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AUGUST 1, 2020—EARLY AUGUST

### Upcoming Feast Days

#### **Transfiguration of the Lord**

Thursday, August 6

Mass — 9:00 AM

#### **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Patronal Feast Day—Diocese of Greensburg

Saturday, August 15

Mass — 10:00 AM



### Transfiguration and Assumption—Promises of What is to Come

In the month of August, we celebrate two major feast days—the Transfiguration of the Lord and the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Both of these feasts cultivate the virtue of *hope*, the assurance of things not yet seen concerning the future hope for us as the adopted sons and daughters of God.

The first event, the Transfiguration (Mt. 17:1-8, Mk 9:2-8; Lk 9:28-36), takes place during the Lord’s earthly ministry. In the midst of His teaching about discipleship, Jesus invites the Apostles to “step away” to the mountaintop. It is a moment of *showing* Peter, James, and John who He is, instead of merely *telling* them. In that moment, Jesus is changed—He becomes luminous and His clothing bright white and Moses and Elijah appear at His sides.

Peter, James, and John now *see* Jesus in the fullness of His glory as the fulfillment of the Law (represented by Moses) and the Prophets (represented by Elijah). They *hear* the voice of the Father speaking out “This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Listen to Him.” But they still fail to *understand*—Peter suggests making three tents for Jesus, Moses, and Elijah as a way to mark. He wants to stay there, high on the mountaintop. This desire has some merit, because Peter wants to show honor to Jesus, whose humanity now shows forth the fullness of His divinity, and to the two great prophets of the Old Testament as Jesus’ supporters. Yet they still must return down the mountain, back into the fray of Jesus’ ministry—back to teaching, healing, and ultimately toward the suffering of the Cross.

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Images: *The Transfiguration* (detail), 1516-20, Raphael; Pinacoteca Vaticana, Vatican City.  
*The Assumption of the Virgin*, 1600-01, Annibale Carracci; Cerasi Chapel, Santa Maria del Popolo, Rome. (both images Public Domain)



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The privileged vision of the three Apostles was something to sustain them through what would become the most troubling moments of their time thus far as disciples of Jesus—the time of His Passion and Death. When they saw Him glorified after the Resurrection, they marveled because they recognized Him; they had already seen Him in this way on the day that He was transfigured, but now the glory was permanent, and not merely a glimpse.



This experience also sustained them long afterwards, and was the reason that they needed to come down from the mountaintop—they needed to pass through the Cross, and would have many opportunities to do so as they labored to spread the Gospel and grow the early Church. We see this in the above image, a different depiction of the Transfiguration (from the Church of Sant’Apollinare in Classe, Italy). Here, the face of Jesus can be seen very small in the midst of a decorated Cross, and a truth is shown to us as disciples: **there can be no resurrection and no glory without passing through the Cross.** This was the point Jesus was showing them—when we read the account in Matthew’s Gospel, He had just finished prophesying that He must suffer and die and was met with protest from the Apostles.

Perhaps no disciple understood this better than the

Blessed Virgin Mary. Every joy that came with the life of Jesus was partnered with suffering: Jesus’ birth heralded a new age of salvation, but took place in a humble stable and necessitated a flight to Egypt to keep Him safe. Beginning His ministry meant leaving Mary behind, something foretold by His being lost in the Temple. Jesus’ victory on the Cross saw Mary as a powerless bystander, her own heart pierced. Even His Resurrection and Ascension saw her left behind again, in the care of St. John. Mary’s life was one imbued with the reality of the Cross despite her own perfect innocence—and so it was fitting that she would be the first to receive the fruits of Jesus’ suffering. Upon falling asleep at the end of her earthly life, she was assumed body and soul into Heaven.

These two events placed together left an indelible impression on the Apostles as they spread the Gospel. They *knew* that what they spoke was not only true, but that the reward that was promised waited for them, because *they had seen it*. Decades later, Peter points back to the Transfiguration as the way of knowing Jesus’ coming power because “We had been eyewitnesses of His glory” (2 Pt. 1:16). They knew that the Resurrection was true, and that our promised resurrection would come because they had seen Mary receive the gift first.

What do we take from this? When we encounter the Cross, we can rejoice knowing that we too will receive glory by passing through it. When we encounter suffering, we might ponder the question of St. Paul: “What will separate us from the love of Christ? Will anguish, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or the sword?” (Rom. 8:35). These two events, testified to thoroughly by the Apostles and the Church throughout the ages allows us to share in the same conclusion that St. Paul did; “No, in all these things we conquer overwhelmingly through him who loved us” (Rom. 8:37). These sufferings can’t separate us from Christ—instead they drive us closer to Him, because we can embrace the very Cross that our humanity wants to flee, and in doing so, we become sharers in His glory.

