

Walking on Water!



In today's Gospel reading Jesus did an amazing miracle- He walked across the sea! This was a sign that He was more powerful than nature.

Peter knew that he was supposed to follow in Our Lord's footsteps, so he asked Jesus to call him to come and walk on the water too. When Jesus called him, Peter got out of the boat and started walking on the water too! But soon he noticed how windy it was and got scared. As soon as he got distracted from Jesus, he started to sink, until Jesus took him and helped him up.

We are supposed to follow in Our Lord's footsteps too. When Jesus wants you to do something, He will give you the grace you need to do it, just like He gave Peter the power to walk on the water. If you lose sight of Jesus and only think about how hard it is, you won't be able to do what God asks, just like Peter when he started to sink. If you realize that you're having a hard time doing the right thing, it's time to turn back to Jesus!



Answer to puzzle on front: Jesus walking on the water. Answer to Flowers for Our Lady: Mary was assumed, body and soul, into Heaven!

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Word Search Puzzle

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GEVENINGRPBCYPO
SSCPQNTSDUROOAW
CIVDOUBTKOXAMC
UDNWALKINGFFYTE
ONEKGAXBYAUYSUO
SJDUKLAWCFQNTIM
DLVHOQLBOGAMYPH
DZOEICOUWQNB LZ
DJYFMMNORVAJWNW
TKVWLEAADXTQA
IAWINDMFGPVR EFV
FPSAVEUREWSBARE
VLAKEDYASPKYYSS
CYOXHEZITUZUA IK
RHANDANDQYNHWXH

EVENING	HAND	DOUBT	WAVES
COURAGE	AFRAID	SAVE	SINK
LAKE	WALKING	BOAT	WIND
PRAY	COME	WATER	ALONE

Psalm 85:8



I WILL LISTEN TO WHAT
GOD THE LORD SAYS;
He promises peace to his
people, his faithful servants—



St. Joseph the Worker Parish
Gros Islet, Grande Riviere & Monchy

CONFESSIONS
Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m.
&
by appointment

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19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 9TH AUGUST 2026 - YEAR A

His saving Help.

How do we find God in the storms and struggles of our lives, in the trials we encounter in trying to do His will? God commands Elijah in the First Reading to stand on the mountain and await His passing by, and in the Gospel, Jesus makes the disciples set out across the waters to meet Him. In each case, the Lord makes Himself present amid frightening tumult - heavy winds and high waves, fire and earthquakes.

Elijah hides his face. Perhaps he remembers Moses, who met God on the same mountain, also amid fire, thunder, and smoke. God told Moses no one could see His face and live, and He sheltered Moses in the hollow of a rock, as He shelters Elijah in a cave.

The disciples, likewise, are too terrified to look on the face of God. Today's Gospel is a revelation of Jesus' divine identity. Only God treads across the crest of the sea and rules the raging waters, and the words of assurance that Jesus speaks, "It is I", are those God used to identify Himself to Moses. Even Peter is too overcome by fear to imitate his Lord. His fears, Jesus tells him, are a sign of his lack of faith. And so it often is with us. Our fears make us doubt, make it hard to see His glory dwelling in our midst. Yet, we should know, as we sing in the Psalm, that His salvation is near to those who hope in Him.

By faith we should know, as Paul asserts in the Epistle, that we are heirs to the promises made to His children, Israel. We must trust that He whispers to us in the trials of our lives, that He who has called us to walk along the way of His steps, will save us whenever we begin to sink.

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SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading
1Kg.19:9,11-13
Second Reading
Rom.9:1-5
Gospel
Mt.14:22-33
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MASS TIMES

Gros Islet
Morning Prayers:
Mon -Fri
5:45 a.m.
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MONDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
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TUESDAY
6:00 a.m.
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WEDNESDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.
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THURSDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
✚
FRIDAY
6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
✚
SATURDAY
6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.
✚
SUNDAY
Gros Islet/G. Riviere
7:30 a.m.
Gros Islet/Monchy
10:00 a.m.
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HOLIDAY
Variable
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St. Maximilian Maria Kolbe - Feast Day August 14

He was born Raymund Kolbe in 1894 in Poland which was at that time part of the Russian Empire. In 1907 he and his elder brother decided to join the Conventual Franciscans. He took final vows in 1914, adopting the name Maximilian Maria, to show his veneration of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In 1918 he was ordained a priest.

