

June 28, 2015

## ***THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME***

**For today's Gospel**, we continue to read from the Gospel of Mark. Last Sunday we heard about Jesus calming the storm, the first of four miracles that Jesus performs in the vicinity of the Sea of Galilee. Each of these four miracle stories offers us a glimpse at Jesus' power. This week we hear about the third and fourth miracles, skipping the second miracle, the healing of a man from Gerasene who was possessed by a demon.

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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St. Francis/St. Ann's Circles will be hosting **Coffee & Rolls** after Mass this **Sunday, June 28**. Please join us downstairs to enjoy the fellowship and delicious treats.

A unique learning experience, **Altaration** will help you come to see the Mass and the priesthood in a dramatically new way. Our study of **Altaration** is on **Sunday evenings at 6 pm**. This is the final session in our 5-week program where we will cover all the parts of the Mass. Everyone is invited to attend, participate, and be transformed.

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**Eucharistic Adoration** Thursdays from 8:45 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **K of C Auxiliary Prayer Chain** Call — 226-3639 or 226-3351

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<b>Saturday</b>	<i>ST. CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA</i>	<b>06/27/15</b>
7:15 p.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Intention for Mason DeRosier</i> ☩ Reader.....Tom Frericks Cantor.....Andy Buell Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Rose Elam Chalices....Leanne Buell Servers.....Mita Frericks & Laurese McKinney Gifts.....Volunteers		
<b>Sunday</b>	<i>13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	<b>06/28/15</b>
7:50 a.m. <b>Sacrament of Penance</b> 8:30 a.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i> Reader.....Greg Johnson Cantor.....Kim Josephson Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Jeff Asmussen Chalices....Michael Rowlee Servers.....Thomas Rowlee & Zack Fredrickson Gifts.....Volunteers		
<b>Monday</b>	<i>STS. PETER AND PAUL</i>	<b>06/29/15</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<i>THE FIRST MARTYRS OF THE HOLY ROMAN CHURCH</i>	<b>06/30/15</b>
7:50 a.m. <b>Rosary</b> 8:15 a.m. <b>Morning Prayer</b> 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting		
<b>Wednesday</b>	<i>BLESSED JUNIPERO SERRA</i>	<b>07/01/15</b>
7:50 a.m. <b>Rosary</b> 8:15 a.m. <b>Morning Prayer</b>		
<b>Thursday</b>	<i>WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	<b>07/02/15</b>
7:50 a.m. <b>Rosary</b> 8:15 a.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Intention for Deanna Larson</i> 8:50 a.m. <b>Adoration</b>		
<b>Friday</b>	<i>ST. THOMAS</i>	<b>07/03/15</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<i>BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</i> <b>Independence Day</b>	<b>07/04/15</b>
7:15 p.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Intention for Ed Grahek</i> ☩ Reader.....Rose Elam Cantor.....Terri Frericks-Blood Plate.....Don Seipke Chalices....Shelley Fredrickson Chalices....Jeff Asmussen Servers.....Jason Blood & Laurese McKinney Gifts.....Volunteers		
<b>Sunday</b>	<i>14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	<b>07/05/15</b>
7:50 a.m. <b>Sacrament of Penance</b> 8:30 a.m. <b>Mass</b> — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i> Reader.....Tom Frericks Cantor.....Lanay Frericks Plate.....Deacon Jack Ferris Chalices....Bonnie Kruger Chalices....Marge Jorgenson Servers.....Todd Curry & Zack Fredrickson Gifts.....Volunteers		

**PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

- † **Parishioners:** Lyle Shepersky, Lois Larson, Vicky Johnson, Sharon Kelley, Terry Scallen, Betty Dugas, Suzanne Seguin, Angie Pruse, Marlene Petersen, Deanna Larson, Alma Ferris.
- † **Clergy:** Deacon Fred Wright, Fr. Francis Paquette.
- † **Relatives & Friends:** Mary (Baum) Bradley, Kennady Roberts, Diane Mayer, Don Hedin, Ronny Morrison, Betty Westaby, Bob Martinsen, Dick Kunz, Johnny Jerabek, Lincoln Traut, Amy Buckner, Mae Dehnhoff, Emma Cavataio, Elsie McGuire, Stephanie (Clifford) Martin, Jim Morcomb, John & Denise Kuchta (Elaine Rollins’ nephew who is expecting quadruplets).
- † **Military:** Karen McGrane, Alex Seanger, Michael Seipke, Sam West, Chris Gensing, Sean Stebbins.

**During this 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Our Diocese....We invite you to visit the pilgrimage site at Saints Mary & Joseph, 1225 Mission Road, Sawyer, Minnesota.** See the oldest altar and Stations of the Cross in existence in the Diocese of Duluth and the old log church which is on the National Register of Historic Sites. The Sunday Mass is at 10:30 am. The current church is generally opened between 9-9:30 am. Narrated tours will be conducted after the Sunday Mass beginning June 7 through Labor Day weekend. Visitors in groups of four or more wishing to visit at another time may call Deacon Bryan Bassa at 218-879-6933 or the parish office (509 Sunrise Drive, Carlton, MN 55718) at 218-384-4563 Monday - Thursday 8 am - Noon, and the parish secretary, Betty Lee, will work to arrange for a volunteer to meet you at the date and time of your request. The original painting on the Diocesan prayer card to Saint Kateri can be viewed in the current Church. The original shrine outside has been reconstructed and contains a digital reproduction of the original painting. A statue to Saint Kateri, utilizing the top of the altar of the log church, is located in the current church. You will also be able to enter and view the interior of the log church. They enthusiastically invite all to visit them and celebrate their history as a local church.

**Daily Inspiration By Dynamic Catholic:** Everything that happens everyday is an opportunity for holiness. The way we interact with people, the way we work and study, and how we use our free time are all opportunities to grow in holiness. Quote taken from Decision Point, the Dynamic Catholic Confirmation Program.

<b>LAST WEEK’S CONTRIBUTIONS</b>	
General Collection.....	\$1685.11
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