## Sermon Summary 13<sup>th</sup> after Pentecost 26<sup>th</sup> August 2012

- The end of John 6 finishes with a section about the difficulty of faith.
- Many reject Jesus' teaching about himself and his gift of himself in bread and wine.
- It is a passage which is written as much for John's readers as anyone else.
- Implicitly the passage tells them: you are here, and you believe. Well done, you have done a hard, but right thing.
- A recurring theme in the gospel is that the belief of those who were not eyewitnesses is in no way inferior to the belief of those who lived with Jesus.
- The gospel is meant to encourage everyone who perseveres in their faith that they too have done the right thing.
- The scripture is directed as much to us as the first generations of the church.
- Today, our Lord tells us that we too have done the right thing and encourages to persevere in our faith and belief.

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