

# SAINT MARTHA PARISH

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October 10, 2021

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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*The parish of Saint Martha aspires to be an inviting community, welcoming people from all walks of life. Holding to the call of Jesus to repentance and to believe in the Gospel, our community seeks to offer everyone that comes through our opened doors the tools and support needed to achieve this call to holiness, by sound Catholic teaching, beautiful liturgies, cross generational faith formation and serving those in need. Our ultimate goal is to become vivid images of Jesus Christ in the world, so that we share in the salvation of the world.*

## **Confession:**

Saturday – 2:30 PM

## **Baptisms:**

Saturdays at 12:00 PM by appointment only –  
Please contact the rectory at least one month in advance.

## **Marriages:**

Contact the rectory at least six months in advance.

Weekday – 8:30AM (Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs. )

Saturday 9:00AM English (1st Saturday TLM only)

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## **Religious Education Program:**

Sunday mornings during school year – Grades 1 – 8  
Brian LeMay, D.R.E. – (860) 749-8457

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## **Confirmation Program:**

Lori Kedzior – (860) 745-5616



## 28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

They were exceedingly astonished and said among themselves,  
“Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said,  
“For human beings it is impossible, but not for God.  
All things are possible for God.” - Mk 10:26-27



*Mass Intentions*

**October 9th/ October 10th**

**SAT/SUN** 4:00 PM r/s Antoinette Antek  
 Birthday Remembrance, r/b  
 Anna Rice

**Spanish** 5:30 PM Parish Intentions

9:00 AM r/s Antonina & Gaspare  
 Rosato, r/b The Santo Rosato  
 Family

**TLM** 11:00 AM r/s Charlie Basco, r/b The  
 James Brislin Family

**MONDAY:** 8:30 AM Special Intentions

**TUESDAY:** 8:30 AM r/s Deacon Robert Bernd, r/b  
 Arlene Dubord

**WED.:** 8:30 AM Living & Deceased members  
 of the Minor, Shaheen &  
 Thyer Families, r/b The  
 Family

**TLM :** 7:00 PM r/s Casimir M. & Florence  
 Tyszka, r/b Linda Bailey

**THURSDAY:** 8:30 AM

**SATURDAY:** 9:00 AM

**MASSES SCHEDULED FOR: October 16th/ October 17th**

4:00 PM r/s Andrew Kalyan 18th Anniversary

5:30 PM Parish Intentions

9:00AM r/s Deceased members of the Miskin Family

11:00 AM r/s Intentions of Marie Bishop

*Thank you*

September 26th collection was \$4364.00  
 The Catholic Elementary School Collection was \$464.00  
 October 3rd collection was \$4105.10

**28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

If we are truly in love with God, then the basics are not going to be enough. That love is going to want to be expressed in going above and beyond, in leaving the comfortable and familiar, in stretching and growing, and in following a voice other than our own. St. Teresa of Calcutta rightly instructs us that for “love to be real, it must cost, it must hurt, it must empty us of self.” Being in love with God requires more than just checking the boxes of the commandments. It requires a sincere and unconditional self-investment. Desiring God with our whole heart, mind, and soul means that I must also desire a relationship with my neighbor with that same degree of fervor.

Biases and prejudices usually occur when people are kept at a distance and treated as objects. We cannot truly know our neighbors, especially if they are different than us, if we keep them in boxes and do not listen to their stories. When we open ourselves to listen to another person’s story, we begin to realize more how similar we are than dissimilar. Being overly attached to our possessions, ideologies, agendas, lifestyles, and personal needs are absolute barriers to achieving the type of personal investment love demands. This is why following Christ can be difficult. It is less a matter of intellect and more a matter of heart and soul. It requires that we transfer our treasure from an investment in tangible secular things and move it into the Kingdom of God. It is only the gift of wisdom and discernment that can help us decide what to do and how to do it.

