

# St. John The Beloved Parish



## 13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to the synagogue official, "Do not be afraid; just have faith." When they arrived at the house of the synagogue official, he caught sight of a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. So he went in and said to them, "Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep."  
- Mk 5:36bc, 38-39

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JUNE 27, 2021

**Pastor:** Very Rev. Joseph Piekarski

### Liturgy Schedule

Saturday	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	7:30 a.m.
	9:30 a.m.
	11:30 a.m.
	5:00 p.m.

### Weekday Masses

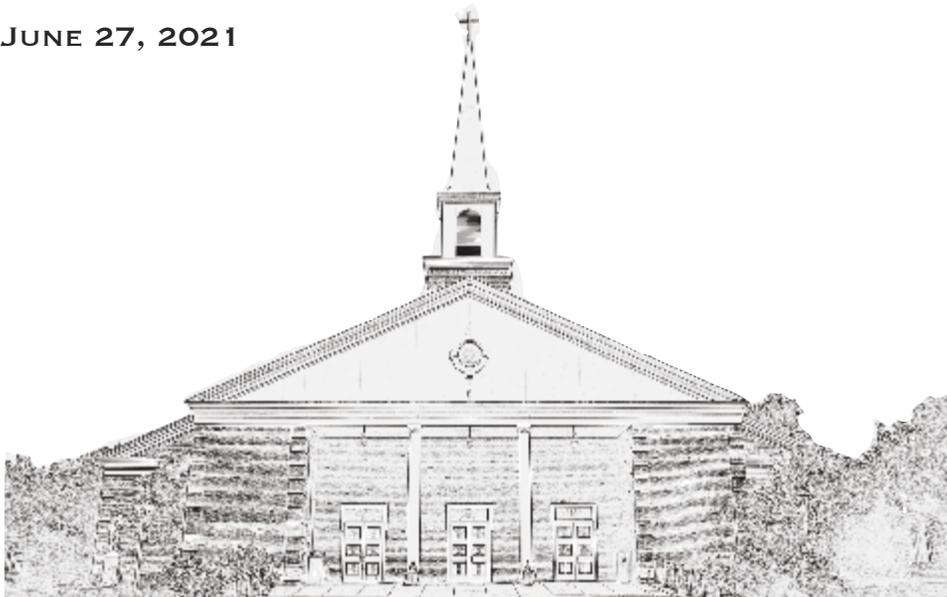
Monday - Saturday	8:00 a.m.
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### Office Hours

Mon. - Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.  
Friday, 8:30 a.m. - Noon

### Parish Address

907 Milltown Road, Sherwood Park  
Wilmington, DE 19808



*Our Mission: "Growing a welcoming community of disciples through participation in the sacraments, service, prayer and ongoing formation."*

## Welcome to St. John the Beloved Parish.

Please visit [SJBDE.org](http://SJBDE.org) and click on the "Join Our Parish" button to register to become a member of our faith community.

**Parishioners**, please take a minute to update your information at

[wilmington.parishsoftfamilysuite.com](http://wilmington.parishsoftfamilysuite.com).

We appreciate your assistance. **Thank you!**

### CHURCH STAFF

Very Rev. Joseph Piekarski, V.F., Pastor

Rev. Marek Szczur, Associate Pastor

Rev. Michael Preston, Associate Pastor

Deacon Thomas A. Bailey

Deacon Dennis Wuebbels

Deacon Mark Fontana

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Mr. Richard Hart, Principal

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**(302) 994-7867**

Community of Christ Church 1205 Milltown Rd.

Mr. Jamie Moulthrop, Coordinator

### CATHOLIC CEMETERIES:

**All Saints: 737-2524**

**Cathedral: 656-3323**

**Gate of Heaven: 732-3690**

### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (Confession)

**Reconciliation: Saturday** afternoons from 4 to 4:45 p.m.

Masks are required at all times.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

To schedule a Baptismal Preparation Class please call the Parish Office at (302) 999-0211.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please complete our online Wedding Form at [SJBDE.org](http://SJBDE.org) one year prior to the wedding.

### SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Anyone seriously ill, or facing surgery, please call a priest to make arrangements.

