June 30, 2024: 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Background on the Gospel Reading:

Today's Gospel reports two stories of healing. One story tells us about a father's great love for his dying daughter. The other story tells us about a desperate woman who risks much as she seeks healing from Jesus. In each story, the request for healing is itself a courageous act of faith, and yet very different circumstances are represented by the lives of each suffering person.

Jairus is described as a synagogue official, a man of considerable standing in the Jewish community. Distraught over his daughter's poor health, he approaches Jesus and asks him to heal her. Although Mark doesn't provide many details, we can imagine that his daughter has been ill for some time and that her condition is deteriorating.

As Jesus leaves with Jairus, Mark describes a second person who seeks healing from Jesus, a woman with a hemorrhage. This woman secretly touches Jesus from behind and is immediately cured. In response, Jesus turns and asks who touched him. Jesus' disciples, always a little clueless in Mark's Gospel, help us envision the scene. The crowds are pushing in on Jesus, and yet he, knowing that power has gone out of him, asks who touched him. The woman could have remained anonymous, yet at Jesus' question she steps forward and acknowledges what she has done. Jesus responds by acknowledging her as a model of faith and sends her away in peace.

At this point, we can imagine Jairus's impatience with Jesus; his daughter is dying and Jesus hasn't helped him yet. As if to build a sense of urgency, messengers suddenly arrive and confirm Jairus's worst fear: his daughter has died. Jesus curiously ignores their message and reassures Jairus. When they arrive at Jairus's home, they find family and friends mourning the girl's death. Jesus enters the room of the dead girl, takes her by the hand, and instructs her to arise. Jairus's faith in Jesus has not been in vain; his daughter is restored to life.

The contrasts between Jairus and the woman with the hemorrhage are stark and revealing. One is a man, the other is a woman. One is a public official, an important person in the community. The other is a woman who has lost everything to find a cure to a condition that separated her from the community. One approaches Jesus publicly. The other approaches Jesus secretly. Yet in each case, faith leads them to seek out Jesus in their time of need.

The Gospel concludes with Jesus' instructions to remain silent about this miracle. This is typical of Mark's Gospel and is sometimes referred to as the messianic secret. Repeatedly, those who witness Jesus' power and authority are instructed to not speak of what they have witnessed. These instructions appear impossible to obey, and it is difficult to understand the purpose of these instructions. But in each case, they seem to emphasize the fact that each individual, including the reader of Mark's Gospel, must, in the end, make his or her own judgment about Jesus' identity. Each individual must make his or her own act of faith in affirming Jesus as God's Son.

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Sacred Heart Parish

A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ



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Weekend Masses: Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am.

Bishop Bart Van Roijen presiding

Weekday Mass: No weekday mass July 2nd – 5th

Daily mass is cancelled any day schools are closed due to bad weather.

<u>Lohnes Complex*</u> First Friday of each month - 2 pm

*Note: No mass at the church on this day.

Bible Study: To resume in September.

<u>Holy Hour of Adoration</u>: Postponed until further notice.

Reconciliation: By request.

Marriages:Six months' notice required. A year's notice is recommended.Baptisms:Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.Family Connections:At www.rcchurch.com you will find a link to family connections.

St. Vincent de Paul: To assist those in need. Call 709-638-9010.

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RECEIVED WITH THANKS on June 22 & 23

Regular Sunday	1167.00
Loose Offering	100.00
Building Fund	7500
Votive Candles	32.00
In Memory	125.00
Mass Stipend	20.00
Pope's Pastoral Works	5.00
St. Vincent de Paul	20.00
Living with Christ	3.00

MASS INTENTIONS July 2 - 7

July 2-5	No Mass during this time.	
July 6 th -Sat.	The Late Gus & Irene Rumbolt	
July 7 th -Sun.	The Late Thomas Quigley	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

July 6		
Reader	Eucharistic Minister	
Jacqueline Neville	Joan Penney	
July 7		
Reader	Eucharistic Minister	
Amelia Dicks	Bernadette Stone	
Communion to the sick – John Carroll		

NOTICE: The office will be closed July 1st due to Canada Day Holiday.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Our July mass intentions list have several days left to be filled. Call, email or add to your weekend envelop your request for a loved one's mass for July.

MASS SCHEDULE JUNE 18 – JULY 11:

There will be no mass from July $2^{nd} - 5^{th}$. Bishop Bart Van Roijen will preside over mass at Sacred Heart Church on July 6 and 7 and at Our Lady Star of the Sea on July 6.

PILGRIMAGE:

OUR LADY OF LORDES PARISH GROTTO:

On Monday, July 22nd, 2024 starting at 8am from the church we will be having a pilgrimage to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Grotto on the Port au Port Peninsula. Rosary will be held in the Grotto weather permitting, followed by Mass inside the Church. Lunch will be held in the Parish Centre and a donation for the upkeep of the grotto will be gladly accepted.

To Register: There is a registration form in the back of the church, or you can call Elizabeth Carew at 709-785-5094.

Once we have a total number of participants, we will be able to figure out the cost to each of us for renting a bus, as this is about a 2 hour drive each way, instead of carpooling.

FEAST OF ST. ANNE EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION:

July 26th is the Feast of St. Anne and the Corner Brook Aboriginal Women's Association and the Benoit's Cove Native Women's Association will take a special role in preparing for and celebrating this feast. This mass will take place at 5:00 pm at Sacred Heart Parish with Bishop Bart van Roijen as Presider. Both Women's Association, in traditional regalia will provide hymns and songs. Following the Mass there will be a feast at St. Mary's Church Hall across the road from the Parish. All are welcome to attend.

IN MEMORY:

The Late Thomas Quigley From: Rita and Chris Pye

Margie and Joe Pennell

Inez Cook Eva Lusky

inside the churches.

Leona and Mark Bennett Laura Hackett Stewart

ADVANCE NOTICE - CEMETARY MASSES:

HOLY REDEEMER SUMMER MASS CHANGE:

Beginning on Sunday, July 7th, the Cathedral Parish is **changing their Sunday evening Mass from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.** There are two reasons for doing so: 1) To provide a viable option for those who have to work on Saturday and Sunday, and 2) To provide for those who may be returning to town at the conclusion of the weekend. **This is a two-month trial period, July and August.** We appreciate any feedback that you may have during the length of this trial period.

HOLY REDEEMER PARISH CHASE THE ACE:

Each Wednesday - Ticket
sales start 6:00pm until 7:45pm with a
draw time of 8:00pm. You must be
present at the time of draw to win!
WHERE: Immaculate Heart of Mary
School Gym, 112 Humber Rd, CB
TICKETS \$2.00 each.
Draw of June 26th, 2024
Winner - Danny Collins Ticket - 35069
- \$989.00
Card drawn- the 4 of Diamonds.
11 Cards remaining.
The ACE OF SPADES was not drawn so the
progressive jackpot starts at \$21,397.00

Reflection: The power to heal

50/50 winner was - Joseph

McCarthy - \$1,177.50.

Each of us is capable of doing some healing, because we have eyes that can see, ears that can hear, tongues that can speak, hands that can touch, and above all a heart that can love.

Lord, make us instruments of your healing power.

Where there is hatred, let us sow love.

Where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light;

And where there is sadness, joy.

Amen.

Flor McCarthy, New Sunday and Holy Day Liturgies – Year B, Dominican Publications, Dublin (Ireland), 1999, p.233-234