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July 20, 2025



## 16<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Lord said to her in reply,  
"Martha, Martha, you are anxious  
and worried about many things.  
There is need of only one thing.  
Mary has chosen the better part  
and it will not be taken from her."  
- Lk 10:41-42

**VISION STATEMENT:** To be united as a Catholic faith community.

**MISSION STATEMENT:** We are called by God:

- To love one another as God loves us in acceptance of our cultural diversity.
- To respond as a faith community to the needs of our parish through our stewardship of prayer, time, talent and gifts.

**VISIÓN:** El estar unidos como una comunidad Católica de fe.

**MISIÓN:** Somos llamados por Dios a:

- Amar a nuestro prójimo como Dios nos ama y aceptar nuestra diversidad cultural.
- Responder como comunidad de fe a las necesidades de nuestra parroquia por medio de nuestros compromisos de Oración, tiempo, talento y tesoro.

### **OFFICE HOURS / HORAS DE OFICINA:**

Monday - Friday /Lunes - Viernes: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

### **LITURGICAL SCHEDULE / HORARIO LITURGICO:**

Mon, Thru & Fri Mass: 8:00 AM (English)  
Miércoles: 8:00 AM (Español)  
Martes & Jueves: 6:30 PM (Español)  
**Saturday Mass:** 5:00 PM (English)  
**Misa Anticipatoria:** 7:00 PM (Español)

### **SUNDAY MASSES/ MISAS DOMINICALES:**

7:30 AM (English) 12:00 PM (Español)  
9:00 AM (Español) 1:30 PM (Español)  
10:30 AM (Español) 3:00 PM (Español)  
6:00 PM (Español)

**Confessions:** every Tuesday & Thursday 5:30pm - 6:30pm  
Saturday 4:00pm - 5:00pm

**Confesiones:** todos los Martes y jueves 5:30pm - 6:30pm  
Sábados 4:00pm - 5:00pm

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### 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 10:38-42

One of my close friends is a hermit priest who lives on a desert mountain. Recently I found myself in a group conversation about him. One vehemently objected, "What does he do up there all day? Nothing! Priests are down here working, running parishes, making a difference, and he...he is doing nothing! What a waste." The words dripped with indignation and resentment. Most of the group quietly nodded in silent agreement. Were they correct?

No! To see why, consider a similar scenario in this week's gospel. Jesus visits his friends Martha and Mary. A hardworking and exasperated Martha complains to Jesus that her sister is attending to him rather than to urgent household tasks. Our Lord, rather than praising hospitality, explicitly celebrates the less-productive sister for doing the **"one necessary thing."** He praises her for she **"has chosen the better part"** (Luke 10:42). Mary is busy doing what matters.

Before we freak out like Martha, consider that all work—domestic, manual, professional, ministerial, contemplative—is done to help us (sooner or later) to experience the love that makes us happy. We should be thankful for those who focus on the "better part" of radical, ceaseless prayer. They invite us to remember the purpose of all work is the enjoyment of love. Contemplatives, hermits, anyone fervently committed to prayer—they invite us to cast aside our forgetful, resentful, and self-aggrandizing attitudes in exchange for hearts ready to do what is finally necessary.

— Father John Muir

### Decimosexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

En este domingo, la liturgia de la Palabra nos invita a escuchar cuidadosamente la forma de recibir a los huéspedes. En la primera lectura, Abraham recibe al Señor con gran entusiasmo y le prepara un gran banquete. Dios se detiene, conversa con él y le hace la promesa de que, a su vuelta, Sara, su mujer, tendrá un hijo. *"Dentro de un año volveré por aquí, y entonces Sara, tu mujer, tendrá un hijo"* (Génesis 18:10). *"El Señor siempre nos sorprende: cuando empezamos a escucharlo realmente, las nubes se desvanecen, las dudas dan paso a la verdad, los miedos a la serenidad y las diferentes situaciones de la vida encuentran su lugar que les corresponde. El Señor siempre, cuando viene, arregla las cosas, incluso para nosotros"* (Papa Francisco).