**HOLY DAY MASSES** as announced.

**Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** is every Friday after 8:00 a.m. Mass, through 10 a.m.

**Adult Choir** will resume in September with Thursday evening rehearsals and Sunday Mass. More to follow.

**Holy Spirit Prayer Group** is suspended until further notice.

**First Saturday Devotions with the Blue Army** are held monthly beginning with 8 a.m. Mass.

**Legion of Mary** is suspended until further notice.

**Lazarus Ministry** helps those who have lost a loved one. [More at SJBDE.org/lazarus-ministry](http://SJBDE.org/lazarus-ministry).

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** Interested in becoming a member of the Catholic faith, or in learning more about the Church? please call the Parish Office.

**Sunday Reading Discussion** is suspended at this time.

**The Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality** meets the first Sunday of the month at 7:30 a.m. Mass to honor our Blessed Mother, (September - June). Please join us after mass to pray the rosary.

**St. Vincent Depaul Society** provides help to those in need through works of service, spirituality, and friendship. For more information call (302) 999-0211.

**For more information visit [SJBDE.org/Ministries](http://SJBDE.org/Ministries)**

## A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



July is beginning this week. It is a time to vacate, to get away for a while. Even Our Lord needed a break from the crowds to relax, reflect and pray. Our Gospel, today, begins at the Sea of Galilee after Jesus came ashore. He was returning from a boat ride with His disciples in which He napped but was awakened by the others to calm a squall.

Now He is being summoned to heal the daughter of Jairus. Going to his home, Jesus disregards the news that the little girl has just died. Jesus responds: *"Fear is useless. What is needed is trust."* Jesus takes the twelve year old girl by the hand and commands her to get up. Immediately she arose and began to walk.

This is one of the three miracles in the Gospels that Jesus performed in raising the dead. Jairus'

daughter was a mere child. Jesus also raised the widow's son, a young adult, as he was being carried to his grave in Nain (Lk 7:11-17) and Jesus also raised His older friend Lazarus (Jn 11:1-44) who had been dead and buried for four days. It appears to us that the evangelists are telling us that Jesus is not limited in raising the dead. Be they tender in age or older, recently deceased or almost forgotten, Jesus can and does raise them all.

In these days when we probably have a chance to reflect, it is comforting to acknowledge the Divine Power of Jesus, over turbulent storms, illness, evil and even over death. The Lord disrupted His need to vacate His routine in order to satisfy our very human needs. We can relax in His care and recall His desire to give everyone of us ...LIFE. Simply, trust in Him.

**Welcome to Father Michael Preston** who has been assigned, by Bishop Malooly, to St. John the Beloved Parish as an associate pastor. Newly ordained as a priest, our parish will be Father Michael's first assignment. A few years back, during his seminary training, Father Preston worked in pastoral ministry here in our parish. God Bless his ministry with us.

**Father Marek Szczur has been assigned**, by Bishop Malooly, as an associate pastor to St. Joseph Parish in Middletown DE. Father will remain with us in June and begin his new assignment on July 7<sup>th</sup>. **Father is celebrating the 9:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup>. All are welcomed to bid Father farewell at the end of Mass that day.** We thank him for his two years of ministry with us and wish him the best and many blessings.



**2021 Annual Catholic Appeal...** A grateful note is extended to everyone who thus far could and did support The Diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal. It provides financial support that enables more than thirty-five ministries throughout our diocese to bring a glimpse of God into the lives of many. The Appeal is an effective way for the diocese to advance the mission of Christ: to feed and house the poor; to minister to the sick and discouraged; to educate our young; and encourage strong, healthy families.

To date, St. John the Beloved Parish has pledged \$159,294 toward our goal of \$181,000. We are short \$21,706 of the goal. Thank you to the 397 gifts, thus far, that help us to achieve our goal. Please continue fulfilling these pledges. If you have not contributed, please consider a gift toward the appeal. Envelopes are available at the entrances of the church. If you would like more information about the Annual Catholic Appeal or wish to make your contribution on-line, go to [www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal](http://www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal). Your generosity is deeply appreciated.



