



# Our Lady of the Lake

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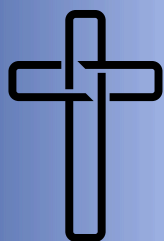
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## 16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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



# 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

July 19 - July 26

## Events

### SATURDAY July 19

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

3:00 - 4:30pm - Confessional

**Our Lady Cares Second Collection**

### SUNDAY July 20

**Our Lady Cares Second Collection**

### MONDAY July 21

**FOCUS meeting**

with **Samantha Pichardo**

5:30 - 6:30pm - Faith Formation Room

### TUESDAY July 22

**Adult Bible Study**

10:00-12:00pm - Faith Formation Room

**Bereavement Ministry**

2:00-3:30pm - Heritage Room

**Spiritual Companionship**

6:30-7:30pm - Heritage Room

### WEDNESDAY July 23

**Stitchers**

9:00am - 12:00pm - St. Francis Room

**Music Practice**

6:15 - 7:30pm - Music Room

### THURSDAY July 24

**OLL Games**

1:00 - 3:30pm - Faith Formation Room

### FRIDAY July 25

**Spanish Charismatic Group**

6:00 - 9:00pm - Faith Formation Room

### SATURDAY July 26

**WELCOME Women Meeting**

9:00 - 11:30am - Heritage Room

## Mass Times

### SATURDAY

5:00pm

7:00pm (Spanish)

### SUNDAY

8:00am

10:30am

### MONDAY

9:00am

### TUESDAY

9:00am

### WEDNESDAY

5:30pm

### THURSDAY

9:00am



## Adoration

### TUESDAY

9:30am - 3pm - Chapel

### THURSDAY

9:30am - 7pm - Chapel

## Important Links

[click here for PARISH CALENDAR](#)

[click here for MASS INTENTIONS](#)

*Mass Intentions available for September*

[click here for FLOWER INTENTIONS](#)

*Flower Intentions available for August*

## Mass Intentions

Sat.	7/19	5:00pm	Phil Harter +
Sat.	7/19	7:00pm	Taney County Parish Family (Living)
Sun.	7/20	8:00am	Julius & Mary Alice Ahrens + (Wedding Anniversary Deceased)
Sun.	7/20	10:30am	Sharyn Axelson (Special Intention-Living)
Mon.	7/21	9:00am	William Truesdell +
Tue.	7/22	9:00am	Nan Wannithantri +
Wed.	7/23	5:30pm	Janet Mantsch +
Thur.	7/24	9:00am	Myrtle Truesdell +



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### Collection through July 13, 2025

Envelopes:		\$12,861.00
Plate:		\$1,500.00
Green Envelopes:		\$5,103.00
<b>Total:</b>		<b>\$19,464.00</b>

# OFFICE OF CHILD & YOUTH PROTECTION

## Safe Environment Requirements for:



Clergy ◆ Employee ◆ Adult Volunteers\*

\*(which include the following ministries)

Knight of Columbus	OCIA	PSR
Welcome Women	Hospitality	Safety & Security
Ushers	Young Adult	Music Ministry
Help Desk	Hispanic	Eucharistic Ministers
Parish Office Volunteers	Homebound	Bible Study Leaders
Sacristans	Gift Shop Volunteers	Lectors
	Funeral Ministry	



**Before** engaging in diocesan, parish and school-sponsored activities for minors and vulnerable adults, all clergy, employees and adult volunteers are required to be in compliance with the diocesan Safe Environment Requirements which include:

- 1) A Background Screening
- 2) Safe Environment Training
- 3) Code of Conduct - **must be completed annually**

The Code of Conduct is **required annually** and is made available at the beginning of each fiscal year, **July 1**.

The Code of Conduct can be accessed through the diocesan webpage

<https://dioscg.org/child-youth-protection/>

Scroll down - towards the bottom of the page there's a **RESOURCES SECTION**

Select the Prevention and Protection tab.

