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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 17, 2022



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MISSION STATEMENT

We, with the grace of the Holy Spirit, proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ as expressed in the beliefs and traditions of the Holy Roman Catholic Church. Through a passion for righteousness and consciousness of duty to God, we uphold the faithful worship of God in our mission to our church family and the Sunnyside Community.

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Sat: Vigil 5:00 p.m.

Sun: 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 7:00 a.m.

First Friday: 7:00 a.m.

Holy Days: 7:00 a.m., 6:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:15p.m. - 4:45p.m.

Sundays: 6:45a.m. - 7:15a.m.

9:20a.m. - 9:45a.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

First Friday: 7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

CHOIR REHEARSALS:

Adult Choirs

Wednesdays: 6:30p.m.

Thursdays: 7:00p.m.

Youth Choir

Saturdays: 12:00 Noon

CHOIR DIRECTORS:

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BIBLE STUDY/ADULT CATHECHISM:

SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Communion for the sick and shut-in is available. Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please call the parish office for information. Preparation classes are required for parents and godparents. Classes are held on the 1st and 2nd Thursdays of the month from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Call the Parish Office to register for the class.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please contact a priest a minimum of six months prior to your proposed wedding date.

WELCOME VISITORS/NEWCOMERS

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MASS INTENTIONS

SAT.	07/16/2022	5:00PM
	<i>People of the Parish</i>	
SUN.	07/17/2022	7:30AM
	<i>Bryan Guerrero (L) – Special Intentions</i>	
	<i>Kristina M. Chaney(D)</i>	
	Family & Friends	
	<i>Abra Charles (L) – Charles Family</i>	
	<i>Agnes Comeaux (D)</i>	
	Kenneth & Mable Dyer	
	<i>Makayla P. Horton (L) – P.A. Piper</i>	
SUN.	07/17/2022	10:00AM
	<i>Audrene Biagas Clark (D)</i>	
	Patricia Session	
	<i>Tanya Potier Lewis (D)</i>	
	The Lewis Family	
	<i>M/M. A. Cureaux (D)</i>	
	James & Bonnie Jefferson	
	<i>Helen Foreman Orsot (L)</i>	
	Tywana Navy	
	<i>Alton & Theresa Mayon (L)</i>	
	Belinda Francis	
MON.	07/18/2022	7:00AM
	<i>Vernice White (L) – Tywana Navy</i>	
	<i>Patrick Celestine (D)</i>	
	Florence McChristian & Wanda Johnson	
TUE.	07/19/2022	7:00AM
	<i>Tamara Sanders (D) – Tywana Navy</i>	
	<i>Patrick Celestine (D)</i>	
	Florence McChristian & Wanda Johnson	
WED.	07/20/2022	7:00AM
	<i>Ruth Celestine (L) – Tywana Navy</i>	
	<i>Mary Mouton (D) – Ruth Celestine</i>	
THUR.	07/21/2022	7:00AM
	<i>Agnes Williams (L) – Tywana Navy</i>	
	<i>Patrick Celestine (D)</i>	
	John & Mary Richard	
FRI.	07/22/2022	7:00AM
	<i>Vernice White (L) – Tywana Navy</i>	
	<i>Patrick Celestine (D)</i>	
	John & Mary Richard	



PATRICIA ANN ROBERTS
1956 - 2022



In our Thoughts and Prayers
 Donald Abraham, Deacon
 Alfred Abram, Savannah Blackwell, Hal Tracy Bobino, Amber Byas, Julius Cadoree, Margaret Cadoree, Nancy Calvin, Sterling Dotson Certenberg, Dalton Cooper Jr., Frank Davis Sr., Marlene Davis, Lois Epps, Barbara Forte', Jimmy Harris, Alvin J. Hebert, Donald Henderson, Brooke Joseph, Kennedy Family Members, Helen Kennison, Fred Landry, JoAnn LaSane, Freda Lawdins, Theresa Lazard, Marvin Ledet, Roy Lee, Hazel Lewis, Laurencia Lewis, Eugene Mallery, Cynthia Ann Malone, Charles Martin, Shannon Martin, Diane Miles, Dorothy Milstead, Vy. Rev. William L. Norvel SSJ, Carolyn Ollison, Helen Foreman Orsot, Louise Peachers, Cynethia Pichon, Percy Pichon Sr, Catherine Pierre, Mildred Pierre, Marcelle Prevost, Melody Ratcliff, Elise Richmond, Sylvia Robertson, Oliver Rose, Vy. Rev. Michael K. Saah-Buckman SSJ, Simon Smith, Joyce Stagg, Mackenzie Swanks, Kennedi Swanks, Anna Mae Taylor, Erma Taylor, Melvin Thomas, Gemma Walcott, Agnes Williams, Patricia Williams, Mary Zenon, and all the sick and shut-in in our parish family.

