# NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Take courage, it is I;

## DO NOT BE AFRAID

Matthew 14:27





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SATURDAY MASS 5:00pm
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Pray without ceasing" 1 Thessalonian 5:17

## Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 13, 2023

NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

The word "courage" brings thoughts of the one who takes the steps necessary to do the right thing even though it may be threatening to his or her safety. Frequently news reports describe the amazing feat of a courageous person who saves the life of another. While we laud the effort of these individuals, we may also wonder about our actions in a similar circumstance. However, often when we perform acts of valor, it is a spontaneous response to the event. We observe a person in need and jump into the situation without considering the dangers that may accompany our heroic actions. Some may see such efforts as fool-hearty, especially if the results do not necessarily lead to a positive outcome.

Many would see Peter leaping into the sea and sinking under the waves as he began to walk towards Jesus as foolhearty. How could a man expect to walk on water? Peter did not consider the threat of drowning as he left the safety of the boat. Rather, faith in Jesus gave him the courage to walk to Jesus. Only when Peter stopped to consider and began thinking about what he was doing did drowning become a possibility. How could he, a man, walk on water? Then Jesus extended His hand and saved Peter from death.

Peter made this spontaneous response in his love and desire to be with Jesus. Peter, who had enough faith in Jesus, stepped out of the boat while the other Apostles held back. Certainly, Peter was not the perfect Apostle, for immediately when his faith wavered Peter nearly drowned. However, rather than giving up to the fate of certain death, Peter turned to the Lord and asked for help with the words "Lord, save me." It is in these momentary outbursts of faith from Peter that show why Jesus confidently selected Peter as "the rock upon which I will build my church." Jesus recognizes that while Peter would fail many times, His love for Jesus allowed him to persevere in advancing the message Jesus wants to share with us.

Peter shows us that with faith we can courageously take a stand to the right the wrongs that we encounter daily. Faith grows within us only when we extend ourselves beyond the safety of our surroundings. Faith only grows with prayer. Faith only grows when we allow Jesus to become a part of our lives through the Sacraments. If we falter in our faith, Jesus remains ever present to save us from sinking into the sea of endless death. When we take the beginning steps towards a life with Jesus, our faith can be shaken, and we are overwhelmed by many threats that compromise our eternal life. However, we only need call out to Jesus "Lord, save me" knowing that we will survive when we allow Jesus to be in control of our life. Jesus will take our hand and pull us to safety. But we will not be aware of the faith that is within us unless we are willing to get out of the boat and take that first step of faith.

May your faith in Jesus let you step out of the boat into His everlasting protection.

	DAILY MASS INTENTIONS				
	Monday	8/14	No Daily Mass		
O	Tuesday	8/15	8:30 am Mass (SPP) † LaFern Mudloff By Family, † Colleen Brouillette By Monte Brouillette & Family 5:30pm Mass Assumption of Mary		
n	Wednesday	8/16	8:30 am Mass (SPP) † Irene & † Jake Beasley By Elaine Nowak		
	Thursday	8/17	8:30 am Mass (SPP) Jeanna Pestel & Family By Family		
d)	Friday	8/18	9:00 am Mass (Matelyn) † Matthew Parsons By Connie Becker, † Colleen Killinger By Carolyn Just		
	Saturday	8/19	<b>5:00 pm Mass (SPP)</b> Daniel Parsons By Family		
			<b>6:30 pm Mass (SJ)</b> People of the Parishes		
r	Sunday	8/20	8:00 am Mass (SPP) † Agnes Lewandowski By John & Sandi Mudloff		
I d			10:00 am Mass (SPP) † Joseph & † Victoria Radke By Shirley Hanisch & Family † John Wroblewski By Jim & Judy Rose		

#### MINISTRY SCHEDULE AUGUST 19TH & 20TH

#### **SACRISTANS**

Saturday - 5pm: Michael Happ/ Julie Baquet Sunday - 8am: Mike Pittman / Ken Vincik

Sunday - 10am: Russ Kosmicki / Deacon Neil Baquet

**GREETERS** 

Sat - 5pm: Curt & Meagan Dubas Family

Sun - 8am: Volunteers Sun - 10am: Volunteers

**LECTOR** 

Sat - 5pm: Volunteer Sun - 8am: Glen Killion

Sun - 10am: Monte Brouillette EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Sat - 5pm: Meagan Dubas

Sun - 8am: Beth Svoboda/ Volunteers

Sun - 10am: Volunteers

**ALTAR SERVERS** 

Sat - 5pm: Claire Dubas Sun - 8am: Volunteers Sun - 10am: Volunteers



Continue learning & growing in faith by attending Mass, reading the Bible, & helping others.

