

Bulletin –Parish News

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August 13, 2017. Nineteenth Sunday in ordinary time.

The Very Rev. Gregory Mludzik, Administrator

Human life is a remarkable mixture of that famous “smile and a tear.” We all have our ups and downs in life. We attend both weddings and funerals. Parents witness graduations and often the failures of their children as well. Married life can be like the smell of roses and turn into nightmare. Young people are successful today and can be turned down tomorrow. Friends may disappoint us and we may witness infidelity not only in our government but even in our Church. All this may leave us confused and downcast. What are we to do? Are we to give up our faith in God? Queen Jezebel threatened the life of Elijah. He went to a cave in search of God; he prayed and encountered God in “a tiny whispering sound,” as the beautiful, idyllic tradition of the first Bible reading has it. Jesus` best friend, John the Baptizer, was beheaded in jail and “he went up on the mountain by himself to pray, remaining there alone as evening drew on”. That night Jesus` disciples were in serious trouble, their boat being tossed about in the waves. Lack of faith made them desperate and perhaps Peter, becoming frightened, would have drowned if he had not cried out: “Lord, save me!” God`s word to everyone tossed about on the waves of life is: Find a quiet moment for yourself, search for God, pray with Faith: “Lord save

me!”

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

* Where have you found signs of God`s presence in ordinary events?

* Where do you see hopeful signs of interfaith appreciation in your community?

* How have you experienced God`s presence in transcendent moments?

Question of the week: What are the miracles in your life?

- When was the last time you experienced a God crossing?
- How do you know it`s God who`s passing by?
- How has the belief of significant others assisted you in making your act of faith?
- How can you model that belief for those who don`t have it?
- At what times is your faith most tested?
- How do you overcome doubt and find courage to act?

Faith Response

Take time to count blessings great and small. Often our prayer becomes focused on what we need, and it is good to ask. But we also need to express our gratitude and praise for the God who can be found all around and within us.

HOLY MASSES

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Celebrant Rev. Krzysztof Mendelewski.

8:15am Holy Mass for all parishioners.

August 15, 2017 Solemnity – Dormition/ Assumption of the BVM. Holy Mass at 12:00pm Blessing of flowers and herbs.

August 20, 2017. Twentieth Sunday in ordinary time.
8:15am Holy Mass for all parishioners.

Events and activities

Responsorial Psalm for today is: Lord let us see your kindness and grant us your salvation.

August 21, 2017 Parish committee meeting at 7:00pm

Courage! DO NOT BE AFRAID

Like Peter we too have often set out confidently across the waters of life. However, as soon as the winds of trouble rise against us, and the waves of adversity begin to buffet us, we lose our nerve and begin to sink. Lord, when our faith falters, as it often does, may we hear your gentle voice saying to us, “Courage! Do not be afraid.”

In that moment, Lord, may your divine power uphold us, calm our fears, steady our nerves, and enable us to steer our little boat to a place of safety and peace, beyond the wind and the waves.

The PNU and the Gifts of Summer

Summer is a time for many celebrations – like Weddings, Graduations, and First Holy Communion. What a great time to share the many benefits of the PNU with your family and friends. Endowments, insurance policies, and annuities are just some of the many gifts ideas the PNU can offer to help you provide for

those you care about. Contact the PNU Home Office at 1-800-724-6352 for more information on the gifts of summer.

If you are new to our parish, please submit your name and phone number to Fr. Sr. Gregory. Father will contact you regarding parish membership and answer the questions you may have regarding our Church. Welcome!

Please pray for all the sick and shut-ins, especially Very Rev. Gregory Mludzik, Irene Janke, Olga Bordino, Marian Tencza, Jules Nagy, Antoinette Dypko, Eve Yaros, and all in need of our prayers.

Sacrament of Baptism: Arrangements should be made at least two weeks prior to the ceremony.

Sacrament of Matrimony: Arrangement should be made at least six months in advance. Contact the Pastor before setting a date or making final plans.

Emergencies, Sickness and Death should be reported to the rectory office immediately.

Welcome to our visitors - we welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday! Please introduce yourself to the Pastor after Mass, please write your names in the guest book located in the vestibule of the church. Please remember that you are always welcome to join us in worship at Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish.

You, as individual, family, or group are invited to become partners in this important work of the parish by becoming a “Monthly bulletin sponsor”. For only \$50, you will be able to provide the paper and printing supplies for the entire month for our weekly parish bulletins (a minimum of 4 Sundays). Please take a moment to sign up today by placing your name or the name of your sponsoring family, or group. Thank you for your assistance in spreading the “GOOD NEWS”. Fr. Sr. Gregory and the Parish Committee.

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