Let us Know: Call the Parish Office when you and/or a family member are ill, in the hospital, or having a surgery so that we can put the name on the sick list for prayers.

After 30 days, please call the office to remain on the prayer list.

Lord, we pray for all our current military service members who put their own lives on the line every day to protect our families and our country.

Army:

Barbara Baber, Sade Beck, Wadie Troy Butler, Shanta Charles, Josiah Charles, Patrick Clay Jr, Kerry Hubbard, Kory Hubbard, Stephen Jones, LaTroy King, Gary Christian Robertson, Anthony Lamar Smith II, Jordan T. McCorkle, Essence L. Casteel

Navy:

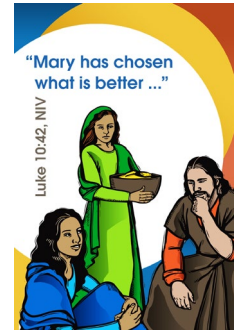
Alvin Balthazar, Debreaanna Brown, Jermaine Ceaser, Kevin Crockett, Courtney Harris, Nia D. Hawkins, Xavier Henry, Randolph J. Navy III, Anthony N. Russell

Air Force:

Joshua Creeks, Roderick Jones, Joffre Lander, Terrance J Valiare, Thomas Q Valiare II

Marines: Reginald Ward

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Abraham invites three passing strangers to stay and rest before they continue their journey. They reveal a surprise to Sarah, who is preparing food behind the scenes. In the

Gospel, sisters Martha and Mary invite the Lord into their home, Martha serving him as Mary visits with him. Let us invite the Lord into our hearts now as we listen to God's word, praying, like Paul in the second reading, that the word of God may be brought to completion for us.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday – July 17

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Genesis 18:1-10

Psalms 15:2-5

Colossians 1:24-28

Luke 10:38-42

Monday – July 18

Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest

Micah 6:1-4 6-8

Psalms 50:5-6, 8-9, 16-17, 21, 23

Matthew 12:38-42

Tuesday – July 19

Micah 7:14-15, 18-20

Psalms 85:2-8

Matthew 12:46-50

Wednesday – July 20

Saint Apollinaris, Bishop & Martyr

Jeremiah 1:1, 4-10

Psalms 71:1-4, 5-6, 15, 17

Matthew 13:1-9

Thursday – July 21

Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest

Jeremiah 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13

Psalms 36:6-7, 8-11

Matthew 13:10-17

Friday July 22

Saint Mary Magdalene

Song of Songs 3:1-4 or

2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Psalms 63:2-6, 8-9

John 20:1-2, 11-18

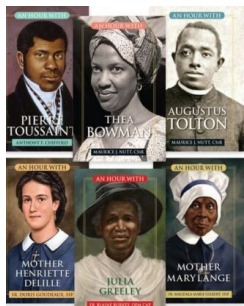
Saturday July 23

Saint Bridget, Religious

Jeremiah 7:1-11

Psalms 84:3-6, 8, 11

Matthew 13:24-30



The Josephites have embarked on a campaign, to inform our community on how to encourage Pope Francis to canonize the six black American candidates for Sainthood: Servant of God Sr. **Thea Bowman**, Venerable Sr. **Henriette Delille**, Servant of God **Julia Greeley**, Servant of God **Mother Mary Lange**, Venerable Fr. **Augustus Tolton** & Venerable **Pierre Toussaint**. Please send a letter to Pope Francis. Remember, the more letters Pope Francis receives, the more he will understand the determination of our effort.



Bernadine Cormier passed away on July 9, 2022 at the age of 93. Funeral arrangements are pending. Eternal rest grant unto her soul.



Would you like your family legacy to be a part of the new Sunnyside Multipurpose Service Center (MSC)?

Sunnyside residents are encouraged to bring their found objects to contribute to the **Dreamcatcher sculpture** by **Jesse Lott** at the new MSC.

Found Item Criteria:

- Durable items (metal preferred but not required)
- Things that have a story are preferred (Sunnyside or personal)
- Can be any type of item
- Anecdotes, ideas, drawings are all also welcomed

For further information, and to schedule an appointment bring your item to the church, please contact Mary Sias at siasmaryk@gmail.com.

55+ Club



The 55+ Club will meet in the Harris Center Auditorium for a day of fun and games on Thursday, **July 21st**, at **2:00pm**.

Did you know that Catholics can make an Act of Spiritual Communion?

When unable to receive Holy Communion, pray the prayer below:

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion
My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, Come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen

Stewardship Reflection

That we have the courage to share our faith with those closest to us. *"...I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God."* *Colossians 1:25* We are all called to evangelize – to convert individuals and society by the divine power of the Gospel. Our faith is more attractive to others by our actions than by our words alone. We may not be called to evangelize like St. Paul, but we should look for opportunities to share our faith through our actions and words, especially with those closest to us, like our family, friends and neighbors. Pray for the courage to joyfully express your faith the next time the opportunity arises.



