



# ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO CHURCH

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2023

## 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. - Mt 14:28-29

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### Parish Clergy

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**Office hours:** Tuesday: 8am - 11am  
Thursday & Friday : 1:00pm-4:00pm

### Regular Mass Schedules:

Saturday: 8:30a.m. & 5:00p.m. (anticipated )  
Sunday: 9:30a.m, 11:00a.m. & 5pm  
Mon.-Fri.: 8:30a.m.

*(Please be sure to check the parish website for changes during the week.)*

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday: 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:15pm

### Reconciliation:

Tuesday 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm (*cry room*)  
Saturday: 3:30pm to 5:00p.m. (*Reconciliation Room*)



Please see the bulletin on page 7 for information about the parish staff, sacraments, and other services we offer.



Matthew informs us that Peter and the other disciples were being beaten by the waves in the middle of the sea during the “fourth watch.” The “fourth watch” corresponds to around 3:00 AM to 6:00 AM. It is a time when the night is almost over, but the new day has yet to dawn. It’s a time when it’s caught between darkness and light. In our Gospel story this Sunday, Peter was in a way caught in a situation between darkness and light.

He and the other disciples were slammed by terrifying waves while at the same time Jesus came into their midst and spoke to them, “Take courage, it is I. Do not be afraid.” Despite the assuring presence of Jesus, Peter faltered in his faith. We too experience being beaten by the storms of life. And yet despite our countless experiences of being saved by the Lord and empowered by Him to do what we thought we could not, we still falter in our faith when faced with the strong waves of trials and challenges.

We sink like Peter, overcome by fear and doubt, even if Jesus is right in front of us! We find ourselves in the “fourth watch,” caught between darkness and light. We know that with Jesus there is hope, but deep in our hearts we still find ourselves on the verge of giving up as weariness and fatigue begin to overtake us. Jesus comes to meet us, “in the fourth watch of the night” assuring us not be afraid. He may not remove the storm in our life and instantly bring us to shore. But He invites us to walk towards Him for strength. May we always be assured that He will reach out to us and pull us up!



- Fr. Michael Syjueco



## Mass Intentions for the Week

Deceased (†) Living (L)

August 12	5:00 PM	Agnes Eco
August 13	9:30 AM	Rosita Guttadauro, Emilio Guttadauro
	11:00 AM	Thinh Nguyen and Family, † Emmanuel Vo Van Minh , † Raphael Luu The Te
	5:00 PM	Gabriela Jarvis, Ana Gawrosch
August 14	8:30 AM	† Satoru Kawashima , † Violet Kawashima
	6:30 PM	Anticipated Mass
August 15	8:30 AM	† Margarita Ze-Lan Chao
	7:00 PM	Holy Day of obligation
August 16	8:30 AM	† Scot Austin, Ana Gawrosch , † Luz Kapunan
August 17	8:30AM	Olga Ledesma
August 18	8:30 AM	William D. Wang, Cathy Y. Wang, John S. Wang
August 19	8:30 AM	Francisca Ambriz, † Charito Factoranan



## GROWING IN FAITH



*(If you are interested in any of the offerings below, please contact Fr. Gabriel Lee or Fr. Michael Syjueco in the parish office (408 252-7653 ext. 123 or 128)*

### **"ALIVE IN THE SPIRIT!"**

#### **BIBLE STUDY**

Good news! The Bible Study will resume soon. Arrangements are in the process of being made with the person who will lead it. Watch out for it!

#### **FLOCKNOTE Are you on board?**

#### **THE CATHOLIC FAITH ON DEMAND**

*(if you are having trouble getting Flocknote or signing up, email Fr. Michael Syjueco at [michael.syjueco@dsj.org](mailto:michael.syjueco@dsj.org))*

#### **ACCESS TO "AMEN" APP---Opportunity for prayer**

**Sign up via Formed or download the app free.**

**This is the Free Catholic Prayer, Meditation, and Scripture App** *(for questions or more information contact Fr. Michael Syjueco at [michael.syjueco@dsj.org](mailto:michael.syjueco@dsj.org); or call 408 252-7653 ext. 123)*

**KIDS:Formed.Org.** Lukas Club: St. Luke

**ADULTS: Formed.Org.** The Early Christian Ep1: The Scandal of the Cross.

#### **Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

Tuesday 7:00 pm—8:00 pm

Wednesday 9:00 am to 12:15pm

*(Please check the parish website for changes)*

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Tuesday 7:00 pm—8:00 pm

Saturday 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (Reconciliation room)

*(Please check the parish website for changes)*

**FLOWER OFFERING:** We always need contributions to help defray the cost of flowers. If you would like to donate or donate in honor of someone, please contact the Parish Office or use the envelopes in vestibule of church. If you enjoy our beautiful environment of flowers — please donate!

