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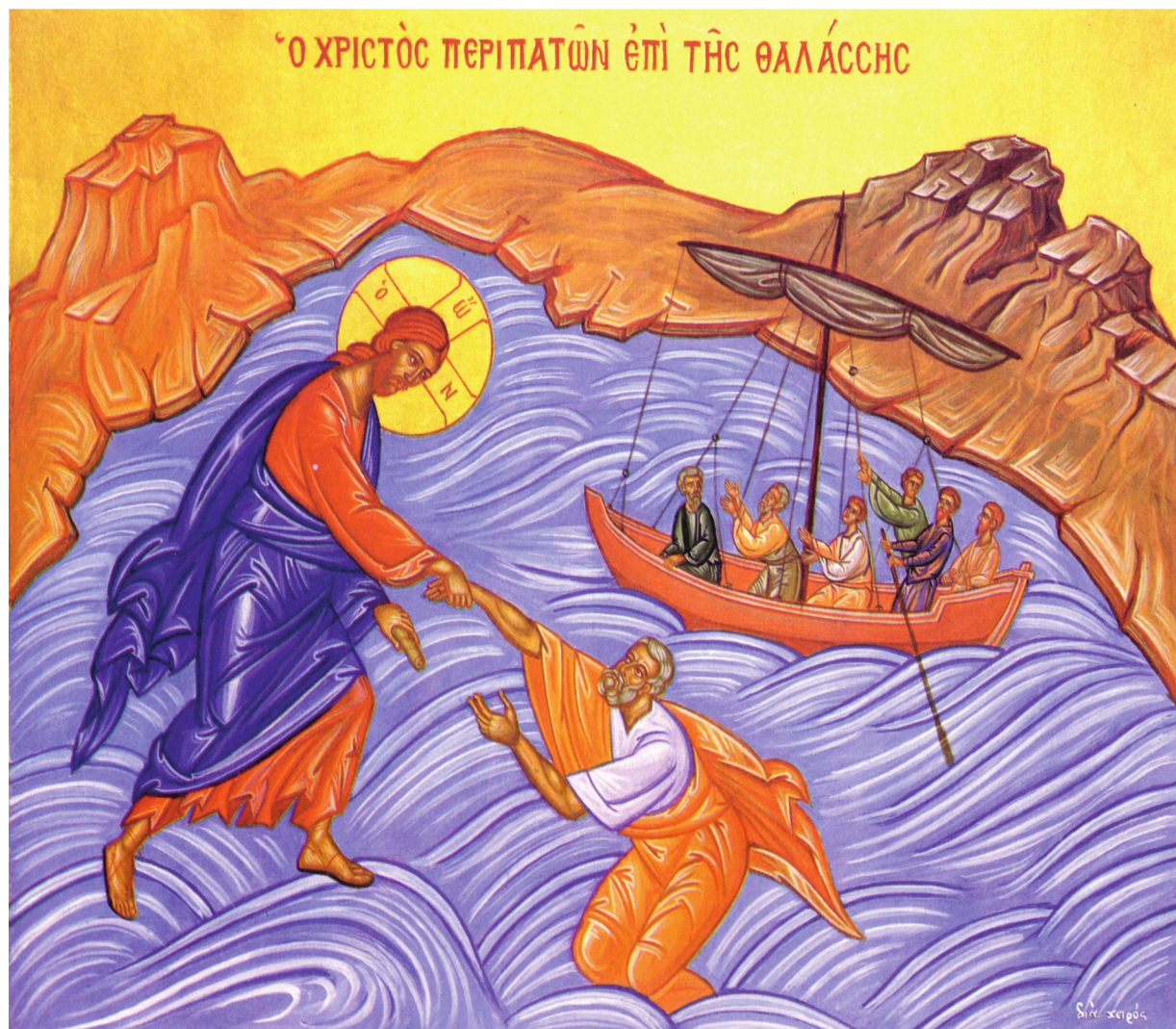
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Icon of Christ Walking on the Water

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Divine Liturgy

Intention: Happy and eternal repose of the soul of KATHLEEN Tomaz (July 8)

Hymns

Troparion of the Resurrection (tone 8): O Merciful One, Who came down from on high and endured burial for three days in order to save us from suffering. O our Life and our Resurrection, glory to you.

Troparion of St. George: O Great among the saints and glorious martyr, George, since you are a deliverer of captives and a defender of the poor, a doctor for the sick and a noble attendant to kings,

intercede for us to Christ God, that he may save our souls!

Kontakion: O never failing Protectress of Christians and their ever-present intercessor before the Creator, despise not the petitions of us sinners, but in your goodness extend your help to us who call upon you with confidence. Hasten, O Mother of God, to intercede for us, for you have always protected those who honor you.

Prokimenon: May your kindness, O Lord, be upon us, for we have hoped in you.

Stichon: Exult, you just, in the Lord; praise from the upright is fitting.

Apostolic Reading: 1 Cor 3:9-17

Gospel: Calming the Storm, Mt 14:22-34

Prayer List

Please remember—All those who are sick and in need: Natalie Herder, Walter Lourdes Najera Herder (family of Katerina Lessard), Nick Lagendfield, Barb Moden (sister of Jan Taylor), Edin Najera, Sandy Rabuse (godmother of Katerina Lessard), the Rebholz family, Eva Saseen (Theresa and Janelle Herro's niece), Ken Schmitt (brother-in-law of Brian Harden), Geri Spankowski. For those who have died: Kathy Tomaz and Joseph Jules Zerey (retired patriarchal vicar of Jerusalem). For the people of the Middle East.

Schedule for this Week

Monday: *Great-martyr Pnteleimon the Physician*

Saturday *Procession of the Life-giving Cross and the Start of the Theotokos' Fast*

Sunday *Tenth Sunday after Pentecost*

10:30am Divine Liturgy

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Coming Up

Wednesday, August 5th, 6pm: Liturgy for the Transfiguration of Our Lord

September 26th and 27th: Doors Open Milwaukee

Friday, August 14th, 6pm: Liturgy for the Dormition of the Mother of God

Stewardship

Last Sunday: donations=\$1070.02; candles=\$8.00; ordinary collections=\$613.00. Thanks for your generosity!

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Christ and Fear

For what purpose does He go up into the mountain? To teach us, that loneliness and retirement is good, when we are to pray to God. With this view, you see, He is continually withdrawing into the wilderness, and there often spends the whole night in prayer, teaching us earnestly to seek such quietness in our prayers, as the time and place may confer. For the wilderness is the mother of quiet; it is a calm and a harbor, delivering us from all turmoils.

He Himself then went up there with this object, but the disciples are tossed with the waves again, and undergo a storm, equal even to the former. But whereas before they had Him in the ship when this befell them, now they were alone by themselves. Thus gently and by degrees He excites and urges them on for the better,

even to the bearing all nobly. Accordingly we see, that when they were first near that danger, He was present, though asleep, so as readily to give them relief; but now leading them to a greater degree of endurance, He does not even this, but departs, and in mid sea permits the storm to arise, so that they might not so much as look for a hope of preservation from any quarter; and He lets them be tempest-tossed all the night, thoroughly to awaken, as I suppose, their hardened heart. For such is the nature of the fear, which the time concurs with the rough weather in producing. And together with the compunction, He cast them also into a greater longing for Himself, and a continual remembrance of Him.

Saint John Chrysostom

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