BOUDAIN SELL

KPC Council & Court #138 are selling Boudain after all Masses on **Saturday and Sunday, July 23rd & 24th**.

BUS TRIP TO COUSHATTA

KPC Council & Court #138 will have a bus trip to the Coushatta Casino on **Saturday, August 6, 2022**. We will start boarding at 7:30am; Departing from St. Francis Xavier Church at 8:00am; Leaving Coushatta at 5:00pm to return. The Cost per person is **\$35.00**. To reserve your seat contact:

Jeanette Steptoe (713) 733-6210
 or **Anne Auzenne (291) 451-6249**

KPC JR'S SUMMER READING PROGRAM

The Junior Knights & Jr. Daughters of Branch/Court 138 at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church is sponsoring a **SUMMER READING** Program. The Summer Reading Program is for **elementary (1-5), middle (6-8), & high (9-12) school youth** at St. Francis Xavier Church. There will be a **1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners per grade group**. Prizes include: **Houston Rockets Game Tickets, \$100.00 Cash, \$50.00 Gift Card, \$25.00 Gift Card & \$15.00 Gift Cards**. Summer Reading ends Sunday, **July 31, 2022**.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance for the Masses on July 9th and July 10th was **294**, and the 7:30am Sunday Mass Livestream received **77** views online. Please join us via Livestream, or bring a friend to come worship with us in the church. Masks are not required, but they are encouraged.

BOWMAN-FRANCIS MINISTRY
SAVE THE DATE
 THE NATIONAL BLACK CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE
 THURSDAY OCTOBER 13 – SUNDAY OCTOBER 16, 2022

WE ARE BACK IN PERSON **THEME: WE WERE MADE FOR MORE**
 HOST CITY: **INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA** Joshua 1:9

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT: www.bowmanfrancis.org



AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON

Employment Opportunities

The Archdiocese has job openings in several departments and in parishes and schools across the Archdiocese. See the job postings online at www.archgh.org/employment.

175 Years of Faith

On May 4, 1847, the Apostolic See in Rome established the Diocese of Galveston; May 4, 2022 marks 175 years since the founding of our Diocese. We will be celebrating this milestone all year! Visit our website for information: www.archgh.org/175 Coverage can also be found in the Texas Catholic Herald.

Café Catholica: Summer 2022

The Café Catholica summer series is open to all young adults (ages 18-39) and features dynamic speakers, prayer, and socializing. Café Catholica 2022 will be held in person at the Catholic Charismatic Center (1949 Cullen Blvd., Houston) on four Mondays in July/August starting on July 11. Each night will include Confession at 5:15 p.m., Mass at 6:15 p.m., Dinner at 7:15 p.m., and Talk at 8:15 p.m. This year's theme is: Real Presence. Come for all or part of the evening! No registration is needed to attend. Donations are accepted. For more information about this event, go to www.archgh.org/cafecatholica or contact the Office of Young Adult and Campus Ministry at yacm@archgh.org or 713-741-8778. Speakers listed below.

- **July 18:** Spirit Night: Companions on the Journey: The Presence of Christ in the Lives of the Saints Meg Hunter-Kilmer, National Speaker
- **July 25:** Q&A with Cardinal DiNardo Daniel Cardinal DiNardo, Archbishop of Galveston-Houston
- **August 1:** Holy Desire: Theology of the Body and the Eucharist Edward Herrera, Director of the Office of Marriage and Family Life from Archdiocese of Baltimore

Café Connect Discussion Groups

We invite all young adults (ages 18-39) to sign up for a Café Connect Discussion Group. These groups will meet (online or in-person) once a week during the month of July/August in conjunction with the main Café Catholica program. We will have more than 20 groups available, so young adults can sign up for a time/location that works with their schedule. Registration slots will be limited. Find all the details online by going to www.archgh.org/cafecatholica and clicking Café Connect Discussion Groups. For more information contact the Office for Young Adult and Campus Ministry at yacm@archgh.org or 713741-8778.

World Youth Day 2023: Lisbon

The next World Youth Day will be held in Lisbon, Portugal, in **August 2023**, and all young adults (ages 18-39) are invited to join the Archdiocesan pilgrimage! World Youth Day is an incredible opportunity to deepen your faith and immerse yourself in the true universality of the Church by interacting with young Catholics from all over the world. Register now and take a full year to make payments toward the trip. For more information, go to www.archgh.org/wyd2023 or contact the Office of Young Adult & Campus Ministry at 713-741-8778 or yacm@archgh.org.

