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**19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 9, 2020**

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Parish Schedule	
Mon, Aug 10 St. Lawrence Mass Intention: <i>Maximus Hangad</i>	<p>Parish Office Open 8:30AM - 4:30PM Mon - Fri</p> <p>Closed for lunch 12-1PM</p> <p>Due to COVID-19 protocols, please call the office 604.574.4363 before visiting.</p> <hr/> <p>Please sign the attendance sheet when coming for weekday Mass.</p> <p>A binder containing the attendance sheets will be in the vestibule.</p> <p>CONFESSIONS 8:45-8:55 AM Monday to Saturday 9:30-10 AM & 4:00-4:30 PM Saturdays 8:30-8:55AM & 9:30-10:00AM Sundays Saturday 4:30 PM Mass continues to be LIVE STREAMED (If technical difficulties occur @ 4:30 Mass, 9AM will be streamed instead)</p>
Tues, Aug 11 St. Clare Mass Intention: <i>Bosco Toa</i>	
Wed, Aug 12 St. Jane Frances de Chantal Mass Intention: <i>Andre & Deanna Silva</i>	
Thur, Aug 13 Sts. Pontian & Hippolytus Mass Intention: <i>All Souls †</i>	
Fri, Aug 14 St. Maximilian Kolbe Mass Intention: <i>Cheryl MacDonald †</i>	
Sat, Aug 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 9 AM Mass Intention: <i>Alex Prowse †</i> 2:00PM De Guzman/Lehwald Nuptial Mass 4:30 PM Mass Intention: <i>Otto, Darryl & Ashley †</i>	
Sun, Aug 16 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9 AM Mass Intention: <i>Precious Blood Parishioners</i> 11 AM Mass Intention: <i>Rosa Martin †</i>	

CATHOLIC SERVICES

- CATHOLIC CEMETERIES** • 604.531.2141
- COURAGE** (Apostolate for individuals with same sex attraction) • courage@rcav.org
- DOMESTIC ABUSE HELP LINE** • 604.640.7546
- ENCOURAGE** (Apostolate for family & friends of loved ones with same sex attraction) • encourage@rcav.org
- EUTHANASIA PREVENTION COALITION HELPLINE** • 1.855.675.8749 • www.epcc.ca
- NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES**
Billings Method: David/Keely Wray • 604.574.2256
Creighton Method: www.fertilitycarevancouver.ca
- PRO-LIFE/CRISIS PREGNANCY** • 1.877.889.6626
- RETROUVAILLE** (For troubled marriages) • www.retrouvaille.vancouver.com
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STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

“He said, “Come.” Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus” (Matt 14:29)

When you hear Jesus calling, do you respond immediately and trust that He knows what He’s doing? If so, you are walking on water! When we say ‘yes’ to Jesus, we feel the power of His presence in our lives. We can feel the freedom it gives us! Listen to how Jesus is calling you to live the extraordinary life He has intended for you.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR: sick & shut in; Norman Jansen, Debbie Davis, Mary Deguara, David Thiele, Leandro Rodino Jr., Delorus Lee, Aurora Pereira, Dawn Epaarachchi, Gracie Formby, Jim O'Brien, Velma Cronin, Silvia Gallagher, Helen Gaska, Bernadette Leclair, Mabel O'Donnell, Dario Dira, Carol Armstrong, Rejeanne Lajoie, George Blakey, Lily Gallant, Lucy Gallant, Carol LeBlanc, Corry Van Den Brand, Roy Gregory, Jenna Faykosh, Ed & Eleanor Carrol, Ed Cosico & all sick & shut in of our parish & all in need of our prayers. May our Lord sustain, comfort & heal them through faith.

**THERE IS NO NEED FOR THEM TO GO
GIVE THEM SOMETHING TO EAT YOURSELVES**



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This Gospel narrative contains rich symbolism and makes us reflect on our faith, both as individuals and as an ecclesial community, also the faith of all of us who are here today in the Square. Does the community, this ecclesial community, have faith? How is the faith in each of us, and the faith of our community? The boat is the life of each one of us, but it is also the life of the Church. The wind against it represents difficulties and trials. Peter's invocation – Lord, if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' – and his cry – “Lord, save me!” – are very similar to our desire to feel the Lord's closeness, but also the fear and anguish that accompany the most difficult moments of our life and of our communities, marked by internal fragility and external difficulties.

At that moment, Jesus' word of reassurance, which was like an outstretched rope to cling to in the face of the hostile and turbulent waters, was not enough for Peter. This is what can happen to us as well. When one does not cling to the Word of the Lord to feel secure, but consults horoscopes and fortune tellers, one begins to sink. This means that the faith is not very strong. Today's Gospel reminds us that faith in the Lord and in his Word does not open a way for us where everything is easy and calm; it does not rescue us from life's storms. Faith gives us the assurance of a Presence, the presence of Jesus who encourages us to overcome the existential tempests, the certainty of a hand that grabs hold of us so as to help us face the difficulties, pointing the way for us even when it is dark. Faith, in short, is not an escape route from life's problems, but it sustains the journey and gives it meaning.

This episode offers a wonderful image of the reality of the Church throughout the ages: a boat that, as she makes the crossing, must also weather contrary winds and storms which threaten to capsize her. What saves her are not the courage and qualities of her men: the guarantee against shipwreck is faith in Christ and in his Word. This is the guarantee: faith in Jesus and in his Word. We are safe on this boat, despite our wretchedness and weaknesses, especially when we are kneeling and worshipping the Lord, like the disciples who, in the end, fell down before him, saying, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.' How beautiful it is to say this to Jesus: 'Truly, you are the Son of God.' Shall we say it together, all of us? 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

May the Virgin Mary help us to remain steadfast in the faith, to resist life's tempests, to remain on the barque of the Church by shunning the temptation to embark on the seductive but insecure boats of ideologies, fashions and slogans.

