

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

27 JUNE 2021

While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James.

So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'Little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

The Gospel of the Lord.
R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.
Longer form Mk 5: 21-43

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED
Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.
P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.
R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. O God, who graciously accomplish the effects of your mysteries, grant, we pray, that the deeds by which we serve you may be

worthy of these sacred gifts. Through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. Lift up your hearts.
R. We lift them up to the Lord.
P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
R. It is right and just.

PREFACE I-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: 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.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.
All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .
P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray. . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said. . .

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.
All exchange a sign of peace.

LAMB OF GOD

All: 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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

cf. Ps 102: 1
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. May this divine sacrifice we have offered and received fill us with life, O Lord, we pray, so that, bound to you in lasting charity, we may bear fruit that lasts for ever. Through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.
P. Go in peace.
R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

CREATED FOR LIFE

All peoples, including people of faith, have wrestled with the mysteries of life and death from the dawn of time. The book of Wisdom was written late in the development of the Old Testament, and centuries of experience and reflection are found in its verses that speak about how God has created all things in order that we might experience God's love in the gift of life itself. Created in God's image, our ultimate goal is to live our lives in such a way that we reflect this life-giving love of God for us in our attitudes and behaviour.

The Christian communities of Corinth were invited by Paul to join with other communities in Galatia and Macedonia to provide support for the poor believers in Jerusalem who were suffering in the midst of famine. In his previous letter, Paul had spoken eloquently of how they were all part of the body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12) and how this called them to a life of faith, hope, and love (1 Corinthians 13). Now was the time to live simply, giving of their excess, so that their brothers and sisters could simply live.

Jesus' actions in the Gospel today bear eloquent testimony to the claim of the book of Wisdom that we are created for life. Both Jairus' daughter and the woman with the haemorrhage will be lifted from their suffering by their encounter with Jesus. The woman's extraordinary faith leads her to reach out and touch Jesus' cloak resulting in her being restored to health. Jesus himself lifts up the young girl and brings her once again to the fullness of life.

CHRISTOPHER MONAGHAN CP

A SERVICE OF THE SOCIETY OF ST PAUL

Reproduction of this bulletin in any form prohibited. Published with ecclesiastical approval by ST PAULS PUBLICATIONS, PO Box 906, Strathfield NSW 2135. Tel 9394 3400 Fax 02 9394 3444. Scripture readings from the Jerusalem Bible, published and © 1966, by Darton, Longman and Todd Ltd and Doubleday & Co. Inc. are used by permission of the publishers. Psalm text from The Psalms, A New Translation, © 1963, The Grail (England), HarperCollins. New translation of the Order of Mass from The Roman Missal © 2010, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved. Artwork by Sr Dorothy Woodward rsj. Layout, commentaries and illustrations © St Pauls Publications, 2021. No 509. Website: www.stpauls.com.au

SHE FELL AT HIS FEET AND TOLD HIM THE WHOLE TRUTH. In today's Gospel, before raising to life the young daughter of a synagogue official, Jesus restores health and wholeness to an 'untouchable', a woman whose 'uncleanness' debars her from synagogue worship. She is remarkable as much for her courage as for her faith. Are there any people for whom we have no place in our parish community?

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Ps 46: 2

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

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.
P. You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

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.

COLLECT

P. O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Wis 1: 13-15; 2: 23-24

A reading from the book of Wisdom.

It was the devil's envy that brought death into the world.

Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living.

To be – for this he created all; the world's created things have health in them, in them no fatal poison can be found, and Hades holds no power on earth; for virtue is undying. Yet God did make man imperishable, he made him in the image of his own nature; it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world, as those who are his partners will discover.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM Ps 29: 2, 4-6, 11-13. R. v. 2

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

1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me / and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. / O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead, / restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. **R.**
2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him, / give thanks to his holy name. / His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life. / At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. **R.**
3. The Lord listened and had pity. / The Lord came to my help. / For me you have changed my mourning into dancing, / O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. **R.**

SECOND READING 2 Cor 8: 7, 9, 13-15

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

Your abundance should supply their want.



You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.

The word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION cf. 2 Tim 1: 10

Alleluia, alleluia!
Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mk 5: 21-24, 35-43

P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.
R. Glory to you, O Lord.

Young girl, I say to you, arise.

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.