**New Mailed Bulletin Format**



Bulletins will now arrive twice a month, with all the important information, more devotional content, and fewer repeated announcements.

For more current information, please check our website [www.goodshepherdkent.org](http://www.goodshepherdkent.org) or our **new Parish Facebook Page @GoodShepherdKent**. Live-streamed Masses will also continue on Fr. Matthew’s Facebook Page and YouTube Channel.

**With our Prayers and Sympathy...**



Please remember in your prayers the departed souls of **Brendan Johnson** and **Thomas Olesewzki**, both buried from Church of the Good Shepherd. We extend our condolences and prayerful support to their families and loved ones.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in peace.*

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### From Fr. Matthew's Desk

What are those Prayers After Daily Mass?—If you have attended a Daily Mass (or watched one online) since the pandemic precautions began in March, you have noticed that I lead a series of prayers after Mass. The first one is Bishop Malesic's "Prayer in Response to the Coronavirus Outbreak and All Illnesses". The remainder are what are sometimes called the "Leonine Prayers" that were prayed after Low Mass prior to Vatican II (and are still prayed after celebrations of the Traditional Latin Mass). These prayers began in 1859, with Pope Bl. Pius IX asking all churches in the Papal States to pray three Hail Marys and the *Hail, Holy Queen* after each Mass in response to attacks on the Pope's temporal sovereignty. Between 1884-86, Pope Leo XIII added two prayers, including the prayer to St. Michael. Pope St. Pius X added the invocation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In 1929, after the Vatican City State was formally recognized, Pope Pius XI asked that these prayers be prayed for the Conversion of Russia.

In this time we are faced with challenges from every side that afflict our bodies and souls: diseases that have led to restrictions on the celebration of Mass and the Sacraments, civic unrest that has seen the damage to or destruction of Catholic churches among much other destruction, and fear that separates us from God and from one another. When the COVID-19 restrictions began, I found them to be timely; we again found ourselves in need of freedom for the Church and freedom from spiritual ills, so I began praying them after my private Masses. Since these are *optional* devotional prayers, please do not feel obligated to stay to pray them after the Final Blessing at Mass if you want or need to leave.

In this bulletin, I am including a copy of Bishop Malesic's prayer with the Leonine prayers on the back. Please feel free to pray along with these prayers after Mass, while you watch the live-stream of Mass, or as part of your ongoing prayer for the good of the Church.

TOP Student Initiative makes Catholic Schools available to more students—On July 1, Bishop Malesic announced that a benefactor has provided a large monetary gift to the Diocese to give more students the ability to attend our Catholic Schools. Details for that program were included in a previous bulletin, but I am including them again on the reverse of this page.

If Catholic Schools seemed to be financially out-of-reach for your family or another family in geographical bounds of the Diocese, this program may make the difference. It is available to Catholic and non-Catholic students, including those already attending Catholic Schools. **It is not too late to consider applying, but the deadline is coming soon.** If you are interested, please visit [CatholicSchoolsGuide.org](http://CatholicSchoolsGuide.org) for details or call the Parish Office.



### Bishop Malesic is Moving—What Comes Next?

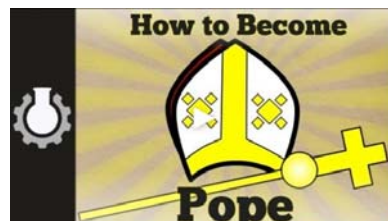
Last week's bulletin discussed some of the details of what will happen in our Diocese once Bishop Malesic is installed as Bishop of Cleveland. This week, we consider the question of how we get a new bishop.

The beginning of the process is one that is ongoing. The bishops of the dioceses overseen by the Archbishop of Philadelphia (the entirety of Pennsylvania) periodically update a list of potential candidates to become a bishop in an open diocese—this includes priests from the vacant diocese or another diocese who meet the requirements (at least 35, a priest for 5 years, and who have earned an advanced degree in theology or canon law), bishops currently serving as auxiliary bishops, and even bishops serving as the diocesan bishop in other dioceses. This list is given to the Apostolic Nuncio in Washington, DC. The Nuncio is like a "super diplomat" for the Vatican—interacting with both civil leaders in the nation as well as bishops in the dioceses of the USA). Individual bishops can submit other names to the Nuncio for consideration as well.