The documents may be found there.

or through

**VIRTUS:** <https://www.virtusonline.org/virtus/>

**Select: Springfield-Cape Girardeau, MO (Diocese)**

**The Code of Conduct is to be read, signed, and submitted to the local Safe Environment Coordinator at the parish - Nickie Rivera**

- For **new employees and volunteers**, to begin the process, an account must **first be created in VIRTUS**.
- There the Background Screening Application will be prompted and is now completed online through their VIRTUS account.
- The training, which includes **"Protecting God's Children"** and **"Mandated and Ethical Reporting"**, are accessible through their VIRTUS account and are also completed online.

If you need assistance, please contact  
Nickie Rivera

Please call, text, or email  
417-251-1819 Cell

[NickieRivera@ollbranson.com](mailto:NickieRivera@ollbranson.com)

Director of Formation

Any questions may be directed to the Associate Safe Environment  
Coordinator,

Shelly Ferry, [sferry@dioscg.org](mailto:sferry@dioscg.org) or  
the Director of Child and Youth Protection, Bill Holtmeyer,  
[billholtmeyer@dioscg.org](mailto:billholtmeyer@dioscg.org)  
or at The Catholic Center, (417) 866-0841.




2025 DIOCESAN DEVELOPMENT FUND  
**ONE CHURCH,  
Anchored in Christ**

2025 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL for Funding Church Ministries

WWW.DIOSCG.ORG



Thank you!

As of **June 30, 2025**,  
**81** parishes reported  
**5,063** pledges  
totaling **\$2,474,712**  
or **80%** of the **2025**  
**DDF goal of**  
**\$3,100,000.**

The Diocese and Church  
in Southern Missouri  
needs your participation.

If you have not yet made  
your pledge, please add  
your gift, whatever the  
amount, in unity with  
those who have already  
given by returning a  
pledge card.

To date our parish has pledged  
\$76,052.62 toward our \$79,163 goal.  
Thank you!

## Tuesday Morning Adult Bible Study



**10:00am**  
**Faith**  
**Formation**  
**Room**

## Upcoming Dates

**July 22nd**

*The Chosen: S5 E5  
Because of Me*

The decision to arrest  
Jesus leads to a fiery  
debate. Roman soldiers  
track down a  
troublemaking crowd.  
Shmuel finds help from  
an unexpected source.



**July 29th**

*The Chosen: S5 E6  
Reunions*

As Jesus' followers  
gather for the  
Passover meal, His  
enemies assemble  
for a man hunt.  
Judas holds a secret  
meeting.



**Aug. 5th**

*The Chosen: S5 E7  
The Upper Room Part 1*

Jesus arrives at the  
Last Supper.  
The disciples fear for  
their safety as Jesus'  
enemies close ranks  
around them.



## Why we need to be saved -- Why we need a savior

Last week I touched on the topic “Are you saved?” To summarize the Catholic response to this question, we respond like St. Paul, “that I am working out my salvation day by day”. Another more catechetical response would be “Through the grace of God and the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, I have been saved, am being saved, and hope to be saved.” This acknowledges the past, present, and future aspects of salvation. Our Catholic theology emphasizes that salvation is a process involving God’s grace and human cooperation. It’s really not that complicated, however, we often fail in communicating our belief.

This week I continue the ‘salvation’ discussion on why we need to be saved and what the Church teaches regarding God’s biblical plan of salvation.

The Church understands that we are all sinners in need of a savior (Rom 5:12-21). We are inheritors of original sin and all of its consequences, and by actual sin we distance ourselves from God. We can’t save ourselves and we don’t need to. Jesus paid the price for our sins. We are reminded of this sacrifice at every Catholic Mass. The Catholic Church teaches that salvation comes through Jesus alone (Acts 4:12), since he is the “one mediator between God and man” (1 Tm 2:5-6).

