

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 scared the disciples even more but he told them not to be afraid. (He does this quite often doesn't He?)

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

Jesus asked him "Why did you not believe I would look after you?" And He is saying that to us also.

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

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

Dear Lord

News

We hope that everyone is having a great Summer Holiday.

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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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. (Remember, mountains were places where people felt they were nearer to God). 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. Try sitting quietly and listen for God's voice.

Elijah is also one of the prophets who were seen by the apostles at the Transfiguration, which we heard about last week.

St Maximillian Kolbe

Maximillian Kolbe was born in Poland. He became a Franciscan priest in 1918 and founded monasteries in Japan and India. When World War 2 broke out he was back in Poland and opened a hospital to help those in need. He continued to help people including hiding 2000 Jews from the Germans. He also published many anti-nazi leaflets.

In 1941 he was arrested and sent to Auschwitz. He was killed there when he took the place of a younger man who was married with children. He was made a Saint by Pope John Paul II in 1982.

His feast day is August 14th

