From the Pastor's Desk:



"When the disciples saw Him walking on the sea they were terrified. "It is a ghost," they said and cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, "Take

courage, it is I; do not be afraid."

-St. Matthew

This week on Tuesday I felt as though I were "walking on water", for after more than a year, I finally had all of my possessions once again under one roof. On Tuesday night, I had my first night in the rectory after many day of stripping floors, painting and varnishing (although I woke up with a bit of a varnish taste in my mouth). The house is still far from complete, but it is functional now and with my possessions (more or less) in place, it is starting to feel more and more like home.

Tonight (Wednesday) I called my Mom and Dad to congratulate them on their 45th anniversary on their move to the farm. They have spent half of their life on that farm and it has been a place of fondness, with many memories of family and friends and also fear as farming involved storms and sinking grain prices over the years.

In today's Gospel account, the apostles are also "on the move" as they are crossing a body of water in a boat. These are rough and hardy fishermen and not souls that would scare easily. However as these men are moving across the lake, St. Matthew describes them as "terrified" and that they are "crying out", almost like children.

The Lord is also on "the move", but in a miraculous way. For the apostles see someone or something in the distance moving across the water. Thinking the worst and already stressed out from the storm, they conclude it has to be a "ghost" rather than the "Son of God".

The words of the Lord are both challenging and encouraging. For the Lord simply says; "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." The spiritually challenging Christ is challenged by the callous St. Peter to come and also "move" on top of the water by walking. Simon Peter is successful at first, but his success turns to failure by his lack of confidence and faith.

We too are a people on the "move", but not probably on top of the water. The advertisers on television are already talking about our young people's "move" back into the classroom in the coming weeks. Some of us may be "moving" to a new line of work or "moving" towards retirement. Some may be "moving" to a different residence (as I just did) or "move" into a new vocation such as marriage (that is happening again this weekend in our parish. We are all "moving" too quickly through these weeks of summer and soon into the fall and yes.....the winter!

Whatever we are called to "move", we can do it with "fear" or "fascination", with terror" or "tremendous excitement". The Lord was "moving across the water" to reveal that He was the Messiah and had control of the land and the sea that His Heavenly Father had created in those six days at the beginning of time. Christ was "moving" also across that water as He was on the "move" to the "Way of the Cross", so that we might move one day from death into eternal life.

What big or small moves do we need to make this week? Perhaps our biggest move in the week ahead is a spiritual one, as we will try to "move" our hearts and our bodies so that we might give glory to the Blessed Mother on her Holy Day of Obligation this week, beginning on Thursday evening and again on Friday. May we have the faith to come and celebrate Mary's "big move" from earth to heaven and sharing with her Son in everlasting life. See you at Mass! See you at the Holy Day this week!

Rev. Paul van de Crommert Pastor

Stewardship:		
August 3	Sunday	Year to Date
Adult (140)	\$ 7,848.00	
Electronic Trn.	\$ 3,259.00	
Total	\$11,107.00	\$53,602.25
Junior	\$ 20.19	\$ 77.26
Plate	\$ 362.90	\$ 1,644.86
Peter's Pence	\$ 10.00	\$ 474.00
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GRAND TOTAL: \$11,490.09

*(Our weekly budget is set at \$12,253.00)

Stewardship:

We had another fine week of stewardship even though we are in the heat of summer and vacations. Thank you for remembering Holy Rosary through your gifts. This week we also received \$560.00 in income through the form of rent from our school building. This makes our total income reach a grand total this past week of \$11,860.09! Not bad for summer! Thank you for your gifts!!!

Faith Formation

By now, you should have all received copies of the registration form for the coming year. It is very important to return the completed form to us as soon as possible! Remember, too, that if you teach a regular weekly class, all of your children will receive free tuition. We will train you and give you as much help and support as you need or want. throughout the year. If you are in need of another registration form or would like more information about teaching, please call Maggie at 345-6765 during the day or 345-7781 in the evening. Thanks.

Assumption of Mary- Holy Day of Obligation:

Regardless if our mother is among the living or not, we take comfort and celebrate that she is safe and happy. For our mothers that are alive, we pray for their happiness and well-being. If our mothers have passed, we pray that they are in union with God in heaven.

Today, when we speak about a "Holy Day of Obligation", this evokes little or no response from many of the faithful who have become more "spiritual" rather than "religious". (*In other words we believe in God, but we do not practice our faith.)