Contemporaries of Jesus would know that a camel could not enter through the portal of a city weighed down with the baggage it was carrying. In order to enter, the baggage must be removed so that the animal could fit through the entry way. The same is true for us. We carry a lot of excessive baggage around with us that keeps us tethered to our past histories, wounds, myopic world views, prejudices, fears, and suspicions. To invest ourselves in the Kingdom of God, do God’s work and live out our love relationship with God, we need to shed the extra weight. While it may seem that a lot of that stuff is necessary, it really is not. We are much more than the things that we think define us and more secure than we think. The more there is to hold on to and the more that we carry with us, the harder it will be to leave it all behind. Many choose not to and walk away sad because they are not ready to trust. ©LPi



**SANCTUARY LAMP**  
*r/s Judith Tornatore*  
*r/b her husband Tom*  
**CHAPEL LAMP**



*Born of Water and the Spirit*

“Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to such as these.”  
 Matthew 19:14



*For the Repose of the Soul of :*

**Kenneth Horr**

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let our perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*



**Confirmation NEWS**

We are now accepting Confirmation Registration for 2021 -2022 session. Classes will start in October. Please contact Lori Kedzior our Confirmation Director for more information @ 860-745-5616 or [businessoffice@stmartha.necoxmail.com](mailto:businessoffice@stmartha.necoxmail.com)

The registration form can be found on website [www.saintmarthaparish.org](http://www.saintmarthaparish.org) or at our Parish Office.

**Classes will begin on October 31st.**

**\*\*We also need people to teach one or two classes during the year. If you would like more information please call Lori Kedzior @ 860-745-5616. Your help will be very appreciated.\*\***

**Lector Needed**

We are looking for an additional lector for the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday's, scheduling would be every third Sunday. A lector workbook is provided in helping of pronunciation and a brief explanation of the Scripture to help proclaim the Word of God. This is a very important ministry of the Church, please give it serious consideration. If you are interested proclaiming the Word of God or have any questions, please contact me as soon as possible. I can be reached at 860-749-8457 or email [brian759@sbcglobal.net](mailto:brian759@sbcglobal.net).

God bless,  
Brian LeMay



*Altar Servers*

Father Villa is looking for young men to become Alter Servers for our Parish! The only requirement is that you must have made your First Holy Communion. Father will hold an Alter Server Rehearsal on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:00 am for any young men interested. If you need further information, please call the Parish Office @ 860-745-5616.



Mt Carmel Society  
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*Chapel News*



The Sacred Heart chapel is in need for committed adorers for the following hours :

**Wednesday: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm**

**Wednesday : 9:00 pm – 10:00 pm**

For more information concerning the chapel call: Flo Radziewicz@860-745-1871 or 860-216-7471.



*It's time again for the October Count*

Since 1969, the Archdiocese of Hartford has required all parishes to submit a count of how many people attend Mass and receive Holy Communion on weekends during the month of October. The figures provide the Archdiocese with a measure of the spiritual vitality of a parish and, in some cases, are used in a restructuring process. So do not be surprised to see an usher stopping at each pew with a counter in hand during Mass.

The 2022 MASS BOOK is open to schedule Masses through June. Please call the rectory  
*Tuesday thru Friday 9:30AM till 4:30PM.*  
Thank you.

***The Twenty– Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

**St. Martha Rectory**

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**Office hours:** Monday – Friday: 9:30 AM – 12 N  
1:30 PM – 4:30 PM

**Devotions:**

**Rosary** –8:00AM before the daily Mass: Mon., Tues.,  
Wed., Thurs, Sat. (not First Saturday)

**Tuesday Devotion to St. Joseph**, after 8:30 AM Mass

**Sacred Heart Eucharistic Adoration Chapel— Monday  
& Wednesday 9:00 AM —10:00 PM**

For Questions please call: Flo Radziewicz (860)-216-7471

**Communion to Homebound: Call the Rectory**

**Parish Home Visitation – Legion of Mary:**  
Meets every Monday at 2:30 PM

**Prayer Line: 860-745-5616 The Rectory Office**

**Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Charismatic Prayer Group**  
Tuesday: 6:00 - 8:00 PM - Peg Connor (860)745-9861

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Every 3rd Monday of the Month  
at 6:30 PM Contact: Betty Joaquim – (860)745-2667

**Bereavement Group:** Susann Douglas - (413)-454-8702



**K of C Rev. John B. O'Connell Council 14600**  
**Grand Knight—Raymond Bishop - 860-763-3076**  
**Financial Secretary Joseph Pandolfi - 860-763-2449**  
**E-mail - [kofc14600@att.net](mailto:kofc14600@att.net)**  
**The K of C meet the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 PM**



**Lay Carmelite Community of Little Therese - #702**  
**Director: Annedda Stiller - 860-416-9600**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month from 1:00 – 3:30 pm**

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