

JULY 19 - SATURDAY

Ex 12:37-42; Mt 12:14-21

*Vigil Reading: See Sunday*4:00 PM – *English* - Fr. Jim – *Bob Wuerth*

5:00 – 5:45 PM: Confessions

6:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy

JULY 20 – SUNDAY

Gn 18:1-10a; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

9:00 AM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy11:00 AM – *English* – TBD – *Arthur Redden*12:30 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Samuel

JULY 21 – MONDAY

Ex 14:5-18; Mt 12:38-42

JULY 22 – TUESDAY

Sg 3:1-4a; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

JULY 23 - WEDNESDAY

Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Mt 13:1-9

JULY 24 – THURSDAY

Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Mt 13:10-17

7:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy

JULY 25 – FRIDAY

2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28

JULY 26 - SATURDAY

Ex 24:3-8; Mt 13:24-30

*Vigil Reading: See Sunday*4:00 PM – *English* - Fr. Jim – *Jean Redden*

5:00 – 5:45 PM: Confessions

6:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy

JULY 27 – SUNDAY

Gn 18:20-32; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

*Sunday Readings:*9:00 AM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy11:00 AM – *English* – TBD – *Anna Mae Luken*12:30 PM – *Spanish* – Fr. Samuel

English Mass Ministry Schedule: July 26-27

Lectors: 4:00 PM – R. Ogden

11:00 AM – K. Gillespie

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 PM – T. LeSaint/M. Sonenschein

11:00 AM – J. Ruter/L. Washam

Servers: 4:00 PM – Z. Nintrup/M. Nintrup

11:00 AM – L. Finke

Offertory Family: 4:00 PM: Keller

11:00 AM: N/A

FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION

Last Week's Collection: \$6,900

Offerings received to-date: \$19,505

Amount needed to catch up: \$4,495

Our Weekly Goal is \$8,000

Thank you for your generosity.

Make it easy on yourself. ***Use our direct debit system for your Sunday Stewardship offering.*** To take advantage of this convenience, please call 513-541-1563

CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Steven Rolfes (21), Margie Meister (22), Matthew Hennies (23), Pat Canfield (24), Patty Herb (24).

FOUR GRAND CLUB: Congratulations to our week 47 winners: Carolyn Glenn, St. Leo Church, and Walter Smith. Each won \$25.

Make a long-lasting difference! Leave a Legacy by remembering St. Boniface Church in your Will. For more information contact Jenni Lindgren at 513-541-1563, ext. 151.

FR. RUDY'S REFLECTION: Can you see yourself in today's Gospel? Are you more like Martha—always busy, always needed, always “doing”? Or are you like Mary—drawn to quiet reflection, longing to sit at the feet of the Lord and just be? In today's Gospel, Jesus enters the home of two sisters: Martha, who is bustling about serving Him, and Mary, who is sitting at His feet, listening to His words. Martha grows frustrated, feeling that her work is unnoticed and unsupported. She pleads with Jesus to tell Mary to help her. But instead of correcting Mary, Jesus gently responds to Martha, “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.”

This passage is not a condemnation of Martha. Rather, it's an invitation to all of us who live in constant motion—to pause. The Catholic tradition teaches that the “better part” Mary has chosen is not just inactivity or avoidance of duty. It is the deliberate act of choosing God first: listening to His word, spending time in His presence, placing the relationship above the responsibility.

But let's be honest: we need both Mary and Martha. Someone must cook the meals, run the errands, visit the sick, teach the children. These acts of service are deeply holy. Yet when they are done without anchoring ourselves in Christ, we risk losing their meaning. As a spiritual writer once put it: “We must do the works of Martha, but with the spirit of Mary.” Have we confused the *means* with the *ends*? Do we work for the Church, care for our families, even serve in ministries—but neglect to pray, to listen, to rest in Christ's love?

Mary gives her whole heart and mind to Jesus, recognizing that no task is more important than being in His presence. Martha's mistake is not her service—it is her distraction. And Jesus, with kindness, invites her (and us) to a deeper peace found only in Him. This Gospel invites reflection: What occupies my heart? Am I anxious and worried about many things? Have I forgotten to choose the better part?

Let's be people of action and contemplation. Let our good works flow from a deep relationship with Jesus. The world needs both Marthas and Marys—but especially the Marthas who have learned *first* to sit at the feet of the Lord.

FOUR GRAND CLUB: Now is your chance to enter our Year 25-26 Four Grand Club. Registration sheets were recently sent out. We hope you will be able to participate either again this year or as a new member. Chances include a weekly drawing (for 51 weeks) of three names and all three will win \$25. Winning names then get put back in the hopper and you can win again! Plus, the final week (week 52) gives four lucky people a \$1,000 prize. How often do you get a wonderful opportunity like that? If you do not receive an entry registration, please call the Parish Office, 513-541-1563, and they will be happy to send you one.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: It's not too late to help with stocking our food pantry with much-needed laundry supplies; especially needed is laundry soap – both the pods (any size container) or small bottles of liquid. Your generosity is so much appreciated.

JUBILEE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY WITH ARCHBISHOP CASEY: Couples celebrating jubilee anniversaries (25th, 50th, 55th, 60th, etc.) in 2025 are invited to Mass with Archbishop Casey on September 6 (Dayton) or 7 (Cincinnati). Family members are welcome to attend as well, and a special blessing will be offered to the jubilarian couples. Couples should RSVP online by August 25. The Archdiocese did not send the link info; however, you can register by going to the Archdiocese of Cincinnati website, events page, type in Jubilee Wedding Anniversary, and it allows you to register. Sorry about the inconvenience.

SENSORY FRIENDLY MASSES AVAILABLE:

- 1st Sunday of each month 12:30 p.m., St. John Fisher Church, Newtown
- All Masses, St. Leo Church, Cincinnati Sensory Friendly Room
- All Masses, St. Maximilian Kolbe Church, Liberty Township, Sensory Friendly Space