*

## **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** *Holy day of Obligation*

Wednesday 15 August. Masses will be at 9.30am at Blessed Sacrament, 10.00am at Sacred Heart, 4.00pm at the RD&E hospital chapel and 7.00pm at Sacred Heart. There will also be an Extraordinary Form Mass at Buckfast Abbey at 10.30am in the Blessed Sacrament chapel.

### **Welcome**

We welcome to Blessed Sacrament parish all who are visiting us at this time. We pray you have a good holiday/visit. We also pray that those of our community who are enjoying holidays will return refreshed and invigorated by their time away.

### **We welcome in baptism...**

Eleanor Rose Lea who will be baptised into our parish community this Sunday. We pray for her, her parents and Godparents.

### **Please pray for...**

Sam Roberts and Kirsty Jane Savill who will be married at Blessed Sacrament later this month. We wish them every blessing as they begin life as husband and wife.

### **Please pray for...**

our young people who are awaiting results of public examinations. We pray that their study will prove fruitful and allow them to make the right decisions for their lives.

### **Preparing for Baptism**

The next baptism preparation course for parents will take place in the St Richard Reynolds Centre on Saturday 8 September at 10.30 am. If you are expecting a baby or wish to have a baby baptised in the near future please contact the Parish office to book a place on the course.

### **Extraordinary Form Mass**

Sunday 19 August at Blessed Sacrament church at 3.00pm

## **Garden Fete**

### **September 22 Noon until 4.00pm**

Great News! We are having our Church Garden Fete again this year and it will take place on 22 September. Please make a note of this date in your diaries. We will be needing unwanted gifts, raffle prizes, nearly new items, bottles, cans, and donations please so if you have anything can you bring them into the church porch. This is our annual event and a time when we can all come together to help raise much needed church funds and have fun! Please call 07890 373617 if you require more details

### **STRONGHOLD**

#### **Praise and Worship & BBQ**

The Praise and Worship group will be meeting on Thursday 23 August, followed by a Bar-be-que in the garden. Why not come along and join us in praising God through Song. We are a very joyful group, seeking the Holy Spirit and his inspiration. St Richard Reynolds Centre at 7.15pm

#### **Fr John Deeny's Farewell**

As you may already know, Fr John Deeny will be leaving Sacred Heart Parish in September to take up his new duties in our neighbouring county of Cornwall. To thank him for his commitment and dedication to Sacred Heart Parish and to the Church in Exeter, you are invited to a Farewell event on Sunday 26 August, at Cardinal Newman House, Wonford Road, at 1.00 pm. This will take the form of a cheese-based buffet to suit all tastes, plus some tempting CWL desserts. All are welcome, but for catering purposes it will be helpful to know how many will be attending. Please put your name on the form in the Church porch or contact Sue Moulin - suemoulin@aol.com 01392 431687 or Dorf Ruscoe - 01404 82689 ruscoe@talktalk.net

# *livesimply*

## **Charity coffee morning and sale**

The recent sale of cakes and baby clothes raised £82.50 for Refugee Support Devon. This money will contribute directly to the charity's work with refugees and asylum-seekers in the local community. Many thanks to everyone who donated or bought clothes or purchased a slice of cake. If you would like to support the work of Refugee Support Devon, you can find out how to donate money at <http://refugesupportdevon.org.uk/donations>

## **Sewing & Knitting Group**

If you would like to meet up with other parish members and sew or knit items to raise funds for a charity sale later in the year, you are welcome to join this group at the St Richard Reynolds Centre whenever you can. The next few dates are:

Monday 13 August at 7.00pm

Saturday 18 August at 10.00am

Monday 20 August at 7.00pm

Monday 27 August at 7.00pm

## **Craft activities – help needed**

If you enjoy craft making and would like to help us make items for a fair later this year, please contact [livesimplyexeter@gmail.com](mailto:livesimplyexeter@gmail.com) or leave a note with your contact details at the parish office.

We also need donations of (odd) socks in different colours as well as craft materials (such as scissors, coloured paper etc.). You can leave them in the box at the back of the church.