**Readings for the week of June 27, 2021**

Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 [2a]/2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15/ Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 35b-43  
 Monday: Gn 18:16-33/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11 [8a]/Mt 8:18-22  
 Tuesday: *Vigil*: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19 *Day*: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [5]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19  
 Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [7a]/Mt 8:28-34  
 Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Mt 9:1-8  
 Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5 [1b]/Mt 9:9-13  
 Saturday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Jn 20:24-29  
 Next Sunday: Ez 2:2-5/Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4 [2cd]/2 Cor 12:7-10/Mk 6:1-6a

**Saints and Special Observances**

**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

7:30 a.m. Tom Best  
 9:30 a.m. Helen Bradley  
 11:30 a.m. Our Parish Family  
 5:00 p.m. Pauline Berlingieri

**Monday: Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr**

8:00 a.m. Lawrence Nicastro  
 Mary Daugert

**Tuesday: Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles**

8:00 a.m. Francis & Marie Murray  
 Paul Gillease

**Wednesday: The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church**

8:00 a.m. Jai Jagnarine  
 Albert Daugert

**Thursday: Saint Junipero Serra, Priest**

8:00 a.m. Ben Paul  
 Doris Schulte

**First Friday:**

8:00 a.m. Josephine & Louis Mercuri  
 Henry Scubelek

**First Saturday: Saint Thomas, Apostle**

8:00 a.m. Elaine Terranova  
 James Centini  
 5:00 p.m. Deceased Members of  
 the Raniszewski Family

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
 Independence Day**

7:30 a.m. Gene Whitfield  
 9:30 a.m. Patricia Hultburg  
 11:30 a.m. Robert Turnberger  
 5:00 p.m. Our Parish Family

Your gifts make a meaningful difference to St. John The Beloved Parish's ministries and programs. We wish to extend a sincere **THANK YOU** to everyone who financially supports our parish through weekly giving, special collections, one-time gifts, and all of the other avenues of giving (e.g. volunteering your time and talent). Everyone's income and needs are different, and each gift is understood to be a sacrifice given for the greater good. May God Bless your efforts. **We appreciate you.**

Thank you for your continued generosity to the parish.

**June 13, 2021**

Offertory	\$ 12,766.70
Building/Maintenance/ Energy	225.00
Outreach	260.00
Mother's / Father's Day	789.00
Votives/Poor Box	335.70
<b>Total Parish Collections</b>	<b>\$ 14,376.40</b>
St. Vincent DePaul	946.00
Diocesan Collections	115.00
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$ 15,437.40</b>

**THANK YOU!**

# PARISH NEWS



Please remember in your prayers all those who have gone before us, and the recently deceased of St. John the Beloved Parish Community:

+ FRANK L. ROBERTS, III  
+ NORMA KAY LONG

+ PATRICIA JULIAN  
+ JEANNE R. CASEY

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

**Sunday Mass obligation dispensation lifted for Catholics in the Diocese of Wilmington** as of June 26. The bishops welcome and encourage the Faithful to return to full in-person participation of the Sunday Eucharist, the source and summit of our Catholic faith (cf. Code of Canon Law, canon 1246-1247 and Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 2180). This obligation does not apply to those who are ill; those who have reason to believe that they were recently exposed to the coronavirus, another serious or contagious illness; those who are confined to their home, a **hospital, or nursing facility; or those with serious underlying health conditions.**



During this Year of Saint Joseph, the **Christians in the Holy Land** need our help. They are suffering from a diminishing number; from 80 percent of the population in 1950 to presently 12 percent. They struggle economically and endure persecution. They create carved religious figures from olive wood, allowing them a livelihood in Bethlehem where Saint Joseph first held baby Jesus in his hands. Specifically, this year, they offer carved statues of St. Joseph...as a great gift for Confirmations, graduation, weddings, house warming, for Dads, for priests, for one's self. Information on this Holy Land Project is available at the entrances of the church. The statues will be blessed in the Holy Land before coming to America. We must never abandon our Christian Holy Land. Read the flyer and support this project if possible.

**SJBAA FALL Sports Registration is OPEN**

Sign up for Cheerleading, JV and Varsity Football and Girls Volleyball online. Use the link posted at [SJBDE.org/Athletic-Association](http://SJBDE.org/Athletic-Association) to register today.