Someone told me that at Holy Rosary, people do not come to the Holy Days. If this is true, that is a spiritual shame. For to come to Mass to celebrate the Assumption of Mary is to celebrate her joy and the joy of Holy Mother Church that Mary is safe and secure in the hands of God in heaven.

Our parish is named after the patronage of the Blessed Mother. Maybe this will be the year that we begin to recognize the importance of these holy days as we once again fall in love with the Queen of the Saints and the Queen of the Rosary, Mary, the

Mother of God. See you at Mass on August 14th at 5:00 P.M. and on Friday, August 15th at 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.

Administrative Secretary:

As we go to press, I am ready to begin the final reviews of five candidates from the 26 individuals that applied for this parish position. These past weeks I have personally interviewed more than 20 of these candidates, which was no small undertaking. I feel bad that there are so many qualified applicants, but that the job can go to only one soul. I will have a small team of three women from former assignments that are well versed in office management, accounting and computer technology who will review the candidates with me and to advise me on the final decision. I hope to present in next week's bulletin our new administrative assistant for Holy Rosary that I pray will be with us for many years.

Golden Wedding Anniversary!

Our prayers and best wishes go out to Jack and Nancy Holden on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary that we will celebrate in a special way this Sunday at the 8:00 A.M. Mass. May God bless them with much love and happiness on this special day. May God grant to them many more years of health and happiness. God bless you both!!!

Wedding Wishes:

With praise and thanks to Almighty God, we offer our prayers and congratulations to Chris Rohwer and Jamie Koch, who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage this past Saturday at Holy Rosary. May this sacrament be the beginning of a life-long relationship of love with both one another and most especially Almighty God. May God bless you on this joyous occasion!

<u>Prayers and Support for Isaac Kolstad and All of our Sick and Injured:</u>

We pray that all of our sick and injured will experience the "resurrection joy" of healing. We continue to pray for Isaac Kolstad and his family and his recovery. The direct link for Isaac Kolstad is: http://www.youcaring.com/other/-22strong-for-the-isaac-molly-kolstad-family/177076.

Holy Rosary Worship Committee:

Through the efforts of our Worship Committee chair-person, Kathy Klaseus-Neve, we are reworking our Worship Committee. We have already some new members stepping forward and we are still working for a couple more members. We are especially in need of a couple more men on the committee. If you might be willing to serve, we would love to have you. We are planning our first meeting in early September. There are many liturgical items that we need to talk about in the months ahead. I hope to have some six meetings a year. Please call Kathy or the parish office if you think you might like to help with this important ministry.

Welcome:

We welcome another three households to our growing parish family of Holy Rosary. These families include: 1.) Keith and Brittany Rogers (and Keagan) who are from St. Peter, 2.) Margaret Mueller of North Mankato and 3.) Frank and Stacy Rutt (and Cooper). This is wonderful! IN THE PAST TWO WEEKS WE HAVE WELCOMED 14 NEW MEMBERS TO OUR PARISH FAMILY!!! If you see someone at Mass that you have never seen before or someone who looks like they are a visitor, go up and welcome them and introduce yourself. Many people join and return to a parish due to the warmth and friendliness of a congregation. Our warm welcome goes out to these three new parish families. Welcome home!

Installation Mass - August 17th:

On Sunday, August 17th, at the 10:00 A.M. Mass, I will be officially installed as the 9th pastor of Holy Rosary with Bishop LeVoir presiding at that morning Mass. As I mentioned at Mass last weekend, the priest and pastor is often asked to pray for the needs of the people. Well, I am asking for your prayers and for the spiritual success of my pastorate.

At our recent Pastoral Council meeting, we were informed that the Knights of Columbus and the Council of Catholic Women will be catering a breakfast for all the faithful that will attend that morning Mass on the 17th as we welcome and celebrate our new pastor, Fr. Paul van de Crommert. (*The complimentary meal will include an egg bake, fruit, roll and beverage.) It will be a good time to visit with your Bishop and your new pastor. (Please take

the time to call the parish office with a count if you have not signed up at the weekend Masses.) If you can see it in your heart to come, that would be nice. We have already more than 300 signed up for the breakfast and we would love to have you there as well. (*Mark your calendars! We would love to see you there!