The saving grace won by Jesus is offered as a free gift to us, accessible through repentance, faith, and baptism. We turn away from our sins, we are sorry for them, and we believe in Jesus Christ and the gospel. Our repentance shows our willingness to turn from things that keep us from God. Our baptism renews us, filling us with the grace necessary to have faith and to live it. This belief is more than just “head knowledge.” Even the demons recognize Jesus as the Son of God and acknowledge His authority (Mk 1:24, James 2:19). It’s more than just believing you’re saved. True, saving faith is one lived and exhibited daily: It is “faith working through love” (Gal 5:6, Jas 2:1-26).

Sometimes the Church is accused of teaching “salvation by works,” but this is an empty accusation. This idea has been consistently condemned by the Church. Good works are required by God because he requires obedience to his commands (Mt 6:1-21, 1 Cor 3:8, 13-15) and promises to reward us with eternal life if we obey (Mt 25:34-40, Rom 2:6-7, Gal 6:6-10 just to name a few). But even our obedience is impossible without God’s grace; even our good works are God’s gift (Rom 5:5, Phil 2:13) which is an important point for all Christians to appreciate.

“For God so loved the world that he gave us his only begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.” John 3:16

This is the real biblical plan of salvation – a central tenant of our Catholic faith.



“BE SOLDIERS”

# LIFE ON MISSION

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Hello!

For those who don't know me, my name is Sam and I'm a parishioner here at Our Lady of the Lake! Many of you may know my mom, also named Sam, who works in the parish office. Yes, I know she's awesome.

I want to invite you to come and hear about the work I've been invited into by the Lord through serving as a FOCUS missionary! FOCUS is short for the Fellowship of Catholic University Students and it is a missionary apostolate that has greatly touched my heart. Our work is centered around knowing Christ deeply and making Him known on college campuses and parishes!

Please see the details for the event below! I hope you come and see!

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**Monday, July 21, 2025 from 5:30PM to 6:30 PM.**

**At Our Lady of the Lake Church in the Faith Formation Room**

**Questions? You can contact me at [samantha.pichardo@focus.org](mailto:samantha.pichardo@focus.org)**



Thank you to all those who assisted with Vacation Bible School.



There were 65 kids ages 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade who participated this year.



# OLL Games



Join us on July 24th  
OLL Game Day

## Scores from July 17th!!!

OLL Train - Curtis &  
The Domino Queens  
BIG Winner is Curtis -348  
Brenda -350 Pam -365  
Julie -421  
Lil' Winner is Anne Marie -453



OLL Train - Guys & Gals  
BIG Winner is Eva -265  
Ed -269 Judy E -274  
Marty -336 Joe -442  
Lil' Winner is Remy -460

Swoop - 4 S's Plus More  
BIG Winner is Sharon S -195  
Sharon P -244 Dan -261  
Fr. Dhaneesh -354 Sharron -437  
Sharon A -445  
Lil' Winner is Judy H -506  
Sharon and Curtis' granddaughters  
Cayle and Angela joined in the fun



Mahjong - Steve, Margaret, Harry and Joyce  
tried it on their own and did a good job plus had fun!  
The table is open to ALL  
and we could start a second table.  
Come try your luck!!!

## Summer Fun - Beat the HEAT!!!

OLL Games is open to ALL. We play OLL Train, Swoop, and learning Mahjong on a regular basis. If you have a game and or cards you would like to play and are willing to share the rules and tips please bring it to a table!

We start at 1:00pm in the Faith Formation Room and usually end between 3:30 and 4:00pm each Thursday.

Join in when you are available and add to the fun and fellowship!  
Hope to see you Thursday!



# Knights of Columbus®

**Knights' Corner ~ Council 6470**

## **Talent Show & Lasagna Dinner ~ August 3<sup>rd</sup>, Noon ~**

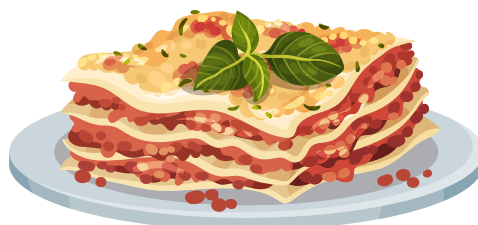
All proceeds to benefit the  
K of C Seminarian Support Fund!