August 13, 2023



## SJC SCHOOL NEWS

**St. Joseph of Cupertino Preschool  
Inspires Leadership, Faith, Service,  
and Academic Excellence**

Enroll today in our TK or K-8 parish school:

[sjcschool.org/applications](https://sjcschool.org/applications)

Call to schedule a tour: **408-252-6441**

St. Joseph of Cupertino School is the educational gateway to your child's future. In the heart of Silicon Valley, our TK, K-8th grade Catholic school are focused on the care of the whole person. We go beyond caring for the educational growth of our students and strive to foster their moral, emotional, and spiritual growth. We take our responsibility for our community's well-being and safety very seriously. Earning the top academic schools in the Diocese of San Jose is one example of reaching our academic goals, and our religious studies, the classes in the Fine Arts, and robust club offerings round out your child's education. As a Catholic school, we are committed to faith, love, service, justice, learning, and growth. Check out our website [sjcschool.org](https://sjcschool.org).

### **FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTION**

Please join St. Joseph of Cupertino parishioners in honoring Our Blessed Mother on the First Saturday of the month, in the chapel, immediately following Mass. Please note: Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy will precede Mass at 8:00 a.m. Mass is at 8:30 a.m., and First Saturday devotions follow from 9:00 – 9:30 a.m. Everyone is welcome! The First Saturdays of the month are specially dedicated to Our Lady. For more information: <https://www3.nd.edu/~mary/classic/firstsat.html>

### **Fatima Pilgrimage**

Please join on Sunday, August 13, 2023 for a Eucharistic Celebration at 5:00 p.m. followed by a Rosary procession. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the blessing of the sick will take place in the church after the Rosary procession.



CATHOLIC FAITH IS OUR GREATEST GIFT-----ARE YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC, OR COMPLETING INITIATION? WHAT DO YOU SEEK?

If you are an adult or have an older child (age 7 and up) who has not been baptized, or an adult or child baptized in another faith and interested in the Catholic Church, or a Catholic who has not celebrated the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist,

then the Order of Christian Initiation process is for you! Questions? Please contact Fr. Gabriel Lee at the Parish Office

### SJC Catechetical Ministry

Registrations for our Sunday School, PreK-6th, and our Junior High Edge Ministry, 7th-8th grade, are now open! You may register your child(ren) through our parish website.

In addition, the Catechetical Ministry is asking for your help. To make this ministry year a success we need more young adults, parents, & grandparents to offer a couple of hours a week towards our elementary or Junior High youth.

Classes begin October 1st. Please consider sharing your gifts and talents as a Catechist or Aid. For more information, please contact Primo Martinez, Director of Catechetical Ministry.

Email: [primo.martinez@dsj.org](mailto:primo.martinez@dsj.org)  
Office Phone: 408-252-7653 x141

**MEANT4MORE**: Youth Ministry is open to all students in high school. We meet every Sunday from 6-8pm at the Youth Ministry room at the school except during school break. Come join us and make new friends, learn your faith, play games, sing, go on trips and watch movies. For more information email

[primo.martinez@dsj.org](mailto:primo.martinez@dsj.org)

### Love to Sing?

Our adult choirs **are looking for new voices!** No prior choir experience necessary. All voices welcome. Contact: Yvonne Casillas: [Yvonne.casillas@dsj.org](mailto:Yvonne.casillas@dsj.org)



Do you want to find out what is happening in the parish? Register for Flocknote at [stjosephofcupertino2.flocknote.com](http://stjosephofcupertino2.flocknote.com) or Text SJcup to 84576



### Stewardship at St. Joseph of Cupertino

#### Sunday Collection for the Week of 08-06-2023

Sunday Collection: \$ 7,237.00

Online Giving: \$6,725.00

Total Collection: \$ 13,962.00

Weekly Collection Goal: 10,922.00

Difference: \$3,040.00; 28% above the goal

Thank you to all who have been turning in their contributions. Let's continue to help the Parish. Contribution can be done either online, mail it to the Parish Office, or by dropping off in the drop box outside the rectory door.

### Stewardship Prayer

*Rev. Gregory Kimm, 2009*

God rich in kindness and generous in love, You call us to be your people, a church, a community of faith. You have entrusted St. Joseph of Cupertino Parish to our care. Help us to be good stewards, always worthy of your trust. As you are attentive to the needs of each of us, enable us to be attentive to the needs of our parish, using the gifts you have given us not just for our own good, but for the good of all. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Brother, and in the Spirit, who makes us one. Amen.

