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## ~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

**8 AUGUST 2021:**  
**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**(Year B (I); Psalter: Week 3)**

## Mass Readings

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 1 Kings 19:4-8  
Resp. Psalm: Ps. 33 (34):2-9  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Ephesians 4:30-5:2  
Gospel: John 6:41-51

Date	Details	Liturgies	Time
<b>Sunday 8 August</b>	<b>NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> (p. 897 – Year B)	<b>Live-Streamed Holy Mass</b> <b>Holy Mass</b>	<b>9.30 am</b> <b>11.00 am</b>
Monday 9 August	Feast of St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin, Martyr	<b>NO LITURGIES TODAY</b>	---
Tuesday 10 August	Feast of St. Laurence, Deacon, Martyr Mass Intention: Roslyn Grant (Health and Intentions)	<b>Evening Prayer &amp; Adoration</b> <b>Live-Streamed Holy Mass</b>	<b>6.45 pm</b> <b>7.30 pm</b>
Wednesday 11 August	St. Clare, Virgin Mass Intention: Ronald MacCormick, RIP (Anniversary Recently)	Morning Prayer & Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	8.45 am 9.30 am
Thursday 12 August	St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious Mass Intention: Private Intention	Morning Prayer & Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	8.45 am 9.30 am
Friday 13 August	Friday of Week 19 in Ordinary Time Mass Intention: Una Taylor (Health and Intentions)	Morning Prayer & Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	8.45 am 9.30 am
Saturday 14 August	St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest, Martyr Mass Intention: Canon Alistair Doyle (Recently Departed)	Morning Prayer & Adoration Live-Streamed Holy Mass	8.45 am 9.30 am
<b>Sunday 15 August</b>	<b>ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b> (p. 1174 – Year B)	<b>Live-Streamed Holy Mass</b> <b>Holy Mass</b>	<b>9.30 am</b> <b>11.00 am</b>

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Take and Eat

Sometimes we feel like Elijah in today's First Reading. We want to lie down and die, keenly aware of our failures—that we seem to be getting no better at doing what God wants of us.

We can be tempted to despair, as the prophet was on his forty-day journey in the desert. We can be tempted to “murmur” against God, as the Israelites did during their forty years in the desert (see Exodus 16:2, 7, 8; 1 Corinthians 10:10).

The Gospel today uses the same word, “murmur,” to describe the crowds, who re-enact Israel's hardheartedness in the desert.

Jesus tells them that prophecies are being fulfilled in Him, that they are being taught by God. But they can't believe it. They can only see His flesh, that He is the “son” of Joseph and Mary.

Yet if we believe, if we seek Him in our distress, He will deliver us from our fears, as we sing in today's Psalm.

At the altar in every Eucharist, the angel of the Lord, the Lord himself (see Exodus 3:1–2), touches us. He commands us to take and eat His Flesh given for the life of the world (see Matthew 26:26).

This taste of the heavenly gift (see Hebrews 6:4–5) comes to us with a renewed command—to get up and continue on the journey we began in Baptism to the mountain of God, the kingdom of heaven. He will give us the bread of life, the strength and grace we need—as He fed our spiritual ancestors in the wilderness and Elijah in the desert.

So let us stop grieving the Spirit of God, as Paul says in today's Second Reading, in another reference to Israel in the desert (see Isaiah 63:10).

Let us say to God as Elijah did, “Take my life.” Not in the sense of wanting to die but in giving ourselves as a sacrificial offering—loving Him as He has loved us, on the Cross and in the Eucharist. (Scott Hahn)

## PARISH NEWS

### Today's Liturgy (CTS New Sunday Missal): Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (p. 897)

p. 521: Introductory Rites

p. 897: Readings & Proper Prayers

p. 541: The Creed

p. 571: Preface VI: Pledge of the Eternal  
Passover

p. 603: Eucharistic Prayer II

p. 631: Communion Rite

**Remember one another** – Please try to support one another in these challenging times: a phone call to check up on elderly and vulnerable parishioners and friends; a friendly call to see if anyone needs shopping; supporting your local shops and businesses, which will be hit hard from a financial perspective. We are all in this together.

**Remember your parish** – If you would like to support the maintenance of our parish during this time of lockdown, here are some different ways that the parish can be assisted:

- **A regular Standing Order:** the account details are in the next column opposite, under 'Parish Finances'.
- **Donations in an envelope, put through the church letterbox.** During this period, and for the foreseeable future, any offerings, donations or benefactions to the parish will be paid in to our No. 1 (Running) Account.
- **A re-evaluation of your level of giving.** If every parishioner at Mass gave an extra £5 (two coffees at Costa or Starbucks..), it would make an enormous difference to the future of the parish!!
- **A Bequest,** or gift left in a will, is an increasingly popular way of remembering your parish. All bequests should be made to St. Columba's Culloden Fabric Account. All benefactors are remembered at our Masses.

Thank you for your consideration and continuing generosity and support – it is greatly appreciated.

### **Social distancing reduced to ONE METRE. This equates exactly to two seat-widths.**

This means that our maximum seating capacity at Mass is **now SEVENTY** souls. Face coverings are still mandatory, as are full sanitising protocols. Fr. Domenico will continue to offer two Masses each Sunday: at 9.30am (which will

also be live-streamed) and at 11.00am. To book a seat(s) for Mass, here are the links:

### **15 August: The Assumption, at 9.30am**

<https://mass-at-st-columbas-culloden-15-08-2021-0930am.eventbrite.co.uk>

### **15 August: The Assumption, at 11.00am**

<https://mass-at-st-columbas-culloden-15-08-2021-1100am.eventbrite.co.uk>

**Please note that seats for both Masses will be available to book online from Sunday 8 August, at 12 noon.** If you have a problem or query, please contact Fr. Domenico.

**Altar Servers:** happily, we are now permitted to have Altar Servers on the Sanctuary once again. Any child who has received First Holy Communion is encouraged to consider helping the Parish Liturgy by serving at Mass. It doesn't matter if you are a new Server, or if you are one of our 'old hands'; if you would like to assist during our Sunday Masses, just let us know. Full training will be given! Please speak to Fr. Domenico to register your interest.

**Light of the North** – the Summer edition of our popular Diocesan magazine is now available online. To access it, click on the following link: <https://bit.ly/LightofthenorthSummerIssue-47-2021>

**90 Club – Next Draw: Sunday 29 August!** – There is plenty of time to join in and try your luck! Only £2 monthly, with three prizes to be won. Please speak to Father Domenico for details.

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

**Sick:** Anna Black, Angus Johnson, Laura Johnstone, Katie Mary Fraser, Norman Wood, John Macdonald, Kathleen Macpherson, Marian Ellis, Chris Hamilton, Rina Herbison, David Munro, Ellen Williams, Rose Corbett, Calum MacIntyre

**RIP:** Canon Alistair Doyle, Patrick Macpherson, Morag Campbell

**Anniversaries:** Bill Esselmont, Virla MacLennan, Donald Joseph Peteranna, Peter Tierney, Dorothy & Donald MacDonald