

## **Commentary on the Gospel for Wed, Jan 11th 2012**

Mothers-in-law get a very bad press in world literature. It makes you curious to know what a first-century mother-in-law was like: Peter's wife's mother. We know about her that she once had a fever! It is little enough, for it must be true of everyone that ever lived! But we also know that Jesus healed her. And we know that the moment she was healed she began to serve them. This has its own significance: those who are healed by Christ begin straight away, as by some deep instinct, to serve the community.

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