Auditions to be held Sunday  
**July 27<sup>th</sup>**  
at noon in the Parish Center.

All talents welcome, but **MUST** audition  
to participate. Please email  
[events@out-raij-ous.com](mailto:events@out-raij-ous.com)  
for questions or to sign up.



Talent Show portion  
of event to follow  
lunch on Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>.



Plan to come be  
well entertained  
AND well fed!

## Seminarian Support Fund

K of C Council 6470 is starting something new, and we're inviting YOU to be a part of it.

Our Council has historically supported our diocesan seminarians with their living expenses while in seminary, but we're looking to do more.



We are establishing a K of C Seminarian Support Fund to serve as a sort of endowment to support our diocesan seminarians. Our goal is to raise over \$30,000 to establish a fund that will allow us to use the interest earned to provide more than four times the support we typically have been able to give annually, and to grow the fund to continually expand our giving potential.

With our initial contributions from an anonymous donor and our council's own contribution, we had a \$10,000 head start. Also, our June appeal has brought in just over **\$8,000** already!

That puts us well over half way to our goal! Thank you for your support and prayers for our success as we continue to raise money to develop this fund so that we can help support more seminarians in a more impactful way, for the foreseeable future. Vivat Jesus!

**\$30,000 Goal**

**\$18,240 Raised**



**Want to help us reach our goal?**

*Make checks payable to:*

K of C Council 6470

Memo: Seminarian Fund

*Send checks to:*

Our Lady of the Lake, Attn: K of C  
203 Vaughn Dr. Branson, MO. 65616

*Or, use the QR code to donate via Venmo, just make sure to leave a note about what it's for to help our Financial Secretary.*

The next blood drive is scheduled  
for July 25th  
from 12 noon to 5:00pm at  
Our Lady of the Lake Parish Center,  
202 Vaughn Drive, Branson MO. 65616.

## Red Cross Blood Drive

40 - units collected at the May 23rd, 2025 drive.  
58 - drives successfully completed since Nov. 2015.  
2899 - units of blood have been collected since Nov. 2015.

GO TO –  
[www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) zip code 65616 to schedule appointment

## Food Drive Update



As of 6/30/25, Our Lady of the Lake has donated over 2716 lbs of food and \$2035 to the Salvation Army Food Pantry for the Fraternal year 7/1/24 - 6/30/25.

Just a reminder that for every 1000 lbs of food AND for every \$500 donated, K of C donates \$100 to the pantry, up to \$500 each from the K of C annually.

Want to make a monetary contribution to the Salvation Army Food Pantry through the Knights of Columbus to help reach the bonus gift from the K of C?

*Make checks payable to:*  
K of C Council 6470  
Memo: S. A. Food Pantry

*Send checks to:*  
Our Lady of the Lake, Attn: K of C  
203 Vaughn Dr. Branson, MO. 65616

## Meeting Reminder

Don't forget, our membership meetings are held every *first* Thursday in the Faith Formation Room in the Church, Rosary starting @ 6:30pm, mtg @ 7pm.

Don't forget! The Larry Konzen Social is on after the meetings too!  
Stick around after the meeting for a bit and enjoy some fellowship and snacks with your brother knights.

## Interested in becoming a Knight?

Contact the church office for contact information, or go online @  
[kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html](http://kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-the-knights.html)

Use promo code **SHINKEBEIN** for one year free membership!



**Blood Drive**  
**Our Lady Of The Lake**  
**Catholic Church**

Parish Center  
 202 Vaughn Drive  
 Branson, MO 65616

**Friday, July 25, 2025**  
**12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: OURLADYBranson to schedule an appointment.