## **Exeter Foodbank Collection**

During school holidays, some mothers struggle to provide enough food for their children who would normally receive subsidized school meals. Please help them if you can by donating suitable foodstuffs in the basket at the back of the church. At the moment, they are particularly short of tinned meat, jams & spreads, instant coffee

and rice pudding. Thank you for continuing to support the Exeter Foodbank with donations. Please note that in addition certain non-food items are needed as well such as toiletries and feminine hygiene products. Many thanks.

## **Livesimply Meeting**

The next *livesimply* meeting will take place on Tuesday 11 September at 7.30pm in the St Richard Reynolds Centre. Everyone is welcome to come along and share ideas.

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## **Share the Journey**

Thank you to everyone who took part in our walk to share the journey of hope with refugees and migrants. We walked 69 miles and these have now been added to the CAFOD total of 85,000 miles (nearly 4 times around the world). Thank you also if you signed a campaign card, we collected 250 signed cards. There is still time to support the campaign by signing a card available in the church porch. You can use the parish as your address if you don't want to put your own details. Please leave the signed cards in the basket in the porch and they will all be sent back to CAFOD to join with thousands of others from around the country. Look out for photos on our display in the porch, on our Face book page and in the local press.

## **Share the Journey video**

Watch the powerful video from Bishop Mark O'Toole encouraging the Catholic community and all people of goodwill to take part in Pope Francis' *Share the Journey* campaign, calling on governments to protect the human dignity of people on the move, refugees and migrants who are forced to leave their homes due to war, persecution, natural disasters and poverty: <https://cafodplymouth.wordpress.com/>

## **Travelling abroad this summer?**

Please donate your unused foreign currency to the CCSP via the orange box in the St Richard Reynolds Centre.

## Come and sing with us!

*Songs of Praise* invites you to a recording in Exeter - We would like to extend to you a warm invitation to join us at St David's Church, Exeter for a recording of worship songs and traditional hymns led by a renowned worship leader and band. The music will be filmed for BBC One's *Songs of Praise* and will be broadcast in future editions of the programme; including our episode celebrating Harvest in the Exeter area. We are especially keen for enthusiastic singers to join us, to lead the viewers at home in the singing. Recording: Thursday 6 September 6.30 – 9.30pm  
Where: St David's Church, Queen's Terrace, Exeter, EX4 4HR. *Songs of Praise* has been championing Christian music for nearly 60 years and continues to be enormously popular. For this to continue into the future we need the participation of people like yourself and so we'd be grateful if you could encourage others to take part. We will be putting together a list of those who would like to attend from the Blessed Sacrament church to book places so if you do want to go please contact Lesley in the parish office by 18 August.

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## Adoremus 2018 The Eucharistic Congress

There are a series of podcasts to help us understand further what, we as a church, are being invited to prepare for:

**Podcast 7:** "Let us adore him – Seeing afresh" - For our seventh podcast we join Father George Bowen, a school chaplain and priest at the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary – the Brompton Oratory in London <http://catholicnews.org.uk/Home/Special-Events/Adoremus-National-Eucharistic-Pilgrimage/Let-Us-Adore-Him-Adoremus-Podcasts/episode-7>

## Prayer Intentions Book

All parishioners are invited to contribute to the Adoremus Parish Prayer Intentions

Book, which is on the altar in the Martyrs chapel at the back of the church, until the Adoremus Congress on 7–9th September. It will be taken to the Congress and placed before the Lord providing one way in which we as a Parish can contribute directly. Please take up this opportunity to write down an intention to be prayed for in the book.

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## CELEBRATE 2018

### South West Celebrate Weekend 13–14 October Plymouth

A joyful and faith-filled event for young and old at Notre Dame School, Looseleigh Lane, Plymouth PL6 5HN. Main Speakers: Maria Heath, Fr. Oscar Ardila, Charles Whitehead. Separate streams for children and young people, lively worship, drama, a variety of workshops, family Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Reconciliation available. Online booking now open (Prior booking essential). More details can be found online at [www.celebrateconference.org](http://www.celebrateconference.org); by email: [southwest@celebrateconference.org](mailto:southwest@celebrateconference.org); or by telephoning: Rebecca on 01395 489902 or Susanne on 01803 606256.

Look forward to seeing you there.

## Getting Married?

The next Catholic Marriage Preparation course to be held in Exeter is on Saturday 13 October. Before that you will need to have arranged to meet with Fr Jonathan. These arrangements need to be made at least six months before your wedding date.

