#### **COMMUNION OF THE SICK**

Invitation: My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves for this celebration, let us call to mind our sins

I confess to almighty God, and to you, here present, that I have sinned through my own fault in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do; and I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, here present, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

#### Amen.

Now let us pray as Christ the Lord has taught us:

### Lord's Prayer:

#### Communion:

This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to His supper.

Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof.,

but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

The body of Christ.

#### **Prayer after Communion:**

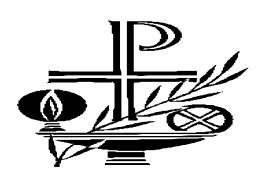
Let us pray.

Father,
may the food we receive in the
Eucharist
help our eternal redemption.
Keep within us the vigour of Your Spirit
and protect the gifts You have
given to Your Church.

We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord

#### Amen

May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen** 



## 25.07.2021 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Communion to the Sick & Housebound Elizabeth Catholic Parish



"An inclusive Eucharistic Community in the Catholic Tradition united in Jesus reaching out to

#### First Reading:

# A reading from the second book of the Kings

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the first-fruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. 'Give it to the people to eat,' Elisha said. But his servant replied, 'How

can I serve this to a hundred men?' 'Give it to the people to eat' he insisted for the Lord says this, "They will eat and have some over." He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### **Responsorial Psalm:**

# R. The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord.

and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. R.

The eyes of all creatures look to you and you give them their food in due time. You open wide your hand, grant the desires of all who live. R.

The Lord is just in all his ways and loving in all his deeds. He is close to all who call him, who call on him from their hearts. R.

### Second Reading: A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

### Gospel:

# A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee - or of Tiberias - and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover.

Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, 'Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?' He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each.' One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, 'There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?' Jesus said to them, 'Make the people sit down.' There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, 'Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted.' So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, 'This really is the prophet who is to come into the world.' Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and \make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

