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Worship Times

Saturday Vigil Mass, 4:00p
Sunday Mass 11:15a; En español, 1:00p
Daily Mass, Holy Days Consult bulletin
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays, 3:00-4:00p

Sunday Mass 9:00a
Communion Service Tuesdays, 12:15p
Holy Days 7:00p
Sacrament of Reconciliation
By appointment

Welcome, New Parishioners

We are a Stewardship Community, sharing our time, talent, and treasure, in the most life-giving ways possible. Parishioners are expected to participate in weekly worship, in our community life, and in our service among our dear neighbors.

Sacramental Life ~ Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Matrimony

For Sacrament preparation, you must be a registered, active member and attend preparation sessions.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

For those who desire to explore the Catholic Faith, spirituality, customs, and practices.

Anointing of the Sick

For those with chronic illness or who are pre-surgery, contact Father John or Sister Janis

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 17, 2022



Do some Spring cleaning!!
Donate useable items
to our Yard Sale.

Bring you donated items to the FLC:

Sundays, July 10, 17 & 24

10:35a, after Mass

Tuesdays, July 20 & 27

1:15p, after Communion Service

YARD SALE DATE:

Saturday, July 30

The following items
will NOT be acceptable for our YARD SALE

Clothing	Books without covers
Unframed glass	Large or CRT televisions
Opened paint cans	Building supplies
Large appliances	Broken items
Cribs or baby equipment	Dirty items

Please do your part:
donate items, show up,
and buy something!

Ladies Guild are donating
Yard Sale proceeds towards the cost of new church roof.



Length of AR 15 round 5.56”
 Is this image disturb or confronting?
 Imagine being on the receiving end of one
 or more of an AR 15 bullet...I can't...

*“...and how many times must
 the cannonballs fly
 Before they're forever banned?”
 ~ Bob Dylan, 1962*

*Gun owners in the United States
 possess an estimated 393, 300, 000 weapons.*

*The population of the
 United States is 332, 400, 000.*

According to: SmartArmsSurgey.org.



**Our Lady,
 Queen of Peace, pray for us!
 Feb. 24, 2022 - July 24, 2022
 5 months
 89 days
 2,136 hours
 128,160 minutes
 of war and inhumanity.**



*More thoughts on the
 paradoxical gospel:
 Martha and Mary*

Jesus is the visible image
 of the invisible God.
 He is the model
 of how to balance
 doing and being.

He spent his life traveling
 all over Galilee and Judea
 preaching, teaching, healing,
 forgiving, and proclaiming
 the reign of God in here.

So exhausted from “doing”
 for God, he fell asleep
 in a boat during a fierce storm!
 That’s exhaustion!

Turn that upside down
 and you recall that Jesus
 went alone to the mountain top
 to pray all night; and
 how he went into the
 Desert of Decision alone
 for forty days,
 to *fast from doing*,
 and to listen
 to God’s voice
 in his heart.

*So, whatever you do,
 in word or deed,
 do it
 in the name
 of the Lord Jesus Christ
 and give thanks
 to God through him.
 ~ Colossians 3:17*



SSJ Community Prayer

*O God, we are called,
as Sisters of St. Joseph,
to surrender,
to stand open
and powerless
before you,
completely dependent
upon Jesus,
whose Spirit liberates us
to a radical sense
of mission
through the rhythm
of contemplation
and courageous action,
to be a healing presence
in any and all situations.
And to this we say,
Amen.*

Morning Church!

Like everything else, the spiritual life means balancing where you place your energies, focus, and presence. Cloistered religious spend their days in numerous periods of prayer, reflection, and contemplation. Also, they give quality time to their community life and the tasks they do together in their convents and monasteries.

None of us live in a cloister. We're under a constant barrage of activity, noise, and their collateral damaging stress. How often do you create time and space for prayer, reflection, and silently sitting in the heart of God?

We seem to be in a relentless tug of war between doing and being. When you're all about doing, there's no room for *being with* ~ God, yourself or others. When you give the majority of your time and energies to a hermitical life, there's no giving time to anything else.

Some Marthas believe the more they do, the more important or worthy they are of God's love and the attention and affirmation of others. Some Marthas feel hurt if they don't get the recognition and appreciation they desire for all they "do". When you do good deeds out of selfish motives, what good is that? Remember the Scripture proclaimed every Ash Wednesday,

“...don't let your left hand know what your right hand is doing?”

Prayer and contemplation grace and mission you into courageous action and radical service. Courageous action and radical service send you back to the heart of God to be strengthened, graced and energized. It's meant to be seamless transitions, like a Figure Eight.