The Nuncio then researches and vets candidates on the list and proposes several names to the Congregation for Bishops in the Vatican. The members of that office do further research on each candidate and present a recommendation to the Pope. The Pope then considers the recommendation, and if he agrees, he names the new bishop. Sometimes this process takes place several times before the Pope agrees with the recommendation. The name is communicated back to the Nuncio, who in turn makes the (sometimes infamous) phone call to the candidate—where he asked if he accepts the Holy Father's nomination. In most cases, the candidate's answer is a humble "Yes."

As you can imagine, this process *takes time*, because it is filled with prudent and prayerful discernment. It is not uncommon for a diocese to be waiting several months or even a year for a new bishop to be named. Once the bishop is named, he has either 2 months (if he is already a bishop) or 4 months (if he is not yet a bishop) to make the arrangements to be ordained and/or installed as the new bishop of the Diocese. Let us continue to pray for Bishop Malesic, Abp. Pierre (the Apostolic Nuncio), Pope Francis, all others who have a hand in this decision, and most importantly, our yet-unknown future Bishop.

Educational YouTuber CGP Grey describes the process of selecting a bishop in his video "How to Become Pope." It can be found at [https://youtu.be/kF8I\\_r9XT7A](https://youtu.be/kF8I_r9XT7A) or by using a smartphone to scan the QR code below:



# Church of the Good Shepherd Parish

## Prayer Chain—August 2020

To have anyone added/removed from the prayer chain, please call our Parish Office (724.479.3881). We depend on you to keep our Prayer Chain list up to date and to ensure that we pray in thanksgiving for those healed, and for the repose of the souls of the deceased.

### Please pray for the wholeness and healing of:

#### *In Critical Need:*

**Gary Beech**; Nick Bobbinets; Roger Ditmore; Barb Eubanks; Tom Fabin; Annette Fancella; Ruthie Henigin; Greyson Kellar; John Leger; Carson Mack; **Barb Marker**; Donna Merlo; James Midock; Chris Nemchik; Jody Pollack-Strickland; John Popp; Jim Racchini, Jr.; Tammy Rairie; Barb Staff; John Silvis; Janeen Tackage; Wilma Thomas; **Zavier Weaver**; Connie Zagurskie; Jim Zagurskie.

#### *Ongoing Prayer:*

Pete Adkins; Babe Anderson; Patricia Bash; Sandy Becker; Michael & Maggie Bertolino; Barb Black; Len Black; Bertha Bodnar; Brayden Bookner; Louann Boozer; Esther Bonnoni; Julia Buggey; Rob Chabot; Tony Caviggia; Garnet Citeroni; Jane Chronowski; Will Clabaugh; Andrew Cribbs; Kevin Cribbs; Joe Cunningham; Daniel Davis; Ray & Janet Dobrosky; Kim Donahue; Michelle Donahue; J. L. Doyle; Jeff Doyle; Sandy Frederick; Judy Gaborko; Marlene Galore; Greg Gordish; Paul Gould; Joyce Gragan; Larry Gregg; Scott Gross; Donald Hill; Mary Lee Hill; Minnie Jose; Jessica Kantz; Erlene Kardos; Tom Keeler; Crystal Kellar; Alfred Kolakowski; Tammy Kolesar; Faith Kosmack; Gordon Kuehn, Jr.; Rita L.; Fr. Willie Lechnar; Pamela Letera; Paulette Longmire; Jessa Lux; Martha Lux; Edna Martinelli; Michael Matty; Angie Maudie; **Audrey Maudie**; Maryanne McConnell; Paula Montez; Kathy Montrose; Eric Morgan; Gary Morgan; Leigha Morgan; Daniel Mouser; Jenn Myers; Laurie Nixon; Carla Noel; Denise Parrato; Flora Pezzi; **Carol Pike**; Ethan Piper; Mary Popp; Steve Prebish; **Evo Prenni**; **Kim Pushnok**; Barb Rayko; Maggie Reeger; Robert Romance; Roni Rosenberry; Christopher Sheering; Kathleen Sinclair; Tony Sottile, Jr.; Robert Spence; Joe Staff; Tony Staff; Alex Toldi; Carter Wentz; Ashley Weston; Wanda Weston; Kathy White; Locklan Whited; Darlene Woodrow; Dory Yatzkanic; Tammy Zaffuto; Jamison Zayac; Janet Zayac; Lisa Zayac; Shauna Zayac; Cathie Zona; Garnet Zuchelli; Katrina Zuchelli; Renee Zuchelli; Zachary Zuchelli.



