

# 20, 21 February 2016 \* Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman



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### The Hemorrhaging Woman

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### “The Eastern Rites are the Treasure of the Catholic Church”

St. John XXIII, Pope of Rome

- Liturgies:** Saturday 4:00 p.m., \* Sunday 10:00 a.m. \* Tuesday - Friday 9:00 a.m. in the St. Jude Chapel  
The Miraculous Medal and the St. Jude Novenas are on Tuesday following the 9 a.m. Liturgy
- Sick Calls:** To receive the Eucharist and/or the Anointing of the Sick, Please call Fr. Larry.
- Confessions:** A Half-hour before all scheduled Liturgies, emergencies, and by appointment.
- Baptisms:** Call the Office
- Marriage:** Call the Office **6 months** before you finalize a date for your wedding and book your reception.

\*Suggested donation for the Sanctuary Candles, St. Jude Chapel \$20, St. Joseph Church \$20, for the Altar Bread, \$25, and the Wine, \$25.  
Suggested offering for Liturgies: \$10 for weekdays - \$15 for weekends.

**Choir Director:** Fefa Deeb    **Sacristans:** Laurie Nale    **Parish Secretary:** Paula Mitchell  
**Teachers DRE:** Lenore Boles, **K-1<sup>st</sup>** Lenore Boles, **2<sup>nd</sup>** Jane Lee **3-5<sup>th</sup>** Shana Page,  
**Parish Council:** Sheila Bonenfant, Lisa Grard, Lowell Hawes, Pearley Lachance, David Lee, Aaron Rowden,  
Elizabeth Wilson **Ex-officio:** Subdeacon Steve Crate, Lenore Boles DRE, Paula Mitchell, Rosary Sodality,  
Larry Mitchell, Knights of Columbus

### Luke 8:40-56

When Jesus returned, the crowd welcomed him, for they were all waiting for him. Just then there came a man named Jairus, a leader of the synagogue. He fell at Jesus' feet and begged him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years old, who was dying. As he went, the crowds pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years; and though she had spent all she had on physicians, no one could cure her. She came up behind him and touched the fringe of his clothes, and immediately her hemorrhage stopped. Then Jesus asked, **“Who touched me?”** When all denied it, Peter said, “Master, the crowds surround you and press in on you.” But Jesus said, **“Someone touched me; for I noticed that power had gone out from me.”** When the woman saw that she could not remain hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before him, she declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. He said to her, **“Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace.”**

While he was still speaking, someone came from the leader's house to say, “Your daughter is dead; do not

trouble the teacher any longer.” When Jesus heard this, he replied, **“Do not fear. Only believe, and she will be saved.”** When he came to the house, he did not allow anyone to enter with him, except Peter, John, and James, and the child's father and mother. They were all weeping and wailing for her; but he said, **“Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping.”** And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But he took her by the hand and called out, **“Child, get up!”** Her spirit returned, and she got up at once. Then he directed them to give her something to eat. Her parents were astounded; but he ordered them to tell no one what had happened.

### **Dear Parishioners and Friends:**

Even in some cultures today, it is believed that a woman who is bleeding is unclean and in need of a purification ritual. Doctors were unable to stop this woman from being unclean and she was not permitted to worship in the temple. Blood, which is understood to be the substance of life, was flowing out of her. Even though this mentality reflects ignorance, when it comes to God no one can grasp totally His wisdom and

His ways, and that is why the Bible says the Just one shall walk by faith.

All of us are in the same situation. No purification ritual, no doctor, no material possession, can replace what Jesus Christ can do for us by faith. We all can bleed to death if we do not respond to our wounds in a grace-filled way. Often this means we must study and learn the deeper meaning of life and God's message for life. The joy of living can flow out of us if we cannot find, or are unwilling to face, the causes of our wounds. His blood is life-giving and in our Catholic Faith, our belief in the words of Jesus, the blood "flows" back into us through the Eucharist.

The Eucharist is meant to be a living witness of our faith, our changed life, our actions of charity, hope, and faith. When we take the Eucharist as just some formality we do in a service, the real presence of Jesus is truly there, **but we still have yet to be real for Him.** Jesus was truly present to those who mumbled about His teaching of His Body and Blood being real food. The lack of their faith and belief prevented the real message of salvation to transform their lives and hearts.

Reach out to His power! Faith in Him saves us, cures us from our afflictions. Faith is a gift, a power that has to be used in order to keep growing in it. We can be tempted to think we have this faith just because we intellectually consent to it, however, we often discover crises in life or appealing temptations can expose the depth of our beliefs. From her wounded heart, the woman told Jesus everything. **Aboona**

**PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH**

*Heal Your servants, who are sick,  
O Lord, and send them help  
And comfort from Your holy place.*

Those who seek our prayers: **Fr. Bill Clark, Richard Elias, Sr., Jerry Fortin, Herb Jabar, Albert Joseph, Betsy Joseph, John M. Joseph, Debbie Leary, Theresa Lee, Mary Morneau, Debbie Pomelow, Tala Poulin, Virginia Poulin, Rachel Tode.**

Be sure to let Aboona know if you would like a name added or removed.