Faithjourneys are intended to be inclusive of every encounter and experience you have, every loss you grieve, and every unfulfilled dream you continue to dream. It's a both/and not an either/or.

Martha and Mary *seem* to have differing encounters with Christ. This is a lesson in faithfulness and presence wherever your feet are. It's about defying the temptation to put your head on a swivel so you can watch what everyone else is doing or not doing. As my friend David Morris says, “Action and Contemplation. One without the other is empty.” The spiritual life is about balance and bounty.

Be present to where you are, who you're with, and what is being asked of you at the exact moment. Choose. What you choose is your better part. Do or be that choice with all your heart.



God's will, presence, and hospitality, are unquestionable.
These concerns are truly ours alone.

God's blessings,

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🌱 *Reflecting and Acting on the Word* 🌱

Who is your neighbor? Who is your enemy? What does Jesus say about your answers?

Readings <https://bible.usccb.org/>

JULY	
17	16th Sun OT Bring your donations for the Yard Sale.
19	Communion Service, 12:15p
20	Bring donations for the Yard Sale, 1:15p
 21	Wise Ones Dodge City, 1p Host: Jerry 
23	SSJ ZOOM, 9a-1p
24	17th Sun OT Bring donations for the Yard Sale after Mass.
26	Communion Service, 12:15p Bring donations for the Yard Sale, 1:15p
29	NEW: Feast of Martha, Mary & Lazarus 
30	PARISH YARD SALE



Thank You to all who posted Yard Sale signs; clear out the basement and move items to our FLC...even visitors, like Watts Moreland of San Antonio pitched in to help!! Your generous spirit make it happen and y'all made it look easy!!

Thanks to *Ronnie Krakovsky* and her sister, *Cathy King* for the beautiful altar flowers on July 10, in honor and memory of their beloved parents, *Irene and Joe Krakovsky*.

Thanks to all who contributed in any way to my birthday party after Mass...the Marthas Who set up and cleaned up; and Ines who made the most amazing Bday cake...so yummy...

Thank you to all who so lovingly welcomed my friend Judy Tymko, her husband, Ed, and eldest son, Kevin on July 3. I'm so grateful you were able to meet them. May Judy's soul and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen. +

☞ PROCLAIMERS of the WORD ☛		
7/17	Mary H	Karen G
7/24	Kathy J	Ronnie K
7/31	Theresa M	Rob W
<i>Please sign in at the door & get a sub if you're unable to serve. Thanks!</i>		

JULY	
17	+Mona Schaufenbuel r/b Jerry +Louise Stiles r/b Judy & Frank S
24	+Yaira deJesus
31	Living & deceased Sisters of St. Joseph & Jesuit brothers and priest

Pope Francis Walking the Word

Did you know? In February, 2021, Pope Francis added a **Memorial of Sts. Martha, Mary, and Lazarus** to the Liturgical Calendar, giving the siblings the combined feast day on July 29.

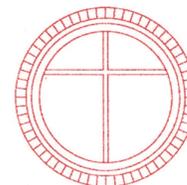
"...Considering the important evangelical witness they offered in welcoming the Lord Jesus into their home, in listening to him attentively, in believing that he is the resurrection and the life."

Parish Celebrations

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| 18 Eileen Ouellette | 28 Lorraine Benfanti |
| 20 Joyce Kelly | 26 Sydney Kelly |
| 22 Barbara DeJohn | Frank Simon |
| 24 Landon Garcia | 28 Paul Ardizzola |
| Kevin Robinson | 29 Julian Espino |
| | 31 Orlando Trinidad |



- 22 Ashley & Aymes Davis
- 27 Jackie & John Darcey

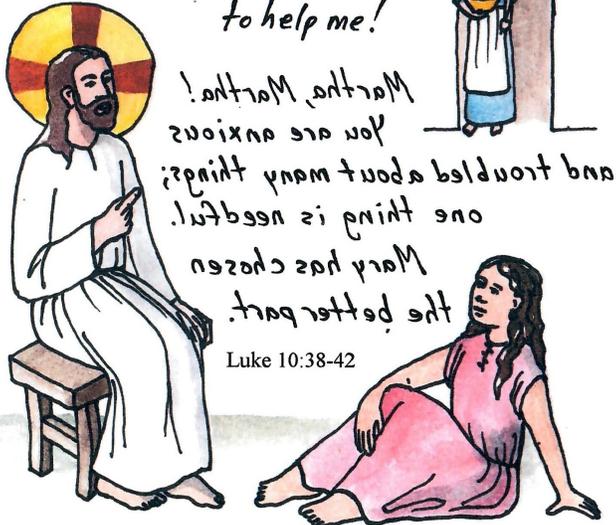


Parish Reno May, 2020 ~ July, 2022
Pews and kneelers repaired & refinished;
interior painted. Basement repaired, painted; new floor;
new roof installed. Remove dead trees
to prevent them falling on the church
Donations accepted for these parish projects.

