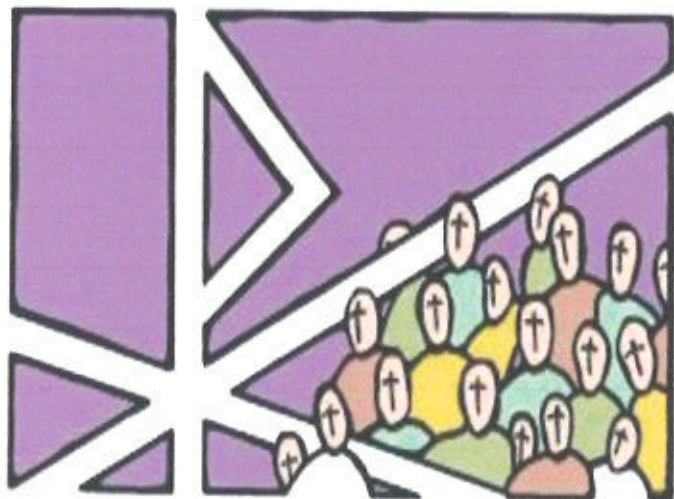


SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JULY 17, 2022

It is [Christ] whom we proclaim,
 admonishing everyone and teaching
 everyone with all wisdom, that we may
 present everyone perfect in Christ.
 — *Colossians 1:28b*



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PRAYER AND SERVICE

How do we bring balance and joy to our lives of prayer and service to our loving God?

In the Gospel today, Jesus tells Martha that her concern about doing the right thing as dictated by Jewish tradition might not be the best use of her energies. Her sister, Mary, who sits in rapt attention at Jesus' feet, should not be rebuked. Is Jesus trying to show Martha that she needs to make time for her spiritual nourishment?

Abraham and Sarah in the first reading seem to be just like Martha. And yet Abraham's eager welcome and joyful serving of his "visitors" seems almost spiritual. How like Paul, in the second reading, rejoicing in his service to the gospel!

We hear in the psalm that those who do justice will live in the Lord's presence. Prayer and service—what greater joy could there be?

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Abraham and Sarah show hospitality to messengers of the LORD (Genesis 18:1-10a).

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

Second Reading — The mystery hidden from generations past has been manifested; it is Christ in you, the hope for glory (Colossians 1:24-28).

Gospel — **Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. Mary has chosen the better part** (Luke 10:38-42).

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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Monday: St. Camillus de Lellis
 Wednesday: St. Apollinaris
 Thursday: St. Lawrence of Brindisi
 Friday: St. Mary Magdalene
 Saturday: St. Bridget of Sweden; Blessed Virgin Mary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 12:38-42
 Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-8; Mt 12:46-50
 Wednesday: Jer 1:1, 4-10; Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6ab, 15, 17; Mt 13:1-9
 Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps 26:6-7ab, 8-11; Mt 13:10-17
 Friday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
 Saturday: Jer 7:1-11; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:24-30
 Sunday: Gen 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-3, 6-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Show favor, O Lord, to your servants
 and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace,
 that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity,
 they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
 who lives and reigns with you
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

How has the Lord shown favor to me?

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WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

MASKS ARE ENCOURAGED

SUNDAY MASS: 8:00 A.M.
 10:00 A.M.

WEDNESDAY MASS: 9:00 A.M.
PRAYER MEETING: 6:00 P.M.

OUR SPECIAL PRAYER LIST

Dear Church Family,
Please notify Father Leonard when a family member
has been hospitalized or has become homebound.
Call the Church Office, 816-471-3696, or email
leombuthia@yahoo.com.

Edith Bolder, Jeanette Hamilton, Rosa Birch, Delores
Bazy, Vera Brown, Kevin Brown, Ray Myers,
Vauncille Bartlett, Mary Ann Grayson, Donald &
Mable Parson, Sergio Mendoza, Earl Greene, Jr.,
Ovell & Frances Thomas, Dorothy Mustin, Earnestine
Nard, Flora Waddell, Elaine Lomax, Donna Dupree,
Cheryl Warren, Chaunceyetta Mize, Rhea Holloman,
Clara Mays, Melva McClellan, Carlos & Pauls Nix,
Velma Jennings, Brenda A. Martin, Margaret Sams,
Yvonne Dillahunt

DIOCESAN TRAINING AVAILABLE EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION WORKSHOP

Tuesday, September 27, 2022
St. Mark Parish

READERS TRAINING WORKSHOP (Lectors)

Wednesday, September 28, 2022
St. Mark Parish

*St. Monica Parishioners: Please call our Church Office
to register for these classes. 816-471-3696.*

COORDINATORS:

*Thank you for making your Assignment lists
available to us in the Church Office.*

The names will be added to bulletins for Sunday mass
assignments, for lectors, eucharistic Ministers, Ushers,
Servers, Sick & Homebound Visitors will be added
upon as they are received.

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

The Golden Wedding Anniversary Mass will be held at
the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception,
Sunday, September 25, 2022, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass
and the 11:00 a.m. Mass.

Bishop James Johnston will precede at each mass,
honoring the Golden Anniversary Couples
A card and a gift will be presented to each couple.
The event is for the couples and their immediate family.

The celebration includes those couples whose
50th Wedding Anniversary falls between January 1, 2022
and December 31, 2022.

A light reception will be held between each Mass, at the
Cathedral. No shuttles will be provided. Parking
attendants will be directing guests to free parking
spaces close to the Cathedral, when the cathedral
parking lot is full.

*All parishes are urged to participate in this event by sending
the names, home mailing address of the Jubilee Couples
and mass time attending, to: Lorie Sage, 20 W. 9th Street,
Kansas City, MO 64105.*

DEADLINE: September 1, 2022.

THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY – ST. JOSEPH -
is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you
are a victim of sexual abuse or suspect sexual abuse,

- 1) Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline, at
1-800-392-3728 the victim is currently under
the age of 18), and
- 2) Contact your local Law Enforcement Agency,
or call 911, and
- 3) After reporting to these civil and law
enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual
abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the
Ombudsman, Joe Crayon,
crayon@ombudsmankc.org, if the abuse involves a
priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the
Diocese or of Kansas City- St. Joseph.

*The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing and
healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their
families.*



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ST. MONICA OF AFRICA FEAST DAY celebration events

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JUL

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FAMILY MOVIE MATINÉE

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DAY OF PRAYER

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