

# Children's Newsletter

## St Mary's

19th  
Sunday

### Matthew 14:22-33

Have you ever been on a boat when it is stormy? It must be quite frightening. Today we hear about a time when the disciples went out on a boat without Jesus who stayed behind to pray.

As evening came there was a very stormy sea and Jesus goes onto the water to meet them. This scare the disciples even more but he told them not to be afraid.

Peter says he will walk on the water to Jesus but as soon as he felt the strong wind Peter starts to panic and sink.

Jesus asked him "Why did you not believe I would look after you?"

We hope that when there are difficult times then we will believe that Jesus will always be with us.

#### News

*We hope that everyone is having a great Summer Holiday.*

Write a prayer of your own to say when you need God's help.

Dear Lord

BibleWise

### Peter Walks on the Water

Matthew 14:22-33

Read the Scripture passage.

Peter trusted Jesus and the Lord took care of him.

Use the code to find out what we should do.

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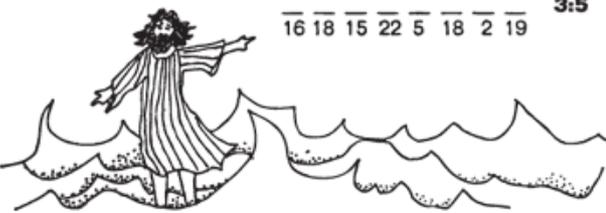
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Bible Activities For Everyone by Betty De Vries and Mary Currier. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books Publisher, 1999.

## Elijah

Elijah lived about 900 years before Jesus was born when many of the people of Israel had stopped believing in God and worshipped many false gods instead.

Elijah taught against these false gods and performed many miracles in the name of the God of Israel. But those in power did not care for him and he had to run away. When he was hiding from his enemies,



God sent ravens with food for him.

Elijah showed how powerful the God of Israel was and many listened to him. However Queen Jezebel was furious and ordered his death. Elijah was not very happy and just wanted to give up but God said that his journey was not yet finished and he sent an angel to give Elijah bread and water.

Elijah still did not want to be a prophet any more and went to speak to God on Mount Sinai. God spoke to him, not in the thunder and the storm but in a whisper and he explained that all would be well.

Elijah had great faith in God and did as he is asked.

The name Elijah name means 'my God is Jehovah' and his life reminds us that even when we get fed up or things are going wrong, God is always there to help us if we are ready to listen.

## St Clare

Every parent wants the best for their child and when Clare told hers that she wanted to live very simply, praying to God, they tried everything to change her mind.

But Clare was sure of what she wanted. She lived in Italy and when she heard St Francis of Assisi preaching, she knew that she wanted to become a nun.

She started the order which is known as the 'Poor Clares'. They wore no shoes and ate no meat, lived in a poor house and were silent most of the time. One day when the convent was under attack by soldiers, she carried the Blessed Sacrament to the wall of the convent and prayed, which scared the soldiers away.

St Clare was so happy serving God that she once asked how could people say she and her nuns were too poor when they were so close to God all the time.

Her feast day is August 11th

