

**'Man of little faith,' He said 'why did you doubt?'**

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**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – “A”**  
Dziewiętnasta Niedziela Zwykła

**August 13, 2023**  
*100<sup>th</sup> year of service*

**Events for the week:**

**Sun., 8/13/23** – XIX Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00AM – Holy Mass for +James Dean, of. by wife, Marjorie.

**Tue., 8/15/23** – Solemnity – Dormition/Assumption of the BVM

9:00AM – Holy Mass for all Parishioners.

6:00PM – Meeting for anyone who is interested in rectory's front porch steps repairing.

**Next Sunday, August 20: XX Sunday in Ordinary Time**

10:00AM – Holy Mass for +Susan Berto-Bednarek.

Next Sunday's Mass intentions: Aug. 20: +Susan Berto-Bednarek.

The Lord can calm the storms of life and bring peace. As we gather today, we ask Him to touch our lives and make us witnesses of God's generosity, compassion and love.

**I Reading:** I Kings 19:9, 11-13

**II Reading:** Romans 9:1-5

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 14:22-33

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while He would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away He went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, He was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night He went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw Him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying, 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord,' He said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out His hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' He said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before Him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Special **Thanks** go out to: Church cleaner, Organist, lector, collector, and the Sunday greeters.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Birthday best wishes are extended to: August 17 – Sandra Elsavage; August 18 – Marie Demnitski.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK – especially for - James Panco – Jean Keim – Betty Brazausky - Marjorie Dean – Elaine Antalosky – Josephine Hause – Edward Jurewicz. *H & R Center Tremont*: Dolores Halaburda. *Luther Ridge Pottsville, PA* – Marie Demnitski. *Rehab. & Nursing Center Pottsville, PA* – Thomas Justen.

Our parish is looking for a person who will be responsible for: cleaning the church (including: decorating the church for special events and seasons, washing altar clothes), beginning September 1, 2023. For information, please contact Mrs. Ann Marie Wycheck.

- Hall for Rent is available...\$100.00 for 2 hours/+ \$25.00 each additional hour, and \$50.00 returnable deposit.
- August 26 – Chicken Dinner;  
*Half of Chicken – Baked Potato – Vegetable – Roll – Butter;*  
*Price - \$10.00 – take out only – pick up: 2-4:00PM in church hall.*  
To order, please call: 570-874-0119 or 570-205-3111 by August 20, 2023
- October 15, at 4:00PM Anniversary Holy Mass – Celebration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of organizing our parish; dinner will be in the Roman's restaurant, Frackville, PA.

**“Survey the path for your feet, and all your ways will be sure. Turn neither to right nor to left, keep your foot far from evil”. (Proverbs 4:18-19)**