

Lectio Divina

- **Read and re-read**, out loud and slowly the Gospel
 - **Pray** - Thanksgiving – Repentance – Petition
 - **Meditate** on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life
 - **Action** – Attitude (Call to change / to act / to do)
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July 1st 2012 13th Sunday Ordinary Time – Year B – Mark 5: 21 - 43

In this week's gospel we see Jesus healing the woman who had the haemorrhage because in her faith she believed that if she even touched the clothes of Jesus she would be cured. As Jesus passed through the crowd she reached out and touched his clothes and his healing power reached out to her. The touch of faith is very important in our lives because Jesus always reached out to his people and brought them healing. We have the touch of the sign of peace at Mass which gives us the opportunity of reaching out to each other through communion with Jesus. Jesus was not afraid to touch the woman because he wanted to show her the faith her touch had demonstrated.

Prayer:

Lord we thank you for the people who are there for us in our times of sadness and doubt and who bring us the healing touch of Jesus through their words and actions.

Forgive us for the times that we put distance between ourselves and others because of our sometimes judgemental thoughts.

Help us to be open to the healing power of great organisations and communities who are there for our good.