**Upcoming Pilgrimage August 3-14, 2022**

Consider joining St. John the Beloved on an Oberammergau Passion Play Pilgrimage in Germany with tours in Poland and Prague including Divine Mercy, Marian Shrines, St. John Paul Center, UNESCO World Heritage site and so much more. See bulletin board in back of church. For details or brochure contact Helen Holroyd @ 610-213-4141 or [helenshorizons@gmail.com](mailto:helenshorizons@gmail.com).

Unable to attend Mass? For this purpose, our 5:00 p.m. Mass on Saturday will continue to be livestreamed and posted at [SJBDE.org/worship-at-home](http://SJBDE.org/worship-at-home). To be notified whenever we go LIVE, subscribe to our parish You tube Channel at [Youtube.com/c/StJohnTheBelovedParish](https://www.youtube.com/c/StJohnTheBelovedParish).

Clip this list to shop & donate:

- \*\*\*  **mac & cheese**
- pasta, pasta sauce
- soup, beans, rice,
- canned fruit and vegetables
- peanut butter and jelly
- tuna, canned meats
- breakfast cereal
- shampoo, deodorant
- body wash, soap (toiletry items)
- toothpaste and toothbrushes
- kids clothing - ALL sizes



Please bring a food item to campus when you visit.

The Outreach office is located at Community of Christ Church 1205 Milltown Rd. If you are able, please prayerfully consider online giving @ [sjbde.org/connect-now-giving](http://sjbde.org/connect-now-giving).



***Congratulations St. John the Beloved Catholic School Class of 2021***



***"I can do all things through Christ." Philippians 4:13***



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

**SPIRITUALITY**

**FRIENDSHIP**

**SERVICE**

Jesus says "Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me." When we help the poor, we are truly followers of Jesus, Servant of the poor.

As many of you offer your donation to our St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) ministry, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them new hope and joy. We cannot exist without your generous contributions year round.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul also offers an opportunity for stewardship. We invite you to consider joining the Society and this is what you can expect...

- We quietly and discreetly assist needy families who have asked us for help
- Accompanied by a "seasoned" member, you will contact those in distress
- We learn as we go, growing spiritually through the gift of self to others



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is easy to join. There are no special qualifications for anyone. **We recently completed a new MEMBER HANDBOOK for all new members!** If the Society of St. Vincent de Paul appeals to you and you want to learn more about us, contact the Parish Office at (302) 999-0211.

**Greetings from your friends at Table of Plenty Outreach**

June is National Fresh Fruit and Vegetables Month! Nearly 40% of fresh produce is wasted. But together we can save millions of pounds of fresh fruits and veggies AND feed our neighbors each year. If you have a backyard garden and a surplus, please consider us so we can provide fresh produce to our families in need.

**Clothing Needed**— If you've been cleaning out closets, or are waiting until school is out, now is the perfect time to assist others. We are in dire need of gently used kids' clothing of all sizes. More than 3000 articles of clothing have been distributed to families in need since April. Much of that was children's clothing. When you give, your donation goes to the families most in need within our community.

**Volunteers Wanted**— We are also looking for help on Tuesday nights this summer. Please call the Outreach office at (302) 994-7867 and leave a message if you have a few hours to spare this summer.

## AROUND THE DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON



**RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE** Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of August 13 - 15, 2021 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org). All inquiries are strictly confidential.

**MARRIAGE MOMENTS:** What does it mean to have equality in marriage? It's more than just being fair, divvying up tasks, and respecting each other. Does one of you need more than the other today? If not, as a couple, supply a neighbor's need today. **PARENTING POINTERS:** Summer is vacation time and often that means travel. In addition to relatives, national parks, and monuments, consider visiting a holy place. Of course any place can be holy when looked at with eyes of faith, but also consider visiting a religious shrine or a different church.

