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19th Ordinary Sunday - August 9, 2020

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Faye Wafer

Office Hours :

Tuesday to Friday
12:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Sunday Masses :

St. Pius X - Lively

Saturday : 4:30 PM

St. Christopher - Whitefish

Sunday : 9:00 AM

St. Stanislaus - Copper Cliff

Sunday : 11:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation :

St. Stanislaus - Copper Cliff

Friday : 9:00 AM to 9:15 AM

St. Pius X - Lively

Saturday : 4:00 PM to 4:15 PM

St. Christopher - Whitefish

Sunday : 8:30 AM to 8:45 AM

Baptism :

Usually on the 3rd Sunday of the month.
Please make arrangements one month in
advance by contacting the Parish Office.

Marriages :

Please make marriage arrangements
9 months in advance by contacting the
Parish office. Saturday weddings are
scheduled at 1:00 PM.

Other Sacraments :

Contact Parish Office

Bulletin Announcements :

Email yours to

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Before 12:00 PM Wednesday

Prayer line :

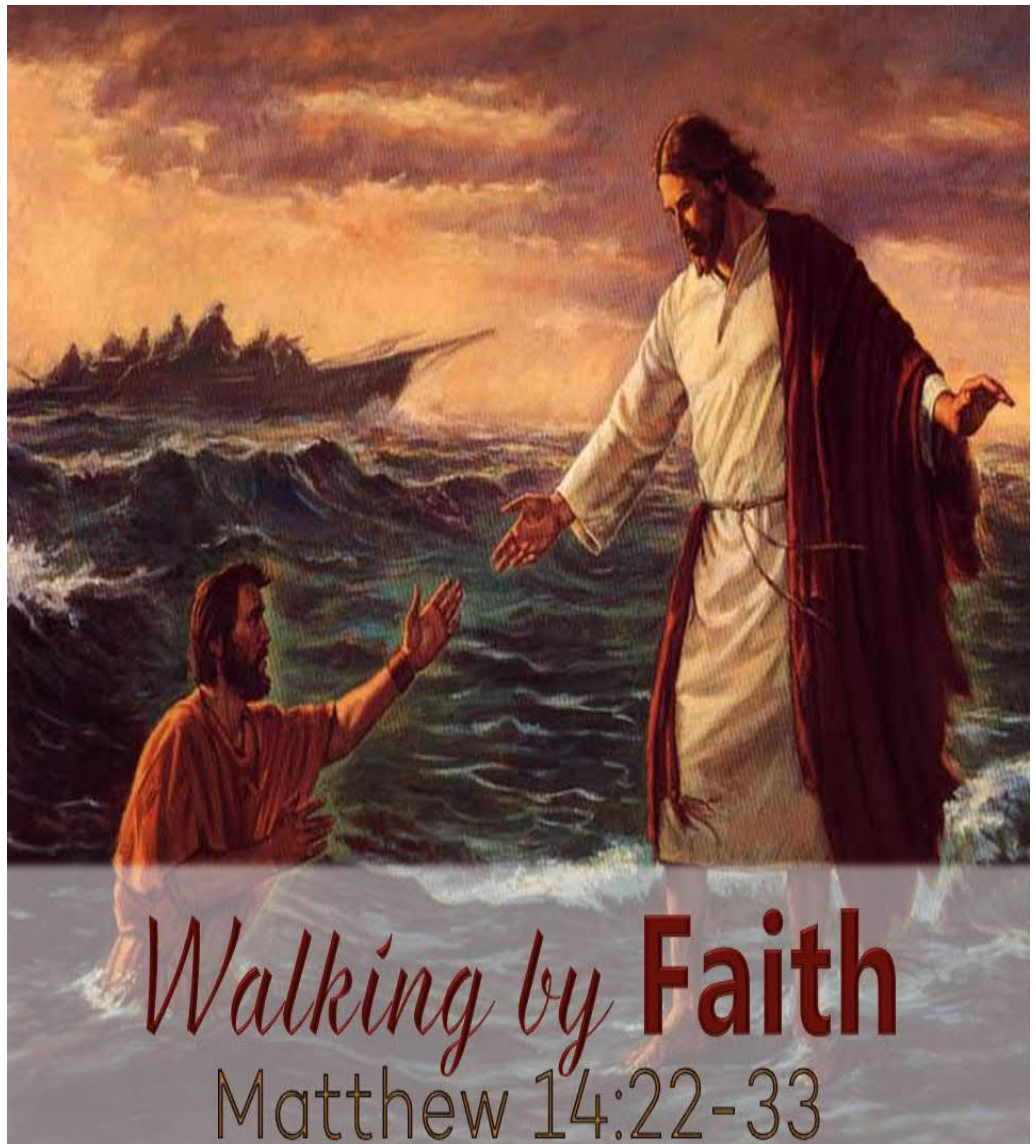
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Mission Statement :

By our Baptism, we are committed to
celebrate the presence of Christ in Word
and Sacrament and are continually
called to build our lives in the image of
Christ. Through liturgy and ministry, we
strive to bring ourselves closer to God
and to each other, by building a strong
community of believers and a joyous
family of God.



Walking by **Faith**

Matthew 14:22-33

Welcome Back!

**The parishioners are strongly advised to attend their
own Parish due to the seating capacity of the Church.**

You can reach the Office by Phone only

Tuesday to Thursday - 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Thank you!



