

“ENTERING THIS SEASON OF TRANSITION TOGETHER”
Message from the Pastor



This Sunday's readings speak directly to the kind of moment we are living as a parish. Elijah listens for God in the wind, earthquake, and fire — but the Lord arrives in a **gentle whisper**. Peter steps out onto the water with courage, only to feel fear rise beneath him. Jesus reaches out immediately, lifting him with a steady hand. And St. Paul, carrying sorrow for his people, still proclaims that God's promises remain faithful.

As we enter this season of transition together, these readings offer us a path. Change can feel like standing between wind and silence, between courage and hesitation. Yet the Scriptures remind us that God meets us precisely here — not in the noise of anxiety, but in the quiet assurance that Christ is near. We may not see the whole path ahead, but like Elijah, we can listen for God in the stillness. Like Peter, we can take one step forward even when the waves feel high. And like Paul, we can hold onto the truth that God remains faithful to His people.

Let us move together with patience, kindness, and hope. The Lord is already guiding this parish. And the One who calls us forward will not let us sink.

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