



# The Wisdom Meal

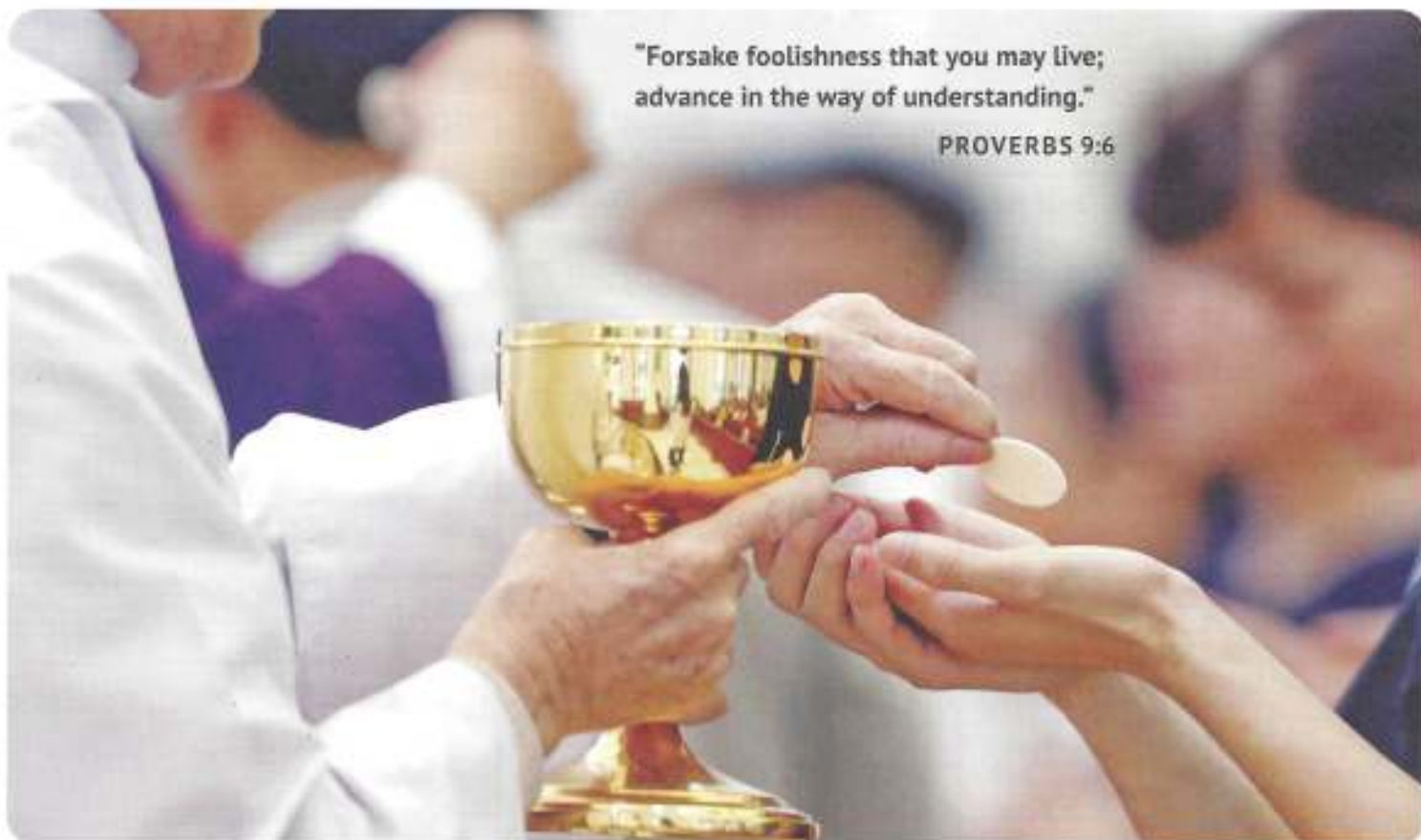
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**C**ommon sense and wisdom are two different realities, similar but not the same. Common sense can be taught, and it tends to be black and white, rather obvious. For the most part, parents teach their children common sense. *Don't run with a knife in your hands. Look both ways before you cross the street. Wash your hands before you eat.* Wisdom, on the other hand, tends to be more nuanced. It has a depth to it that cannot be taught. Rather, it is learned by experience and is more obscure than obvious. Sometimes, wisdom may not even seem to make sense. *One finds life by losing it. We find meaning not by focusing on ourselves but rather upon others and their needs. Less is more. Might does not make right.* Wisdom is the home of God.

Throughout Scripture, the virtue of wisdom is often personified as Lady Wisdom. She is thought to have been present with God even before creation and with God at creation (Proverbs 8:22-31). Wisdom has spread her table before us and invites us: "Come, eat of my food, / and drink of the wine I have mixed!... / advance in the way of understanding" (Proverbs 9:5-6). Jesus is the wisdom of God made flesh. To feast on Jesus' Body and Blood through the Eucharist is to feast on the wisdom of God. There, at his table, we begin to look at life the way God does. ●

## Reflect

**When faced with difficulties, do you stop and pray for wisdom—to see as God sees?**



"Forsake foolishness that you may live;  
advance in the way of understanding."

