Homily Resources and Petitions for the
13th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle B (1 July 2018)

Homily Helps

† Scripture passages to note:

God did not make death, … He fashioned all things that they might have being; the creatures of the world are wholesome.

2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15
Our Lord Jesus Christ, though he was rich, for your sake he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich

Alleluia: 2 Timothy 1:10
Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life to light through the Gospel.

Mark 5:21-43
“My daughter is at the point of death. Please, come lay your hands on her that she may get well and live.” … “The child is not dead but asleep. … Little girl, I say to you, arise.” … The girl … arose immediately and walked around.

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† Comment for the day:

God is the giver and sustainer of life. Jesus Christ destroyed death and brought life to light through the Gospel. As Jesus’ disciples we are responsible for addressing and healing if possible the causes of death in our environment. With Jesus we are called to enable nature to “arise” even when it might seem hopeless, already dead.

† Passages from Laudato Si’ to note:

Faith convictions can offer Christians and some other believers as well ample motivation to care for nature and for the most vulnerable of their brothers and sisters. … Responsibility within creation and …duty toward nature and the Creator are an essential part of Christians’ faith. (#64)

Human life is grounded in three fundamental and closely intertwined relationships: with God, with our neighbor, and with the earth itself. (#66) … The Bible has no place for a tyrannical anthropocentrism, unconcerned for other creatures ((#68) … We are called to recognize that other living beings have value of their own in God’s eyes. (#69) …Everything is interconnected and genuine care for our own lives and our relationships with nature is inseparable from fraternity, justice and faithfulness to others. (#70)

Related Prayers of the Faithful

Option 1: Make care for nature and for those impacted by climate change central to our sense of duty and responsibility, let us pray to the Lord….

Option 2: Move us always to appreciate nature and the world in which we live as a gift of our loving Creator, let us pray to the Lord….

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