

#### August 13, 2017

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# **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### A Sabbath Thought

Self-sufficiency can be an enemy of faith. When we are strong, we can stand alone - or so we think. But, in weakness, we discover God, the God who patiently waits for our cries of help, our prayers for mercy.

# About Today's Bible Readings

1 KINGS 19:9, 11-13

The prophet Elijah, pursued by his enemies, meets the Lord who reveals his true power.

# Responsorial Psalm: 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14

R. Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

#### **ROMANS 9:1-5**

The apostle Paul testifies to the depths of his feelings about the place of the chosen people in God's plan of salvation.

#### **MATTHEW 14:22-33**

Peter discovers that faith is necessary in order to do what Jesus does.

# ENTRANCE RITE: Psalms 69:2, 3b; Psalms 42:8

- V. Save me, God, for the waters have reached my neck. I have gone down to the watery depths; the flood overwhelms me.
- R. Here deep calls to deep in the roar of Your torrents. All Your waves and breakers sweep over me.
- V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
- R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

#### THE GOSPEL: Matthew 14:22-33

After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray.

When it was evening he was there alone.

Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore,

was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it.

During the fourth watch of the night,

he came toward them walking on the sea.

When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified.

"It is a ghost," they said, and they cried out in fear.

At once Jesus spoke to them, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter said to him in reply,

"Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come."

Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus.

But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter.

and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?"

After they got into the boat, the wind died down.

Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying,

"Truly, you are the Son of God."

### This is the Gospel of the Lord!

# **Worship Services**

TODAY – August 13<sup>th</sup>
19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00 AM – Holy Mass

SUNDAY – August 20<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00 AM – Holy Mass

#### In Memoriam - Stella Surma

I am sadden to inform you of the passing to Life Eternal of our sister Stella Surma. She passed late Wednesday evening. A Mass of Christian burial will be celebrated here, at The Church of Our Saviour, on Monday morning at 10:30 AM with prayers at Winowicz Funeral Home preceding at 10:00 AM. Internment will take place immediately afterwards at the Parish Cemetery. I hope that as many of you as possible will attend to pay our respects and to pray for the repose of her soul.

#### Special Committee Meeting

A special meeting of the Parish Committee will be held in the Fellowship Hall after Mass today. Several important topics will be discussed and I hope that all committee members will be in attendance.

# Champlain College

I will be departing after Mass on August 20th to travel with my family to Champlain College in Burlington, Vermont to help get my daughter, Danielle, settled in to begin her freshman year at college. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers as she starts her educational journey. I will return Tuesday to attend the Clergy Retreat.

## Central Diocese Clergy Conference and Retreat

I will be attending the Central Diocese Clergy Conference and Retreat held at the Villa of Our Lady in Mt. Pocono, PA from Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> until Thursday August 24<sup>th</sup>. During that time, should an emergency arise, I can be reached by calling the Retreat Center at 570-839-7217 and leaving a message stating that it is an urgent matter. Please pray for all of the clergy of the Central Diocese as we join together in prayerful reflection to strengthen and increase our faith and devotion to God's Holy people.

#### **INTENTIONS:**

My Brothers and Sisters: Our prayers are needed: For the increase in men called to the priesthood and diaconate of the Polish National Catholic Church; For the health and growth of our Parish; For all of the sick and homebound members of our Parish; For the health and wellbeing of Jules Nagy, Bob Rush, Bill Rush, Howard Friedman, Bernice Muha, Stanley Sostak, Rose Kubik, Janet Caruso, Nunzie Sospetti, Robert Paterson, Michael Havrilla, Patricia Havrilla, Gerry Brunson, Frank Fisher, Shellie Fisher, Anthony Tonzini, Carol Parker, Gregg Smith, Clint Koch, Sally Urban, Duane Schulte, Ruth and Michael Pivovarnick, Bernice Biroscak, Patrick Toner, Frank Gonzales, Gary Graham, Jackie Bayak, Berne Bloom, Joan Mainzer, Bob Agans, Victor McAlanis, Tom Goff, Macy Coram, June Didun and Stefan Revesz. For the repose of the soul of Stella Surma.

Our Father...

# Today's Hymns

The Hymns listed below can be found in the Blue Hymnal Books in the pews.

<u>Please, join with the Choir in making a joyous noise unto the Lord!</u>

Silence is much worse than singing off key!

# **Processional Hymn**

#1 - Hymn Of Faith

# **Hymn to the Holy Spirit**

#144 - Come, Thou Creator

# **Offertory Hymn**

#114 – Forty Days And Forty Nights

# **Communion Hymn**

#263 - Mother Most Gracious

# **Recessional Hymn**

#26 - Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence