


St. William

August 8, 2020

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 8th 6:00 pm
People of the Parish

Saturday, August 15th 6:00 pm
+Anna and Bruce Routh by Elaine Fasbender



Weekly Contributions
August 1, 2020

Adult Envelopes.....	\$ 390.00
Loose.....	\$ 100.00
Online Giving.....	\$ 10.00

Thank you to all of our parishioners who have continued to support our parish either online or by mail.

JIM KORDUS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



Sponsored by Holy Assumption & St. William Family Council #7106

Criteria:
High School Graduate.
Active, confirmed member of Holy Assumption or St. William Church.

Applications are available on our website at <https://superiorcatholics.org>, from any Knights of Columbus Member, or by calling the office at 715- 394-7919.


Deadline for applying is August 15, 2020

Pray for Their Health and Welfare

Krista Hudacek Lambert	Mary Kuntz
Julia Dalbec	Patricia Lindquist
Fr. Ron Olson	Erma Harty
Judy Ross	Wendy Johnson
Bill Ross	Carolyn Ward
Francis Hall	Jon Bristol
Maryann Grymala	Carl Schulz

Pray for Those in the Armed Forces

Nathaniel Grymala	Joe Austin
Nathan Blair	Brandon Anderson

Mass intentions are available for anyone who would like to remember a loved one who has passed, the health and welfare of someone in need, or your own private special intention. Please call the office at 715-394-7919 or place an envelope in the collection basket with your intention included. Mass intentions are \$10



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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?" - Mt 14:30-31

Reminder: Please make sure that you fill out your parish census form either by going to www.superiorcatholics.org and clicking on "Our Parishes" then "Become a Member" and following the instructions, or by filling out and mailing in the form that was recently sent. If you did not receive a form and would like one, please call the office at 715-394-7919.

PARISH CENSUS

As we transition back to in person Masses, all hymnals and worship aids have been removed from the church. For those who would like to follow along with the worship aid, you can find it in the myParish app. You are encouraged to use your smartphone or tablet during Mass if you would like to follow along.

WEEKLY MEDITATION

This Gospel story (Matthew 14:22-33) follows immediately after the reading from last week. Here's a quick recap:

- * Jesus hears of the death of John the Baptist
- * Jesus seeks solitude in a deserted place
- * The crowds find Jesus; he ministers to them
- * Jesus feeds the hungry with fishes & bread

After the people have eaten, the Lord makes the disciples get into a boat while he dismisses the crowd. The following events occur:

1. The disciples are in the boat on the water
2. Jesus goes up the mountain to pray alone
3. The wind and the waves are getting strong
4. Late at night Jesus comes on the water
5. Seeing Jesus, the disciples are terrified
6. Jesus, "Take courage, it is I, do not be afraid!"
7. Peter to Jesus "Command me to come to you."
8. Peter goes to Jesus, is frightened and sinks
9. Jesus rescues Peter "Why did you doubt?"
10. The disciples: "Truly you are the Son of God!"

Note that **Matthew's Gospel differs from Mark's account (6:45-52) in three ways:**

1. The dialogue between Jesus and Peter
2. Peter walking (sort of) on the water
3. Confession of faith - Jesus the Son of God

The story speaks of Peter's desire to follow Jesus, even as it clearly shows his human weakness. Peter tries, fails, and calls upon Jesus to save him in his need. As a result, the disciples recognize the Son of God in their midst.

The early Church took this passage to heart. Like the boat tossed on the waters, early Christians knew all too well the dangers of faith - risking their lives to follow Jesus. **Like Peter, they had their moments of weakness; like Peter, they called upon the Lord in their need.**

We can see ourselves in this situation as well. There are times when we desperately want a strong and steadfast faith; we seek the Lord and desire to follow His path for our lives. Yet we are also aware of our limitations, failures, and fears. **May we, like Peter, call upon Jesus in our need; may we trust in the Lord's strength and love to save us.**

Fr. Andrew



Trust in
Him Fully

Question for Children: What does God's voice sound like when you pray and listen to Jesus?