Tuesday, August 11

09:30 AM

† Lionel Gauthier by Andre & Irene Marcotte

Wednesday, August 12

09:30 AM

† Lorraine Roy by St. Pius X CWL

Thursday, August 13

09:30 A:M - Mass

No intention

Friday, August 14

09:30 AM

† Angelo Favot by Gary & Jane Favot

20th Ordinary Sunday

Saturday, August 15

04:30 PM St. Pius X, Lively

† Joanne Hofford by Cecilian & John Jamieson

Sunday, August 16

09:00 AM St. Christopher, Whitefish

† Elda Blanchard by Marianne & Tom Scrafe

11:00 AM St. Stanislaus, Copper Cliff

For the People entrusted to the Pastor

The Rosary is recited before
Saturday and Sunday Mass.

The Cenacle of the Marian Movement of priests
is held each Tuesday at 9:15 AM
at St. Christopher's Church, Whitefish.

A Prayer Line is available for parishioners.
Anyone wishing to pray for a
special Intention, for someone who is ill,
having surgery, for the deceased, or
any other intention may contact
the Prayer Line.

Mass Intentions

Offering Masses is a long standing
tradition in the Catholic Church.

An Individual may ask a priest to offer a
Mass for several reasons.

For example, in Thanksgiving, for the
intentions of another person (such as on a
Birthday or an Anniversary), for someone
who is sick or for the repose of the soul of
someone who has died.

Call the Parish Office: 705-682-4683

19th Ordinary Sunday

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 85

O Lord and grant us your salvation.

Weekdays Scripture Readings: August 10 to August 16, 2020

Day	Reading	Gospel
Monday	2 Corinthians 9:6-10 - St. Lawrence	John 12:24-26
Tuesday	Ezekiel 2:8-3:4	Matthew 18:1-5, 10-14
Wednesday	Ezekiel 9:1-7; 10:18-22	Matthew 18:15-20
Thursday	Ezekiel 12:1-16	Matthew 18:21-35; 19:1
Friday	Ezekiel 16:1-15, 60, 63	Matthew 19:3-12
Saturday	Revelation 11:19; 12:1-6 - The Assumption of Mary	Luke 11:27-28
Sunday	Isaiah 56:1, 6-7 Romans 11:13-15, 29-32	Matthew 15:21-28

19th Ordinary Sunday - Matthew 14:22-33 - By Msgr. Joseph A. Pellegrino

I want to start this week at the beginning: '*In the beginning God created heaven and earth*'. Now that is really the beginning. We learn from *Genesis* that on the first day God created the heavens and earth and then created light to overcome the darkness. On the second day, we learn that the earth was covered in water. God created land and separated the seas from the land. He conquered the seas.

To the ancient people, the seas represented chaos. Fishermen and sailors, then, as well as now, know all too well the sudden turmoil caused by rough waters. If you ever saw the movie, *The Perfect Storm*, you would understand why the water is associated with chaos. Think back to the horrible Asian tsunami that killed hundreds of thousands. I experienced a terrifying blizzard when I was in Boston at the beginning of my priesthood. Since the Boston area is on the water, tremendous damage was caused by the sea. I used to show people homes in the Revere and Winthrop area that had their second story windows destroyed by waves.

The sea hits us in the front, the back, the left and the right. There is no escaping it when we are in the middle of it. That is chaos.

But God conquered the seas. And Jesus walked on the water. He continues to walk on water. He walks on the chaos of our lives.

That is one of the messages of today's Gospel reading. No matter what chaos there is in the world and in our lives, Jesus walks on it. He conquers the chaos.

Jesus conquers the chaos that is caused by things that are beyond our control. **Life itself is chaotic.** Just when all seems to be calm, *a loved one suddenly dies*. All of us have experienced this. We did not cause the chaos, but we do suffer from it.

Jesus conquers the chaos, even that chaos which we ourselves cause in our lives. Many of us have made bad choices. Many of us have sinned. Many of us suffer the results of our sins or the sins of others. **For example**, a person finally recognizes that he has gotten into a relationship which is destroying his family and destroying himself. He returns to his family, but the damage has been done. He and his family suffer the results of his sins.

It makes no difference whether we caused the chaos or whether we suffer from the chaos caused by others. Jesus still walks on the water. He conquers the chaos. Then, **do you know what he does?** He *calls us to walk out onto the chaos and walk towards him*. 'Come Peter'. Peter walked on the water. At least for a bit.

That is what Jesus does for us all. He walks on the chaos of our lives, and then calls us to come and join him. He **gives us the strength to walk on water**.

And **what if we fail? What if we blink and sink** like Peter did? '*Don't be afraid*', the Lord says. He is there to reach down and lift us out of the water, out of the chaos, just as he lifted Peter out of the water, out of the chaos of his life.

The Lord knows that we are not saints, not yet anyway. He knows that *we are weak*. He accepted Peter, that loud lout, that well-meaning coward, and turned him into the Rock of the Church. He takes us as we are and walks with us on the water. He only asks us to have the courage to put our faith in Him. He gives us the strength to join Him in conquering the chaos.

Where is the chaos in your lives, in my life? Is it sickness or death? Is it chemical dependence? Is it some other addiction? Is it turmoil in your marriage or your family? Where have the seas raised up to chaotic dimensions? Wherever that chaos is, please remember, that there is nothing, no chaos that is too great for Jesus to conquer. And there is nothing too devastating for us to conquer with Him.

He walked on the waters and He calls us to walk with Him.

Ordination Announcement - Mr. Chad Franklin

In a spirit of joy-filled thanksgiving, the Diocese of Sault Ste. Marie announces the Ordination of Mr. Chadwick Franklin to the Transitional Diaconate. The Sacrament of Holy Orders of a Deacon will be celebrated by The Most Reverend Marcel Damphousse at Christ the King Church, Sudbury on Friday, August 14. Due to current COVID-19 restrictions, attendance at the ordination, for both clergy and laity, will be by invitation only. Please remember Chad in your prayers as he prepares to be ordained to the Ministry of Deacon. The ordination will be live-streamed on August 14 at 12:00pm at www.christthekinglive.com

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