

From the Desk of the Pastor

July 20, 2025

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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

It's the easiest thing in the world to get one's priorities wrong. It happened to Martha.

It's amazing how the trivia jump to the forefront and clamor for immediate attention, whereas the important things are left to later, perhaps forgotten and remain undone, or if they are done are rushed and consequently badly done!

Martha and Mary welcomed the Lord to their house. The first thing Martha thought about was to prepare a good meal for him – a very kind hospitable thought.

Being a very practical woman, she got down to work at once. One can easily imagine there was a lot of work involved because as far as she was concerned only the very best was good enough for Jesus. We can easily sympathize with her.

We can even admire her.

However, could she have her priorities wrong? Was there something more important that she was neglecting?

Jesus, the eternal word of God was in her home, how .. if she could choose to listen to Him and be present to him with her whole mind, heart and soul!

Martha is not simply busy, but too busy so much that all her time is consumed in being 'busy'. She is anxious and distracted, troubled and agitated. She has become a slave of her own duties ... a slave of her own making! Busy being busy

Mary, appears to get her priorities right. First things first. So she sits at his feet and drinks in his words. "Mary has chosen the better part".

DECIMOSEXTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Es la cosa más fácil del mundo equivocarse en las prioridades. Le sucedió a Marta.

Es increíble cómo la trivialidad salta a la vanguardia y clama por atención inmediata, mientras que las cosas importantes se dejan para después, tal vez olvidados y permanece sin hacerse, o si se hacen a la carrera y en consecuencia mal hechas!

Marta y María le dieron la bienvenida al Señor a su casa. La primer cosa en lo que pensó Marta fue en preparar una buena comida para Él – un pensamiento muy hospitalario.

Siendo una mujer muy práctica, ella se puso a trabajar a la vez. Había mucho trabajo involucrado porque para ello sólo lo mejor era lo suficientemente para Jesús.

Podemos fácilmente simpatizar con ella. Incluso podemos admirarla.

¿Sin embargo, podría ella tener sus prioridades mal? ¿Había algo más importante que ella estaba descuidando?

Jesús, la palabra eterna de Dios estaba en su casa, cómo...Si ella pudiera optar por escucharlo y estar presente ante Él con toda su mente, corazón y alma!

Marta no esta simplemente ocupada, pero demasiado ocupada tanto que todo su tiempo es consumido en estar 'ocupada'. Ella está ansiosa y distraída, preocupada y agitada. Se ha convertido en una esclava de sus propios deberes... una esclava de su propia fabricación. Ocupada estando ocupada...

María, parece establecer sus prioridades bien. Lo primero es lo primero. Así que ella se sienta a sus pies y bebe de sus palabras. "María ha escogido la mejor parte".

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS
COLECTA DE LA SEMANA PASADA

July 12 – July 13, 2025

Weekday Masses Offerings.....\$ 295.00
Weekend Mass Offerings.....\$2,136.93
Archdiocesan Annual Appeal.....\$1,024.28

UPCOMING 2nd COLLECTIONS

July 20: Music Ministry
August 3: Reserve Fund
August 10: Archdiocesan Annual Appeal
August 31: St. Vincent de Paul

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Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

We urge you to help us meet our goal:

Parish Assessment:	\$31,021.00
YTD we paid:	\$11,661.26
Balance we owe:	\$19,359.74
Pledges Balance	\$2,095.00

Thank you for your generosity!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 19 TO JULY 26

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
July 19, 2025	July 20, 2025	July 21, 2025	July 22, 2025	July 23, 2025
<u>9:00am</u> ✠ Peter & Margaret McGowan Ryan Steinbruner  Elaine Sheehan  Mary Redublado <u>4:30pm</u> ✠ Fr. Seagrave	<u>8:00m</u> ✠ Medina & Eufrazio Ermitaño <u>10:00am</u> ✠ Mel Ventura ✠ Maria Citlale ✠ Gail Gabriel Cacho Mary Redublado Glenn Mosquera & Family <u>12:00pm</u> Parish of St. John	<u>9:00am</u> ✠ Ramon Berry ✠ Leandra Solis Mary Redublado <u>THURSDAY</u> July 24, 2025 <u>9:00am</u> ✠ Brother John Paul ✠ Danilo Dela Cruz	<u>9:00am</u> ✠ Magdalena Punla <u>FRIDAY</u> July 25, 2025 <u>9:00am</u> ✠ Eugene Balantac	<u>9:00am</u> Armando & Evangeline Suango ✠ Juanito & Virginia Torres ✠ Consuelo Genovea <u>SATURDAY</u> July 26, 2025 <u>9:00am</u> ✠ Leonora Mendoza <u>4:30pm</u> Parish of St. John