**Young Adults** Wilmington Catholic Young Adults (WilCYA) is a young adult ministry serving the greater Wilmington-Newark Area which strives to connect young adults in their 20's and 30's with the Catholic Church through spiritual, social and service events. Each Tuesday, young adults from 15 parishes throughout the Diocese gather together for events such as social nights, Mass & fellowship, Holy Hour/Happy Hour and Catechesis. They also meet up other times during the month for events such as 5ks, and service projects. For more information go to <https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Nonprofit-Organization/Wilmington-Catholic-Young-Adults-WilCYA-118522335477971/>

**Summer Weekend Mass guide in the Diocese of Wilmington:** [thedialog.org/catechetical-corner/2021-diocese-of-wilmington-summer-weekend-mass-guide/](http://thedialog.org/catechetical-corner/2021-diocese-of-wilmington-summer-weekend-mass-guide/)



### RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Did you know that since 2015 seventy new Catholics have joined our parish through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). They include three people who were confirmed at this year's Easter Vigil in spite of the Covid 19 pandemic. That's all good news. However, experts project that for every person who joins the Church, six people leave. So we still have a lot of work to do.

The RCIA process will begin again at St. John the Beloved in September, and it's not too early to be thinking about your participation. Start by asking yourself questions like:

- What is it that is attracting me to the Catholic faith?
- How will becoming part of the Catholic community improve my life?
- Is God really calling me to take this step now?
- How will the Catholic faith help me strengthen my relationship with Jesus?

Here are the ways three people have answered these questions: "Because of my faith I know that what ever happens I am loved. It is that gift – that certainty that I want to share with my husband and children".... "I was a non-Catholic until I was 27 when, thanks to a Catholic friend I became interested in the Church. What I especially like about the Church is the feeling of tradition and continuity with the past. All the way from Jesus to the present day the Church has prevailed".... "For me to be a Catholic means honor and dignity. I am honored and happy to be near God. God knows me and I feel I can always talk to him. It feels great to be Catholic".

It does feel great to be Catholic, and this is something you or someone you know can experience as well. September will be here before we know it. For more information call the parish office, 302-999-0211.

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Gathering Hymn: GLORY AND PRAISE TO OUR GOD (Dan Schutte)

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REFRAIN: Glory and praise to our God,  
who alone gives light to our days.  
Many are the blessings he bears  
to those who trust in his ways.

**vs. 1** We, the daughters and sons of him  
who built the valleys and plains,  
praise the wonders our God has done  
in ev'ry heart that sings. **(R)**

**vs. 2** In his wisdom he strengthens us,  
like gold that's tested in fire.  
Though the power of sin prevails,  
our God is there to save. **(R)**

**vs. 3** Ev'ry moment of ev'ry day  
our God is waiting to save,  
always ready to seek the lost,  
to answer those who pray. **(R)**

### Entrance Antiphon

**Ps 47:2**

All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with  
shouts of joy!

### Penitential Rite

### Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to  
people of good will. We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks  
for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O  
God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, only  
begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the  
Father, you take away the sins of the world, have  
mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world,  
receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand  
of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are  
the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are  
the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in  
the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### Liturgy of the Word

### Reading I

**Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24**

God did not make death,  
nor does he rejoice in the destruction of the  
living.  
For he fashioned all things that they might have  
being;  
and the creatures of the world are wholesome,  
and there is not a destructive drug among them  
nor any domain of the netherworld on earth,  
for justice is undying.  
For God formed man to be imperishable;  
the image of his own nature he made him.  
But by the envy of the devil, death entered the  
world,  
and they who belong to his company experience  
it.

### Responsorial Psalm Psalm 30:2,4,5-6,11,12,13

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

### Reading II

**2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15**

Brothers and sisters:  
As you excel in every respect, in faith, discourse,  
knowledge, all earnestness, and in the love we have  
for you,  
may you excel in this gracious act also.  
For you know the gracious act of our Lord Jesus  
Christ,  
that though he was rich, for your sake he became  
poor,  
so that by his poverty you might become rich.  
Not that others should have relief while you are  
burdened,  
but that as a matter of equality  
your abundance at the present time should supply  
their needs,  
so that their abundance may also supply your  
needs,  
that there may be equality.  
As it is written:  
Whoever had much did not have more,  
and whoever had little did not have less.

### Gospel Acclamation

**cf. 2 Timothy 1:10**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.  
Our Savior Jesus Christ destroyed death and  
brought life to light through the Gospel.  
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel MARK 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 34b-43**

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered around him, and he stayed close to the sea. One of the synagogue officials, named Jairus, came forward. Seeing him he fell at his feet and pleaded earnestly with him, saying, "My daughter is at the point of death. Please, come lay your hands on her that she may get well and live." He went off with him, and a large crowd followed him and pressed upon him.

