

# SAINT MARTHA PARISH

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November 7, 2021

The Thirty-Second 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



**32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY** *in ordinary time*

Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." - Mk 12:43

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## Mass Intentions

**November 6th / November 7th**

**SAT/SUN**                      4:00 PM                      r/s John Paul Eckel, r/b Flo Radziewicz

**Spanish**                      5:30 PM                      Parish Intentions

                                         9:00 AM                      r/s Alfred Perugini Sr., r/b The Brainard & DiBacco Families

**TLM**                              11:00 AM                      r/s Kazimiere Clement Bailey, r/b Linda & Greg Bailey

**MONDAY: 8:30 AM**                      Intentions of Jackie Robinson, r/b Harold & Kathy Lancaster

**TUESDAY: 8:30 AM**

**WED.: 8:30 AM**

**TLM : 7:00 PM**                      r/s Louis Scirra 16th Anniversary, r/b The Salvati Family

**THURSDAY: 8:30 AM**                      Special Intention

**SATURDAY: 9:00 AM TLM**

**MASSES SCHEDULED FOR: November 13th / November 14th**

4:00 PM      r/s John Paul Eckel

5:30 PM      Parish Intentions

9:00AM      Living & Deceased Members of the Rosato Family

11:00 AM    r/s John Paul Eckel



October 31st collection was \$ 4853.65  
The Utility Fund Collection was \$ 1228.00

### 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

On December 10, 1979, a very petite holy woman known as Mother Teresa of Calcutta spoke these words in her Nobel Peace Prize Acceptance Speech, “But I am sure in the families and many of our homes, maybe we are not hungry for a piece of bread, but maybe there is somebody there in the family who is unwanted, unloved, uncared, forgotten, there isn’t love. Love begins at home. And love to be true has to hurt. I never forget a little child who taught me a very beautiful lesson. They heard in Calcutta, the children, that Mother Teresa had no sugar for her children, and this little one, Hindu boy four years old, he went home and he told his parents: I will not eat sugar for three days, I will give my sugar to Mother Teresa. How much a little child can give. After three days they brought into our house, and there was this little one who could scarcely pronounce my name, he loved with great love, he loved until it hurt. And this is what I bring before you, to love one another until it hurts, but don’t forget that there are many children, many children, many men and women who haven’t got what you have. And remember to love them until it hurts.”

Living authentically and walking with holiness always involves sacrifice. It has to hurt. Only actions springing from true and deep sacrifice demonstrate true integrity. Without sacrifice, even what is apparently a generous gesture can be nothing. It is no wonder that the widow who contributed from her poverty received great admiration from Jesus and the young child in our story above the interest of Mother Teresa. It is easy to make the houses of our lives look like they are in perfect order when in fact they are in shambles within. Religion can sometimes make this hypocritical masquerade easy to accomplish. We can find ourselves in all the right holy places, reciting all of the correct prayers, participating in community collections, and reciting the proper doctrines only to find ourselves empty, shallow, self-focused, and overly anxious about personal concerns.

The one who learns to discover their inner poverty, their spiritual poverty, is the only one who can truly place him or herself at the mercy of God. It is only when we allow ourselves to be empty that we realize Who we actually need to fill us. This is the real meaning of trust. Many of us are afraid to take the plunge. We allow ourselves to detach from only so much, always keeping a watchful eye on the protection of our securities. We understand the value of poverty, but we do not want to become too poor. As long as we are able to recognize this tension, our reluctance to let go and our struggle, we can continue our journey of humbly learning how to love so deeply that it hurts. God understands and waits.

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## SANCTUARY LAMP

## CHAPEL LAMP



*“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

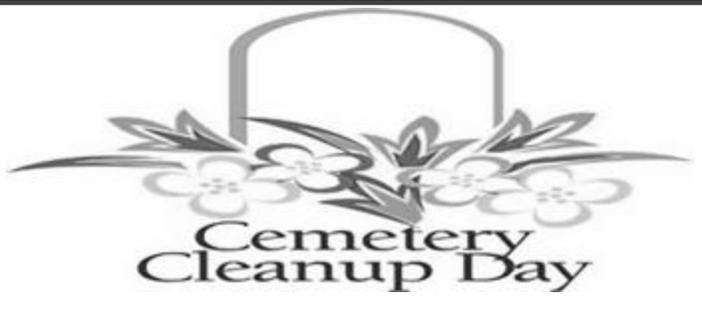


*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let our perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

The Parish Office will be closed from 4:30 pm November 5<sup>th</sup> until 9:30 am November 15<sup>th</sup>. We apologize for the inconvenience.



St. Jeanne Jugan Parish will celebrate a Mass in honor of St. Padre Pio at Holy Family Church on Monday November 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. There will be a Relic Veneration of St. Padre Pio after the Mass, as well as, after the 7:30 am Mass at St. Bernard and the 9:00 am Mass at Holy Family on Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>.



**CEMETERY CLEAN-UP/FALL**

Fall clean-up at St. Patrick Cemetery and St. Adalbert Cemetery will begin November 15, weather permitting. We ask that all urns, containers and decorations be removed at this time and taken with you for disposal or left at dumpster. It is very unsightly for discarded items to be left along the road. Artificial flowers are allowed after November 1. Decorative items and mementos of any kind are not allowed and will be removed and discarded. Please also consider that anything left in the cemetery is not secure and is subject to theft or damage. Check the Cemetery Rules sign or please call the Cemetery Office with any questions: 860-745-2411. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our cemetery a serene and Godly place of repose for our loved ones. Other area cemeteries are also in the process of Clean Up.

*Chapel News*



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

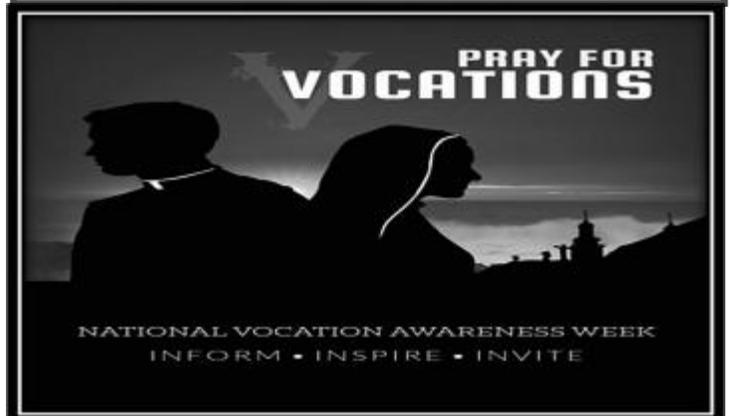
**Mon. 12:00 pm—1:00 pm**

**Wed. 12:00 pm—1:00 pm**

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

**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



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**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**  
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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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Thank you for your time and consideration.

In Christ,

Karen Roche

Executive Director

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