



# 19th 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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# PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor, Rev. Phi Nguyen
Pastor Emeritus, Rev. James Barrett
Associate Pastors, Rev. Arthur Bautista
Rev. Jose Baptista, SFX
Deacon, Michael Neba
Accountant, Jim Masini
Religious Ed, Cynthia Splatt
Music Ministry, Steve Burke
Howard Schneider

# MASS SCHEDULE

#### Weekend

Saturday
4:00 pm (English)
6:00 pm (Vietnamese)
Sunday
8:30 am & 10:30 am (English)
Weekday
Monday-Saturday 8:00 am

#### RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 3:00-3:30 pm.

An appointment can also be made by calling one of the priests.

## **OFFICES**

Rectory (773) 764-0615 2324 W. Chase Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00 am-12:00 pm & 1:00-5:00 pm Friday by appointment Parish Website:

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# Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

In the Gospel of this Sunday (Mt 14:22-33), Matthew tells us about a time when Jesus revealed to the disciples his power over nature.

"After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When it was evening, he was there alone. Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore, was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified. "It is a ghost," they said, and they cried out in fear.

At once Jesus spoke to them, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." (Mt 14:22-27)

Peter went over the side of the boat, as Jesus told him to, and walked on the water toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he was afraid and started to sink down. Jesus caught him by the hand. Then when they both got on the boat, the wind stopped.

Truly, Jesus is God. He has authority over everything. He silenced the waves. He performed many miracles to show his love for people - The miracle of bread multiplication that we heard in the Gospel of the 18<sup>th</sup> Week of Ordinary Time (Matthew 14: 13-21) is an example. Jesus healed many people with different kinds of diseases. The deaf could hear, the blind could see, and the dead were raised to life.

Renewing our faith in Jesus Christ, Lord Almighty, each of us should pay attention to another point in today's Gospel passage. It is the prayer life of Jesus. After dismissing the crowds, "he went up on the mountain by himself to pray." (Mt 14:23)

From the Gospel, we learn that Jesus always prayed to God the Father. He had a close and intimate relationship with God the Father. Jesus prayed before and after each event. He prayed before He chose the disciples. Last Sunday's Gospel, Matthew 14:13-21, tells us that Jesus prayed before performing the miracle of multiplication to feed five thousand people.

How about us?

Faced with so many constantly changing demands of life, do each of us pay attention to our spiritual life? Or is our mind devoted to things of the world rather than a life with and in God? God always loves us, yet do we try to stay in the love of God?

May we never be separated from God!

Fr. Phi Nguyen

# Pastor Installation Mass—Livestreaming on YouTube

We regret that attendance at Fr. Phi Nguyen's Installation Mass at 5:00 PM on Saturday, August 15 will be by invitation only. Unfortunately, the number of attendees for all Masses is limited during the pandemic.

Although your personal attendance may not be possible, we wish to invite the entire community to the Mass as it is livestreamed on YouTube. A link to the livestream is available on <a href="https://sainthenrychicago.org/installation-mass">https://sainthenrychicago.org/installation-mass</a>

Please join us on YouTube as we welcome Fr. Phi.

# Sunday Mass in English at Blessed Aloysius Stepinac Croatian Catholic Mission

In collaboration with the unified parish of Ss. Timothy, Henry, and Margaret Mary, Blessed Aloysius Stepinac Croatian Catholic Mission has Mass in English on Sunday at 9:00 AM.

Blessed Aloysius Stepinac Croatian Catholic Mission is located at 6346 N. Ridge Avenue, on the southwest corner of Ridge and Devon Ave. CTA #155 Devon Avenue bus stops at the southeast corner of Ridge and Devon Ave. If driving, you may park in Misericordia parking lot adjacent to the church.

To attend Mass, please register at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/BlessedStepinacChicago/">https://www.facebook.com/BlessedStepinacChicago/</a> or <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0a44adab2dabf94-blessed">https://www.facebook.com/BlessedStepinacChicago/</a> or <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0a44adab2dabf94-blessed">https://www.facebook.com/BlessedStepinacChicago/</a> or <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0a44adab2dabf94-blessed">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0a44adab2dabf94-blessed</a>

On July 25<sup>th</sup> & 26th and August 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> we were finally able to celebrate First Holy Communion & Confirmation, and to recognize the teens honored with this year's Youth Leadership Awards.

# OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS

Tamina Alcazar Kristina Andrade Sofia Arrietta Barbara Cachu Armand Diamante Benjamin Diaz-Perez Soren Diaz-Perez Andrea Esquivel Diego Garcia Gael Garcia Freddy Gaytan Gael Gaytan Leonardo Gaytan Bill Gonzalez Liezel Hernandez Phoenix Hernandez

Leilani Le Quong
Delia Lopez
Edgar Maya
Leonardo Maya
Jesus Miranda
Emma Norkus
Leonel Nunez
Ike Nkwocha
Brian Ozuma
Juliette Perez
Anya Porter
Xavier Reyes
Natalie Russell
Edwyn Soto
Diego Villanueva

### **OUR CONFIRMANDS**

Adam Bartilad
Alexander Chavez
Jackelyn Chavez
Alexander Ceniceros
Francisco De Ramos
Fernanda Esquivel
Jessica Fernandes
Freddy Gaytan
Gael Gaytan
Jessica Hader
Claire Kempner
Alondra Lagunilla

Emilo Lopez Yajaira Mancera Edgar Maya Leonardo Maya Felipe Miranda Mali Osnaya Marlene Reyes Hailey Richter Romeo Soto Vanesa Soto Ivette Ramirez Sofia Salinas

Antonio Unabia



# PARISH & COMMUNITY EVENTS

### TOWN HALL MEETINGS

One of our key commitments throughout the unification process has been to keep all parishioners informed of our progress, to answer parishioner's questions, and to address parishioner's concerns. As part of this process, we will have three Town Hall meetings. These meetings will be held in-person with proper social distancing and will also be livestreamed. Meetings will take place at all three worship sites.

You may attend any meeting that fits your schedule at any of the worship sites.

St. Henry worship site Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

St. Margaret Mary worship site Tuesday, August 25, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

St. Timothy worship site Thursday, August 27, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

The exact location of the meetings on each campus is to be determined. Livestreaming links will be published soon.

Parishioners are the lifeblood of our unified parish. Please attend and make your voices heard.

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

Passing along our faith to our young people is one of the most important parts of our community and our faith. Whether or not we have children, we all strive to be good models in what we say and what we do. Young people watch us and learn by our example. We can also learn from them as we see the passion and purity of their faith.

As our parish continues to unify, we are bringing our Religious Education programs together. Deacon Joseph Thuan Than from the St. Henry worship site has agreed to serve as Interim Director of Religious Education. He will be aided by Cindy Shaw from the St. Timothy worship site and Cynthia Splatt from the St. Margaret Mary worship site.

Please keep them, our catechists, and our youth in your prayers.

### PARISH NAMING PROCESS

The Ss. Timothy, Henry, and Margaret Mary Unification Committee met on Friday, July 31. After reviewing the results of the parish survey and deep and prayerful discussion, the committee has submitted the following names to Cardinal Cupich and the Archdiocese.

Holy Child Jesus

Holy Eucharist Parish

St. Andrew Düng-Lac and Companions

St. Mary Magdalene

We believe these choices best reflect the spirit and unity of our parish. We hope to have the Cardinal's decision within the next few weeks.

Let us continue to work and pray together. We trust in the Holy Spirit to guide us as we move forward in the life of our unified parish.

# FOCUS ON THE WORD

# CYCLES OF FAITH

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Be still and know that I am God. Silence is sacred. Silence speaks the language of the soul and is the foundation of all life and eternity itself. Silence takes us beyond the limits of our minds and allows us to seek and to love the essence of all love, perfect love, and being. In silence, we can be non-verbally present to things and to God in ways that words cannot accomplish. We can discover, encounter, and be present to truths that our minds struggle to conceive and then set aside the boxes we put around things when comprehending them is challenging. We can know the unknowable and touch eternity when we encounter the core silence in our souls.

We can do this even on a noisy street and in the midst of the greatest distraction. Once we have made friends with silence, the rambling noise of the world no longer seems to matter, and we can carry a deep forgiving peace within us, even when physical silence cannot be found. We know that we are loved, cared for, sustained, nourished, embraced, and carried. There is nothing to fear in silence, and I can be present to myself in the same way that God is present to me. I can see myself as God sees me. All of my faults, weaknesses, imperfections, failings, and sinfulness melt away in the abundance of God's mercy. All of the worldly things we see as being important no longer are.

