

**Dear Friends in Jesus Christ,**

In the last weekend, when the disciples were faced with a life threatening situation in the sea, Jesus confronted them with a question-*“Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?”* The Gospel of today is an answer to the question, as well as a lesson for them to learn to believe than just following Him. The unbelief of twelve disciples in the last weekend is confronted with the faith of two people in today’s Gospel. When the disciples failed to be a witness to Jesus through their faith in difficult moments last week, today we see two strangers witness their faith in Jesus. Thus, today we are all invited to reflect about the depth of our faith in Jesus Christ and also asking us to be a true witness of our own faith, not by just following, rather by living especially during our difficult moments.

In the first healing miracle we see the outstanding faith of an unholy poor woman. According to the Jewish custom, a woman with hemorrhages is not supposed to appear in public, because she is considered to be unholy. Thus, the lives of women were very difficult with many customs and traditions in the Jewish society. But, this woman breaks all the customs and traditions, rules and regulations, goes out into the crowd and with great faith touches the tassel of Jesus’ dress and gets healed. Have you ever touched Jesus in your life? After touching the real Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, how is it that we don’t change and become like Christ? The answer is the question of Jesus in the last weekend-*“Do you not yet have Faith?”* The first story of the woman does not end with the healing, but continues with Jesus’ encounter with her. Jesus asks the question-*“who has touched me?”* Jesus knew that God’s power in Him has gone out. Dear friends, we are all capable of drawing the power of God to us according to our time and need through our true Faith in God and be empowered, but how many of us make a sincere effort? Jesus says to the woman; *“Daughter, your faith has saved you. Go in peace and be cured of your affliction.”* Here, we see, Jesus does not take the credit of her healing, rather appreciates her great faith by saying; *“your faith has saved you.”* The unholy became holy and the unimportant woman became important when she accepted Jesus in her life.

In the second healing miracle we see the faith of a synagogue official called Jairus. Being a higher official, Jairus forgets his prejudice, pride, dignity and humbles himself before Jesus by falling at the feet of Jesus to rescue his daughter from the point of death. For sure, many people have begged before him for help, but today he is begging before the Lord. Dear friends, at times of difficulties in our lives are the ways to get us closer to God, not to destroy us. In

the Gospel we see, accepting the invitation of Jairus only Jesus goes to his home, but the woman takes advantage of Jesus and delays Jesus on the way. Imagine the worry Jairus had. The Gospel says, while Jesus was speaking with the woman, the sad news arrives, *“Your daughter has died.”* Looking at disheartened Jairus, Jesus says, *“Do not be afraid; just have faith.”* Jesus enters into the house and says, *“The child is not dead but asleep.”* In the first reading, the book of wisdom says, *“God did not make death, nor does he rejoice in the destruction of the living. ...But by the envy of the devil, death entered the world.”* Dear friends, a believer in Jesus never dies, but enters into a new life. So Jesus took the child by the hand and said; *“little girl, I say to you, arise.”* This magical word is said to each one of us by Jesus when we are in trouble, but we should have the faith in Him to hear this magical word to arise from our troubled situation.

Thus today’s Gospel shares the message that, faith is a power and only through Faith we can communicate with God effectively and receive blessings according to our time and need. Again, remember that Jesus has time for everyone, provided we take Him seriously and approach Him seriously through our Faith. **God Bless you.**

**ATTENTION PLEASE !**

Parents, the last date to enroll your children for Faith Formation is June 30th. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the Church to enroll your children. Please fill out your child's name, grade, parent(s) name, and phone number. You can also call or email the office with the information. Remember, our children are the future of our Church. **Let us Live & Share the Faith.**

**Breakfast After Mass**

Starting July, St. Sebastian & St. Charles churches will have their monthly breakfast and potluck brunch respectively every month after the Holy Mass.