During his time as a student in Rome, he witnessed demonstrations by Freemasons against Popes Pius X and Benedict XV. This inspired him to organize the Militia Immaculatae (Army of Mary) to work for the conversion of sinners and enemies of the Catholic Church, through the intercession of the Virgin Mary. In 1919 he was diagnosed as having tuberculosis and returned to a newly independent Poland. Here Maximilian founded a Franciscan community which combined prayer, cheerfulness and simplicity of life with modern technology, as well as a seminary, a radio station and several other organizations and publications. He was also active in promoting the veneration of the Immaculate Virgin Mary.

During the Second World War his friary provided shelter to refugees including 3,000 Poles and 1,500 Jews. Maximilian was also active as a radio amateur, attacking Nazi activities through his reports. Kolbe was arrested by the Nazis on 17 February 1941 as a journalist, publisher and ‘intellectual’. He was imprisoned and on 25 May was transferred to Auschwitz .

In July 1941 a prisoner from Kolbe’s barracks vanished, prompting the deputy camp commander to pick 10 men from the same barracks to be starved to death. When one of those selected cried out in distress at having been chosen, Maximilian volunteered to take his place. He stepped forward, saying: “I am a Catholic priest. I wish to die for that man. I am old; he has a wife and children.”

During the days in the death chamber of Cell 18, he led his companions in songs and prayer. After three weeks of dehydration and starvation, only Kolbe and three others were still alive. He was finally put to death on 14 August 1941 with an injection of carbolic acid.

Maximilian Kolbe is the patron saint of drug addicts, political prisoners, families, journalists, prisoners and the pro-life movement.

(excerpt: sacredspace.ie)

“Greater love hath no man than this,
that a man lay down his life for his friends.”
Jn.15:13

PLEASE PRAY FOR
THE SICK

Patsy Crafton
Iris Macauldy
Claudia Joseph

DECEASED

Grissel Leon
Malcolm Burns
Antoine Nelson
Violet D. Isidore
Evaristus Jn. Marie
Marie F. Chassang
Nicholas Alexander
Augustin John Baptiste

WEEKDAY READINGS



MONDAY

2Cor.9:6-10
Jn.12:24-26



TUESDAY

Ez.2:8-3:4
Mt.18:1-5,10,12-14



WEDNESDAY

Ez.9:1-7,10:18-22
Mt.18:15-20



THURSDAY

Ez.12:1-12
Mt.18:21-19:1



FRIDAY

Ez.16:1-15,60,63
Mt.19:3-12



SATURDAY

Apoc.11:19, 12:1-6,10
1Cor.15:20-26
Lk.1:39-56



MASS INTENTIONS

GROS ISLET

CLERGY/RELIGIOUS

INTENTIONS

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

Sat Aug 8 - 6:00 p.m.

Sun Aug 9 - 7:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.

Monchy - 10:00 a.m.

Let us see, O
Lord, your mercy
and give us your
saving help.
Psalms 84:8

B’day: Joakim George
Thks: Algitha Richelieu & family
Guid & Protec: Myers & Gregg families

MISSA PRO POPULO

B’day: Ophelia Gaspard
Deacon Anthony Louis

Thks: Kingsley St. Hill
Frances & Chris Earl Marshall
Int: Stephen & Margaret Satenay
Wedd Ann: Quency & Wyn Griffith

B’day: Mary Mathurin
Guid: Marcia Haywood & family

WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS

Mon Aug 10 - 6:00 a.m.

St. Laurence
Deacon, Martyr

Fr. Joseph Xavier

Thks: Sandra Aimable
B’day: Laurencia Matthew

12:30 p.m.

Int: Lawrence Laurent

Tue Aug 11 - 6:00 a.m.

Sr. Petronilla Banda

B’day: Everton Ambrose
Deliv: Dorina Jn. Marie

Wed Aug 12 - 6:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Fr. Festus Iwuagwu
Rev. Wilfred Harris
Rev. Marcellus Serieux

B’day: Laurencia Cadette

Guid: Mikaela Elliott
Int: Marilyn Hyacinth & family

Thu Aug 13 - 6:00 a.m.

12:30 p.m.

Rev. Madison Stanislaus
Rev. Vincent Norbert
Rev. Anthony Pierre

B’day: Sonia, Angela & Tony Fessal

Dc’d: Kevin Haywood
Rosa & Antoine Glace
Irene & Joseph Destang

Fri Aug 14 - 6:00 a.m.

St. Maximilian Kolbe
Priest, Martyr

Sr. Mary Dungdung
Sr. Mercy Masaka

Thks: Shanta King & family
Healing & Guid: Claudia Edward

12:30 p.m.

Thks: Virginia d’ Auvergne

Sat Aug 15 - 6:30 a.m.

Assumption of the BVM

Rev. Jeremy Joseph
Sr. Marie Joseph

Dc’d: James & Paulina Prudent