Annual Mass in the Park - September 7th

Plans are underway for Holy Rosary's annual "Mass in the Park" that will be held the Sunday after Labor Day weekend on September 7th at 10:00 A.M. at Wheeler Park. Please mark your calendars and pray for nice weather. (I might as pastor even play a song or two!) We had a wonderful planning meeting recently and we have the makings of another great Mass and fellowship time with a delicious meal. Please watch the bulletin in the weeks ahead for more details. Please mark your calendars now! Let's make this another great and memorable event for Holy Rosary!!!

Discernment Retreat:

The Office of Vocations of the Diocese of New Ulm is pleased to offer a "Discernment Retreat" with Bishop LeVoir and the seminarians of our Diocese on Friday, August 15th, from 1:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. at Schoenstatt on the Lake in Sleepy Eye. There is no cost to the participants. The day will include a Mass, prayer and presentations on discernment. For questions or more information you may contact our new Vocation Director, Fr. Matt Wiering at 507-359-2966 or Jeovana Michels at jmichels@dnu.org . Our Lady of the clergy, please pray for us!

Loyola Catholic School:

Loyola never stands still even during the summer months. Loyola Activity Director, John Landkamer, met with parents and students: Orientation for 9th Graders and New High School Students <u>August 17th</u> and Orientation for 4th Graders, 7th & 8th Graders and New Students in Intermediate Area on <u>August 25th & 26th</u>. 'Gently Used' Uniform Sale on <u>August 13</u>, 4-7 pm in the Gym on Good Counsel Campus. Our all school 'Back-to-School Mass and rededication of our renovated School Chapel, <u>September 3</u>, 10:30 am. Please support our efforts with your prayers.

Liturgical and Events Schedule August 10 - August 17



<u>Parish Office Hours:</u> June – August 9 am – 2 pm

Sunday, August 10: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am - Rosary in Church

8:00 am – Jack & Nancy Holden 50th Anniversary

9:30 am - Rosary in Church

10:00 am - +Donald Kremer

People of the Parish

Monday, August 11: St. Clare, Virgin

8:10 am – Rosary in Church

8:30 am - +John Drummer

Tuesday, August 12: Weekday

8:10 am - Rosary in Church

8:30 am – Liturgy of the Word/Communion

Service

Wednesday, August 13: Weekday

8:10 am - Rosary in Church

8:30 am - +Suzanne Sherman

Thursday, August 14: Vigil of the Assumption

8:10 am - Rosary in Church

8:30 am - George Holzerland Intention

5:00 pm - Pearl Skelley & Lydia Valdez

6:00 - 9:00 pm - *Adoration of Jesus in the

Blessed Sacrament - 'Come anytime, He is

there for you substantially' - All are welcome!

7:30 pm - Pre-Baptism Class - Parish Center

7:30 pm – Knights of Columbus

Friday, August 15: The Assumption of the Blessed

Virgin Mary

8:10 am – Rosary in Church

8:30 am - +Chuck Grausam

5:00 pm - +Lyle & Katherine Pearson

Saturday, August 16: Weekday

5:00 pm - Rosary in Church

5:30 pm - +Jim & Mary Hendley

Sunday, August 17: 20^h Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am – Rosary in Church