San Agustín lo expresa de la siguiente manera en su Sermón 255: *"Esta dulcísima tarea había escogido para sí María, que se mantenía inactiva; a la vez aprendía y alababa. En cambio, Marta estaba ocupada en muchas cosas. Lo que hacía era ciertamente necesario, pero pasajero: cosas para el camino, aún no las propias de la vida futura; se ocupaba del viaje, aún no de lo que iba a poseer. Había recibido, en efecto, al Señor y a cuantos iban con él".* Y continúa, diciendo, explicando el texto de este domingo: *"Se dignó ser recibido como huésped no por necesidad, sino por benevolencia. ¿Qué dará Dios a los que lo sirven, lo adoran, creen en él, en él ponen su esperanza y a él aman?"*

## KIDS CORNER

### GROWING WITH THE Gospel

#### COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



#### GOSPEL

God created work for each of us to do, and it is important to do it. But Martha was upset because she forgot to stop and make time for Jesus. Mary had the right idea. She took a break from her work to listen to Jesus. Time with Jesus is precious, so we need to make time to rest and enjoy his love.

#### PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for reminding me to stop and enjoy time with you.

#### PUZZLE

Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

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#### MISSION

Ask your family to join you in reading the Bible or praying at meal time.

### Readings for the week of July 20, 2025

**Sunday:** Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 5 (1a)/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42  
**Monday:** Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 12:38-42  
**Tuesday:** Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18  
**Wednesday:** Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28/Mt 13:1-9  
**Thursday:** Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Mt 13:10-17  
**Friday:** 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28  
**Saturday:** Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Mt 13:24-30  
**Next Sunday:** Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 (3a)/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

### Las lecturas de la semana del 20 de julio de 2025

**Domingo:** Gn 18, 1-10/Sal 14, 2-3. 3-4. 5 (1)/Col 1, 24-28/Lc 10, 38-42  
**Lunes:** Ex 14, 5-18/Ex 15, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6/Mt 12, 38-42  
**Martes:** Cant 3, 1-4 o 2 Co 5, 14-17/Sal 62, 2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9/Jn 20, 1-2. 11-18  
**Miércoles:** Ex 16, 1-5. 9-15/Sal 77, 18-19. 23-24. 25-26. 27-28/Mt 13, 1-9  
**Jueves:** Ex 19, 1-2. 9-11. 16-20/Dn 3, 52. 53. 54. 55. 56/Mt 13, 10-17  
**Viernes:** 2 Co 4, 7-15/Sal 125, 1-2. 2-3. 4-5. 6/Mt 20, 20-28  
**Sábado:** Ex 24, 3-8/Sal 49, 1-2. 5-6. 14-15/Mt 13, 24-30  
**Domingo siguiente:** Gn 18, 20-32/Sal 137, 1-2. 2-3. 6-7. 7-8 (3)/Col 2, 12-14/Lc 11, 1-13



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| 10:30 AM ..... | \$ 1,930.31  |
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| 1:30 PM .....  | \$ 1,705.04  |
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**Sun-Spirituality Year**  
Seminarians

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Philosophy Seminarians

**Tue-1st & 2nd Theology**  
Seminarians

**Wed-3rd & 4th Theology**  
Seminarians

**Thu-Vocations Ministry**

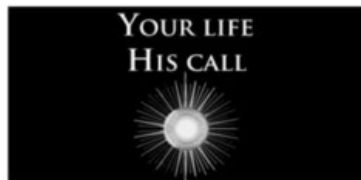
**Fri-Applications and**  
Prospective Seminarians

**Sat-1st & 2nd College**  
Seminarians

Please pray for our seminarians:

#### Theology I

Cody Bliss  
Dominic Borchers  
Br. Philip Collins, SCJ  
Br. Peter Xavier, SCJ



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**Prayers for:** Hector Oropeza, Lupe Savedra, Josie Montoya, Hal Moore, Heater Family Taylor Family, Joe & Charlotte Golden, Gracie Martinez, Theresa Foley, Silvia, Iris, Alvaro & Jose Manuel Rascon, Raquel Orosco, Vicente Rodriguez.

