Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

13th August 2023

Today the Gospel passage (Mt 14:22-33) describes the episode about Jesus who, after praying all night on the shore of the Lake of Galilee, makes his way towards his disciples' boat, walking on the water. The boat is in the middle of the lake, halted by a strong wind blowing against it. When they see Jesus come walking on the water, the disciples mistake him for a ghost and they are afraid. But he reassures them: "Take heart, it is I; have no fear!" (v. 27).

Peter, with his characteristic impetuousness, says to him: "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water"; And Jesus calls him: "Come!" (vv. 28-29). Peter gets out of the boat and begins to walk on the water towards Jesus; but because of the wind, he is afraid and begins to sink. So he cries out: "Lord, save me!" And Jesus reaches out his hand and catches him (vv. 30-31).

This Gospel narrative contains rich symbolism and makes us reflect on our <u>faith</u>, both as individuals and as an ecclesial community, also the faith of all of us who are here today. 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, bid me come to you!" — 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 <u>difficult moments</u> 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. We are safe on this boat, despite our wretchedness and weaknesses, especially when we are kneeling and worshiping the Lord, like the disciples who, in the end, fell down before him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God!" (v. 33). 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!". (Pope Francis' Homilies)

12/13 Aug: National Vocations Awareness Week and Appeal

Over these last two weekends the Church in Australia celebrates National Vocations Awareness Week. In the first week, we acknowledged the unique call or vocation that God has for each of us through our Baptisms. During this week, we acknowledged the unique calls to the Consecrated Life of Sisters and Brothers, to the Diaconate and to the Priesthood.

There is a leaving collection at all Masses this weekend for the support of all studying for the Priesthood in our Archdiocese. We currently have two young men in seminaries studying for the Priesthood: Josh McDermid in Melbourne and Godwin Jaipragash in Brisbane. Please remember them in your prayers, and also those preparing for the Diaconate and all studying in the Ministry Formation Program. Your support to those who are called to a service of religious life is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity.

17 Aug: Funeral Mass of Fr Peter Dunn

The Funeral Mass for Fr Peter Dunn will be celebrated at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral on **Thursday, 17 August 2023** at **12.00pm**. The Committal Service will follow at Centennial Park Cemetery (Catholic K), 760 Goodwood Road, Pasadena. For those who knew Fr Peter, you are welcome to attend the Funeral.

Note: there is **no** parking available.

17 Aug: 12.10pm Mass is Cancelled

Please note that the 12.10pm Mass in St. Francis Xavier's Cathedral on Thursday, 17 August stands cancelled on the day due to the Funeral Service of Fr. Peter Dunn.

1 Sep: Memorial Mass of Fr. Noel Molloy

The Memorial Mass of Fr. Noel Molloy will be celebrated at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral on **Friday**, **1 September 2023** at **9.30am**. For those who knew Fr Noel Molloy you are welcome to attend the Memorial Mass.

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Regular Mass Timings

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OUR REGULAR TIMINGS

St Francis Xavier Cathedral, Adelaide

Sunday Masses

Sat : 6pm(Vigil) **Sun**: 7am, 9am, 11am, 2.30pm (African), 6pm

Weekday Masses

Mon - Fri: 8am, 12.10pm & 5.45pm

Sat: 8am, 11.30am

Confessions

Mon, Wed, Fri: 11-12 noon, 5-5.30pm **Sat**: 12 noon-1pm, 4.30-5.30pm

Holy Hour Tues: 6.30pm, Fri: 11am

<u>Public Holidays*</u> 8am Mass ONLY at the Cathedral *Except 26 January and 25 April - Mass at 9am ONLY at the Cathedral

