

St. Francis Polish National Catholic Church

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace." — St. Francis 1752 Harton Avenue • East Meadow, NY 11554 (516) 794-5189 • www.StFrancisPNCC.org • Pastor Andrew Koterba

August 9, 2020 - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Niech Bedze pochwalony Jezus Chrystus. R/. Na wieki, wiekow. Amen. Praised be the Lord, Jesus Christ. R/. Now and forever. Amen.

8:30 AM - "*Hymn of Faith*" Mass Book page 63.

READING I -1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a

At the mountain of God, Horeb, Elijah came to a cave where he took shelter. Then the LORD said to him, "Go outside and stand on the mountain before the LORD; the LORD will be passing by." A strong and heavy wind was rending the mountains and crushing rocks before the LORD— but the LORD was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake but the LORD was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake there was fire—but the LORD was not in the fire. After the fire there was a tiny whispering sound. When he heard this, Elijah hid his face in his cloak and went and stood at the entrance of the cave.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM -

Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 *R*/*Lord*, *let us see your kindness*, *and grant us your salvation*.

I will hear what God proclaims; the LORD — for he proclaims peace. Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him, glory dwelling in our land.

R/Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

Kindness and truth shall meet; justice and peace shall kiss. Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven.

R/Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

The LORD himself will give his benefits; our land shall yield its increase. Justice shall walk before him, and prepare the way of his steps.

R/Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.

READING 2 - Romans 9:1-5

Brothers and sisters: I speak the truth in Christ, I do not lie; my conscience joins with the Holy Spirit in bearing me witness that I have great sorrow and constant anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites; theirs the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; theirs the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

Priest/Lector: Alleluia, alleluia.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Priest/Lector: I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for his word.

R. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL - Matthew 14:22-33

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." 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. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying, "Truly, you are the Son of God." This is the gospel of the Lord. R/ Praise be to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

OFFERTORY HYMN - "Holy Holy, Holy" COMMUNION HYMN - "Nearer My God to Thee" RECESSIONAL - "Prayer of St. Francis"

St. Francis Weekly "Faith Renewed"

I'LL TRAVEL

I'll travel the pathway of life, If Jesus holds my hand For the road seems, oh, so rough And oft has sinking sand. At times, when I stumble and fall, With a load of daily care, He's there to help me walk again, And willing my cross to share... And if reach a bend in the road, He's there to light my way For just beyond the bend, I'm sure, Will be a sunny day... And when the sun is shining And the way is free from fear, I talk to Him in whispers, Thanking Him for being near. He tells me of His love for me, And offers me His hand, And lets me know He's always there To walk the path He's planned. -Dorothy A. Coles

WORDS WORTH NOTING ...

"Lord, help me to preach the Gospel wherever I go, and if I must, even through words." —St. Francis of Assisi "I have a sweet tooth for song and music. This is my Polish vice." —Pope John Paul II

MARY...QUEEN OF THE EARTH FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

We welcome and invite you to bring some flowers and herbs from your garden, next Sunday, honoring the Feast of the Assumption (August 15). This ancient Slavic and Polish custom is still maintained in many parishes. Tradition notes that bouquets would be brought to church this day, when the earth is most giving. The priest would say Mass and bless these bouquets. The newly blessed flowers and herbs would be taken home and used in a variety of ways. Most often the entire bouquet would be woven into a single wreath, while still fresh and pliable and hung near or over a holy picture. Herbs and produce would then be used as needed. This custom has changed much through time but still holds to honor Mary... Queen of the Earth and Our Lord, from which all good things come!

Have mercy on me, God, have mercy on me. In You I seek shelter. In the shadow of Your wings I seek shelter till harm pass by. Psalm 57:2



Take a moment out and pray...

For the Health & Safety of Our First Responders during the Pandemic: Lord God, Jesus, our Savior, Mary and all the Saints, please watch over and keep safe those who respond first to our needs, doctors, nurses, EMTs, orderlies and LPNs, as well as those who risk their lives every day to serve us, firefighters, cashiers, truck drivers, delivery personnel, government officials, fast food and restaurant employees, etc. We ask especially for our own at St. Francis Parish,

Sandras Darbouze & Lillian Zaradich, RNs; Lillyan Tobon's neice, Jessica Arrubla, NYPD;

Linda Frysztacki's daughter-in-law, Karlye Frysztaski and her sisters, RNs.

Health Needs: Jesus, we ask you to bring peace and your healing touch to those who are ill, afraid or worried. Amen.

Health Needs of: All who have the Coronavirus & Debbie Marciano, Beverly Hester, Gregory Klein, Jim Richards, Rich Majewski, Nancy Fernandez Petrozza, Sophia Kyriakakis, Billy Murphy, Helen de la Sota, Jeff Curtis, Ottavia Daquino, Linda Frysztacki, Daniella Vasquez, Ann Klein-Siebuhr, Blanca Vasquez, Iris Cafran, John Luis Vasquez, Eileen McChesney, Joe Glovack, Carla Calabrese, Janis Siebuhr, Debbie Granaldi & for all those who care for the sick and disabled.

Requiem Intentions:

Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

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