**Liturgy Helps:**

**Be sure your cell phone is off or silenced**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collections:** Mar. 12-13: Fuel Collection  
Mar. 25: Holy Land

**Liturgy: Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman**

Entrance chant: Pg. 208 Creed: Pg. 748,  
Anaphora of the Twelve Apostles Pg. 754

**This week's Songs:** The Song number and page are on the back of the bulletin.

**Liturgy Intentions**

- Sat 20 4:00 p.m.**  
† **Morris Peters**  
By Bodie Spencer  
† **Tannous Harfoush Boles & Mariam Saad**  
By John Sleiman
- Sun 21 10:00 a.m.**  
† **Prinella Mitchell**  
By Ray & Paulette Asselin & Paul & Connie Asselin  
† **Elias Karam & Rosa Saad**  
By John Sleiman

When the servers go to the side altar, those who will be carrying the gifts may go at this time.

- Mon 22** Father's day off for prayer, reflection, and relaxation
- Tue 23 12:00 noon**  
† **John & Marrietta Thomas & Paul**  
By Dan & Pam Casavant
- Wed 24 12:00 noon**  
† **Charlie Maroon**  
By Richard & Cindy Elias
- Thu 25 12:00 noon**  
† **Peter Maland**  
By Dan & Pam Casavant
- Fri 26 12:00 noon**  
† **Brent Maroon**  
By Janet Mitchell
- Sat 27 4:00 p.m.**  
† **Prinella Mitchell**  
By George Peters  
† **Hilda Cook Hoda**  
By John Sleiman
- Sun 28 10:00 a.m.**  
† **Theresa Nemer (40 Day Liturgy)**  
By The Rosary Sodality  
† **Robert Mitchell**  
By Janet Mitchell

**Liturgy Codes:** † = Faithful Departed, SI = Special Intention, BD = Birthday, AV. = Anniversary, H = Health

## February Devotions

### St. Joseph 14 day Sanctuary Candle

For **Special Intention**

By Dominick Rinaldi

### St. Jude 7 Day Sanctuary Candle

For **Special Intention**

By Dominick Rinaldi

### Altar Bread

For **Special Intention**

By Dominick Rinaldi

### Altar Wine

For **Special Intention**

By Dominick Rinaldi

### Vocation Icon – Prayers for Vocations

We have two Vocation Icons, so I am hoping that some people on Saturday will sign up to take it home also. You can take it home more than once.

Feb 21 Pearley & Alice Lachance  
Feb 27 Audrey Yotides (Sat)  
Feb 28 Greg & Marianne Gillespie  
Mar 6 Nancy Fairfield  
Mar 12 Ann Giguere (Sat)  
Mar 13 Larry & Paula Mitchell  
Mar 20 Larry & Lisa Gard

### Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection \$1,408.00

God bless you for your generosity.  
If you are not receiving envelopes and would like to start, please let the office know.

## READERS SCHEDULE

### Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman

2 Corinthians 7:4-11 Luke 8:40-56

Feb 20 Ruth Lunn  
21 Joe Rowden

### Parable of the Prodigal Son

2 Corinthians 13:5-13 Luke 1:11-32

Feb 27 Lila Hallowell  
28 Joe Rowden

## EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY

Fri 26 Haddock Chowder Supper 4:30 -6:00 pm  
6 pm Lenten Devotions  
Stations & Veneration of the Cross

## EVENTS FOR MARCH

Wed 2 Parish Council Meeting 6 p.m.  
Fri 4 Haddock Chowder Supper 4:30 -6:00 pm  
6 pm Lenten Devotions  
Stations & Veneration of the Cross  
Fri/Sat 4-5 Parish Retreat  
Fri 11 Haddock Chowder Supper 4:30 -6:00 pm  
6 pm Lenten Devotions  
Stations & Veneration of the Cross  
Sun 13 Rosary Sodality Meeting 11:45  
Fri 18 Haddock Chowder Supper 4:30 -6:00 pm  
6 pm Lenten Devotions  
Stations & Veneration of the Cross  
Sat 19 St. Patrick's Dinner 4:30 -6:30 \$9  
Sun 20 **Hosanna Sunday**  
Sun 27 **Sunday of the Resurrection**

## EVENTS FOR APRIL

Sun 10 Lebanese Supper  
**Thurs 28, 29** Relics of St. Sharbel will be here at the parish.  
Sat 30 Spring Dance in Church Hall

## Coffee Schedule

Feb 21 Shana Page & Jodi Veilleux  
Feb 28 Susan Webber & Elizabeth Wilson  
Mar 6 Audrey Yotides & Mary Bard  
Mar 13 Larry Mitchell & Gareth Belton  
Mar 20 Lenore Boles & Jan Bourque (Palm Sunday)  
Mar 27 Easter Sunday (need Volunteers)  
Apr 3 Pam Casavant & Sharon Crowe

**MYO Schedule:** 3/6, 4/3, 5/1

## February Food Pantry

Condiments Jelly Juice in plastic containers  
Family sized items – soups, ravioli, etc.

**Thank you for your thoughtfulness and help**