#### *In Gratitude for Improvement:* **Rich Verub**

#### Please Pray for the Repose of the Souls of:

<b>Jan Woodard</b>	<b>+3 June 2020</b>
<b>Brendan Johnson</b>	<b>+2 July 2020</b>
<b>Thomas Olesewzki</b>	<b>+21 July 2020</b>

**Special Intention:** Please pray for all affected in any way by the Coronavirus: the sick, those who have died, and those whose lives have been seriously affected.

*If you know of someone who has recovered from his / her illness, or has passed away, please contact the Parish Office so their name can be removed from the list.*

**WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE—AUGUST 1-17**

*Public Masses have resumed; Please follow all guidelines if you choose to attend.*

*Masses will continue to be livestreamed at the published times.*

<p align="center"><b><u>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u></b> <i>Is 55:1-3; Ps 145; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21</i></p> <p><b>Saturday, August 1</b> 4:30 PM Deceased of Konkol &amp; Ziegmond Families by Aleta Konkol</p> <p><b>Sunday, August 2</b> 9:30 AM All the People of Good Shepherd Parish</p>
<p><b>Monday, August 3, Weekday</b> <i>Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119; Mt 14:22-36</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Virginia Bernard by James Bernard &amp; Family 4:30-6 PM Adoration and Holy Hour (with Reconciliation Available)</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, August 4, Saint John Vianney, Priest</b> <i>Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14</i></p> <p>9:00 AM John S. Kubala by James &amp; Ann Zuchelli</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, August 5, The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major</b> <i>Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Jennie L. Noga by Jeanne Noga</p>
<p><b>Thursday, August 6, The Transfiguration of the Lord</b> <i>Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Deceased Members of Prymak Family by Patty Egrý</p>
<p><b>Friday, August 7, Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint Cajetan, Priest</b> <i>Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35, k36, 39, 41; Mt 16:24-28</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Samuel J. Fedoruk by Bob &amp; Dory Yatzkanic</p>
<p><b>Saturday, August 8, Saint Dominic, Priest</b> <i>Hb 1:12—2:4; Ps 9; Mt 17:14-20</i></p> <p>3-4 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation</p>
<p align="center"><b><u>Nineteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time</u></b> <i>1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 85; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33</i></p> <p>4:30 PM All the People of Good Shepherd Parish</p> <p><b>Sunday, August 9</b> 9:30 AM Michael &amp; Sylvia Rayko by Barbara &amp; Norb Rayko</p>

<p><b>Monday, August 10, Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr</b> <i>2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112; Jn 12:24-26</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Ed Setlock by David and Lori Cook 4:30-6 PM Adoration and Holy Hour (with Reconciliation Available)</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, August 11, Saint Claire, Virgin</b> <i>Ez 2:8—3:4; Ps 119; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Rose Rotosky by Paul Romanchick</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, August 12, St. Frances de Chantal, Religious</b> <i>Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Ps 113; Mt 18:15-20</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Mixie Chronowski &amp; Ed Chronowski, Jr. by Jane Chronowski</p>
<p><b>Thursday, August 13. Saints Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs</b> <i>Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78; Mt 18:21—19:1</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Julia Werner by Johnny &amp; Anna Bodnar</p>
<p><b>Friday, August 14, St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr</b> <i>Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Is 12:2-6; Mt 19:3-12</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Smarsh &amp; McCrystal Families by James &amp; Veronica Smarsh</p>
<p><b>Saturday, August 15, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> <i>Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28; Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6, 10; Ps 45; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56</i></p> <p>10:00 AM Caressa &amp; Abrianna Kovalcik by Carol Pike &amp; Family 3:30 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation</p>
<p align="center"><b><u>Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u></b> <i>Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28</i></p> <p>4:30 PM Deceased of Janetka Family by Aleta Konkol</p> <p><b>Sunday, August 16</b> 9:30 AM All the People of Good Shepherd Parish</p>
<p><b>Monday, August 17, Weekday</b> <i>Jer 28:1-17; Ps. 119; Mt 14:22-26</i></p> <p>9:00 AM Michael &amp; Anna Romanchick by Son, Paul 4:30-6 PM Adoration and Holy Hour (with Reconciliation Available)</p>

**Candle Memorials**

**August 2-8**

The Good Shepherd Garden Candle is lit in memory of **John Druzgal** by Family  
The Blessed Mother Candle is lit in memory of **Anna Batistig** by Children & Grandchildren.