8:00 am - People of the Parish

9:30 am - Rosary in Church

10:00 am - Father Paul Intention for a Holy,

Long, and Successful Pastorate



LITURGICAL ROLES

August 16th – 17th

Lectors

5:30 pm: Brian Eggersdorfer, Maggie Bennett

8:00 am: Linda Olson, Dolores Portz

10:00 am: Jennifer Spaude, David Lamm

Eucharistic Ministers

5:30 pm Patrick & Wanda Hull

Nicole Hull, Gretchen Etzell

Steve & Mary Caron

8:00 am: Terri Compton, Mary Beth Nygaard

Gene Brandt, Cathy Neve

Kurt & Liz Schroeder

10:00 am: Dennis Haga, Sherry Henrickson

Brent Friedrichs, Rebecca Gruenes

Tim McGowan, John Kuchinka

Altar Servers

5:30 pm: Tyler Cromwell, Rolando Flores

Jonathan Hull

8:00 am: Danny Collins, Carson Fischer

Ben Levandowski

10:00 am: Josh Calsbeek, Ben Cahalan

John Fink

<u>Ushers</u>

5:30 pm: Tim Benning, Bob Meyer

Anne Richardson, David Kreuzer

8:00 am: Glen Verschelde, Bill Fasnacht

Craig Amundson, Gary Zellmer

10:00 am: Jim Barker, John Jagerson

Bill & Pat Fetter

Presentation of Gifts

5:30 pm: Ray Forsyth Family

8:00 am: Gordy Compton Family

10:00 am: Sherry Henrickson, Cathy Neve,

Larry Bennett

Music Ministry

5:30 pm: Linda Rentschler/Jeanne Makela

8:00 am: Corinne Ort/Vicki Galli

10:00 am: Tom Bachmann/Vicki Galli

NINETEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

<u>The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Holy</u> <u>Day of Obligation:</u>

August 14 – 5:00 pm Vigil

Lectors: Eileen Wadekamper, David Lamm

Euch. Min: Dennis Haga, Rick Gruber, Kathy Ulman,

Sherry Henrickson, Jackie Cesario

Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Chuck Schoettler, David Kreuzer, Bill

Fasnacht, Craig Amundson Music: Myra Learn/Jeanne Makela

Gifts: Lindsey Kohrs Family

August 15: 8:30 am

Lectors: Sister Mary Anne, Gene Brandt

Euch. Min: Bob Wegscheid, Cathy Neve, Bernie Bastian, Jo Ann Borchert, Arlyce Anderson,

Michelle Ellingworth

Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Bob Meyer, Tom Kohls, Gary Zellmer,

Larry Bennett

Music: Julie Gruber/Jeanne Makela Gifts: Arlyce Anderson/Margaret Ayers

5:00 pm

Lectors: Maggie Bennett, Jim Theuninck

Euch. Min: Karen Winters, Kathy Ulman, Kevin Mettler, Dawn Matz, Kathy Frederickson

Paul Stevens

Servers: Volunteers

Ushers: Shawn Reynolds, Doug Helget, Tom

Rheaume, Kurt Schroeder Music: Tom Bachmann/Vicki Galli Gifts: Jason Kohlmeyer Family

PRAYER CHAIN

If you, or someone you know, would like to be included, please call Karen Etzell, 387-7877.

Knights of Columbus News:

August 14 – Planning Meeting August 23-24 – Softball Tournament

August 28 - General Meeting

<u>Pre-Baptism Class – October 9 – 7:30 pm.</u> Please call the Parish Office, 387-6501, if you would like to be included in our Pre-Baptism class that is coming up.

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS...

For Those Who Are III:

Mary Jane Ledwein, Tom Grausam, Don Haley, Betty Kotthoff, Jan Schmidt, Doris Lorentz, Bill Goettlicher, Lenore Sweers, Dolores Spreter, Jay Brown, Ann Vetter, Richard Flynn, Jr., Krystal Portz, Lydia Meehling, Jan Brumm, Steve Fitterer, Chad Broviak, Kathy Eggersdorfer, Jean Weber, Isaac Kolstad, Nancy Marquardt, Gabriel Speckel, Barb Wegscheid, Shannon Murphy, Harriet Senesac, Mike Cashman Lisa LaPoint Leland, Monica Haack, David Bruender

For Those in the Military:

Nick Blace Matt McGraw
Jared Hiniker Christopher Schmidt
Ann Winkler Jonathan Heintz
Dana Schiller William Backes
Mark Hansen Ben Barsness
Alex Ek Sean O'Dea
Timothy Eick Daniel Fitterer



Monday Gene & Dee Umhoefer Family

Tuesday NO MASS

Anna Drummer

Wednesday Tom & Marcy Koch Family

Thursday David & Karen Verschelde Family

Friday Saul & Ana Ovalle Family
Saturday Glen & Lisa Holthaus Family
Sunday Scott & Karen Tauer Family

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF 8/10/14

Mon: Jeremiah 28:1-17; Matthew 14:22-36

Tues: Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Matt 14:22-36

Wed: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Peter 1:16-19;

Matthew 17:1-9

Thurs: 1 Chronicles 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2;

1 Corinthians 15:54b-57; Luke 11:27-28

Fri: Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;

1 Corinthians 15:20-27; Luke 1:39-56

Sat: Habakkuk 1:12-2:4; Matthew 17:14-20

Sun: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7; Romans 11:13-15, 29-32;

Matthew 15:21-28