

## SEEING YOUR LIFE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE GOSPELS John 6:51-58

1. Jesus tells us that to have life we need more than physical nourishment. How have you been aware of deeper hungers? What has met that deeper longing in you?

2. Jesus tells us that it is not just something he gives us which will give us life, but himself in his life, death and resurrection. How has your faith in the person of Jesus fed you?

3. Jesus speaks about 'drawing life' from him. In day to day living what are the practices which support your faith and help you to draw life from Jesus?

4. The Eucharist is one of the ways in which we draw life from Jesus. Recall with gratitude how the Eucharist has been a source of nourishment and life for you.

5. Perhaps you can also think of human examples of people drawing life from one another. From whom have you drawn life? Who has been able to draw life from you? John Byrne osa

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### MUSINGS

'I would like to ask you all a question today. But each of you keep it in your heart and take it home. You can regard it as a kind of 'homework'.

Only you must answer. How are things when it comes to joy at home? Is there joy in your family?

'Dear families, you know very well that the true joy which we experience in the family is not superficial; it does not come from material objects, from the fact that everything seems to be going well ... True joy comes from a profound harmony between persons, something which we all feel in our hearts and which makes us experience the beauty of togetherness, of mutual support along life's journey. But the basis of this feeling of deep joy is the presence of God, the presence of God in the family and his love, which is welcoming, merciful, and respectful towards all. And above all, a love which is patient: patience is a virtue of God and he teaches us how to cultivate it in family life, how to be patient, and lovingly so, with each other. To be patient among ourselves. A patient love. God alone knows how to create harmony from differences. But if God's love is lacking, the family loses its harmony, self-centredness prevails and joy fades. But the family which experiences the joy of faith communicates it naturally. That family is the salt of the earth and the light of the world, it is the leaven of society as a whole. 'Dear families, always live in faith and simplicity, like the Holy Family of Nazareth! The joy and peace of the Lord be always with you!'

Pope Francis, homily at Mass in St Peter's Square, 27 October 2013

## Dioceses of Limerick – Street Party to Welcome Pope Francis to Ireland and launch World Meeting of Families. –

Tuesday 21 August St John's Square Limerick 3.30 to 6.30pm, followed by 7pm Mass at St John's Cathedral. All welcome, food, facepainting, music. More information [facebook.com/WMoF2018Limerick](https://facebook.com/WMoF2018Limerick)

### OFFICIAL PRAYER OF THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES:

God, our Father,  
We are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son,  
One family, in the Spirit of your love.  
Bless us with the joy of love.  
Make us patient and kind,  
gentle and generous,  
welcoming to those in need.  
Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.  
Protect all families with your loving care,  
Increase our faith,  
Strengthen our hope,  
Keep us safe in your love,  
Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.

This we ask, through Christ our Lord, **Amen**

### Feast days this Week

Sat 18<sup>th</sup> St Helena  
Mon 20<sup>th</sup> St Bernard of Clairvaux  
Tues 21<sup>st</sup> St Pius X  
Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Queenship of Mary  
Thur 23<sup>rd</sup> St Rose of Lima  
Fri 24<sup>th</sup> St Bartholomew  
Sat 25<sup>th</sup> St Louis of France and St Joseph Calasanz, Patron of Catholic schools

### MILFORD CARE CENTRE HARVEST FAIR

The annual Milford Hospice Harvest Fair is scheduled for Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> September at the University of Limerick. For further details, please contact the Fundraising Office on 061 485859/485860

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### MASS TIMES: Weekends:

Saturday Vigil 18:00

Sunday 10:00; 11:30

### Weekdays:

Mon. to Fri. 10:00

Saturday 09:45

BAPTISMS: Saturday 17:00

Sunday 12:15

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 18 <sup>th</sup>	18.00	Neil Murphy (A) Monica Lyons (M.M) Bill Norton (A)
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 11.30	Jim & Rose Hurley (A) Eileen Quill (A)
Mon 20 <sup>st</sup>	10.00	Florence O'Carroll (A) Mella Hurley (A)
Tue 21 <sup>st</sup>	10:00	Special intention
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10:00	Jerome Murray (A)
Thur 23 <sup>rd</sup>	10:00	
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>	10.00	Margerite Gleeson (A) Bill Norton (A)
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup>	09.45 18.00	Jack Healy (M.M) Jim & Lilly Daly (A) Gerald Goodwin (A) Patricia Tarpey (A) Gabrielle Lyons (A)
Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>	10.00 11.30	Nancy McElligott (A) Jean Guerin (A) Michael Brosnan (A)

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