## Heavitree Friendly Library

Heavitree Friendly Library will be open again on Friday August 17 between 10.00am and noon in the back of the parish church in Church Street. New books each month to check out and cake and coffee for just £1. Storytime for pre-schoolers at 11.00am. Look forward to seeing you.

## **Individually Guided Retreats**

Offered by the diocesan Ignatian Spirituality group. These silent retreats range from one day, weekend, 3 or 6-day retreats and are held at Buckfast Abbey. For dates, booking information and more information please ring 01548 852670 or e-mail [mjbutler6@yahoo.com](mailto:mjbutler6@yahoo.com) or [adriantoffolo@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:adriantoffolo@yahoo.co.uk).

## **Summer Accommodation**

Allen Hall Seminary in Chelsea offers comfortable rooms in Central London in July and August. Beautiful gardens and chapel. Rooms from £50 per night (including breakfast). To book phone 020 7349 5600 (option0) or email: [allenhall@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:allenhall@rcdow.org.uk)

## **Sclerder Family Festival**

'I am because I belong'. At Sclerder Abbey Looe PL13 2JD on Saturday 18 August from 11.00am till 8.00pm see poster in the porch for details.

## **The Pope's Intention for August**

The treasure of families. That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

Pope Francis also records a video each month, related to the prayer theme, which can be viewed online at <http://apostleshipofprayer.org/the-pope-video>

## **Quiet Day at Buckfast**

The subject of the next Quiet Day is "Temptation and some suggestions as to deal with it!" Come along on Saturday 15 September 10.00am till 3.00pm in the Violet Evelyn Hall Southgate Retreat Centre, Buckfast Abbey. Group discussion and individual reflection. Mass and confessions. Booking forms are available in the porch or contact 01364 645532 or email [warden@buckfast.org.uk](mailto:warden@buckfast.org.uk) or book direct at [www.buckfast.org.uk/boxoffice](http://www.buckfast.org.uk/boxoffice)

## **1115 Youth Group**

The 1115 (11-15 year old) youth group. Next meets on Thursday 30 August 6.30pm in the St Richard Reynolds Centre. Contact Erik Renz [exeter-youth-worker@prcldr.org.uk](mailto:exeter-youth-worker@prcldr.org.uk) we look forward to meeting and engaging with you!

## **Thank you**

Dear Father Johnathon and all the church, thank you for letting us do the cake sale. We raised £61 which is going to Water Aid and Children's hospice. Love from Bonnie and Dalton

## **Prayer Book Rebellion**

Do you want to know more about the 1549 'Prayer Book Rebellion'? There are a small number of copies of Jenny Wilson's book "The Battle of Fenny Bridges - Prelude and Aftermath" for sale. She is a resident of Feniton village and wrote the book initially to try to arouse interest in the local history. From that small beginning, the book has snowballed into having a much wider effect, since it has now aroused the interest of EWTN, the American Catholic television network, and they are working from it to reproduce the Rebellion in their forthcoming film on the Reformation. Jenny is selling them at £10 each to cover the costs of production. If you would like a copy, please contact [ruthyendell@yahoo.com](mailto:ruthyendell@yahoo.com) or tel. 01392 215147.

## **Mass intentions**

If you would like a Mass said for a particular intention, for someone who is ill or a loved one who has died, in thanksgiving for an answer to prayer or perhaps something personal please see Lesley in the parish office who will be able to help you find a date and time which suits you. It is traditional to make an offering at the same time. This is simply what you can afford and would like to give.

## Heavitree Parklife Fun Day

Sunday 16 September. Annual fun day 11.30am – 5.00pm. Live music, stalls, entertainment, rides, food, drink and lots of fun! See you there! Details to follow.

## Exposition with Taizé

On the first Wednesday of each month at 7.00 pm in the Lady Chapel at the Sacred Heart Church.

## The Pope Tweets...

The Eucharist is our “reservation” for Heaven: Jesus leads us on our journey towards eternal life

## New parishioners

Are you new to Blessed Sacrament parish? If so, you are most welcome and we hope you will be very happy here. If you haven't already done so, please provide us with your contact details. Forms are available in the church porch and from the parish office (electronically) and should be returned to the office once completed. This also applies if you have been here for a while but not yet completed a form. It is good for us to know something about you and to be able to keep you updated with things happening in the parish. Thank you.