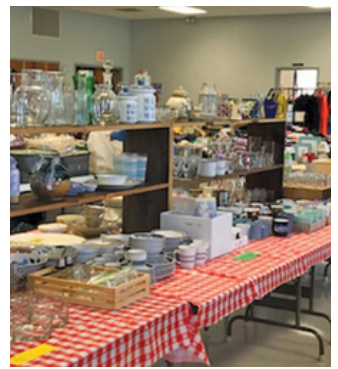
Give blood July 15 to 31 for a Fandango Movie Reward by email to see a movie on us! [rcblood.org/july](http://rcblood.org/july)



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**SAVE THE DATE**

**Our Lady of the Ozarks**  
**(Forsyth)**  
**Fall Rummage and Bake Sale**  
**is scheduled for**  
**September 25, 26 and 27th, 2025**



In the past, many of our parishioners have donated items for this sale. Our Lady of the Ozarks welcomes any donations, and they have made bins available for your use.



*just BAKED*

These can be picked up at Our Lady of the Ozarks church 951 Swan Valley Drive, Forsyth during the month of July on Monday, Wednesday, Friday during office hours or on Sunday after their 8:30 Mass.

These bins can be used to store your donated items which can be dropped off at

**Our Lady of the Ozarks**  
 during their set up hours starting on  
 September 8 - September 19  
 9am - 1pm

**Please note that they will not be able to pick up items as they have in the past.**

Any questions can be directed to Barbara Peterson at 417-251-0041 or [barbsp@protonmail.com](mailto:barbsp@protonmail.com)

IT'S TIME FOR

**Catholic Night Day**

**AT THE SPRINGFIELD CARDINALS!**



**\$12**  
 SINGLE  
 TICKET

**\$25**  
 TICKET  
 & T-SHIRT  
\$27 FOR 2X & 3X SHIRTS

**UPDATED START TIME: 1:05 PM**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 3 | HAMMONS FIELD**

**SHIRT ORDER DEADLINE: JULY 18 | TICKET DEADLINE FOR PRE EVENT PICKUP: JULY 25**

All t-shirts and any tickets purchased after July 25 will be available for pickup at Hammons Field on August 3.



[CCSOMO.ORG/CATHOLIC-NIGHT-CARDINALS](http://CCSOMO.ORG/CATHOLIC-NIGHT-CARDINALS)

HOSTED BY:  
 Catholic Charities  
 of Southern Missouri

*"Through the intercession of Our Lady of Mount Carmel: We pray for the safety of all children during the summer vacation. And for an end to war, violence, and bloodshed."*

Bishop Edward M. Rice

**July**  
 PRAYER INTENTION



# Springfield Pro-Life Event

## Friday, August 22, 2025

Social 6 - 7p.m. | Dinner 7 - 9p.m.

\$75 per person

White River Conference Center

600 W. Sunshine St. | Springfield, Missouri



### Join Bishop Rice

### Friday, August 1, 5:30 p.m. at St. Agnes Cathedral

To pray for an increase in Vocations to the Priesthood and religious life in the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau. The Rosary will be prayed following the liturgy.

We continue to pray for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life in our diocese.



**Keynote: Seth Dillon**  
CEO of *The Babylon Bee*

**Seth Dillon** is the CEO of *The Babylon Bee*, “fake news you can trust.” Taking on the tone of a traditional news media publication, *The Bee* satirizes real-world events and public figures. Seth now speaks on college campuses and at conferences across the country about the effectiveness of humor, the moral imperative of mockery and the dangers of censorship.

**All proceeds benefit Vitae Foundation.**

## Renew, Refresh, and Reignite Your Marriage

If your calendar tells the story of your life, what does it say about the importance of your marriage? Take time to put the two of you first and schedule a weekend away to attend the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. For information, or to apply for an experience, visit [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org)



### Upcoming Weekends

**Aug. 1-3, 2025**

Drury Plaza Hotel, Cape Girardeau

**Sept. 26-28, 2025**

CRM Retreat Center, Carthage



## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

**August 1 @ 8:00 pm -  
August 3 @ 4:30 pm**

For more information  
and to

register Online: [www/stl-wwme.org](http://www/stl-wwme.org).  
Rediscover the spark that was there on  
your wedding day!

