



Catholic Church of St. Luke

4408 Highway 86 • Easley, SC 29642

July 1, 2018

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners,

Why does Jesus make such an effort to find and speak to the woman who touched Him in order to be healed? He tells her “your faith has healed you” — He is leading her from superstition to faith.

Some foolish people mock Christians, and Catholics, for being superstitious fools — sometimes in ways that are hard to recognize. The saying “that’s a bunch of hocus pocus” is one of them. This is a twisting of the words of consecration in Latin “hoc est enim corpus meum” — “this is my body”. We need not take offense when people use this phrase — most people do not know or intend the connection. We must know that the Mass is not magic — we must move beyond any hint of superstition to true faith!

Truth be told, of course, some Christians — like the woman in the Gospels — do approach the faith with some superstition. It is superstitious to conclude that any request will be granted after praying a particular prayer a specific number of times. Our Lord taught us to pray “Thy will be done”. Also, Jesus told us to persevere in prayer. When our desires conform to the Father’s will, our persevering prayers will be granted in God’s good time.

Father Jim Dubrouillet

This Week in Our Parish

Sun 7/1	9 AM 11:30 AM	Mass + <i>Rafael Heredia Pagan</i> Mass @Holy Cross <i>For the People</i>
Mon 7/2	12:15 PM	Mass @Holy Cross + <i>Mike Noyce</i>
Wed 7/4	9 AM 12:15 PM	Offices Closed Mass @Holy Cross + <i>John LaFollette</i>
Thu 7/5	12:15 PM	Mass
Fri 7/6	12:15 PM 12:45 PM	Mass @Holy Cross <i>Jimmy Xhema</i> Eucharistic Adoration @Holy Cross
Sat 7/7	2:30 PM 4 PM 6 PM	Confession @Holy Cross Mass @Holy Cross + <i>James & +Nancy Mueller</i> Mass <i>For the People</i>
Sun 7/8	9 AM 11:30 AM	Mass + <i>Joseph & +Eleanor Kiesznoski</i> Mass @Holy Cross <i>For the People</i>

Readings for Week of July 2

Mon	Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Mt 8:18-22
Tue	Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29
Wed	Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Mt 8:28-34
Thu	Am 7:10-17; Mt 9:1-8
Fri	Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Mt 9:9-13
Sat	Am 9:11-15; Mt 9:14-17
Sun	Ez 2:2-5; 2Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6

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