Question for Youth: In today's Gospel, Peter began to walk on the water when he was focused on Jesus. He began to sink when he got distracted by the storm. What is your life like when you are focused on Jesus and your relationship with God? How is it different when you get caught up in other things?

Question for Adults: Tell about your experiences of hearing God speak in "tiny voices" rather than in the winds and earthquakes of life.



Readings for the week of August 9, 2020

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Rom 9:1-5
Mt 14:22-33
Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/Jn 12:24-26
Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 [103a]
Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [4b]/Mt 18:15-20
Thursday: Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62 [cf. 7b]/Mt 18:21—19:1
Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [1c]/
Mt 19:3-12
Saturday: *Vigil:* 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]
1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28. *Day:* Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a,
10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
Next Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32
Mt 15:21-28

PART-TIME JOB OPENING

The Cathedral parish is hiring a part-time position for bookkeeping and data entry. The person must possess competent computer skills. Organizational skills and ability to learn new computer programs is essential. The schedule is flexible.

Cover Letter should be addressed to Fr. Andrew at the Cathedral parish office (1410 Baxter Avenue) before August 14th.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

We Are Grateful for Your Generosity

We continue to be grateful for the generosity of so many who continue to support those in need through the donation of volunteer time and through financial donations. These gifts have allowed us to continue to serve those in need throughout this pandemic. We continue to be unable to accept your donations of goods at this time. Continue to pray for those who we serve, especially that people are able to find permanent housing as we enter into the fall. If you or someone you know is in need please leave a message at 715-398-4039.



YOUTH GROUP

YOUTH GROUP ALERT

How time has flown by and how our activities have been missed! I'd like to direct our Superior Catholic Youth Group members to the NEW Facebook page! Links include the virtual EFC retreat that was held in June, as well as discussion topics. Please join us! Comment, like, and share our link to regroup our Parishes.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/352853059023076/?ref=bookmarks>

Anyone interested in an upcoming NET Ministries retreat on September 19th? The True Grit (Authentic Masculinity) and Dignified (Authentic Femininity) is being held here within our Cluster. Please let Virginia Kovaleski know if you'd like to attend at vrkovy@gmail.com or 952.300.1671.

And of course, September means Cheese Balls are coming! Look for additional information in the coming bulletins.

The 2020-2021 calendar is being planned - please feel free to forward any suggestions to Virginia for events or activities!

OTHER INFORMATION

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

The Life in the Spirit Seminar is designed as an introduction or a renewal to a life lived in the power of the Holy Spirit. It provides an opportunity for people to find out more about that life, and to help you in taking the steps of a new relationship with the Lord. The Seminar is structured to offer help in finding a fuller release of the Holy Spirit to live a deeper Christian life.

There will be 6 sessions that will be held at 6:30 pm on Monday August 17th, 24th, & 31st, Tuesday, September 8th (Monday, Sept. 7th is Labor Day), Monday September 14th & 21st.

The sessions will be held at Cathedral of Christ the King in Kress Hall. We will be asking for a \$5 per person cover charge for the use of the video's and materials.

To register please call the Cathedral Parish Office 715-392-8511.

We urge you to use our parish cluster resources for your spiritual enrichment:

- Our website for weekly bulletins and undated information: superiorcatholics.org
- Use the myParish app (instructions to download below)
- Online at Formed.org (instructions to download below)
- Facebook pages: Cathedral of Christ the King, Cathedral School, St. Anthony-Superior, Holy Assumption, St. Anthony-Lake Nebagamon, St. William
- Fr. Andrew's daily homilies and presentations: studyprayserve.com
- And for those of you who do not use online resources: read your Bible, pray the Rosary, use the devotionals that were mailed to your home, or read any of the books handed out at Christmas and Easter
- During this time I will be offering a Mass that will be livestreamed on Facebook Tuesday through Friday, at 8:30am and Sundays at 7:30am. It will be shared on all of our parish FB pages, and you will be able to view it any time after 9am.
- **Directions for downloading myParish app on a phone or tablet:**
 - 1. Search myParish on the Google Play or the App Store
 - 2. Download the app
 - 3. Enter 54880 as the ZIP Code
 - 4. Allow all notifications
- **Directions for Formed.org**
 - 1. Go to <https://formed.org/>
 - 2. Click Sign Up
 - 3. Click I Belong to a Parish or Organization
 - 4. Enter 54880
 - 5. Click on Cathedral of Christ the King



CATHEDRAL SCHOOL NEWS

Cathedral Preschool registration is open for the 2020-2021 school year. Cathedral Preschool offers a 3 year old and a 4 year old program. Cathedral School is also a site for Superior Community Preschool. For more information about any of our preschool programs please contact Kristen Revering at 715-392-2976.



