

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 9, 2026

Glorify the Lord, O Jerusalem!



Masses For The Week

Sun 09 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

09:00 am +Gilbert & June Leyendecker (Sandra Leyendecker)

+Antonio Aldaco (Linda Lou Ramirez)

+Rosa Aldaco (Linda Lou Ramirez)

+Estefana Cassiano (Josie Ponce de Leon)

+Javier Mancha (Zamora Family)

Thr 13 Weekday

12:05 pm +Gilbert & June Leyendecker (Sandra Leyendecker)

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When the disciples see Jesus walking on the water, he summons them to faith—a way of living that entails leaving behind our old way of measuring things and learning to see all in the light of the One who calls to us. Yet we should not be surprised that Christ often comes in ways that “underwhelm” us, as Elijah found out in the tiny whispering sound of God’s presence. For Jesus comes to us in simple ways, seen only with eyes of faith: the pouring of water over an infant’s head; a whispered conversation within a confessional; bread and wine consecrated in the middle of the day as the world rushes on. But when such faith takes hold of us, we want everyone to share in it, as Saint Paul testifies.

The Sanctuary Candle



This Week will be Burning for

+All Souls in Purgatory (Sandra Leyendecker)

Good News!

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1 Kings 19:9a, 11–13a / Romans 9:1–5

/ Matthew 14:22–33

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In the first reading, Elijah is ready for anything—a whirlwind, an earthquake, a fire—because “the Lord will pass by” (1 Kings 19:11). But God comes tiptoeing, with a tiny whisper. Elijah, a giant of a prophet, covers his face like a child and wraps himself in the word of the Lord. Ordinarily, at this point, a homily would move on to the gospel. But in the second reading, from Romans, we are brought up short. Paul, a giant himself, would love a reassuring whisper from God. He is in utter agony, for the doubtful salvation of “my own brothers,” the Jews. Such is his distress that he wishes he could offer himself in exchange, even to the extent of being “accursed and separated from Christ” (literally, “anathema”) for “my kin.” (See Romans 9:3.) His anguish is heartbreaking, especially since it seems to be a prayer he has repeated over and over. Paul was no doubt thinking of Moses, who dramatically offered his own life to save the Israelites from God’s judgment after the golden calf: “[Lord,] if you would only forgive their sin! But if you will not, then blot me out of the book that you have written” (Exodus 32:32). Paul’s faith told him that Christ had opened the door of salvation to everyone, and even rejection by the chosen people could not close it. In fact, it confirmed its universal promise. A paradox perhaps, much like when Jesus walked on water, as we hear about in today’s gospel. ●

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Jesus Christ Son of God Savior

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LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Cristina Zarate, Mina Aldaco, Ramona Alaniz, Edna Flores, Ana Maria Finley, Mary G. Finley, Margarita Inocencio, Lucia Rodriguez, Maria Teresa Cassiano, Dotty Guffey, Rodrigo Medina, Armando Colchado, Elida Aldaco, Michelle Angela Nelson and Renee Chapa.

CCD REGISTRATION SET TO BEGIN

Registration will take place on August 23 and 30 after the 9 a.m. Mass. **EVERYONE MUST REGISTER DURING THESE DAYS. NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!**

To Register Your Child(ren) in our Parish’s CCD Program (First Communion & Confirmation):

1. Parents must be active [already have been coming to Mass with child(ren)] and registered members of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish. If not registered, parents must register at Parish Office in person. Then the family must remain active for one year to qualify to register for the following year in our CCD Program.

2. Parents must bring a copy of the child’s **Baptismal Certificate** and **First Communion Certificate** to Registration.

NO CERTIFICATES.
NO REGISTRATION!
NO EXCEPTIONS!

All CCD Classes will be held on Sundays

From 10:15 am to 12:00 pm

beginning on September 6

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION

Any adolescent [(already have been coming to Mass with parent(s))] who has reached the age of 14 by September 1 of this year and has not been confirmed is encouraged to register.



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LORD, let us see your kindness and grant us your salvation

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Last Sunday’s Collection

Envelopes: \$ 1,291.00

Loose: \$ 42.00

Children’s Envelopes: \$ 0.00

Total Sunday Collection: \$ 1,333.00

Total Expenses Last Week: \$ 2,326.68

Dear Padre

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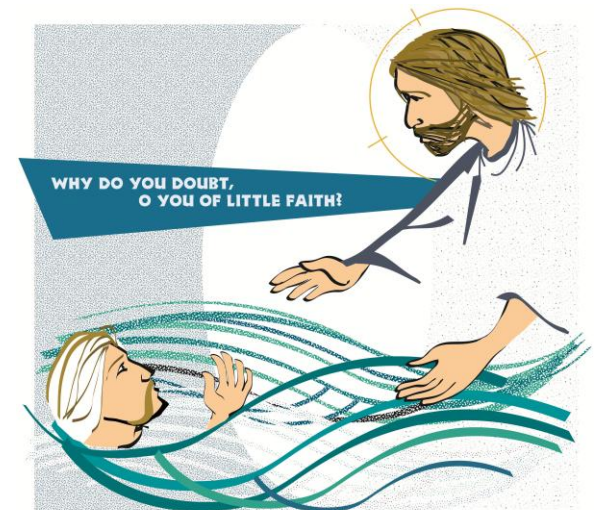
I am in my third year of sobriety. Can I still become a eucharistic minister if I do not partake in Christ’s blood?

Yes. Your personal sobriety practice has nothing to do with your eligibility for service as a minister of the Eucharist. Some would even argue that your commitment to sobriety is a powerful witness of your commitment to living a responsible and mature Catholic life. Instead of an obstacle to ministry, it is a shining example and witness of the power of God’s grace at work in your life.

Practically, since ministers of the Cup are often required to consume any remaining Precious Blood after holy Communion is distributed, it might be a good personal practice to make sure there are enough ministers present to perform this necessary step in ablution. If everyone is informed in advance, it contributes to the shared sense of reverence and respect that is required of a eucharistic minister. ●

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