The Kids' Bulletin

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 17th, 2022

Lord, do you not care
that my sister has left me
to serve alone? Tell her then
to help me!

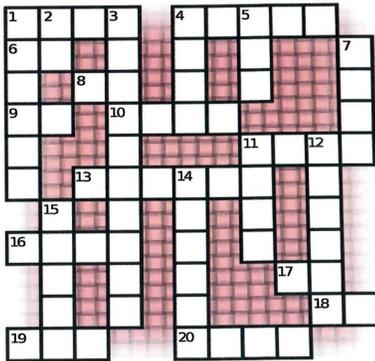


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Luke 10:38-42

Martha was so busy in the kitchen but her sister wasn't helping! What did Jesus say to her when she complained to Him?
Look in the mirror to find out!

Martha
and
Mary
cross
word
puzzle



Across:

- The _____ came to Martha's house
- Mary _____ the better part
- Jesus was _____ Martha's house
- "One thing _____ needed."
- Jesus said _____ her, "Martha, Martha."
- "Do you not care? _____ tell her to help me!"
- Martha was concerned about _____ things.
- Which sister was working in the kitchen?
- Mary sat at Jesus' _____.
- "Mary has chosen the better part, which shall not _____ taken..."
- "...you not care?"
- ...away from _____.
- Jesus _____ to her, "Martha, Martha."

Down:

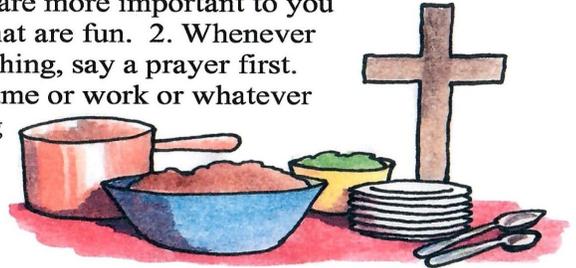
- Mary just wanted to _____ to Jesus speak.
- She sat _____ the ground near Him.
- Martha was _____ with much serving.
- "Lord, do you not _____ that my sister has left me to serve?"
- "_____ thing is needed..."
- The better part would not be taken _____ from Mary.
- Which sister was not in the kitchen?
- "...one thing is _____"
- Martha was anxious about many _____.
- "My sister has left me to _____ alone."

Putting Jesus First

Jesus went to Martha and Mary's house for dinner one day and while Martha got the food ready her sister Mary just sat near Jesus to listen to Him. Martha was upset because she had so much work to do and Mary wasn't helping at all. It doesn't sound quite fair, does it?

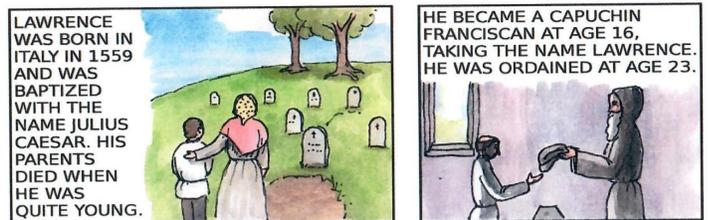
But Jesus told Martha that there was only one thing that was important, and that Mary had chosen it. Mary had chosen to be with Him and listen to Him. Martha was concerned about all the details- making good food and setting things out nicely, but she wasn't thinking about Jesus.

Jesus was not saying that cooking or working in the house is bad. He was only showing Martha and Mary that we need to put God first in everything. Here are a couple of ways you can keep God first: 1. Always make sure that things like going to Mass and saying your prayers are more important to you than things that are fun. 2. Whenever you do something, say a prayer first. Offer your game or work or whatever you are doing for the glory of God.



Answers to Cross-Word: ACROSS: 1.Lord 4.chose 6.in 8.is 9.to 10.then 11.many 13.Martha 16.feet 17.be 18.do 19.her 20.said DOWN: 1.listen 2.on 3.distracted 4.care 5.one 7.away 11.Mary 12.needed 14.things 15.serve

SAINT LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI JULY 21



SOMETHING THAT SURPRISED PEOPLE ABOUT SAINT LAWRENCE WAS THAT HE WAS VERY KIND AND SENSITIVE TOWARDS PEOPLE'S NEEDS EVEN THOUGH HE WAS SO SMART AND IMPORTANT. NO MATTER HOW BUSY WE ARE, WE SHOULD TAKE TIME TO PRAY AND TO BE KIND AND THOUGHTFUL TO OTHERS.