



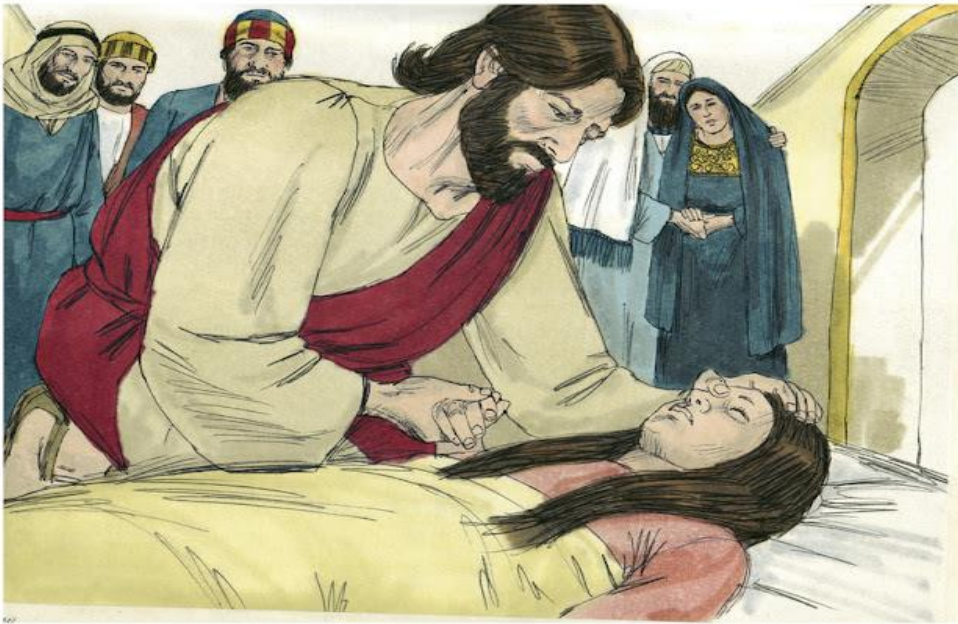
# St. Anne's Parish

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## **Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



### **This Week in St. Anne's**

**Sunday Mass: 5pm Vigil & 11am**

**Masses this week: Tues, Wed & Thurs at 10am**

**Confessions: Sat 4.30pm**

**Parish Office:** Mon to Fri 9am to 1pm.

**Parish WhatsApp Group** – Keep up to date with what is happening in our parish community. Text your name and number to 07714691281 to be added to our WhatsApp group.

**Your Giving** This w/end - **Weekly Offering & Renovation Fund**

**Last W/end: Weekly Offering Env £947.05  
Loose £257.60**

Why not set up a **Standing Order**. You can download the forms from our website...or **Donate Online** to St. Anne's Parish **A/C No. 07707787 Sort Code 93 83 00**  
A "**Digital Collection Plate**" for those who wish to donate using Credit or Debit Cards is in the main porch of the church.

### **We Remember Them**

**Anniversaries:** Stephen Bradley.

### **Foodbank:**

Thank you as always for your continued generosity. The foodbank boxes are available each day 10am to 4pm.

### **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:**

**Wednesdays 10.30am to 1pm.**

### **Children's Liturgy**

Thank you to everyone who has supported the reintroduction of the Children's Liturgy. 15 to 20 children join us each week to hear the word of God in a child friendly setting where they can ask questions and do crafts that help reinforce the gospel. We're taking a short break for the summer but will be back in in September."

## **Seeing Your Life Through The Lens of The Gospel**

1. Like this woman, have you had the experience of a cure, an improvement, a success, after a long period of nothing happening? What was that like for you? What made the difference? On that occasion was there anything different in you, in others, in the circumstances – something that paved the way for the change or improvement?
2. 'Who touched me?' Jesus asked. It seems a strange request with crowds milling around. Many people brushed against him, but the woman made contact in a different way. The same can happen in our relationships. We brush against many people but make real contact only with a few. Who are the people you have touched, and who has touched you? What difference has this made to you and to them?
3. Jesus said to the woman, 'Your faith has made you well.' What difference does it make to you that you have faith? In what ways does your faith make you well?
4. When Jairus asked Jesus to come and cure his daughter, some thought there was no point. Sometimes a situation can look like a lost cause. Has it ever happened to you that subsequent events showed there was hope where you thought there was none?
5. Some people have the gift of infusing new life and energy into individuals, or into groups, or into a cause. Perhaps you yourself have done this at times? Recall these experiences and the lessons you have learned from them.

## **Points to Ponder**

To have access to His heart, to Jesus' heart, there is only one requirement: to feel in need of healing and to entrust yourself to Him.

I ask you: do each of you feel that you need to be healed? Of something, of some sin, of some problem?

And, if you feel this, do you have faith in Jesus?

These are the two requirements in order to be healed, in order to have access to his heart: to feel in need of healing and to entrust yourself to Him.

In this Gospel passage the themes of faith and of new life, which Jesus came to offer to all, are intertwined. When he enters the house where the dead girl lies, he sends outside those who are weeping and making tumult (cf. v. 40), and he says: 'The child is not dead but sleeping' (v. 39).

Jesus is Lord, and before him physical death is like a dream: there is no reason to despair. Another death is the one to fear: that of the heart hardened by evil! When we feel we have a hardened heart, a heart that is hardened, allow me to say, a mummified heart, we should be afraid of this. But sin too, the mummified heart too, is never the last word with Jesus, because he has brought us the infinite mercy of the Father.

It is beautiful to hear that word of Jesus addressed to each one of us: 'I say to you, arise! Go. Stand up. Take courage, arise!'. Jesus restores life to the little girl and restores life to the healed woman: life and faith to both.

Pope Francis

Angelus, Saint Peter's Square, July 2018

**Thought for the Day:** Suffering is part of the human condition. It is a mystery somehow bound up with the invasion of God's good creation by evil. But the God we see in the face of Jesus Christ is a God who always works to alleviate human suffering; he doesn't send it as a punishment. It may be true that since the time of Jesus our prayers for the alleviation of human suffering have not always been answered in the way we would have liked; this again is part of the mystery. But it should not cause us to doubt the basic desire of God is to deliver us from evil, not to inflict it on us.

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