[There was a woman afflicted with hemorrhages for twelve years. She had suffered greatly at the hands of many doctors and had spent all that she had. Yet she was not helped but only grew worse. She had heard about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak.

She said, "If I but touch his clothes, I shall be cured."

Immediately her flow of blood dried up. She felt in her body that she was healed of her affliction. Jesus, aware at once that power had gone out from him, turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who has touched my clothes?" But his disciples said to Jesus, "You see how the crowd is pressing upon you, and yet you ask, 'Who touched me?'" And he looked around to see who had done it. The woman, realizing what had happened to her, approached in fear and trembling. She fell down before Jesus and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace and be cured of your affliction."]

While he was still speaking, people from the synagogue official's house arrived and said, "Your daughter has died; why trouble the teacher any longer?" Disregarding the message that was reported, Jesus said to the synagogue official, "Do not be afraid; just have faith." He did not allow anyone to accompany him inside except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they arrived at the house of the synagogue official, he caught sight of a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. So he went in and said to them, "Why this commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but asleep." And they ridiculed him. Then he put them all out. He took along the child's father and mother and those who were with him and entered the room where the child was. He took the child by the hand and said to her, "*Talitha koum,*" which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise!"

The girl, a child of twelve, arose immediately and walked around. At that they were utterly astounded. He gave strict orders that no one

should know this and said that she should be given something to eat.

**Homily****Profession of Faith****The Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **Amen.**

**Universal Prayer****Preparation of Gifts**

**Hymn: Healing River of the Spirit - Beach Spring**  
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vs. 1 Healing river of the Spirit,  
Bathe the wounds that living brings.  
Plunge our pain, our sin, our sadness  
Deep beneath your sacred springs.  
Weary from the restless searching  
That has lured us from your side,  
We discover in your presence  
Peace the world cannot provide.

**Hymn: Healing River of the Spirit - Continued...**

**vs. 2** Wellspring of the healing Spirit,  
Stream that flows to bring release,  
As we gain our selves, our senses,  
May our lives reflect your peace.  
Grateful for the flood that heals us,  
May your church enact your grace.  
As we meet both friend and stranger,  
May we see our Savior's face.

**vs. 3** Living stream that heals the nations,  
Make us channels of your pow'r.  
All the world is torn by conflict;  
Wars are raging at this hour.  
Saving Spirit, move among us,  
Guide our winding human course,  
Till we find our way together, Flowing homeward to  
our Source.

**Holy, Holy**

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and  
earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

**Mystery of Faith**

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your  
Resurrection until you come again.

**AMEN****The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy  
name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth  
as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those  
who trespass against us; and lead us not into  
temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**Rite of Peace****Lamb of God**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,  
grant us peace.

**Communion****Communion Hymn: I Received The Living God**

(Text: 77 77 with refrain; anon. Music: Anon.)

**REFRAIN**

I received the living God, and my heart is full of  
joy. *(repeat)*

**vs. 1** Jesus said: "I am the Bread kneaded long  
to give you life;  
You who will partake of me need not ever fear to  
die." **(R)**

**vs. 2** Jesus said: "I am the Way, and my Father  
longs for you;  
So I come to bring you home to be one with him  
anew." **(R)**

**vs. 3** Jesus said: "I am the Truth; If you follow  
close to me,  
You will know me in your heart, and my word shall  
make you free." **(R)**

**vs. 4** Jesus said: "I am the Life far from whom no  
thing can grow,  
But receive this living bread, and my Spirit you shall  
know." **(R)**

**Prayer After Communion****Concluding Rites****Recessional Hymn: I Know that My Redeemer Lives, Scott Soper**

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**vs. 1** I know that my Redeemer lives, the One  
who calls me home.  
I long to see God face to face, to see with my own  
eyes.

**REFRAIN:**

I know that my Redeemer lives, that I shall rise  
again.

I know that my Redeemer lives, that I shall rise  
again.

**vs. 3** The last day I shall rise again, shall be  
remade like God.  
My home shall be by God's own side, the dying,  
rising Lord. **(R)**

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