St Mary's, Lower North Adelaide

Tues and Fri: 8am Sun: 9.30am

Our Lady Queen of Angels, Thebarton Sat: Confessions: 5.45pm | Vigil: 6pm

Sun: 9.30am

St John Vianney, Burnside

Tues and Thu: Mass: 9am | Confessions (Thu): 9.30am

Sun: 9am

St Peter Claver, Dulwich

Wed: 9am, Fri: 11am Confessions: 11.30am Sat: Confessions: 5.30pm | Vigil: 6pm

Sun: 11am

Holy Name, Stepney

Sun: 11am

St. Patrick, Grote Street, Adelaide

Sun: 10.30am (Croatian)

4.00pm (Portuguese) ONLY 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday

Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Kangaroo Island

Sun: Confessions: 9:00 am | Mass: 9.30 am

Please contact the Parish Office for Baptism & Wedding bookings.

WORSHIP

Entrance Antiphon: Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend the cries of those who seek you.

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:9, 11-13.

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! I hope in the Lord, I

trust in his word. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33.

Universal Prayer Response: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon: O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who

gives you your fill of finest wheat.

Next Week: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 56:1,6-7

Second Reading: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

Liturgies & Activities (14th– 20th Aug)

Mon St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe.

Tue The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Wed St. Stephen of Hungary.

Sat St. John Eudes.

Sun Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Prayer Requests for the Deceased

Recently Deceased: Fr Peter Dunn, Fr Noel Molloy, Angela Merlino, Mary Condon, Eleanor Raftery

Deceased Anniversaries:

Cathedral: Noel Peiris, Matthew Plant, Jesus Sale Snr

Queen of Angels: Antonio Rosario, Caterina Ielasi, Saverio and Anna Sergi, Carime Taveran, Antonio and Caterina Veneziano, Antonio Veneziano and Jim Giovinazzo.

St. Mary's:

Holy Name: Eola Vagnoni

St. John Vianney/ St. Peter Claver: John Andrews, Ivy Elcombe, Binnie family (Peter, Rona & Eileen) Edna Glynn, Maureen Hill, Fran & Elizabeth Storno and Rosemary Shepherd.

Prayers Requests for the Sick

June Cochrane, Anton Sylvester, Antonio Romeo, Smith family, Msgr. Robert Egar, Angelina Musico, Charles Dias, Diana, Klevis Gjeluci, Emily Swan, Julie Nelson, David Clayton, Mary Walsh, Vilma D'Cruz, Ingrid Rebmann, Joshua Jose, Jithin Jamon, Madison Musico, William Shemmeld, Denis Cranswick and Shaun & Joseph Coleiro.

12 Aug: Silent Retreat Day

The World Community for Christian Meditation South Australia invites you to its Silent Retreat Day: 'Conversation and Prayer with Gerard Manley Hopkins SJ' on 12 August from 11am – 4pm. Sr. Cynthia Griffin, a Sister of Mercy and a great friend of WCCM South Australia will lead our day exploring Hopkins poetry, spirituality and sense of the sacred. Location: St Ignatius Church Hall, 137 William Street, Norwood. Please bring your own lunch (not for sharing) & your own cup. Tea and coffee supplied. You are encouraged to google "G M Hopkins SJ poet" to introduce yourself to the man and his poetry. Contact: chr.med.southaust@gmail.com for more information.

13 Aug: Imagining a Safer World

Churches Together SA invites you to a forum on "The New Cold War and militarisation in our region" on **Sunday 13 August, 2-4pm.** How do we 'love our neighbours' in a Defence State? Where does our faith guide us in 'imagining a safer world'? How do we act and live as Christian peacemakers? What really makes us safe? With Peter Prove, Director of International Affairs at World Council of Churches, Geneva; Allan Behm, Director of International Affairs and Security at the Australia Institute, Canberra; and Senator Barbara Pocock AM, SA Greens Senator. Prospect Road Uniting Church 174 Prospect Road, Prospect. Cost \$15, afternoon tea provided. Book at https://shorturl.at/fhtRU. All are welcome. Prior booking is necessary.

