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Established in the Spirit of Jesus Christ with an Afro-centric focus, Blessed Sacrament Chapel is committed to spreading the "Word" through fellowship and good works.

Sunday Mass: 10:00AM Reconciliation: 1st Sunday 9:30AM

St. Stephen Cathedral Parish Office: 270-683-6525 **Rector:** Fr. Jerry Riney, jerry.riney@pastoral.org Parochial Vicar: Fr. Jamie Dennis,

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Elijah waits on the mountain for the LORD to pass by (1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a).

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

Second Reading — From the Israelites, with their law and the prophets, comes the Christ (Romans 9:1-5).

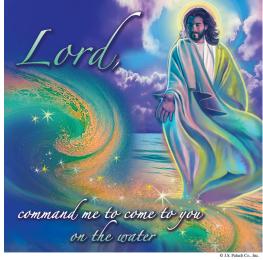
Gospel — As Jesus walked on the sea, the disciples were terrified (Matthew 14:22-33).

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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 13, 2017

Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven.



Coming Events CALENDAR

Blessed Sacrament Chapel

August 13—Blessing of students, teachers Parish Council meeting after Mass

♦ August 14—6 PM Mass (Assumption)

Community Events

August 13—8 AM to 10:30 Pancake breakfast at St. Stephen's

Sept. 22 Diocesan Vocare 5 PM



To everyone for all you did to help make the picnic a success. God blessed us with good weather and you worked hard.

Thank you for your contributions..

August 5— NA

Weekly Budget \$865



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Upcoming Bar-b-q's

Sept. 5 Blessed Mother Parish 4 PM

Sept. 8-10 "Maple Fest" at Mount Saint Joseph

IMP—Kroger Update

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Kroger has changed their Community Rewards program so that you no longer need to reregister each August. You will automatically roll over and stay enrolled.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: <u>Vigil</u>: 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 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21 — 19:1

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

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

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

.Sunday: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary

Time

Monday: St. Maximilian Kolbe

Tuesday: The Assumption of the Blessed Vir-

gin Mary

Wednesday: St. Stephen of Hungary

Saturday: St. John Eudes; Blessed Virgin

Mary

BIBLE TRUTH

Each person marvels to find in the divine scriptures truths which they themselves have thought out.

NOTHING TO FEAR

A rabbi was asked why God sends trials and troubles into human lives. "Because God gets lonely for his people" was the reply. There is some resonance with this wisdom in today's Gospel, as Jesus makes his disciples get into a boat without him and goes off alone while they venture into stormy waters. Of course, neither Jews nor Christians believe that the Almighty plays this sort of whimsical game with them, but there is some truth in the statement that we don't turn to God for saving help until we're in a bind. Peter's role today, as it is throughout the New Testament, is to be a sign or to represent each member of the church and the whole church. Our story is the tale told about Peter's faith today. What can bolster our faith is that even when Christ calls us to face bravely the tempests of life, if we are walking through them with our eyes fixed on him in faith, we have nothing to fear. Even when we falter or sink, simply crying "Lord, save me!" is enough to help us know the steady grasp of God's hand. Then, sheltered inside the walls of faith, the storms we endure lose their power over us.

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Anyone who wishes to frolic with the devil cannot rejoice with Christ.

-St. Peter Chrysologus

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WHAT I KNOW

As for me, all I know is that I know nothing.

—Socrates

In today's Gospel from the Book of Matthew, we hear the remarkable story of Jesus walking on the Sea of Galilee. St. Peter reflects his faith in the Lord when he says, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." Jesus says simply, "Come." We do not know if Peter stepped into the water or jumped and it does not matter. His faith and trust in the Lord allows Peter, too, to begin to walk on the water. Clearly when Peter's focus is on Christ, he is able to accomplish this.

However, when Peter loses his focus and begins to observe and think about the storm raging around him, he begins to sink. To Peter's credit he knows exactly to Whom to turn in that situation. "Lord, save me." We may often find ourselves in similar circumstances. Peter knew exactly Who to call out to at the moment of crisis. We may do the same.



Assumption of Mary

God our Father, from your son's fullness Mary has been given grace upon graceso that today you lelad her into the light of your glory. May we come to you as she did, poor and lowly. So that like he, we may one day be transformed into the image of Jesus, who is Lord for ever and ever.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Roman Canon, called Eucharistic Prayer I, is probably seldom heard in your parish. Some priests will choose it for at least one of the Masses of Christmas, or the Easter Vigil. Such sparing use of this prayer seems strange, especially since it was the only Eucharistic Prayer in the Latin Rite for many centuries, from as long ago as 500 right up to 1970.

In 1965, the vernacular language was approved for the canon of the Mass. Almost immediately, some experimental texts began to surface in the Netherlands, and priests began to use new Dutch texts without permission. By 1966, Pope Paul VI had set up a committee to consider whether or not it was time to approve such experimentation and extend it to non-Dutch churches. No sooner had the committee been formed than other individuals copied the Dutch by just plunging on ahead. The Dutch bishops had approved the use of the new prayers nationwide in 1968, and Flemish bishops in Belgium quickly agreed. By then, German translations of the Dutch prayers were in wide use, and before long nearly one hundred Eucharistic Prayers, all unapproved, were in circulation in France. The Vatican heard the widespread desire for more variety in Eucharistic Prayer forms, and, with the pope's approval, the process of creating new official prayers began.

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Our thoughts and prayers are with:

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From the desk of



Do we listen for that small voice of God in our lives? There are so many distractions that take us away from recognizing God's voice in our lives. I think that sometimes we only think God is in those big signs, spoken through a loud voice. Sometimes God does appear quite dramatically, but more often then not, it is that small voice.

God made us to have a free will and to make choices. God is a gentleman and will not force himself on us. This is why he usually speaks through small signs and through a small voice. He will work with us. However, we need to make the effort to recognize God's hand in our lives.

Many people experience that small voice of God in many different ways. My buddy Josh who lives on the coast hears God in between the crashing of waves and the calm of the ocean. My friend Ms. Tish feels the presence and peace of God while she is driving a locomotive. A couple who I had lunch with on Sunday witnessed God amidst the laughter and play of their children. God is there and is active; we just have to be aware and watchful.

What brings me great comfort is how I can see how God is active in your lives. I get to walk with my people on the spiritual walk and what a great privilege that is. You all show me God every day. I see him in your joys and your sorrows. We are all in this life together. May we not lose sight of God and remind one another, it will be okay and God is with us.



August Birthdays

15—Whaylon Coleman

16—Kamyal Morton

23-Nadija Hanley

24—Sam Wood

27—Travis Higgs,

29—Andre Epison



Mass Intentions:

August 5—Mr. & Mrs. Earl Epison, Jr.

August 13—Michael Carrico

August 20—Lawrence Flemister

August 27—Kenneth Higgs

Let us remember to pray for those who have recently died or those who are in the process of dying. Always remember to pray for the poor souls in purgatory.

If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude.

-Maya Angelou

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