



June 28, 2009

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Wis 1:13-24; 2 Cor 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

“Who touched me?”

The two stories in today’s Gospel provide an example of Mark’s “sandwich” technique. The story of the woman with the flow of blood interrupts and is sandwiched in between the two parts of the account of Jairus and his daughter. In both narratives an inadequate understanding of Jesus’ power leads to a dramatic manifestation of his generosity.

Jairus, a synagogue official, approached Jesus and begged Him to come and to lay his hands on his 12 years old daughter who is at the point of death. Jairus’s hope was that Jesus would heal her. On the way to Jairus’s house Jesus was delayed by another sick woman who was trying to touch Jesus’ clothing with the hope to be healed. She was healed instantly. As Jesus was asking the crowd “who touched him”, a messenger came from Jairus’s house with the news that his girl had died. Why trouble Jesus now? Neither Jairus nor anyone else imagined that Jesus could do anything for the girl once she was dead. Jesus said to Jairus, “do not be afraid; just have faith”. Jesus arrived at the house, took the child by the hand and said to her, “Little girl, I say to you, arise! Immediately she arose and walked around. Everyone was utterly astounded at the miracle.

The two stories illustrate Jesus’ power over both chronic illness and death. Jesus far exceeds the expectations of the people and shows a marvelous generosity by giving life and salvation in addition to physical healing.

Paul describes Jesus’ generosity, “Though He was rich He became poor for you, so that by his poverty you might become rich”. Paul also praises the generosity of people of Corinth who had made a generous collection for the poor members of the church in Jerusalem.

As Jesus shared his healing and life giving power and the Corinthians their money, so we are asked to share our blessings with the ill and the needy. People who experience our loving care and generosity will wonder “Who touched me?”

GETTING TO ITALY....I’ve arrived.

You heard the gospel story of the boat in the storm with Jesus' disciples and their fear to drown. I left Chicago last Tuesday with an air Titanic Airbus 360-600 and a torrential rain storm started right after we boarded the plane. We took off 2 hours late and the flight was the most beautiful and comfortable flight in my life. We arrived in Madrid 2 hours late and missed my connection and the next flight to Torino was 6 1/2 hour later. I arrived home 8:15 pm Wednesday night. This is my 4th year that I had several hours delay. I thank you for your prayer that I am home safe and sound. In thought of the Israelites 40 year journey in the desert and their complaints against Moses and God and I thank God that I will not have another 36 years to go. I too was puzzled about my luck in flying and I was a little disappointed and wonder why... I could not pray... and I walked the long K wing of the airport with 98 gates. The airplane schedule to depart at 4:25 pm had technical problem so another plane came later and we had



View from my bedroom window

to wait for the pilot from the scheduled plane to arrive.

All in my family are OK and send greetings and love.

The weather here is marvelous, cold nights, sunny and beautiful days and we had some snow last night in the surrounding peaks over 3000 meters and it cooled the temperature today.

I am surrounded by very high mountains and the scenery all around the city is breathtaking. Today we went out for lunch with my brother Marino and his family to a seafood restaurant and we enjoyed an excellent dinner and good wine.



Sunday Dinner: Joe, Marino, Anna, Sandro, Paola, Laura

I mentioned an air Titanic and I will give you a few data of this newest Airbus plane.

Length 247 ft; height 56 ft; Cabin 18 ft wide; cabin length 200 ft; wings width 208 ft. It is a marvelous plane and I am glad that the pilot did not dare the storm... I will try to send you a few photo with this note, if I can or on separate email. I hope the weather in Kansas City is pleasant and you have a relaxing month with the substitute priests on Sunday. Greetings from my family and me and blessings to all. Fr. Joe

