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*Never be afraid
of loving
the Blessed Virgin
too much. You can never
love her more than
Jesus did.*

—ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was, he became frightened." How can we describe Peter? At once faithful and fearful, his jumbled responses remind us that he was no spiritual superman, well intentioned though he may have been. Peter wanted to believe, and in fact showed a great deal of confidence in Christ, but the temptation to doubt was strong enough to knock him off his feet, literally.

"O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" Jesus reprimanded Peter. The words seem harsh. After all, Peter was the only one who had enough faith to even try something as ludicrous as stepping out of the boat onto the water in the first place. But perhaps Jesus wanted to emphasize that our faith needs to be strong enough to weather the storm, so to speak.

If we only believe in Jesus when the wind is calm and the waves are gone, is that truly having faith in him? Is that actually trusting in his supreme power over the forces of the universe? Peter began to sink as soon as a challenge appeared. Jesus called him, and he calls us, to stay on our feet even when the winds begin to blow.

So, what are the winds that threaten our faith? What kinds of gusts are blowing today? Whatever it might be--health problems, financial concerns, relational struggles--none of it is too much for Jesus to handle. But we must step out in faith and trust him! And we need to keep our eyes on him as we do so, instead of getting distracted by the force of the challenges we face. Jesus is bigger than any problem. We have nothing to fear as long as we are walking towards him.

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Sat Evening: 7pm	Marie Bollard , John Counsel (A),
Sun: 9.30am	Marie O'Brien (1stA), Patrick Ormsby (A),
Sun: 11.30am	John, Frs. Reice & Gary Murphy Sally & Willie Maxwell (A), Ann Mahony (A), Cathleen & Richard Geoghegan (A),
Mon: 9.30am	Elizabeth (Minnie) Jackson ((B.R.)
Tues: 9.30am	Annie Walsh (A),
Wed: 9.30am	Ruth Terrcini (A),
Thurs: 9.30am	Kathleen & Derek Comiskey (A)
Fri: 9.30am	Mass of intention

With Heartfelt Sympathy



To the families of the late

Marie O'Farrell R.I.P. & Michael Forrester R.I.P.

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Mass Times

Sunday Vigil: (Saturday Evening) 7.00pm
Sunday: 9.30am & 11.30am
Monday - Friday: 9.30am
Saturday morning: No Mass



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Second Saturday of each month at 12.00pm
Fourth Sunday of each month at 12.30pm

COLLECTIONS FOR 6TH AUGUST 2017

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HOLY DAY - FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Monday, 14th August - Vigil Mass at 7pm

Tuesday, 15th August - Morning Mass at 9.30am

Please note there is no 11.30am Mass



To **Pauline Dillon & Mark Tate**
who were married in
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in their life together.



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“ True charity requires courage: let us overcome the fear of getting our hands dirty so as to help those in need.”



WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

QUESTION:

What are we celebrating on the feast of the Assumption of Mary?

ANSWER:

The Assumption, along with the Immaculate Conception, are two Marian dogmas that have been infallibly defined by the Church. The Assumption proclaims the reality that Mary was taken up body and soul into heaven. This was God's special gift to her in response to her total giving of self to God's plan and will.

The Church believes that Mary was immaculately conceived, that is, conceived without original sin. This led the Church to believe that she did not suffer one of the key consequences of original sin--death and corruption. (The Orthodox Church celebrates the Dormition of Mary, the belief that Mary did not die but rather fell asleep and was thus assumed into heaven.)

What significance does this feast have for our lives as Christians today? Modelling ourselves on Jesus is certainly the sure path to God. So this feast is above all an assurance and hope of our continued life with God. God will not leave us orphaned or alone to suffer the emptiness of death. This is the hope and assurance that Mary's assumption celebrates. It is a celebration of our assumption as well. She is one of us, providing a model of what God has in store for all who love and give of themselves to God.

INSPIRATION

Peter saw Jesus walking on the water and began to walk toward him. He became frightened at how strong the wind was and began to sink. He took his focus off of Jesus and allowed his fears to get the best of him. Fear often gets the best of us and cripples us. We sink. Many of our actions and thoughts are motivated by fear. Think of how many opportunities you have missed because of fear. Jesus tells us to trust and to meet each day with faith and confidence. God is with us. We have nothing to fear.

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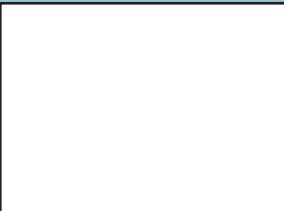
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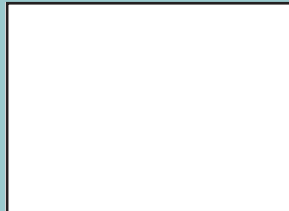
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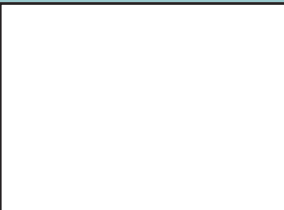
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