15 Aug: Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

There will be feast day Mass celebrated at the Cathedral at 8am, 12.10pm and 5.45pm. All are invited to attend.

20 Aug: Understanding the Voice to Parliament

Understanding the Voice to Parliament" is a talk being organised by Churches Together SA, with Noel Pearson and Rev Tim Costello as guest speakers on Sunday 20 August 5pm-6.30pm, Pilgrim Uniting Church, Adelaide. All are welcome to attend.

24 Aug: Knitting at Dulwich Hall

The Dulwich Knitting Group will meet on Thursday, 24 August in the Hall at Stuart Road, Dulwich, diagonally across the road from St Peter Claver's Church. Come at any time from 10.30 am. All parishioners and friends are welcome. Those who attend find it an enjoyable and relaxing day. Stay, knit and have morning tea with us, or call in for a chat. If you wish, bring a light lunch and stay longer. We look forward to seeing you. If you have spare balls of 8-ply wool, we would appreciate your donation to help our knitters. We knit or crochet 25cm squares to make into rugs for local people in need. If you would prefer, we welcome help to join squares into rugs. Further dates for the year are the 4th Thursdays of the month - 24 August, 21 September. For further information, contact Cheryl (0417 015 338) or Julie (0468 636 190).

22 Aug: Interested in providing spiritual support for people in prison?

Prison Chaplaincy and Spiritual Care (PCSC) is seeking people who can lead a time of Christian Spiritual Reflection for those in prison. Volunteer opportunities are available at Yatala Labour Prison, Adelaide Women's Prison, Adelaide Remand Centre, and Mobilong (Murray Bridge) Prisons. This is a unique and privileged opportunity to meet in small groups with those in prison to reflect on God's Word, worship, pray and possibly share in communion. Full training, resources and support is provided.

If this is an opportunity that speaks to you, we would love to hear from you. To find out more come to an Information Session: Tuesday, 22nd August, 5.30-6.30pm, at Gartrell Uniting Church Café (Corner of Alexandra Avenue and Prescott Terrace, Rose Park). RSVP is essential to Craig Bossie: Craig.Bossie@sa.gov.au

26 Aug: Musicians Retreat with David and Emma Kruse at Henley Beach Parish

Date & Time: Saturday 26 August | 10am – 4:30pm **Venue:** Henley Beach Parish, 420 Seaview Rd, Henley Beach.

Musicians by their very nature are always giving of themselves through their artistic expression, whether in a pub band, on a stage, or leading music in a church. This retreat is for any musician who needs time in prayer, reflection and renewal in the company of other musicians. David and Emma Kruse work in the Brisbane Archdiocese Office for Evangelisation and began Enemy Love Records in 2022. They bring a wealth of experience and freshness to the pastoral care of musicians. Morning tea and lunch are included in the day. There is no cost to participants. RSVP online or contact Peter Bierer: pbierer@adelaide.catholic.org.au

27 Aug: Lefevre Formation Event

Experiencing rejection, acceptance, and forgiveness with Jan Ruff-O'Herne AO (January 18 1923 - August 19 2019). When the Imperial Japanese Army overran south-east Asia, Jan was forced into sexual slavery. For 50 years, many living in Adelaide, she remained silent about her treatment, but then she was inspired to help other victims, known to the Japanese as 'comfort women'. From the 1990s until her death, Jan became a fearless advocate for these abused women. presentation, through recorded interviews recollections by her daughter Eileen Mitton and commentary by Fr. Roderick O'Brien, marks the centenary of her birth.

Date & Time: Sunday, 27th August from 4–5pm at the Lefevre Catholic Parish Meeting Rooms, 253 Military Road, Semaphore (adjacent to Sacred Heart Church).

Please call Fr Roderick O'Brien 8449 6378 for more details. (Registration is not required).

Safeguarding Children

A reminder that all children need to be accompanied to and from the toilet, ideally by an adult family member. Kindly ensure that children are supervised by an adult family member in the carparks at all times.