**For the Deceased:** Josie Cisneros, Leona Heater, Rick Taylor, Stella Jimenez, Pope Francis, Pedro Marquez, Sharu Amin, Natividad Padillia, Susan, Patricia, Eloy, Hector Oropeza, Dorothy Medina, Nancy Gonzalez, Brandon Andrade, Ruth Trujillo.



### Saturday 07/19/25

**5:00 pm** Parishioners Intentions  
**7:00pm** Intenciones de los Parroquianos

### Sunday 07/20/25

**7:30am** Parishioners Intentions  
**9:00am** Intenciones de los Parroquianos  
**10:30am** Intenciones de los Parroquianos  
**12:00pm** Intenciones de los Parroquianos  
**1:30pm** Intenciones de los Parroquianos  
**3:00pm** Pro Populo  
**6:00pm** Intenciones de los Parroquianos



### Next Weekend / Próximo Fin de Semana:

**07/26** 5:00 pm: Parishioners Intentions  
7:00 pm: Intenciones de los Parroquianos  
**07/27** 7:30 am: Parishioners Intentions  
9:00 am: Intenciones de los Parroquianos  
10:30 am: Intenciones de los Parroquianos  
12:00 pm: Intenciones de los Parroquianos  
1:30 pm: Intenciones de los Parroquianos  
3:00 pm: Pro Populo  
6:00 pm: Intenciones de los Parroquianos

### Martha's Burdens

It's time to admit it: I've been unfair to Mary in the past. Been a little catty about her. *Oooh, Mary, she's so holy.* Well, do you like to eat, Mary? Who made your lunch? Yeah, that's right: it was Martha. Because you know what? It's the Marthas who get things done in the world while the Marys lounge around reading Aquinas and attending silent retreats and going to Eucharistic Adoration whenever they want.

And there you have it, folks: my bitterness on full display! I tend to identify with Martha, not with Mary, and I need to stop doing that.

Because I am not Martha instead of Mary. I am both. We are all both.

Mary was a woman; she was expected to do the serving, too. She shared that burden; she wasn't abandoning it, heaping her portion on Martha. And it's so wrong to assume that Mary didn't have the same cares and anxieties as Martha — perhaps she even had more!

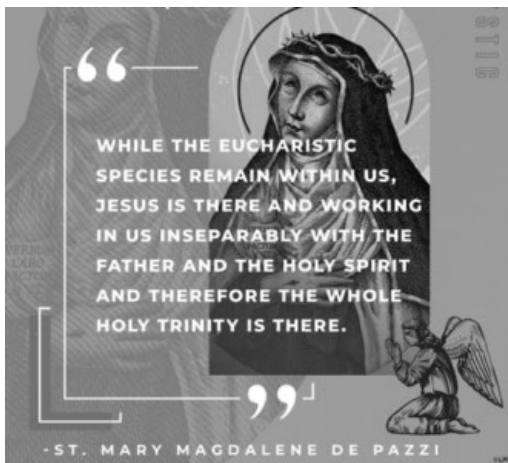
Here's the difference: Mary, unlike Martha (and me, I guess) knew where to go with them.

We typically see our burdens as an impediment to a relationship with Christ. *I'm so busy. I'm so overwhelmed. There are so many demands on me, on my time, on my person, on my finances. Take a number, Jesus. Get in line.* But we're thinking the wrong way. Burdens aren't an obstacle that stands between us and Christ. Burdens are the straightest path to his feet.

God knows about burdens, okay? Aside from being all-wise and all-knowing, he basically completed a doctorate in suffering, taking on a human form (itself kind of a burden, if you think about it) and for 33 years lived among the hardest and heaviest burdens this world has to offer.

Why did he do this? Well, part of the reason was so that we could finally understand that our burdens aren't a barrier between us and God. On the contrary, they connect us to him.

Are you anxious about many things? Then you need to be right where Mary is: at the feet of Jesus, with all your burdens.



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*—St. Lawrence of Brindisi*

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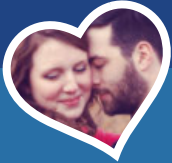
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