1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a / Romans 9:1-5 / Matthew 14:22-33



Get Out of the Boat

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

s priests we're expected to plan our own funerals, including the Scripture readings. As it happens, I chose the Gospel for this Sunday, the one about Jesus walking across the water and

inviting Peter to trust and step out of the boat and come to him. You may think it strange for a funeral, but it's been pretty much the story of my life.

Often there have been times

when I was asked to go where I didn't want to go, like Peter being asked to get out of the boat. Ultimately I realized that those were also the very times when I seemed most aware of God's presence. Oh, I think God was always there, it's simply that my own ego often got in the way. It was when I gave in that I most felt buoyed by God. In fact, the least satisfying assignment was the one I eagerly sought out, and some of those I resisted

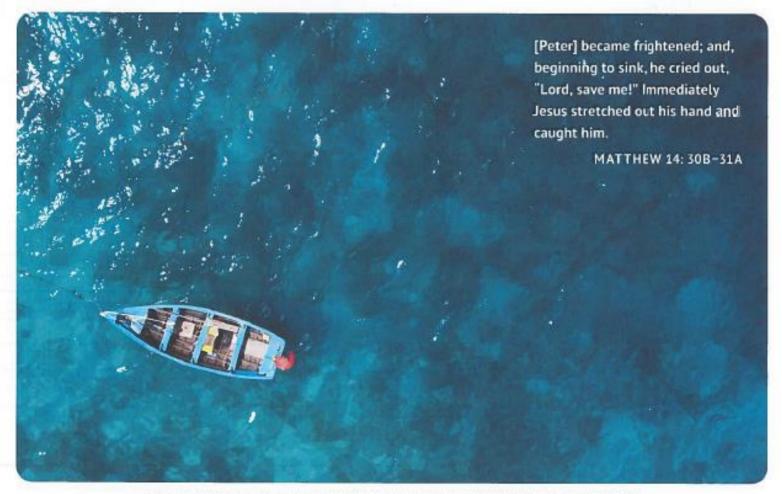
> turned out to be graced. Like Peter, it's good to do what doesn't always make sense.

> What does all this have to do with my choice of this Scripture reading for my funeral? Well, every

time I have stepped out of the boat of security, God has been there to sustain me. I figure there is going to be no bigger "stepping out" than death, so I'm expecting God will be there as well.



Have you ever experienced the impossible becoming possible with God's grace?





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Monday – Friday, 1205 at Woodlawn Chapel

Saturday, 1700 at Woodlawn Chapel

Sunday, 0930 at Belvoir Chapel

1100 at Fairfax Chapel

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday - 1600-1645 at Woodlawn Chapel

Wednesday - 1115-1145 at Woodlawn Chapel

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Catholic Community in memo line

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Tuesday, 15 August 2023



To honor the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we will celebrate Masses at 12:05 and 18:00 at Woodlawn Chapel.

Chapel Volunteer Appreciation Reception Sunday, 20 August 2023

13:30 - 15:00, Woodlawn Chapel.



CH(COL) Herb Franklin, Garrison Chaplain, and the Chaplain RSO Staff invited you to this special event.

Come anytime in casual Sunday dress.

Please RSVP to Sister Michael by Tuesday, 15 August
2023, at 703-806-4318 or by email at:
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19th Sunday of Ordinary Time

13 August 2023

For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites; theirs the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; theirs the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. (Romans 9:3-5)

St. Paul expresses great love and concern for his fellow Israelites. He has faced rejection, persecution and even possible death due to the anger of the leaders of the Jewish community who have rejected him for becoming a Christian. Love and forgiveness are reflected in the lives of Blessed Maximilian Kolbe and Theresa Benedicta of the Cross who were martyrs of the Holocaust. Saint Teresa, whose feast was on 9 August, is remembered as "daughter of Israel," who was faithful to both her Jewish heritage and her Christian beliefs. Father Maximilian Kolbe provided spiritual care to others and offered his life in exchange for the life of another prisoner.

"The experience of the priests at Dachau led to the mystery of forgiveness." "Without departing from the requirements of justice and memory, many priests (at Dachau) refused to give in to the temptation of vengeance or hatred, which are absent from most of their testimonies. Therefore, this is perhaps an illustration, at a very high degree of heroism, of the human ability to forgive, which is one of the noblest fruits of the experience of the European priests in the three barracks of the camp in Dachau." (The Priest Barracks, Guillaume Zeller, Ignatius Press, 2017, pg. 248)

May we learn to trust Jesus as he walks with us on our journey of life, and allow his grace to fill our hearts with the compassion and mercy seen in the lives of Saints Paul, Maximilian and Theresa.

Fr. Mike



Over 130 years ago, in 1882, the Blessed Fr. Michael J. McGivney founded the Knights of Columbus—a fraternal society focused on Christian family life. Last evening the Fort Belvoir Knights of Columbus Council paid tribute to their Order's Founder at an annual Memorial Mass in recognition of the anniversary of his life and death. His cause for sainthood is being investigated by the Vatican. After Mass, the ushers will make available prayer cards containing the "Prayer for the Canonization of Father

Michael J. McGivney" and applications to join the Father Michael J. McGivney Guild at no cost.

Dear Padre,

At what precise point in the Mass does the bread and wine turn into the Body and Blood of Christ?

For many centuries, thinkers in the Western and Eastern Churches have pondered this question. Some say the moment. of consecration happens at the beginning of the sentence, "This is my body." Others say it happens at the conclusion of that sentence. Still others claim it happens sorretime during the sentence. The same theories were proposed about the consecration of the cup. From the Eastern Churches, the theory

was raised that it wasn't the eucharistic narrative that was consecratory, but rather the prayer of invocation to the Holy Spirit known as the epiclesis.

These theories continue to be debated, but to what avail? Even the Catechism of the Catholic Church does not specify when the consecration happens (CCC 1375-81). But knowing the precise moment it happens doesn't seem to be as important as simply knowing that the elements of bread and wine over which the prayer is prayed do become for us the Body and Blood of Christ.

This mystery of faith, moreover, adds another dimension to our lives: transformation into Christ. Whether we share in Communion at the liturgy or contemplate the Lord in the tabernacle, the loving call of the Spirit is to change our hearts. Specifically, when does that happen to us? One never knows for sure. But by participation in the mystery of faith, we're changed ever more deeply into the One whose Body and Blood we share.

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Source: The Eucherist: 50 Questions From the Pews, @ Richard N. Fragomeni, PhD (Liquori Publications, 2008)

MONDAY
August 14
St. Maximilian
Kolbe, Priest
and Martyr
Dt 10:12-22
Mt 17:22-27

TUESDAY August 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Rev 11:19a: 12:1-6a, 10ab 1 Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1/39-56

WEDNESDAY THURSDAY

August 16
Weekday
Dt 34:1-12
Mt 18:15-20

August 17
Weekday
Jos 3:7-10a,
11, 13-17
Mt 18:21-19:1

FRIDAY

August 18
Weekday
Jos 24:1-13
Mt 19:3-12

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SUNDAY

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Rom 11:13-15. 29-32

Mt 15:21-28



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Having faith means keeping your heart turned to God, to His love, to His Fatherly tenderness, amid the storm. Jesus wanted to teach this to Peter and the disciples, and also to us today. In dark moments, in s1d moments He is well aware that our faith is weak.

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