Rediscover the best friend you had when  
you were first married!

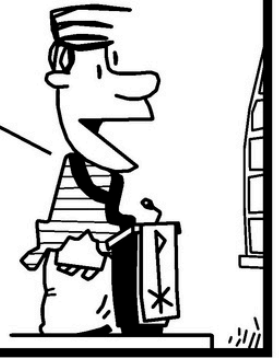
Join the millions of couples worldwide who have learned how to keep their marriage vibrant and alive!

The emphasis of Worldwide Marriage Encounter is on communication between husband and wife, who spend a weekend together away from the distractions and the tensions of everyday life, to concentrate on each other.

# Faith Hope Love

16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WHEN YOUR TEENAGER SHOWS UP AT YOUR DOOR WITH A STRANGE LOOKING FRIEND, DO YOU WELCOME THEM WITH HOSPITALITY...



OR THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY?



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"What kinds of photos does St. James take?"



"Shell-fies!"



St. James was one of Jesus' best friends. In art, he's often shown with a shell, a symbol of Baptism. Tradition says St. James traveled to Spain to share the Gospel. Today, you can still follow his path on the famous Camino de Santiago, marked by shells along the way!

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## CATHOLIC TRIVIA JUST FOR FUN

Question: Where did Mary and Joseph take young Jesus to hide him from King Herod?

Answer: Egypt.

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## 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



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

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*

# Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

They asked Abraham, "Where is your wife Sarah?"  
He replied, "There in the tent."  
One of them said, "I will surely return to you about  
this time next year,  
and Sarah will then have a son." (Gn 18:10)

### Psalm:

He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord. (Ps 15)

### Second Reading:

It is Christ in you, the hope for glory.  
It is he whom we proclaim. (Col 1:27-28)

### Gospel:

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 10:42)

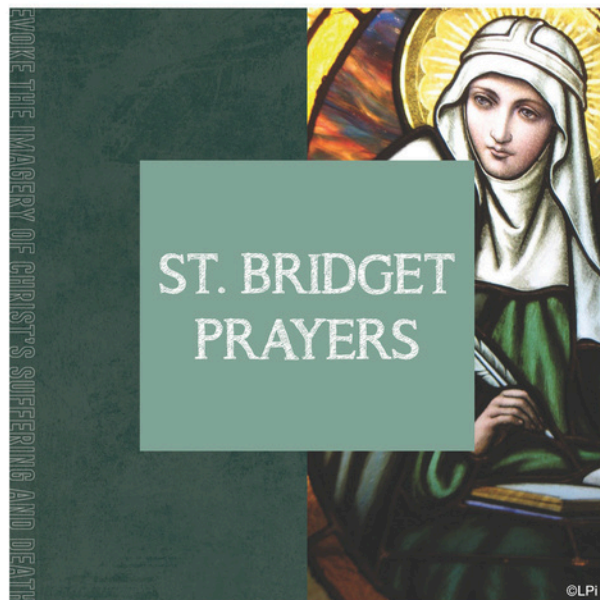
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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

In life, there are so many "Marthas" — people and situations that distract us from God. But if we imitate Mary and sit calmly at the feet of Jesus, his Word will guard our hearts from the anxiety of the world.

## Observances for the week of July 20, 2025

- Sunday:** 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Monday:** St. Lawrence of Brindisi,  
Priest and Doctor of the Church  
**Tuesday:** St. Mary Magdalene  
**Wednesday:** St. Bridget, Religious  
**Thursday:** St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest  
**Friday:** St. James, Apostle  
**Saturday:** Sts. Joachim and Anne,  
Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
**Next Sunday:** 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Devotions, *Explained!*

The St. Bridget Prayers evoke the imagery of Christ's suffering and death, plead for the forgiveness of the supplicant's sins, for a happy death, for fear and love of the Lord, and for a renunciation of worldly desires.

## Prayer for Focus

Lord, help me to remember what matters and who matters.  
And then help me to prioritize  
rightly and wisely, with Your  
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