Daily Homily
Fourth Week in Lent, Monday
15 March 2021
USCCB Daily Readings

Looking over the readings for this Fourth Week of Lent, if I could sum it all up in one word – HEALING.

This Fourth Lenten Week, already halfway through, the Word of God in some way will lead us into the possibility of a variety of healings... healing of another, healing of self, healing of belief, healing of the soul.

Today it is a healing for another.

A royal official's son is dying. The Church says, that when one us is suffering, we all suffer because we are made up of the same body. We are one in the Body of Christ. This is why we have the Sacraments of the Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation.

This royal official's son is part of a family. So this royal official seeks Jesus out. Not only his son, but his entire family is suffering because this one member of their household is about to die. He needs Jesus to bring a healing to his son, and in that healing, they will all be healed as well.

Not even with a touch that normally happens in Jesus' healing accounts in Scripture, but just with his words, Jesus speaks healing. The son is made well, and the entire house comes to faith and believes. Now that is quite a healing!

Does anyone in your life or around your life need help and healing? Is there anyone in your life right now that is causing you to suffer in some way? Search Jesus out. Ask Jesus for that healing for them and for you and for the people around them. Trust His touch. Trust His word, that what he says will be accomplished.