CHÚA NHẬT THỨ XIII THƯỜNG NIÊN

Wisdom 1:13-24; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43



Ngày ấy là một ngày bận rộn của Chúa Giêsu; Người nhận được hai lời khẩn cầu xin chữa lành bệnh; người thứ nhất là ông trưởng hội đường tên là Giairô, mà con gái ông ta đang bị bệnh nguy kịch. Đang khi Chúa Giêsu đi ra thể theo lời yêu cầu của ông này, thì một người đàn bà chen lấn qua đám đông để được chạm tay vào vạt áo Chúa Giêsu với hy vọng được chữa lành bệnh. Bà ta đã nhiều năm tìm thầy chạy thuốc mà không khỏi, và Chúa Giêsu giờ đây là niềm hy vọng cuối cùng của bà. Một luồng sức mạnh xuất phát từ Chúa Giêsu và bà ta liền lành bệnh ngay tức khắc. Bà ta sợ hãi vì sợ Chúa Giêsu phản ứng, nhưng Chúa trấn an bà ta và bảo đức tin của bà đã làm bà lành bệnh. Cùng lúc đó, Chúa Giêsu nghe nói con gái của ông Giairô đã chết. Chúa Giêsu liền bảo người cha cô gái đừng sợ mà hãy đặt niềm tin vào Người. Chúa Giêsu bước vào nhà nơi cô gái đang nằm, cầm lấy tay cô ta, và cô ta sống lại ngay lập tức. Cha cô gái cùng gia đình ông ta và dân chúng đều quá kinh ngạc về quyền năng của Chúa Giêsu và họ vinh danh ngợi ca Người. Mỗi người chúng ta đều sẽ lành bệnh nếu chúng ta biết tin vào Chúa Giêsu.

Lễ Độc lập 4 tháng 7

Đang khi chúng ta ăn mừng ngày lễ Độc Lập của Hoa Kỳ thoát khỏi sự lệ thuộc của Anh quốc năm 1776, chúng ta hãy cầu xin cho mọi nước trên thế giới được hưởng độc lập, tự do và hòa bình. Đó cũng là điều Chúa Giêsu mong mỏi mọi người, mọi quốc gia hãy cùng nhau hợp tác xây dựng hòa bình.

Thông báo:

Sẽ không có thánh lễ các ngày 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16 tháng 7. Anh chị em có thể đến nhà nguyện để đọc kinh và lần chuỗi.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 27

1PM Wedding—Georgio/Ferrantelle
4PM Annette, Minnie & Matthew Orlando by Edward O'Dower
Nick Champion by Grandmother Pat Morreale

Sunday, June 28

8AM For all parishioners
11AM Ralph & Fannie Santoro by Nick & Nancy Santoro
Anna Badami by Nick Mary Kay Conforti

Monday, June 29

8AM Special Intentions

Tuesday, June 30

8AM For all parishioners who are ill

Wednesday, July 1

8AM Special Intentions

Thursday, July 2

8AM Joseph & Caroline Gargotta by Dau. Fannie

Friday, July 3

8AM Jewell & Orland Murphy by Thelma Wingerter

Saturday, July 4

4PM Frank Mazzuca & Vince Scudiero by Family
Vincent T. Agrusa by Wife & Family

Sunday, July 5

8AM Joseph & Caroline Gargotta by Dau. Fannie
11AM St. Anne by Christian Mothers
Annette, Minnie & Matthew Orlando by Phyllis Mieser

WEEKLY COLLECTION

June 21, 2009

Collections: **\$2590.00**
Other Income: **\$ 619.00**
TOTAL: \$3209.00
2nd Collection: **\$ 499.00**

"Never measure your generosity by what you give, but rather by what you have left." — Bishop Fulton J. Sheen

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES JULY 4 & 5

LECTORS

4PM: P Hempstead
8AM: M Mancuso
11AM: L Venable

EUCHARIST MINISTERS

4PM: M Bui
8AM: L Stasi
11AM: R Venable

ALTAR SERVERS

4PM: Brian Bui
8AM: Tristan & Fantasia Ta
11AM: Yen and Long Bui

Mission Weekend July 4 & 5

Next weekend Fr. Frank Raco will be at our parish to present the mission appeal on behalf of the PIME Missionaries. Fr. Francesco Raco was ordained a PIME priest in May 1979. He was born in Cirella, Italy. He ministered in the United States from 1979 to 1980. In 1980 he was assigned to India and has been ministering to the people of India since then.



Founded in Italy in 1850 PIME, the Pontifical Institute for Foreign Missions, is a Society of Apostolic Life of priests and laymen who dedicate their lives to the mission among non-Christians on the five continents.

Rest in Peace

In your prayers remember

Ralph Siraguso

who was buried from Holy Rosary