(2017) <https://www.thepopespeaks.com/popes-previous-homilies-for-19th-sunday-of-the-year/>




SLOTS FOR PRESCHOOL CLASSES STILL AVAILABLE

for 2020-2021 School year

3-Year Old program available Tuesday & Thursday, 8:45 am - 11:45 am

4-Year Old program available

Monday/Friday, 12:30 pm - 3:00 pm & Wednesday, 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm

FOR A TOUR OR TO REGISTER:

Email: cmackay@weesaintspreschool.ca or pbparish@telus.net

Visit weesaintspreschool.ca for more information

Artemio Abrogena, Sue Broerken, Roy MacLeod, Christopher Lasell, Norah Aucoin, Norma MacInnes, Margaret Mccreadie, Andrea Haley, Brenda Curran, Fran & Maureen, Gary Hopper, Mary Hollman, Catharina Noble, Lori Beaulieu Smith, Angela Todo, Anna-Lisa Bailey, Rosa Santos, Susan Harasyn McEvoy, Maximiliano O'Brien, Ney Antonio Villegas, Katherine, Berna Bradley, Polly Voon, Xenia Mallari, Carolyn, Peter Taillon, Ana Defrias, Richard Jones, Barbara Taylor, Stan Begley, Ed & Eleanor Carrol, Ed Cosico & all sick & shut in of our parish & all in need of our prayers. May our Lord sustain, comfort & heal them through faith.



Congratulations to the Newly Baptized

Dominic Sawchuck, Ziram Jeff Amada, Oden Clinton Edward Fontaine, Eric & Carmen Chan, Aimee Zou, Matteo De Guzman, Eliza Rose Tongos Viernes.

Married at Precious Blood (January to July 2020)

Marie Irene Roy & Brandon Burian, Kathleen Judith Marie Berg & Paul Edward Fontaine, Sarah Melo Costa & Michael Jonathan Shaw.



We Remember those who have gone before... (Funerals celebrated at Precious Blood)

Cynthia Apacible, Sean Joseph Keiger, Marie-Eliese Byrka, Miu Ying Ng, Kwong Ming Lee, Pen Yun Ivy Chen, Ana Rosario Dominguez Peña, Mary Kennedy



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Anyone who is interested to learn about our Catholic faith or any baptized Catholic seeking the sacrament of Confirmation is encouraged to contact the Parish Office. RCIA program will begin in September.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SHOPPING CARD PROGRAM

Still available during COVID-19
Call **Earl-604.576.6306**/email: ecoatta@telus.net
Pick up at Earl's house or at the parish office during business hours.

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\$27,180 raised for our Building Fund so far!

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250-754-3254



CELEBRATION OF SPIRIT, Tues, Aug 18, 10am-2pm @ the front lawn of Bethlehem Centre. Retreat led by Anne Simms. \$30 includes guided meditation, discussion-telling our stories, poetry, music & dancing. Bring your sunglasses, a hat & something to drink. Register online <https://bethlehemcentre.com/> or, for more information, call 1.877.889.0517.

Archdiocese of Vancouver Events

Behold

The new Catholic community for Vancouver

A place to ask questions, connect with others and discover more of God. An initiative by the Archdiocese of Vancouver. Register for the following online events beholdvancouver.org/events

Journey 101 Online Zoom Course, every Tues from Jul 28-Sep 1, 6-8 pm. This course helps people identify aspects of their lives that interfere in their relationships with God and others. Spend time in worship, teachings, personal stories and confidential small groups for honest sharing and prayer.

The Marriage Course, 7-course webinar every Thurs from Aug 13-Sep 24, 7:30-9 pm. Discover how to love each other better and grow & thrive as a couple to build a more joyful family.

Employment Opportunities with the Archdiocese for more details, visit <https://rcav.org/about/employment>

- Cook, Corpus Christi Parish (Part-time)
- Guest Attendant, Men's Hostel (Casual, PT)
- Guest Attendant Shift Supervisor, Men's Hostel
- Volunteer Opportunities, Archdiocese of Vancouver seeking Administrative Support, Program Support & Events Support.



Kid's Korner



Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side. When evening came, he was there alone but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land for the wind was against them. Early in the morning, Jesus came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" They cried out in fear. Immediately, Jesus spoke to them saying, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." Jesus said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water and came toward Jesus. When he noticed the strong wind he became frightened, began to sink & cried out, "Lord save me!" Jesus reached out and caught him saying, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" The wind ceased and those in the boat worshipped him saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."
(Matt 14.23-33)

Have Faith! Trace the dotted line to follow the way their boat was blown by the strong wind.

The disciples sailed off across the Sea of Galilee

The wind was strong and the disciples felt afraid. They were amazed to see Jesus coming towards them across the water.

Circle the picture that shows how Jesus crossed the water.

Start Matt 14:22

One of the disciples went out to meet Jesus. He grew afraid and began to sink beneath the waves!

Find the letters P-E-T-E-R hidden in the picture.

Colour the letters below in bright colours.

JESUS THE IS SON OF GOD

Jesus saved Peter from drowning and the disciples were amazed by everything they had seen.