Latin Mass Community Announcements

Confirmation class continues today at 11am.

Servers' practice continues tomorrow at 5.30pm.

Scripture class continues tomorrow evening at 7.30pm.

This Tuesday, 15th August, is the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady. Masses will be at 7am, 9.30am (Low Masses) and 6.30pm (Sung Mass).

Tickets are on sale for our Movie Night Fundraiser. Please take a flyer or see the table at the bookstall.

Proposed 4-Day Retreat for Men with Fr Adrian Wee. (Jan 2024 in Belair). Please take a flyer for details.

A group of our parishioners have published a magazine *Agony*. It is on sale at the bookstore for \$20. Please see Sean Haylock if you are interested in contributing to future editions.

Fr McCaffrey is on leave from $17^{th} - 27^{th}$ August.

Welcome to new parishioners. If you are new to the Latin Mass or new to Holy Name, please don't hesitate to introduce yourself to either Fr. McCaffrey or Fr. Sofatzis after Mass. There is a cuppa after the 9.15am Mass every Sunday in the tea room behind the church diagonally across the car park. All welcome. Also please feel free to register as a parishioner on our community census. The link is available on the website.

Please do not place any advertising material in the church without the prior permission of the chaplain. Thank you.

Please remember the sick in your prayers, especially Daniela Vergulis, Vincent Moran, Jana Basani, Damian Wyld, Anthony Green (Benedict Green and Anna Ros's son), Kathryn Nader, Tony Caruso, Vincenza Martucci (Ines Barson's mother).

Please also remember the recently deceased, especially Louise Obrist (Gaby Freer's mother), Hanna Winnicka (Joanna Rzad's mother), Alexandra Vergulis, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

September is Catholic Charities Month



In the month of September, we are promoting the Catholic Charities Appeal which supports the following agencies in South Australia: Hutt St Centre, Aboriginal Catholic Ministry, Centacare Catholic Family Services, Our Lady of La Vang and St Patrick's Special Schools. Please take a leaflet with you to find out more about the September Appeal. These frontline agencies support some of the most vulnerable in the community at a time when many people are doing it tough. Brochures with reply paid envelopes will be available at the back of the church. All donations of more than \$2 are tax deductible. Donations can be made via the reply online: https://adelaide.goodgiving.com.au/qr/cc or through the paid slip on the leaflets/envelopes.

24 Sep: Kangaroo Island Parish Fundraiser Book tickets online with QR code!



Adelaide Catholic Cathedral Parish invites you to a fundraiser for the Kangaroo Island Catholic Parish to watch the upcoming Hercule Poirot film, A Haunting in Venice. There are some attractive raffle prizes too!

Tickets: \$25 (Movie, choc top, popcorn & water).

Date: September 24, 2023, 2.15pm for 2.45pm start.

Location: Regal Theatre, 275 Kensington Road.

Purchase tickets: Scan the QR in the poster to buy

tickets or call the Parish Office to purchase tickets over the phone. **T**: 8210 8155.

23 Sep: One Humanity Concert

A charity concert for the victims of the devastating earthquakes in Turkey and Syria is being held at Her Majesty's Theatre on 23 September at 7pm. Supported by Pinnacle College, Adelaide Festival Centre, SA Government. University of Adelaide. UNHCR. Australian Relief Organisation and Australian Migrant Resource Centre. The event will include acts featuring traditional folklore, world music, Elder Conservatorium of Music, multicultural singers and artists from many cultural backgrounds. Master of ceremonies: Shanelle Franklin and George Donikian. Tickets from Ticketek and Adelaide Festival Centre. Natural disasters such as the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria inflict trauma, claiming lives, shattering hopes and dreams, and devastating communities. Nevertheless, these catastrophic events serve as poignant reminders of our One Humanity, prompting us to come together, support one another, and seek refuge in times of need.