

SAINT PAUL'S ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

WORD OF GOD FOR A SUNDAY:

Today we meet Elijah, who heard God's voice in a whisper, and Peter, who could walk on water when he trusted in Jesus. Let us ask for the gift of faith in God's help amid the storms of our life.

THE READINGS:

Kings 19:9a, 11-13a

The Lord's voice could be heard in the tiny whispering sound.

Romans 9:1-5

Paul grieves for the Jewish people.

Matthew 14:22-33

Mysterium fidei! If the Eucharist is a mystery of faith which so greatly transcends our understanding as to call for sheer abandonment to the word of God, then there can be no one like Mary to act as our support and guide in acquiring this disposition. With the same maternal concern which she showed at the wedding feast of Cana, Mary seems to say to us: "Do not waver; trust in the words of my Son. If he was able to change water into wine, he can also turn bread and wine into his body and blood, and through this mystery bestow on believers the living memorial of his Passover, thus becoming the 'bread of life.'"

Pope John Paul II *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, 61

Offertory Collection

July 31, 2005

\$1001.00

Lectors for next weekend's Masses are: 5 p.m. – Susan Walker, 9 a.m. – Linda Michel.

The **Sanctuary Candle** is lit from August 6th – 20th in memory of Ann & Bradley Scott Wise by Judith Johnson.

Eternal rest grant to Fr. Pasquale Tremonte, CSSR, Associate Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes, Seaford, DE, and all the souls of the faithful departed.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday,	August 6,	5:00 PM (rip) John Press by Ruth Press
Sunday,	August 7,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE (living & deceased)
Saturday,	August 13,	5:00 PM (rip) Richard & Rose Meli by Louise Meli
Sunday,	August 14,	9:00 AM MASS FOR THE PEOPLE

The next **available dates** for **Mass Intentions** are January 3, 4, and 5, 2006. **Mass stipends** are **\$10**.

Medical Update – Fr. Siry has been released from the hospital and is recuperating. Please keep him in your prayers.

Celebrate the Year of the Eucharist at the Diocese of Wilmington Eucharistic Congress on October 29, 2005 at the Ocean City Convention Center in Ocean City, Maryland. The Eucharistic Congress will include an opening prayer service, a keynote address by Theodore Cardinal McCarrick, Archbishop of Washington, breakout sessions, lunch, all-day Eucharistic adoration, Mass with Bishop Saltarelli and more. For more information or to register, contact Anne Dalessio at 832-8737, or register online at www.cdow.org, or call toll-free 1-888-936-4545 for a registration form.

Catholic Forum – Tune in to Catholic Forum each Sunday morning at 10:05 on 1150 AM WDEL or www.wdel.com. Next Sunday, August 14th hear an interview with Deacon Joe Romans, Director of the Missions Office of the Diocese of Wilmington. Catholic Forum is a production of the Diocese of Wilmington's Office of Communications.

Vocations - In today's first reading, God uses a "tiny whispering sound" to call the prophet Elijah in the midst of wind, earthquakes and fire. He does the same today: in the midst of hundreds of cable and satellite channels and millions of internet websites, God still speaks gently. It takes discipline and desire to try to listen for His voice. How are *you* doing with that? If you'd like to learn more, please call or write Father Joe Cocucci, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113 or jcocucci@cdow.org).

Listen for God's Whisper!



At God's urging, the great prophet Isaiah went out onto the mountain to meet Him as He passed by. Isaiah did not know exactly what to expect so he looked for God in a very strong wind, and in an earthquake followed by fire, but God was not there. Isaiah must have been getting disappointed, might have begun to doubt what he was doing when there came a tiny whispering sound. In that whisper he discovered God's presence. So listen with your heart so that you never miss the tiny whisper of God's inspiration.

Nineteenth Sunday of the Year

August 7, 2005