### 'Young Ladies' Grand Institute

A Catholic Women's Organization

St. Joseph's of Cupertino Young Ladies' Institute ("YLI") meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of

every month at 6:30 p.m. in the Fr. Gregory Ng Kimm Community Center. Come join us for a pre-social and recitation of the rosary beginning at 6:00 p.m. If you would like information on how to become a member, please contact

[maureeninstitute136@gmail.com](mailto:maureeninstitute136@gmail.com).

## Automated Giving is here—Have you signed up yet?

All parishioners are encouraged to give a set monthly amount. There are a number of ways this can be accomplished. You can sign up for online giving by clicking on “Give” tab on the St. Joseph website home page ([www.stjosephcupertino.org](http://www.stjosephcupertino.org)). You can use your bank’s online bill pay service to set up a recurring monthly payment to St. Joseph, or you can write one check each month and either drop it in the collection basket or send it to the parish office. If you have questions, please contact the parish office.

## Bingo:

Bingo is open! We run Bingo game every Saturday night. Bingo is a source of significant funds for our school, along with other donations to Outreach, scholarships and other needed charities. Bingo takes place in the Parish Hall. Warm-up games start at 6:30pm with the regular games at 7:15pm. Come join the fun and spread the news! More information is also on our parish website at [stjosephcupertino.org](http://stjosephcupertino.org). Go to the “Events” Tab.

Thank you.



## ONLINE RESOURCES

- **Parish website:** [www.stjosephcupertino.org](http://www.stjosephcupertino.org)  
You will find the bulletin, a calendar of events including funerals, and links to other resources as well as Sunday homilies.
- **Diocesan Website:** [www.dsj.org](http://www.dsj.org)
- **AmericanCatholic.org** —you’ll find information about the Catholic Faith, Saint of the Day, as well as a place for prayer requests!
- **Vatican—**[www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va) in English, Italian, French, German, and Spanish

## WAYS TO REPORT MISCONDUCT

**Safe Environment** If you suspect abuse in your parish, school or in the Diocese of San Jose, please contact:

- Child Protective Services 408.299.2071 / Police 911
- Office for the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults—Anthony Gonzalez 408.983.0141

**Financial Mismanagement** If you suspect financial mismanagement or misconduct in your parish, school or in the Diocese of San Jose, please contact:

- Ethics Point: [dsj.ethicspoint.com](http://dsj.ethicspoint.com) or the hotline telephone number 1-888-325-7863
- The Finance Office—Director of Compliance & Parish Financial Services, 408.983.0241 or email at [julio.bermude@dsj.org](mailto:julio.bermude@dsj.org)

## St. Joseph of Cupertino—Staff Information

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# Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

Then the LORD said to him,  
"Go outside and stand on the mountain before  
the LORD; the LORD will be passing by." (1 Kgs 19:11)

### Psalm:

Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your  
salvation. (Ps 85)

### Second Reading:

My conscience joins with the Holy Spirit in bearing  
me witness  
that I have great sorrow and constant anguish in  
my heart.  
For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut  
off from Christ  
for the sake of my own people. (Rom 9:1-3)

### Gospel:

Peter said to him in reply,  
"Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on  
the water."  
He said, "Come."  
Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the  
water toward Jesus. (Mt 14:28-29)

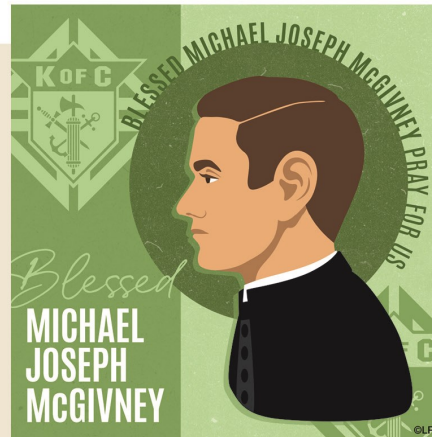
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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Christ is always coming to us in ways that we do  
not expect. Ways that shock us. Ways that frighten  
us. Ways that seem impossible. Are we ready to  
accept him however he comes, amidst whatever  
fear and doubt we are battling with in our hearts?

## Observances for the week of August 13, 2023

**Sunday:** 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Monday:** St. Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr  
**Tuesday:** The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Wednesday:** St. Stephen of Hungary  
**Saturday:** St. John Eudes, Priest  
**Next Sunday:** 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Saint of the week

Blessed Fr. Michael Joseph McGivney was  
a diocesan priest from Connecticut born  
to an Irish immigrant family. Together  
with men from his church, St. Mary's in  
New Haven, he founded what is now the  
world's largest Catholic fraternal service  
organization — the Knights of Columbus.