Who Are the People of God?

This is still an unresolved theological issue. For so long the resolute answer of many was: the Roman Catholic Church is the people of God. However, the Second Vatican Council’s Decree on Ecumenism (*Unitatis Redintegratio*) opened the Church’s understanding to include all Christian denominations, paraphrasing Ephesians 4:4–5: “There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one Baptism” (*UR* 2). The council went even further in the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church (*Lumen Gentium*), “calling together a people made up of Jew and Gentile, making them one, not according to the flesh but in the Spirit. This was to be the new People of God” (*LG* 9).

To be united with Protestants is one thing; to be united with Jews is quite another. For centuries, many interpreted the New Testament to say that the Jews lost favor with God. Such thinking supported—even caused—various forms of anti-Semitism, ethnic and religious persecution, and killings. We realized how wrong this thinking was. Vatican II quotes

today’s second reading and later states: “This sacred synod wants to foster and recommend...mutual understanding and respect which is the fruit, above all, of biblical and theological studies as well as of fraternal dialogues” (Declaration on the Relationship of the Church to Non-Christian Religions [*Nostra Aetate*], 4).

We may have corrected some grievous errors in this matter, but we have not gotten much further than Paul did in resolving the issue. However, he experienced “great sorrow and constant anguish in my heart” (Romans 9:2) because of the separation. Do we?

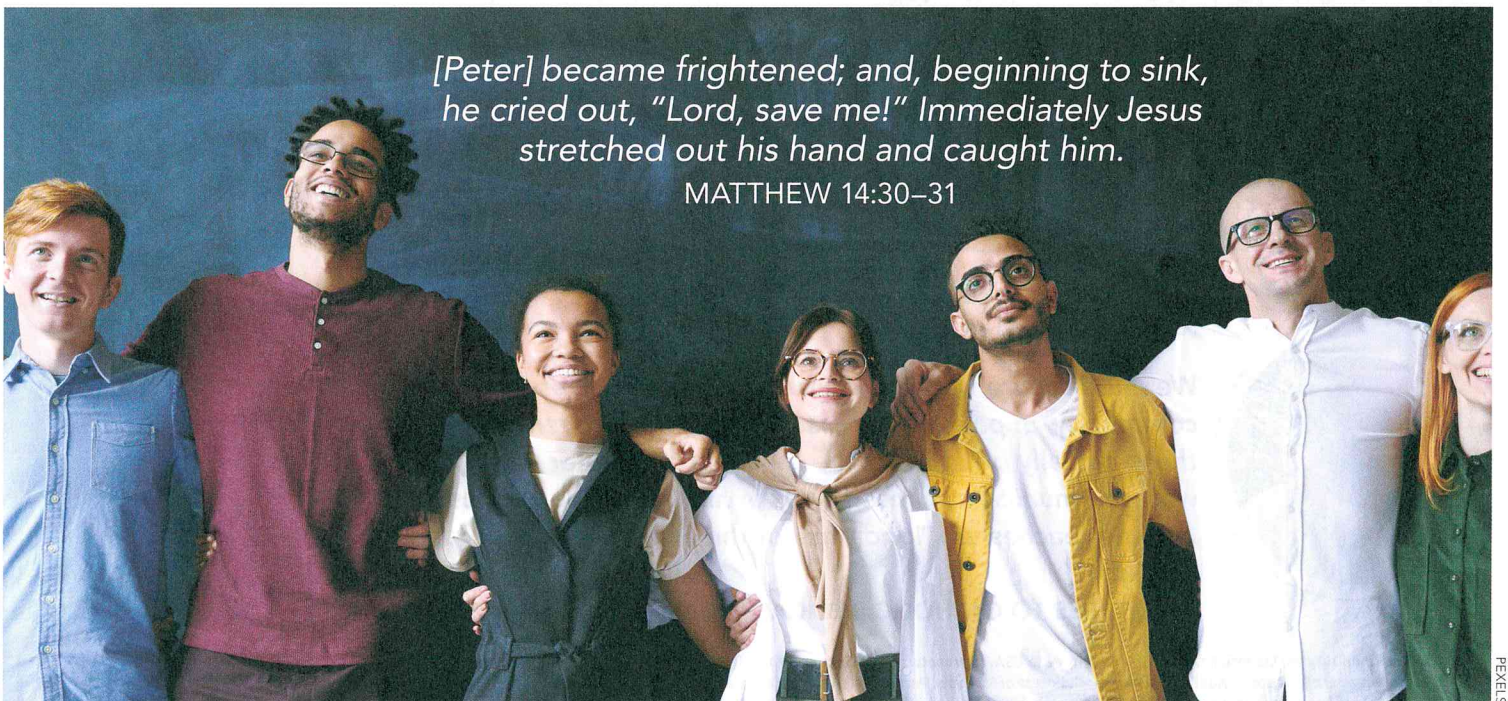
—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ★ *The original followers of Jesus were simply different kinds of Jews.*
- ★ *Much of our Christian religious tradition is grounded in the Old Testament.*

