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Mission: Live Catholic teachings,

Participate in Sacramental and Liturgical Celebrations, Serve our Community

### **ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH**

2020 State Rte 146 E, Vienna, IL – 62995

Parish Council Chair: Steve Pobst

Trustees: Matthew Slife, Jared Bergmann

Sundays – 8:00 am, 10:00 am

Weekdays – Tue 11 am, Wed

6:30 pm & Friday, 12 pm

### **Shame and the Lord**

In the [Gospel](#) reading, Jairus wades fearlessly into the crowd around Jesus and interrupts what Jesus is doing.

Jairus is an important person, an official of the synagogue; and his twelve-year old daughter is dangerously sick. He believes that Jesus could heal his daughter, but only if he comes right away. And so he urges Jesus to drop everything else and come *now*.

And Jesus does turn immediately to go with Jairus. But then Jairus's interruption of Jesus is itself interrupted. Jesus stops dead and demands to know who touched him.

Who touched you? his disciples say in disbelief. *Everybody* touched you! You are in the middle of a big crowd pressing all around you.

But, as we know, there *was* someone who touched Jesus in a special way. She was a woman who had had an issue of blood for twelve years, just as many years as Jairus had had a daughter.

Under Mosaic law, that woman was unclean all those years. And anyone who touched her became unclean too. In fact, anyone who even touched anything she sat on or slept on became unclean. The woman had spent all her money on doctors to try to stop the issue of blood, but the doctors had only made her worse.

So she was poor, outcast, and scared of being noticed. Unlike Jairus, she didn't dare interrupt Jesus to press her own concerns on him. And now she had added this dreadful thing to all the other bad things about her: she had touched the Lord himself—and so, she must have thought, she had made even Jesus unclean.

No wonder she was trembling when Jesus called her out, and she had to face him. Shame such as hers makes a person desperate to be invisible.

Unlike Jairus, this woman in her great need had not been willing to put herself forward. But she was so desperate to be healed that she was willing to be shamed, no-account, and invisible. She accepted being unnoticed and unimportant as long as she could be healed.

But Jesus was not willing to tolerate her own estimation of herself. He made the official of the synagogue wait for *her*. "Daughter," Jesus says to her, "your faith has saved you."

In that one word, 'daughter,' Jesus healed her shame as well as her blood-flow. He showed her and all the crowd around her that she was to him what Jairus's daughter was to Jairus.

And so Jairus was not the only one who cared for his daughter on that day. Eleonore Stump

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## Schedule of Masses

Sun Jun 27	8:00 am	SP	For the Parishioners
	10:00 am	SP	Billie Anderson
Tue Jun 29	11:00 am	SP	General Intention
Wed Jun 30	5:30 pm	SP	General Intentions
Fri Jul 2	12:00 pm	SP	General Intention
Sat Jul 3	8:30 am	SP	Reparation of Sin
Sun Jul 4	8:00 am	SP	For the Parishioners
	10:00 am	SP	Richard Stone

## Birthdays

Jun 27 Nathaniel Ross  
Jul 2 Russell Drone  
Jul 4 Sheila Maier  
Karen Cole

Liturgical Ministerse –		<u>Lector</u>	<u>Greeter</u>	<u>EM</u>	<u>Servers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
Jun 27	8 am	M Treat	L Miller	Vol	Volunteer	M McMahan
	10 am	A Dueker	C Kruep	Vol	Volunteer	F Dueker

July 4	8 am	C Cain	B Bowers	Vol	Volunteer	M McMahan, R Weeks
	10 am	S Widowski	J Hacker	P Widowski	Volunteer	P Widowski, S Pobst

## STEWARDSHIP OFFERING June 20, 2021

Envelope \$ 4437.92 (26), Loose 121.00 Bld & Maint 95.00

**Total \$ 4753.92** (Now that Social distancing is not required, collection counters are needed to continue this church ministry – see Fr Tom)

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sun Jun 27	Peter's Pence Collection
	Anointing of Sick at weekend masses
	Sunday Mass at SP.....8:00 am
	Sunday Mass at SP.....10:00 am
	(Recorded Mass available on facebook, St Paul Youtube channel)
Tue Jun 29	Shawnee DOC Service ..... 9 am
	Weekday Mass.....11:00 am
Wed Jun 30	Weekday Mass.....6:30 pm
Thr Jul 1	Shawnee DOC Service.....9:00 am
Fri Jul 2	Weekday Mass.....12:00 pm
Sat Jul 3	First Saturday Mass & Devotion.....8:30 am
Sun Jul 4	Sunday Mass at SP.....8:00 am
	Sunday Mass at SP.....10:00 am
	First Sunday Social – following weekend masses



**PETER PENCE COLLECTION** Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Francis. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit [www.peerspence.va/en.html](http://www.peerspence.va/en.html)

**COMMUNAL ANOINTING OF THE SICK** will be offered at Sunday masses on June 27<sup>th</sup>. Those with difficulty standing are asked to be seated in the front row where you may remain seated for the anointing.

**LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE** for July is available in bulletin rack.

**WORDS OF GRACE** Daily scripture booklets for Jul-Sept are available in foyer.

**NEW PASTORAL APPOINTMENT** Bishop McGovern has appointed Rev Christian Iwaugwu as administrator of St Paul, Vienna, St Mary, Eldorado, and St Mary, Harrisburg. The appointment is effective July 20, and is for a term of three years. Fr Christian has served as pastoral associate with Fr Steven Beatty at St Kateri, Ridgway, St Mary, Eldorado, St Mary, Harrisburg and St Joseph, Elizabethtown

**FIRST SUNDAY SOCIAL** for July 4<sup>th</sup> will be hosted by the Parish Council. Members will be present to address questions about new pastoral leadership for St Paul. Hosts for following months are needed. Please see bulletin board.

**WELCOME TO NEWLY REGISTERED PARISHIONERS** ..Mary (Andy) Chappell who live in Vienna; Maxine Lewis who, formerly from Carterville, now resides at Hillview Care Home in Vienna (who had a 103<sup>rd</sup> birthday in June).

**INTO MY VINEYARD** The Belleville Diocese will be offering a six session course in Parish Administration and Management on Saturdays in fall and spring of upcoming year. Its purpose will be to prepare more people in parishes to learn to manage temporalities. Applications are available and deadline is July. If you are interested or have questions, contact Fr Tom. Frequent Asked Question and Answer sheet on the bulletin board.

**NOTE:** If you notice an extra camera or two taking pictures, relax. Since plans for an updated pictorial directory were put on permanent hold because LifeTouch Church Pictorial Directory folded as result of pandemic, photos are being taken to make it easier for Fr Christian to connect faces with names in the parish address directory. If you would like to submit a recent family picture, please e-mail or drop off at the parish office.

**OUR PARISH FAMILY MINISTRY** This ministry provides meals during time of family illness and assists with transportation to doctor appointments. Contact Frank Dueker

**VOCATION CORNER**“When I was 15, my father died suddenly; it's a low point in my life, but also a turning point. My mom, who had converted to Catholicism several years earlier, encouraged me to speak to our parish priest. I quickly saw a transformation within myself and began to think, “If God is helping me through this Catholic priest, there must be something to this Catholic Church.” After my confirmation, the Lord said to me in prayer, “Anthony, you see what I've done for you through the priesthood; now go and do likewise.” I was ordained in June 2018 and I wake up every morning thanking God for allowing me to be his servant.

## **Thirteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time – 27 June 2021**

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24. Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13. 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15. Mark 5:21-43

Today's Scripture addresses human concern about being different. God is shown as the involved partner inviting humans to risk belief even in the face of conflicting values and pressure from peers. The Book of Wisdom addresses the believer's call to be different. Jews living in the first century B.C. faced a predicament: fidelity to the God of Israel even while living in the midst of cosmopolitan Alexandria. Recognition of God's sovereignty makes us different, but such recognition makes immortality possible.

The psalm extols God for delivering the psalmist from suffering and distress. The psalmist requests help and God grants him liberation. God heals him and brings him up from the nether world. In verses 4 and 5 the author cannot contain his joy, he is able to dance again.

Mark speaks today about the primacy of faith. Jairus falls at the feet of Jesus and appeals on behalf of his daughter. When Jairus hears that his daughter is dead he must believe on an even higher level - that the Lord is able to raise the dead: "Do not fear, only believe" (Mark 5:36). The people proclaim the presence of death by their wailing; Jesus prepares Jairus to announce the presence of life. Mark used this story to encourage belief within his community -- a community that was struggling to recognize the risen Lord as still present and powerful in their midst.

The ongoing task of believers does not change. We are bombarded each day with conflicting values like, "Only pleasure will really satisfy us," "Pursuit of self is the only genuinely fulfilling enterprise," "Patience is weakness," and "Charity has its limits." Jesus challenges us to be different -- to accept him and to live our Christian faith wholeheartedly.

-- John Craghan, Th.D., S.S.L.

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**Fear and Faith.** Two stories today told by Saint Mark. Both start in fear. Fear by the woman touching Jesus' cloak and making him unclean. Fear by Jairus over his dying daughter, who regrettably dies before Jesus gets to her. Jesus words to both: faith saves; have faith.

- ◆ What am willing to do in faith to get some needed action, some blessed relief?
- ◆ How can I boldly be about asking God for what I (think I) need?
- ◆ How can I comfort someone facing the death of one they love?

## **Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 04 July 2021**

Ezekiel 2:2-5. Psalm 123:1-2, 2, 3-4. 2 Corinthians 12:7-10. Mark 6:1-6.