## Prayer

Founder of the Knights of Columbus  
God, our Father, protector of the poor  
and defender of the widow and orphan,  
You called Your priest, Blessed Michael  
McGivney, to be an apostle of Christian  
family life and to lead the young to  
the generous service of their neighbor.  
Through the example of his life and virtue,  
may we follow your Son, Jesus Christ,  
more closely, fulfilling his commandment  
of charity and building up his Body which  
is the Church. Let the inspiration of Your  
servant prompt us to greater confidence  
in Your love so that we may continue  
his work of caring for the needy and the  
outcast. We humbly ask that you glorify  
Blessed Michael McGivney on earth  
according to the design of Your holy will.  
Through his intercession, grant the favor  
I now present. Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

(Prayer Source: <https://www.fathermcgivney.org/>)



## Readings for the week of August 13, 2023

### Sunday:

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

### Monday:

Dt 10:12-22/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Mt 17:22-27

### Tuesday:

*Vigil:* 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28  
*Day:* Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

### Wednesday:

Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17/Mt 18:15-20

### Thursday:

Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21-19:1

### Friday:

Jos 24:1-13/Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22 and 24/Mt 19:3-12

### Saturday:

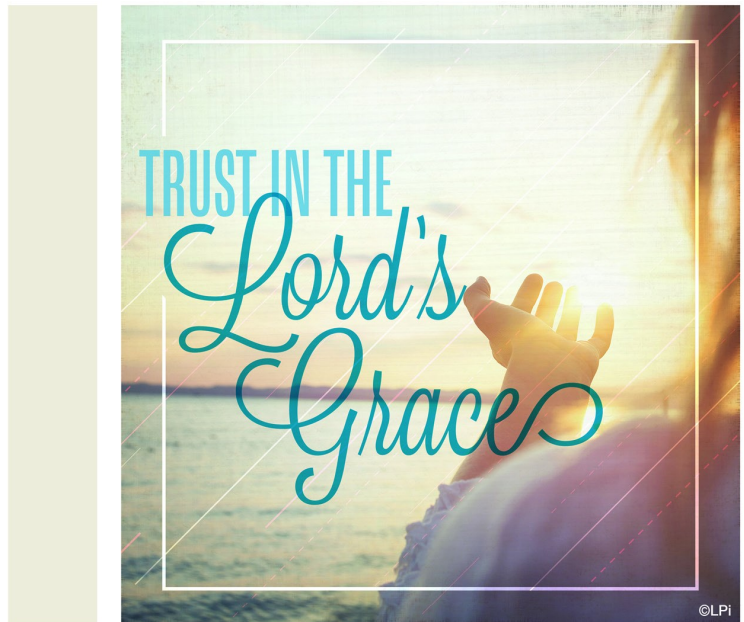
Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a, and 5, 7-8, 11/Mt 19:13-15

### Next Sunday:

Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A man at my parish was struggling to overcome a habitual sin. He said to me, “Father, I know the chance that I will commit sin again is really high. Why should I keep confessing my sins? Isn’t that dishonest?” Anyone who has felt the tyrannical power of sin — and who hasn’t? — has pondered this kind of question.

I responded to him, “What was the probability Peter would walk on the stormy water?” After some silence, he said, “Zero. But when Jesus called, he did it.” I could tell my penitent friend was re-framing the question from his own weakness to the greatness of the Lord’s love for him. The question for us should not be one of human probabilities about our sin, but rather whether or not we will trust the Lord’s grace in our lives.

This week the Lord is calling you and me to do the impossible: overcome sin with love. The only way to do that is to trust he is calling, and then to walk with the eyes of faith locked on him. And if we sink, he will raise us up again and again. Of that, we can be 100% sure.

— *Father John Muir*

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

### God and the Good Strong Wind

My only real memory of the Mackinac Island ferry was the physical sensation of the wind against my face. I remember, distinctly, that it hurt.

It surprised and confused me because wind had never felt painful before. Looking back now, I realize that it wasn't just the wind but the spray from the waves that crashed against the side of the ferry — that was what produced the sharp, biting sensation on my skin. But I couldn't have known that then, because my eyes were clamped shut. I refused to open them, even if I had, I would not have seen much, because my long hair was blown straight across my face.

I was four years old, and it was, in the immortal words of Winnie-the-Pooh, a very blustery day as my family made our way to Mackinac Island. I remember thinking I was going to die. I'm positive now that it wasn't really all that dramatic, but at four years old, you're awfully scared of a good strong wind.