[Peter] became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught him.

MATTHEW 14:30–31



Dear Padre,

The Bible is critical to our Christian lives, but why is it so hard to understand?

The Bible is a unique piece of literature—perhaps the most distinctive in the world. In fact, it is not just one publication. The word *Bible* derives from a word meaning “library.” The Bible is a library of books—seventy-two books, to be exact—dating from antiquity, written and edited by authors known and unknown. It contains, as any library would, a vast array of literary forms and expressions. It covers more than 3,000 years of history. Reading and understanding the Bible, and living up to its precepts, is indeed a formidable task and will take us all a lifetime to do.

The first key to the Bible is noting that this isn’t just the work of human authors; it is the word of God. We acknowledge the human element of the Bible, the authors’ lived experience, the historical circumstances that form the background of the revelation. But we believe unequivocally that the truth and meaning of the Bible is the inspiration of God. The Catholic view is that God was able to reveal truth through the work of sacred writers.

The Scriptures are layered accounts. They begin with historical facts, followed by years of oral tradition, and ending with the author’s final version.

The best way to familiarize yourself with Scripture is to find a good Bible-study program or group. This will acquaint you with the history of Israel, the times and culture in which the Bible was written, and its rich variety of literary forms. Enjoy your biblical journey.

—Fr. Joseph Morin, CSsR
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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

We must ensure that in the usual activities of every Christian community, in parishes, in associations, and movements, there actually be at heart the personal encounter with Christ who communicates himself to us in his word, because, as St. Jerome teaches us, “ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ.”

—ADDRESS TO CATHOLIC BIBLICAL FEDERATION, JUNE 19, 2015

Calendar

Monday

AUGUST 10

St. Lawrence,
Deacon and Martyr

2 Cor 9:6–10

Jn 12:24–26

Tuesday

AUGUST 11

St. Clare, Virgin

Ez 2:8—3:4

Mt 18:1–5, 10, 12–14

Wednesday

AUGUST 12

Weekday

Ez 9:1–7; 10:18–22

Mt 18:15–20

Thursday

AUGUST 13

Weekday

Ez 12:1–12

Mt 18:21—19:1

Friday

AUGUST 14

St. Maximilian Kolbe,
Priest and Martyr

Ez 16:1–15, 60, 63

or 16:59–63

Mt 19:3–12

Saturday

AUGUST 15

The Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 11:19a;

12:1–6a, 10ab

1 Cor 15:20–27

Lk 1:39–56

Sunday

AUGUST 16

Twentieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Is 56:1, 6–7

Rom 11:13–15, 29–32

Mt 15:21–28