

JUNE 27, 2021  
THIRTEENTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME

Reflection from Fr. Bernard Doré

For God, everything is possible. This week readings speak of God's power over sickness and death.

The First Reading from The Book of Wisdom tells us that God did not make death, nor does He rejoice in the destruction of the living. God created man to be immortal but only the envy of the devil brought death.

In The Second Reading St. Paul tells us that although Christ was rich, He became poor for our sake. As Christians, we have to be generous and charitable towards those in need.

The Gospel gives us two healing stories that highlight the power of faith and point forward to the cross. The main story concerns the daughter of Jairus. As Jesus is going to Jairus' home, he encounters a woman who had been afflicted with haemorrhages for twelve years. She believed all she had to do, was touch the hem of his robe and she would be well. And just as soon as she made contact with him, power flowed out from him and healed her. Jesus recognizes and praises her faith. As Jesus is speaking with the woman, the news arrives that the child has died. Jesus, confident and unafraid, continues to the house, puts out the mourners and raises the dead child back to life. Jesus the healer has power even over death.

These accounts are given to us in the Gospel so that our faith might be strengthened and that we, too, might be saved from death and brought to the fullness of life. Faith is not abstraction. Our faith rests in a person, the person of Jesus Christ. Faith is a conviction that with God, all things are possible. Faith is the means by which our human reason is elevated so that we can know the world, the way it truly is, charged with the grandeur of God. Faith will one day give way to sight and we will see God face to face for all eternity in Heaven.

Let us pray that The Lord will deepen and strengthen our faith.

**I will praise you, Lord,  
for you have rescued me.**

Psalm 30



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OFFICE HOURS	9:00 AM – 2:00 PM (MON, WED, THU, FRI)
WEEKDAY MASSES	9:00 AM (MON, WED, FRI)
SATURDAY VIGIL MASS	5:00 PM
SUNDAY MASSES	8:00 AM      10:00 AM

**ST. PAUL'S UPCOMING SCHEDULE**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>June 26</b>
9:30—11 AM	Food Closet Open
5:00 PM	Mass: For the Intentions of Edmond Zuromski on the Occasion of his 80th Birthday

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>June 27</b>
8:00 AM	Mass: Healing of Paul Arrighi
9:15 AM	Rosary
10:00 AM	Mass: Reginald & Bella Cragin (RIP)

<b>Monday</b>	<b>June 28</b>
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: For the Intentions of Mary Joseph on the Occasion of her 91st birthday

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>June 30</b>
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: William Arendt (RIP)

<b>Friday</b>	<b>July 2</b>
8:35 AM	Rosary
9:00 AM	Mass: Souls in Purgatory

NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS INTENTIONS

5:00 PM	Mass: Cosé Russo (RIP)
8:00 AM	Open for your Intentions
10:00 AM	Mass: John Fahey (RIP)

PLEASE CONSIDER COMMEMORATING  
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### Three Kings Bethlehem

This weekend, we welcome Three Kings Bethlehem Olive Wood group to St. Paul's. They sell hand carved olive wood items to support the Christian families in the Holy Land. About 25 families do the carvings and this group brings their products to sell here on their behalf, allowing the families to make a dignified living under such difficult living circumstances. **Your support would be greatly appreciated.**

### Monday July 5

The church office will be closed Monday July 5 in observance of July 4th.

### K of C Kandi Drive

St. Paul's Knights of Columbus Council 95 would like to thank the parish for their generous donations. The amount collected was **\$667.00**

### 2021 Graduates

Last week we celebrated Mass for the graduates, let's continue praying for them:

#### 2021 High School Graduates

Timothy Cook  
Emily-Frances Del Signore  
Paul Dunn  
Liana Nerbonne  
Emma Papa  
Anna Santos  
Sophie Tirrell

#### 2021 College Graduates

Jillian DelPrete (URI)  
Emily Craig (Roger Williams University)  
William H. Kan (Spec. Basic Training)  
Dr. Matthew Fusco, DDS, LT USN  
(Columbia University)

### Thanksgiving Mass: for Essential Workers

On Sunday, August 1, 2021 at the 10AM Mass St. Paul's will be offering a Mass of Prayer and Thanksgiving for all those who served as a much-needed essential workers in a time of crisis; including police, firemen, members of the National Guard, CNAs, nurses, doctors, teachers, grocery workers and truck drivers. There are many that we know but so many that we do not, so please let the office know that you are one of these essential workers, so you can be included in our prayers and thanksgiving.

### The Family Fully Alive

The priestly mission of the family is lived by praying together and offering the family's daily life and activities to God. Members also live their priestly mission by receiving the sacraments as a family. When families pray, they welcome God into their home and embrace the new manner of love found in Christ that helps them overcome their struggles, doubts, fears and uncertainties. Prayer is the act of directing one's mind and heart to God with the help of the Holy Spirit because "we do not know how to pray as we ought" (Rom 8:26) Through reading the word of God together, families grow in their faith and increase their devotion for God. Through sharing the very personal act of prayer together, families become unified in trust and love. They begin to their loved ones "with the eyes of God, " seeing "Christ in them".

### Commitment to Sunday Offertory

To help the parish meet its financial obligations, we ask that you remain committed to the weekly offertory.

Please consider using the parish envelopes and mailing your weekly/monthly offertory contribution. Or consider the convenient option of setting up an automatic contribution online. Details below.

#### Support St. Paul's

Set up a reoccurring donation (or make a gift at anytime) using our secure, online giving tool by ParishSOFT.

Visit our website at [stpaulsfoster.org](http://stpaulsfoster.org), and click the "Donate Now" button.

### 2021 Catholic Charity Appeal

There is one week left until the close of the CCA. **To date, we have \$11,957 so far of our \$15,000.00**

Please consider a gift to support the 2021 Appeal. Thank you. All donations made online or mailed directly to the Diocese are reported to the parish weekly included in our totals.

#### GIFTS RECEIVED

Offertory Collection - June 19/20  
**\$ 2,393.00**

**Thank you for your support!**

### Letter from Bishop Tobin

Bishop Tobin has now signed a formal decree restoring the obligation to attend Sunday Mass in the Diocese of Providence, effective **Sunday, June 6, 2021**, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. This means that Catholics, in observance of the Lord's Day and in fulfillment of the law of the Church, are once again obliged to attend Holy Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation, unless they are otherwise dispensed for some serious reason such as health conditions. Attending Holy Mass and receiving the Holy Eucharist Sacramentally are serious obligations.

### Update: Normal Liturgical Practice

In light of updated health guidelines by the CDC, the Governor & RI Dept of Health, the following changes in procedure should be considered in our parishes. Visit [stpaulsfoster.org](http://stpaulsfoster.org).

### Indoor Seating Capacity

Seating **increased from 80% to 100%**

### Face Masks

Fully vaccinated parishioners are no longer required to wear a facemask indoors and outdoors.

Those who are not fully vaccinated should be asked to continue to wear a facemask indoors.

However, any form of discrimination should be avoided against those who are not fully vaccinated and those who do not use a facemask.

### Continue to Observe the Following

Sufficient hand sanitizing dispensers should be made available at the vestibule of the church which can be used by parishioners upon entering. Parishioners should continually be encouraged to practice proper hygiene.

The distribution of the Precious Blood at Holy Communion to the lay faithful should remain suspended.

### Livestreamed Mass

The 10:00 AM Sunday Mass will be livestreamed on Facebook at [facebook.com/foster.Catholic](https://facebook.com/foster.Catholic)

### Listen from your car

We will broadcast the Mass on 107.90 FM on car radios. Those who participate from the outside will be brought Communion if they choose to receive.