PROVERBS 9:6



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**2024-2025 CCD**

*As we are getting ready for the 2024-2025 CCD year, we are still in need of 2 teachers. Anyone who cares about the future of our Catholic children, and would like to help make a difference, please let the office know.*

**Daily Mass Intentions for the Week of August 19, 2024**

Monday	8/19			+ No Mass
Tuesday	8/20	9:00 am	STM	+ Purgatory Souls
Wednesday	8/21	5:30 pm	HT	+ Ivan & Gladys Hassler
Thursday	8/22	9:00 am	HT	+ Herman & Mary Hahn
Friday	8/23	9:00 am	STM	+ Josie Weberski

**Mass Intentions for the weekend of August 24 - 25, 2024**

Saturday	8/24	4:00 pm	St Thomas More	+ Steve Brust
Sunday	8/25	8:30 am	Holy Trinity	+ For the Parishioners
		10:30 am	St Patrick	+ Dorothy Pierard

# The Queenship of Mary

Feast Day: August 22nd

For centuries Mary has been invoked as the Queen of Heaven; in the fifth glorious mystery of the rosary we contemplate the crowning of Mary, in the Litany of Loreto she is implored as Queen of Angels, of Patriarchs, of Prophets, of Apostles, of Martyrs, of Confessors, of Virgins, of all the Saints and of Families. Three of the Marian antiphons invoke Mary by the title "Queen": the Salve Regina, the Regina Coeli, and the Ave Maria Coelorum. Finally in "Lumen Gentium", a dogmatic constitution on the Church promulgated by Pope St. Paul VI, Chapter 59 we read as follows: "The Immaculate Virgin was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen of the universe, that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son."

While we are still "pilgrim souls" we can only imagine the beauty of this Celestial Creature, because the enchantment of the sky, of the sun and of all the creation, they can't compare, they remain behind before the Sovereign Queen, because she was created by God with highest wisdom, with unreachable power, with inexhaustible love, but someday we will see her as she really is, we will know our true genealogy, we will realize that we belong to a "royal" family, we have a Father, the King of the universe, along with a Mother, the Queen of Heaven and Earth, the Queen of the universe, the Queen of a kingdom that "ab origine" belonged to us, but then we lost it and Mary wants to give it again to us.

During the Annunciation, the word "Fiat" spoken by Mary made her take possession of all of the divine properties, as much as it is possible and imaginable for the creature. Everything was hers – Heaven, earth, and even God Himself, whose very will she possessed. The Most High God put in her hands the destiny of mankind, He gave to her the mandate and made her peacemaker between Heaven and earth."

The feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary invoked by the title "Queen" is set eight days after the Solemnity of the Assumption to emphasize the close link between Mary's royal nature and her glorification in body and soul beside her Son. *(Excerpted from Luisa Piccarreta)*



## 2023-2024 ADA Campaign Closing

As the 2023-2024 ADA is coming to an end, we would like to encourage people who are able to give more please consider doing so. As of right now our churches shortfall are as follows: Holy Trinity \$7145.00; St. Patrick \$6,705.00; St. Thomas More \$6,082.00. May God's abundant blessings be upon those who have contributed to this year's ADA.

## Streamspot Termination

In our previous announcement, we have informed our members that due to technical problems, and exorbitant expenses to get them fixed, we have decided not to continue this service effective September 1, 2024. The office has received several suggestions on how to continue the service free of charge. We will keep you informed when we know more.

### LATEST OFFERING'S AUGUST 11TH WEEKEND

HT – \$961.00  
SP – \$678.00  
STM – \$861.00

### Back to School Prayers

-  Pray for all of the students 
-  Pray for all of the teachers 
-  Pray for the staff and volunteers 
-  Pray for all of the parents 
-  Pray for your local schools 
-  Pray for safe travels to & from school 

### CONFESSIONS

CONFESSIONS WILL BE  
SAT. AUGUST 24TH  
10:30 AM - 11:15 AM AT  
ST. PATRICK  
IN THE CHAPEL

# Dear Padre,

*Are naked statues, like Michelangelo's David, really appropriate for public viewing?*

It is helpful to consider if the artwork depicts the body to heighten transcendence, or to objectify the body to satisfy basic instincts. Art is admittedly subjective, and the interpretation of nudity in true art is in the eye of the beholder. Nudity can evoke feelings of shame for some; for others, the nude body in art can be an aesthetic experience of illuminated grace in humanity, and ultimately in the glory of our Maker for all his gifts—including the gift of Christ's resurrection that restored us to the original image and likeness intended by our Creator.

Since ancient times, the nude human form was a common subject in art. The intention is to draw the viewer to a better appreciation of the human body's natural beauty. However, nudity is often associated with sexuality, and for some, sexuality is equated with sin.

In his series of addresses about the theology of the body, St. John Paul II expounded on original nakedness that was referred to in Scripture: "Man tries to cover the real origin of fear with the shame of his own nakedness" (Genesis 3:10). "In the state of original innocence nakedness did not express a lack. Rather, it represented full acceptance of the body..." (*Real Significance of Original Nakedness*, 1980).

So to answer the question, assuming the purpose of the artist is to inspire, and the atmosphere in which the statue is viewed is conducive to such inspiration, yes, such a public display is appropriate. ●

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
August 19	August 20	August 21	August 22	August 23	August 24	August 25
Weekday	St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church	St. Pius X, Pope	Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Weekday	St. Bartholomew, Apostle	Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ez 24:15-23 Mt 19:16-22	Ez 28:1-10 Mt 19:23-30	Ez 34:1-11 Mt 20:1-16	Ez 36:23-28 Mt 22:1-14	Ez 37:1-14 Mt 22:34-40	Rv 21:9b-14 Jn 1:45-51	Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32 Jn 6:60-69



## A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

*Around the altar we find what spiritually feeds us and quenches our thirst today and for eternity.... The Eucharist shapes us so that we live not only for ourselves but for the Lord and for our brothers and sisters. Life's happiness and eternity depend on our ability to render fruitful the evangelical love we receive in the Eucharist.*

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