It is in silence that all of the barriers that divide us disappear. There is no more "yours" and "mine" but only the oneness of "ours." There is no longer a need to "figure things out," and we tap into our desire to simply let things be. Silence is creative and powerful and gives us hope. Silence is God's greatest blessing. God became one with humanity in silence. It allows us to be one with all of creation, with the moon and the stars and all of the creatures God has made. The smallest particle of creation radiates with beauty. Silence allows us to soar beyond ourselves and connect in ways that the mind can only imagine. When all is quiet, we begin to see that it is only our fear that keeps us from the Lord. It is our fear that causes us to sink and to fail. We can hear the gentle whisper that tells us to reach for God's hand. We discover that we yearn for the salvation and wholeness that only God can give to us. Be still my soul and be at peace.

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

# **COLLECTION REPORT**

#### August 2, 2020

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Sunday Envelope Budget	\$8,942.00
Sunday Envelope Actual	\$2,550.00
Loose Money	\$ 376.00
Total Collection	\$2,926.00
Variance	(\$6,016.00)
Weekly Budget Amount	
Envelopes Used	40



#### SACRAMENTS

**Marriage:** Arrangements should be made at least three months in advance.

**Baptisms:** On the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month immediately following the 10:30 am mass. Please make arrangements at least one month in advance.

Preparation class held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm in the rectory

#### R.C.I.A

Program/Process for adults interested in the Catholic Faith (Sept.-April). Call the Rectory for information.

#### NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome our new parishioners and invite them to register at the rectory.

# WORSHIP CALENDAR

# MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, August 9 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

English

8:30 am Deceased members of SS. T., H. & M. M.

10:30 am Wayne Haukap Julita Trovela

Monday, August 10 St. Lawrence

8:00 am Deceased members of SS. T., H. & M.M.

Tuesday, August 11 St. Clare 8:00 am Carlos Virella

Wednesday, August 12 St. Jane Frances de Chantal 8:00 am Deceased members of SS. T., H. & M.M.

Thursday, August 13 Ss. Pontian & Hippolytus

8:00 am Romeo Alzona, Jr.

Friday, August 14 St. Maximilian Kolbe

8:00 am Crispin Trovela

Saturday, August 15 Assumption of BVM

8:00 am Deceased members of SS. T., H. & M.M.

English

5:00 pm Ann Donohue

Sunday, August 16 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

English

10:00 am Julita Trovela

Marie Schmid

Bilingual English & Vietnamese

12:00 pm Deceased members of SS., T., H. & M.M.

# YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS

# For Catechesis:

Valeria Barron
Victor Anthony Chavez
Antonia Lagunilla
Isabella Lopez
Emily Uribe
Isabel Uribe
Angelica Urquiza

For Prayer and Worship:
Patrick Conlon



# PASTOR'S INSTALLATION MASS

Bishop Mark Bartosic will come to St. Margaret Mary Church on Saturday, August 15 at the special 5:00 p.m. Mass to formally install Father Phi Nguyen as Pastor of Ss. Timothy, Henry and Margaret Mary Parish.

To mark this special celebration and as a sign of unity, Fr. Phi's Installation Mass will be the only Saturday afternoon Mass at St. Margaret Mary on August 15, and there will be no Saturday afternoon Mass at St. Timothy Church and St. Henry Church on August 15.

Father Phi's Installation Mass will be livestreamed on YouTube Channel <a href="http://youtube.com/c/mancoichicago">http://youtube.com/c/mancoichicago</a>.

### CHANGES IN THE MASS SCHEDULE ARE COMING SOON!

Christ binds us together, no matter what our native language or culture is. To support our vision of our united community and to worship together in one space, the following schedule will be in effect at the St. Margaret Mary worship site beginning Sunday, August 16, 2020.

Saturday: 3:00 pm-3:30 pm Confession

4:00 pm Mass in English 6:00 pm Mass in Vietnamese

Sunday: 10:00 am Mass in English

12:00 noon Mass—Bilingual in English and Vietnamese

Let's be open and alert to the Holy Spirit, to where it is leading us, to what it is telling us. For the Spirit moves among us, like a wind blowing where it will.