Religious Education Classes will be starting soon... Sunday, September 10 & Wednesday, September 13 PLEASE GET REGISTERED!

Fill out a paper form or use the

LINK: https://www.osvhub.com/howard-county-catholics/ religious-ed/2023-2024 (On our Parish Website)

### GOD is calling YOU ... **DEEPEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS**

Join our Religious Education Team! Prayerfully consider being a Catechist or Helper! Let's discuss the possibilities!

DREs ~ Becky Knox 308-571-0430 & Judi Baker 308-750-8418

\$250 was raised for our Tri-Parish Religious Ed. program by the Sweet Corn sales!

Thank you to all that purchased and special Thanks to the Rief family for doing the labor of picking & selling. Thank you also to the Mike Kube, Diocesan Pro-Life Director, for providing the sweet corn.



Please contact the Church Office if you are able to provide a ride to Mass for Parishioners living at Matelyn. Thank you!!

CCW Meeting - Tuesday, September 5 7:00PM Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Life Center All women of the Parish are welcome to attend!

#### Young at Heart POTLUCK LUNCHEON Tuesday, September 12th, 12-1pm

Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Life Center Main dish provided, please bring a side dish to share.

*CCW* News - Sunday, September 17th Kathryn Circle will be hosting a full Breakfast 9:00am to 10:00am Parish Life Center

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL 1918 **NO SUMMER MEETINGS** 

**OUR MISSION**: Together, we're empowering Catholic men to live their faith at home, in their parish, at work, and in their community.



Special thanks to Kirk & Crissy Bader for donating hamburger for the sloppy Joe's for the Fair Stand!



SANDI MUDLOFF - CHARLENE POTTER - BETH SVOBODA Thank you ladies for organizing this important event!

Magnificat Brunch, - Saturday, August 19, 2023 9am-Noon (MT.) At Holy Rosary Lyceum-916 Cheyenne Ave, Alliance, Ne. Guest Speaker-Paula Wilson Join us for prayer, music, a meal and fellowship. Cost -\$12 Contact: Teresa Nelson via email: turts@ charter.net or phone : cell-308-760-3070

# C.ORG/EVENTS < to REGISTER

ST. PATRICK CHURCH, GRETNA

AUGUST 22, 2023 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

ST. PATRICK CHURCH. **NORTH PLATTE** 

AUGUST 23, 2023 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

## **THEOLOGY ON TAP**

presents:

HUMAN LOVE IN THE DIVINE PLAN

Pope John II's teaching explained By Ann Rief

August 30th, 7pm Loup River Distillery





September 10th 3-5PM

WALK to promote mental wellness ... about 1 mile. starting at Hospital with stops around highlight areas to promote mental wellbeing. Last stop at Park for BBQ. T-shirt & meal included, \$5/person or \$20/family Register at Howard County Medical Center or http:// getmeregistered.com/CARETeamMentalHealthMile

#### **CATHOLICS ENCOUNTER CHRIST**

September 16th

Immaculate Conception Catholic Education Center 325 Church Street, Elm Creek, NE All are Welcome! Email to RSVP/questions to cec@gidiocese.org







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LORD'S	WEEK AT A GLANCE				
PORTION	August	Monday 14	Tuesday 15	Wednesday 16	
Sts. Peter and Paul	Mark your	No Daily Mass	Daily Mass 8:30am SPP	Daily Mass 8:30am SPP	
General Fund - \$2,965.05	Calendar	Busy Time Women's Holy How 7pm SPP	Please submit <b>BULLETIN</b> items via <i>e-mail</i> or <i>call the</i>	Parish Office Closed	
Parish Life Center - \$190.00			<i>church office</i> by <b>Noon on <u>Tuesday</u></b>		
Peter's Pence - \$5.00			Assumption Mass 8:30am & 5:30pm SPP		
St. Anthony	Thursday 17	Friday 18	Saturday 19	Sunday 20	
General Fund - \$ 1,698.00	Daily Mass 8:30am SPP	Daily Mass 9:00am Matelyn	Reconciliation 4:30 <sub>pm</sub> SPP Mass 5:00pm SPP	Mass 8:00am SPP Mass 10:00am SPP	
St. Joseph		Parish Office Closed	Mass 6:30pm SJ		
General Fund - \$ 95.00					