## A Day with Mary

Downside Abbey, Somerset on Saturday 25 August from 10.00am till 5.30pm. During the day there will be confessions and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Email [dwm@adaywithmary.org](mailto:dwm@adaywithmary.org)

## Exeter's Young Catholics

The next meeting of EYCC will be on Wednesday 5 September in the St Richard Reynolds Centre at 7.00pm. If you're aged 16 to 21 you are most welcome to join us.

## Fortnightly Parish News

We are now publishing the newsletter every fortnight so please take one home with you to keep up to date with all that is happening.

## Next Sunday 19 August Twentieth Sunday in ordinary time



## My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

Despite the fact that the theme of Mass today continues that of last Sunday, there is a new twist: in recent weeks we have been looking at the Bread of Life in a very figurative or spiritual way: today we come right down to (literally) fleshy realities: food and drink, flesh and blood. As we shall see, this is too much for the Jews to swallow, and they will desert Jesus after what he says today. How far we have come from a few weeks ago when the crowds flocked over the lake to find Jesus after the miracle of the feeding of the five thousand! Despite the complexity of the message, and the reaction of the crowd, there is an elegant simplicity about it all, which the first reading and the response to the psalm highlight: there we hear a simple invitation: "Come and eat, come and drink!" and "Taste and see." Ignorance and folly disappear when they are surrendered to the generosity of God, and we taste the eternal life that Jesus gives us in himself.

# Mass Times

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## Sunday 12 August

*Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9.00am

10.30am *People of the Parish*

6.00pm *Valdi Pala RIP*

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## Monday 13 August

7.30am Convent Mass

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## Tuesday 14 August

*St Maximillian Mary Kolbe*

NO Mass

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## Wednesday 15 August

*Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.*

*Holiday of Obligation*

9.30am

*Clare & Joe Leonard RIP*

10.30am Buckfast Abbey

4.00pm RD&E Hospital

7.00pm Sacred Heart

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## Thursday 16 August

9.30am

*Aleksander Szytko RIP*

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## Friday 17 August

NO Convent Mass

9.30am

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## Saturday 18 August

9.30am

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## Sunday 19 August

*Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9.00am *Eileen Wilson*

10.30am *People of the Parish*

6.00pm *Maryvonne green RIP*

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## Monday 20 August

*St Bernard*

7.30am Convent Mass

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## Tuesday 21 August

*St Pius X*

7.00pm *Souls in Purgatory*

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## Wednesday 22 August

*The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

9.30am

4.00pm RD&E Hospital

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## Thursday 23 August

9.30am *Ann Pala*

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## Friday 24 August

*St Bartholomew - Apostle*

7.30am Convent Mass

9.30am

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## Saturday 25 August

*St Clare*

9.30am *Rob Hooper RIP*

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## Sunday 26 August

*Twenty first Sunday in Ordinary Time*

9.00am *People of the Parish*

10.30am

6.00pm

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## Confessions

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Saturday 10.00am Church

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## Adoration

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Mondays 9.30am Church

There is no Adoration at the Convent during July and August.

*Please refer to the notice board on the church door for any alterations.*

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## The Word

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### Sunday 12 August

**First Reading**

1 Kings 19:4-8

*Strengthened by the food he walked until he reached the mountain of God.*

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### Psalm Response

*Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

**Second Reading**

Ephesians 4:30-5:2

*Follow Christ by loving as he loved you.*

**Gospel**

John 6:41-51

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

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### Sunday 19 August

**First Reading**

Proverbs 9:1-6

*Eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared for you.*

**Psalm Response**

*Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

**Second Reading**

Ephesians 5:15-20

*Recognise what is the will of God.*

**Gospel**

John 6:51-58

*My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.*

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### Sunday 26 August

**First Reading**

Joshua 24:1-2.15-18

*We will serve the Lord, for he is our God.*

**Psalm Response**

*Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

**Second Reading**

Ephesians 5:21-32

*This mystery has many implications for Christ and his Church.*

**Gospel**

John 6:60-69

*Whom shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life.*

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