

**JUNE 29 – STS. PETER & PAUL**

Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19

Vigil Readings: *See Sunday*4:00 PM – *English* - Fr. Jim6:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**JUNE 30 – SUNDAY***Sunday Readings:*

Wis 1:13-15, 2:23-24; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15;

Mk 5:21-43

9:00 AM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy11:00 AM – *English* – Fr. Paul12:30 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**JULY 1 - MONDAY**

Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Mt 8:18-22

**JULY 2 - TUESDAY**

Am 3:1-8, 4:11-12; Mt 8:23-27

7:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**JULY 3 – WEDNESDAY**

Eph 2:19-22; Jn 20:24-29

7:00 PM – *Bilingual* – Fr. Samuel**JULY 4 – THURSDAY**

Am 7:10-17; Mt 9:1-8

7:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**JULY 5 – FRIDAY**

Am 8:4-6, 9-12; Mt 9:9-13

9:30 AM – *English* – Fr. Rudy**JULY 6 - SATURDAY**

Am 9:11-15; Mt 9:14-17

*Vigil Readings: see Sunday*4:00 PM – *English* - Fr. Jim6:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**JULY 7 – SUNDAY***Sunday Readings:*

Ez 2:2-5; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6a

9:00 AM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy11:00 AM – *English* – Fr. David12:30 PM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy**English Mass Ministry Schedule: July 6-7****Lectors:****4:00 PM** – S. Heidemann**11:00 AM** – L. Biedenbach**Eucharistic Ministers:****4:00 PM** – H. Wesseler/T. LeSaint**11:00 AM** – S. Terschak**Servers: 4:00 PM** – Z. & M. Nintrup**11:00 AM** – J. Ruter**Offertory Family: 4:00 PM:** Fox**11:00 AM:** N/A**FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION**

Last Week's Collection: \$6628.13  
 Offerings received to-date: \$418,462.17  
 Amount needed to catch up: \$21,538.00  
 Our Weekly Goal is \$8,000.00

Thank you for your generosity.

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**CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:**

Rose Huber (30), Jenny Bauer (30), Betty Simon (01), Pat Wesseler (02), Jude Hagerman (03), Linda Staigl (04), Eric Wilgenbusch (04), Bob Frerick (06).

**FOUR GRAND CLUB:** Congratulations to our Week 44 winners: Dick Niehaus, Mick Schnindler, and John Schwierling. Each won \$25.

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## FR. RUDY'S REFLECTION:

The Gospels sometimes appear as a collection of disconnected stories, but often they form an integrated narrative that instills profound truths. As



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human beings and we may struggle to discern the deeper meanings Jesus conveys. The Gospel for this week, the 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, exemplifies this integration, weaving together the stories of Jairus's daughter and the woman suffering from hemorrhages into a unified theme. At first glance, these miracles seem

straightforward, but looking closer reveals a tapestry of faith, healing, and transformation that challenges the cultural norms of that day.

Central to both stories is the theme of healing through faith. Jairus, a synagogue leader, comes to Jesus with a desperate plea to save his dying daughter. His faith is evident as he falls at Jesus' feet, believing that Jesus can heal her. Similarly, the woman suffering from hemorrhages for years reaches out in faith, convinced that touching Jesus' garment will cure her. Despite the different circumstances, both are healed through their faith in Jesus, highlighting a universal truth: faith in Christ brings about profound healing and restoration.

The story of the hemorrhaging woman addresses the issue of social exclusion. According to Levitical law, her condition made her "unclean," rendering her an outcast. Her act of touching Jesus' garment was a bold transgression of these laws. Yet, instead of rebuking her, Jesus acknowledges her faith and declares her healed. It is a wonderful moment when he calls her "daughter"—a term describing a beloved member of the family. This encounter not only restores her physical health but also reintegrates her into the community. Her faith, expressed through a simple touch, breaks these barriers, illustrating the inclusive nature of Jesus' ministry.

In contrast, Jairus is an insider, a respected synagogue leader. His faith in Jesus stands out as he approaches Jesus for help, disregarding potential backlash from his peers. When Jesus reaches Jairus's home, the daughter has died and is considered "unclean," again according to Levitical law. Yet, Jesus defies these cultural norms by touching her and raising her from the dead. This act of raising Jairus's daughter from death to life signifies a transformation from impurity to purity, from despair to hope. Thus, Jesus' intervention transcends the boundaries of traditional rituals, laws and prescriptions that Jews had followed for centuries, emphasizing instead that faith and divine power surpass human laws.

Through these intertwined stories, the Gospel of Mark reveals how Jesus challenges and transforms cultural rules. The healing of both the hemorrhaging woman and Jairus's daughter demonstrates that in the kingdom of God, faith overrides social and ritual barriers. Jesus' ministry redefines purity, not as adherence to laws, but as faith in God's redemptive power. These miracles serve as a powerful reminder that Jesus came to heal, restore, and include all, regardless of their social or religious standing.

**ATTEND THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS: JESUS IS HERE JULY 1-8:** The St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Route of the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage is coming through the Archdiocese of Cincinnati July 1-8 on its way to Indianapolis for the National Eucharistic Congress. Along the route, several parishes will be offering special opportunities for prayer and fellowship. On Saturday, July 6, Archbishop Schnurr will preside at Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains at 10:00 a.m. followed by a Eucharistic Procession through downtown Cincinnati and Eucharistic Festival on Fountain Square. Please plan to participate in this wonderful event! Go to [www.JesusIsHere2024.org](http://www.JesusIsHere2024.org) for information.