- St. Sebastian-** First Sunday- Cooked Breakfast
- All Other Sundays- Donuts Breakfast
- St. Charles-** Every Second Sunday- Potluck Bruch

***Thanks to everyone for your generous contributions to Our Churches during this unfortunate time. God Bless & Be Safe.***

**Financial Report - June 20, 2021**

<b>St. Sebastian- Amount Needed: \$2,938.09 weekly</b>	
Regular Collection	\$ 3,708.00 + 769.91
Emergency Fund	\$ 290.00

**Financial Report - June 20, 2021**

<b>St. Charles - Amount Needed: \$1,147.46 weekly</b>	
Regular Collection	\$ 2,454.00 + 1,306.54
Peter's Pence	\$ 10.00
Cemetery	\$ 3,754.88

**Mass Schedule**

**June 27 - July 4**

**Sunday - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Merrit & Janice Hobbs*
- 10:30am - Mass at St. Charles  
*Porter Rogers*

**Monday - Saint Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr (Memorial)**

- 8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Tichenor-Leachman Families*

**Tuesday - Saints Peter & Paul, Apostles (Solemnity)**

- 8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Bill & Jacinta Garinger*

**Wednesday - Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time**

- 8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Luke Searcy*
- 5:30pm - Mass at St. Charles  
*Audry Dit Hagan*

**Thursday - Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time**

- 8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Alvin Bickett*

**Friday - Thirteenth Week in Ordinary Time**

- 8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Joe Bickett*

**Saturday - Saint Thomas, Apostle (Feast)**

- 5:00pm - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Jimmy & Gail Clayton*

**Sunday - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
*\*Independence Day***

- 8:30am - Mass at St. Sebastian  
*Robert Vollman*
- 10:30am - Mass at St. Charles  
*June Evans*

**Ministry Schedule**

**July 3, 2021**

St. Sebastian Lector: Michael Cooper

**July 4, 2021**

St. Sebastian Euch. Min.: David M. Scott  
Lector: Lindsay Searcy

St. Charles Euch. Min.: Darrell Bishop  
Lector: Samantha Rhodes

**Please Pray for our Military**

MMN1 Andrew Logsdon, SSgt. James (J.P.) Dye, John Randall Zaremba, Major Jack Kaina, Major Bradley Summers, Lance Corporal Marine Joseph Ryan Hunter, Lt. Col. Michael Rezebek. A.B. Phillip Wilson, Specialist 4 Chaz McKay, Sgt. Adam Dickey, and Corpsman Aly Franklin

**Altar Server Training**

Parents are requested to encourage and introduce their children to the ministry of Altar Serving. For the present altar servers and children who received their First Communion are requested to be part of this ministry.

- St. Charles:** June 30th, after the Mass
- St. Sebastian:** June 30th at 6.00PM

**Marriage Enrichment**

Grace marriage is a quarterly, small group model of marriage enrichment where couples spend 6 hours every 90 days investing in their marriage. The diocese is expanding from three locations to five location in 2021, including Owensboro, Whitesville, and Henderson. Registrations opens in July. Groups start in August. For more details, visit [OwensboroDiocese.org/Grace-Marriage](http://OwensboroDiocese.org/Grace-Marriage). For other marriage enrichment opportunities, visit [OwensboroDiocese.org/Marriage-Enrichment](http://OwensboroDiocese.org/Marriage-Enrichment)

**Owensboro Area and St. Pius X Catholic Young Adult Co-ed/Pick-up Softball**

Thursday Nights 7:30pm-9:00pm starting on July 22. Each week we will divide up in teams, have a short prayer, and play ball! No experience required, it's all for fun. Located at Field #5 (one with lights) behind St. Pius X Catholic Church 3536 E. 8th St. Owensboro, KY. Please bring a glove, bat, and any other equipment you have for the softball game.

WHAT REALLY MATTERS IN LIFE IS THAT WE ARE LOVED BY CHRIST AND THAT WE LOVE HIM IN RETURN

**john paul II**

**St. Sebastian - Happy Anniversary**



Joseph & Judy Christian - June 30

**St. Sebastian - Happy Birthday**



Greg Dant - July 2  
Tim Dempsey - July 2

**St. Charles - Happy Birthday**



Georgia Calhoun - June 28  
Brynn Fee - June 30

**Prayer List for Members of our Community**

Melanie Mayes, Jason Evans, Lisa Jackson, Ethan Settle, Jimmy Clayton, Pat Calhoun, Sonny Renfrow, Kimberly Nowak, Todd Tichenor, Kimberly Stiles, Louis & Alice Weise, Callie Hayden, Mary Jewell, Tom Schutte, Evelyn Drury, Bill Abney, Debbie Dunn, Ben Dunn, Jacinta Tichenor Peters, Tommy England, Louis Dant, Becky Cheatham, Lisa Vaught, and Lance Green