Deep inside, aren't we all, really?

I think of the apostles who cannot recognize Christ — their friend — because he is doing something new. Something impossible. They are so sure he is a ghost, a sinister thing — children are always frightened of what they cannot understand.

And even when he reassures them, still Peter is not convinced. He demands, essentially, a miracle. He demands that Christ make him do what only Christ can do.

And even when the miracle takes place — he walks on water, he defies physics — still he is human. Scared, doubtful, distractible. No match for a good strong wind.

*"Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter..." Matthew 14:31*

*Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman*

## Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

### Question:

If we have a separation of church and state, how should faith influence the way we act in society, especially for those who have a role in the government?

### Answer:

No matter who we are, our inner lives affect the way we interact with the world. In the United States, we have freedom of religion. That means there is no official state-sanctioned religion. This does not mean that our faith is a private affair with no impact on public life! We have the ability to freely exercise our religious beliefs in accord with our conscience. Not only do we have the option to do so, but we also have the responsibility.

We're called to imitate Christ in every area of our life, not compartmentalize our faith. This means acting with respect and honoring the common humanity all we encounter. It means recognizing the person behind the politics. It also means standing up for the truth of human life and dignity and advocating for just policies that serve the common good. The Vatican has produced a "Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church." It contains more detailed exposition of how our Catholic faith relates to various aspects of public life.



Jesus, I thank you for  
showing me how powerful  
you are.

When you are afraid, ask Jesus for help. Remember how powerful he is.

## Sharing the Gospel

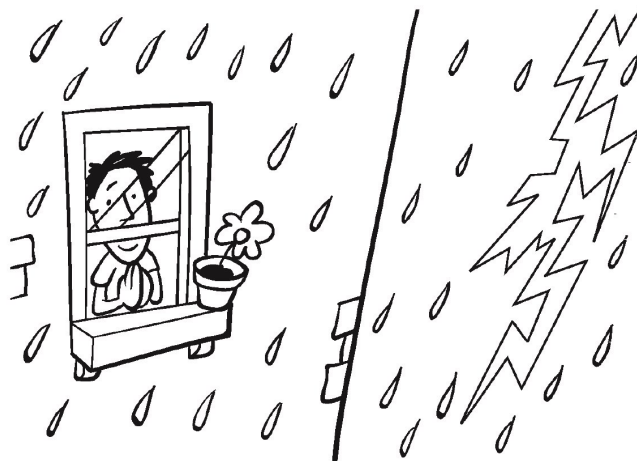
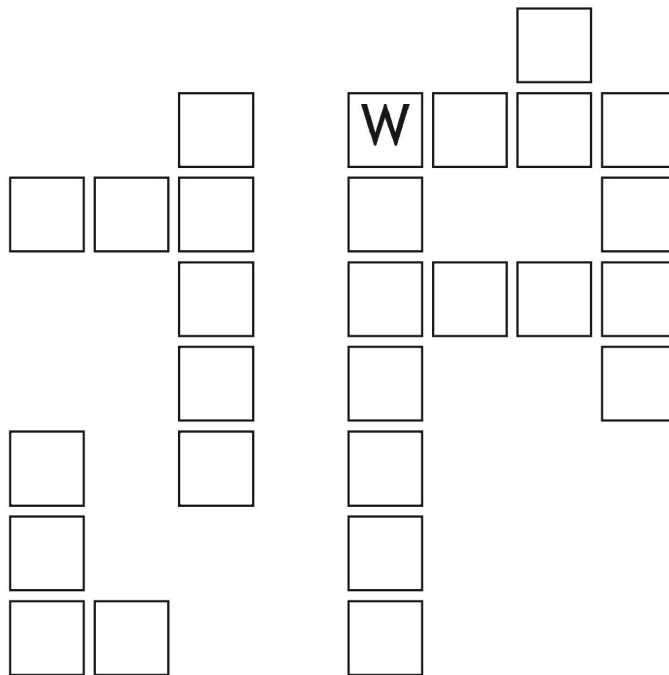
One night the disciples were caught in a storm, out in the middle of a lake. The winds were strong. The waves crashed against their boat. But Jesus was so powerful, he walked on that stormy lake. Then he completely stopped the storm. No problem you have is ever too big for Jesus. He can do anything. Put all your trust in him.

## Now color the picture!



**Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:**

Jesus went out to them,  
walking on the lake.





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# PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

Sunday, August 13th

5.00 pm Mass

Church

followed by

Rosary Procession

Eucharistic Procession and  
Eucharistic Blessing of the Sick