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Mark 5:21-43

Jesus Raises a Dead Girl and Heals a Sick Woman

²¹ When Jesus had again crossed over by boat to the other side of the lake, a large crowd gathered around him while he was by the lake. ²² Then one of the synagogue leaders, named Jairus, came, and when he saw Jesus, he fell at his feet. ²³ He pleaded earnestly with him, "My little daughter is dying. Please come and put your hands on her so that she will be healed and live." ²⁴ So Jesus went with him.

A large crowd followed and pressed around him. ²⁵ And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years. ²⁶ She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better she grew worse. ²⁷ When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸ because she thought, "If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed." ²⁹ Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering.

³⁰ At once Jesus realized that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who touched my clothes?"

³¹ "You see the people crowding against you," his disciples answered, "and yet you can ask, 'Who touched me?'"

³² But Jesus kept looking around to see who had done it. ³³ Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth. ³⁴ He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering."

³⁵ While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. "Your daughter is dead," they said. "Why bother the teacher anymore?"

³⁶ Overhearing^[a] what they said, Jesus told him, "Don't be afraid; just believe."

³⁷ He did not let anyone follow him except Peter, James and John the brother of James. ³⁸ When they came to the home of the synagogue leader, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly. ³⁹ He went in and said to them, "Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep." ⁴⁰ But they laughed at him.

After he put them all out, he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹ He took her by the hand and said to her, "*Talitha kum!*" (which means "Little girl, I say to you, get up!"). ⁴² Immediately the girl stood up and began to walk around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished. ⁴³ He gave strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and told them to give her something to eat.

Both the woman and the father of the little girl believe in Jesus' ability to help/heal. Both believe that Jesus can restore their lives. Both kneel before him. The number 12 stands as a kind of sign that there is abundant life in Jesus. This story tells us that Jesus is in the world with divine power to restore life – abundant life for everyone.



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International Weeks

Thank you to the large number of parents that turned out for International Day for Nursery and Reception as well as International Evening for Years 1-6. This is one of our favorite days; the staff and the children work incredibly hard to ensure that it is an enjoyable celebration. We are disappointed by the technical difficulties that we experienced with the music, but are equally proud of the resilience that the children showed as they continued to perform even when the music stopped.

Poetry Club Performance

Children who were poetry club will be perform some of their favourite poems on **Wednesday, 11th July at 3:30**; parents with children in this club are warmly invited to attend.

Parent's Conference Meetings

The parent's conference meetings for **years 1-5** are scheduled for Wednesday, 4th July 2018 and Thursday, 5th July 2018. The parent's conference meeting for **year 6** will be on Tuesday, 10th July and Wednesday 11th July once this year's SATs results have returned.

Afterschool Clubs

The last day for afterschool clubs this academic year is Thursday, 12th July.

End of Term

Our term end on Friday, 13th July at 2:00 for the summer holidays. There will be no Tea Time Club or afterschool clubs on this day.

Parental Contribution to the Governor's Fund

As you are aware voluntary aided schools such as St Francis' have a duty to pay 10% towards the costs of any building works that the school undertakes; the governing body has overall responsibility to ensure that the school is able to make this contribution. This summer we aim to complete the last phase of the school playground in addition to expanding our nursery. Your contribution to these projects is vital in order to guarantee that they go ahead. If you have not already done so please go to your Parent Pay account, the parental contribution will be an item in the drop down menu for you to add to your basket and pay.

St John Bosco Children's Camp

St Francis parish and the SVP group are offering to send several children to the St John Bosco children's camp. It provides an opportunity for children to have an exciting activity-packed camping holiday in the Essex countryside setting. Details can be found on the website <http://www.svpboscocamp.org.uk> Any family interested in this offer, please contact the parish office on 0208 534 1964 to leave their details so that a member of the parish community can make arrangements to meet with you before filling in an application form.

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