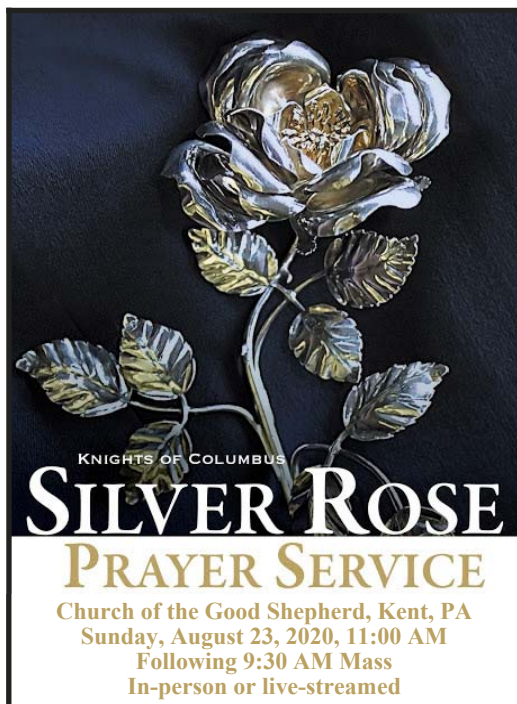


**August 9-16**

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<b>OUR PARISH STEWARDSHIP</b> <i>Weekend of July 25-26, 2020</i>	
Weekly:	\$ 1,200.00
Monthly:	\$ 602.00
Loose:	\$ 24.00
Children:	\$ 5.00
Votive Candles:	\$ 35.00
For Improvements to Our Parish:	\$ 2,275.00
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$ 4,141.00</b>
Needed Weekly to Meet Budget:	\$ 4,571.00
Variance Over or (Under):	( \$ 430.00)
<b>Fiscal Year-to-Date:</b>	
Collected:	\$ 14,682.00
Needed to Meet Budget:	\$ 18,284.00
Variance Over or (Under):	( \$ 3,602)

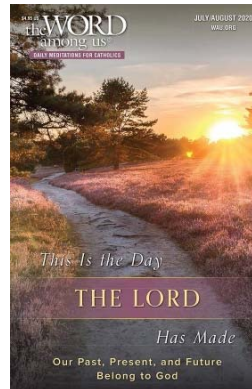
**Save the Date: Silver Rose Prayer Service August 23**



From March through December, eight silver roses are shepherded by members of the Knights of Columbus along various routes that extend from Canada to Mexico. These roses, symbolic of those picked by St. Juan Diego at the request of Mary, Our Lady of Guadalupe, are a call for each of us to think “One Rose, One Life” and to remember the dignity of each and every human life.

One of these roses will travel through the Diocese of Greensburg, and the Knights of Columbus have asked Church of the Good Shepherd to host the devotion and share it via live-stream to everyone in the Diocese of Greensburg. Mark your calendars to pray with us on Sunday, August 23 at 11:00 AM. Join us in person or via the live-stream on Facebook or YouTube.

**The Word Among Us Booklets**



Copies of *The Word Among Us* are available each month in the Church Narthex. These contain the daily readings, prayers for Mass, and other devotions. Donations defray parish costs.

If you would like a copy mailed or dropped off to your home, please contact the Parish Office. We would be happy to do what we can to help put these resources into your hands.

**St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store, 4<sup>th</sup> St., Indiana**



**The St Vincent DePaul Thrift Store has reopened** with limited hours: **Monday through Saturday, 10AM to 2PM.** Updated donor guidelines may be shared in the future.

**You will need to wear a mask in the store,** and if you do not have one, we have them available. We will be sanitizing carts for your safety. We are excited to once again open and see all of our customers. The store is stocked and ready to go.

**Donation Guidelines for St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store**  
**Indiana, PA**

1. Donations only during store hours:  
**10:00AM –2:00PM** Monday thru Saturday
2. Do not leave donations before or after these hours.
3. **Clothing and shoe donations must be bagged.**
4. No clothing on hangers.
5. **Housewares/small appliances must be in closed boxes** except for large items (e.g., golf clubs, large artwork).
6. Use **rear of store** for donating items...ring bell. Manager/volunteer will respond.
7. **No donations accepted at main entrance of store.**
8. **Please wear a mask** when dropping off donations.

**If you need ASSISTANCE** through SVdP, please call **724.471.2210** and leave a message. A volunteer will return your call and make arrangements for an interview.

**SVdP helps many in our community, but now they are asking for YOUR help: Since the store is still closed, SVdP cannot generate funds through shopping purchases. If you would be able to make a donation, no matter how large or small, it would be appreciated.** Please consider taking this opportunity to help your Indiana County neighbors by sending a check to:

**Society of St. Vincent DePaul**  
**410 North 4th St.**  
**Indiana, PA 15701**



## 18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



He said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied. - Mt 14:19c-20

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## 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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. - Mt 14:28-29

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