Beware of Scams and Fraud

Please use caution if you receive phone calls from vendors or “community” organizations that want access to the senior group in your parish. Seniors are often targets for scammers and unscrupulous individuals wishing to prey on vulnerable or unsuspecting seniors. Please feel free to refer callers to the Office of Aging before connecting them to your senior group. The Office of Aging can speak with the vendor, check credentials with the Better Business Bureau and assist your parish senior group with connecting to legitimate service organizations. The Office of Aging can be reached at **713-741-8712**.

November 5, 2022 - 9 am until 3 pm

Many Faces in God's House

KEYNOTE

**Cardinal Wilton Gregory
Archbishop of Washington, DC**

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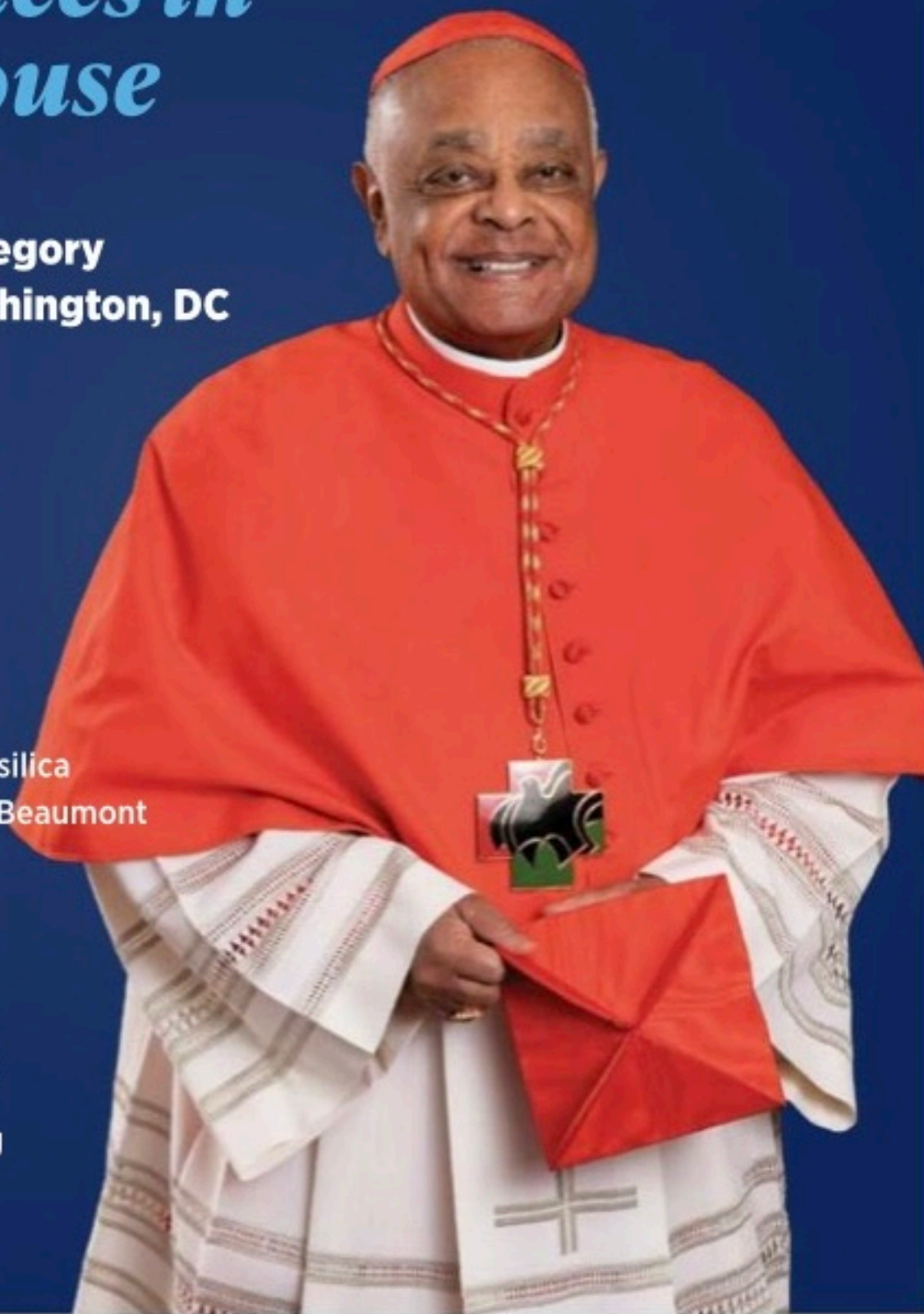
**PANEL DISCUSSION
AND BREAKOUTS**

4 PM MASS

St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica
Jefferson & Wall Streets, Beaumont

*See the Diocese of Beaumont
website for more information:*

www.dioceseofbmt.org



Jesus told Martha,
 “Mary has chosen what is better, and
 it will not be taken ...

Use the code to write the missing words on the lines.

♥ = her ☆ = away † = from



... _____





_____”



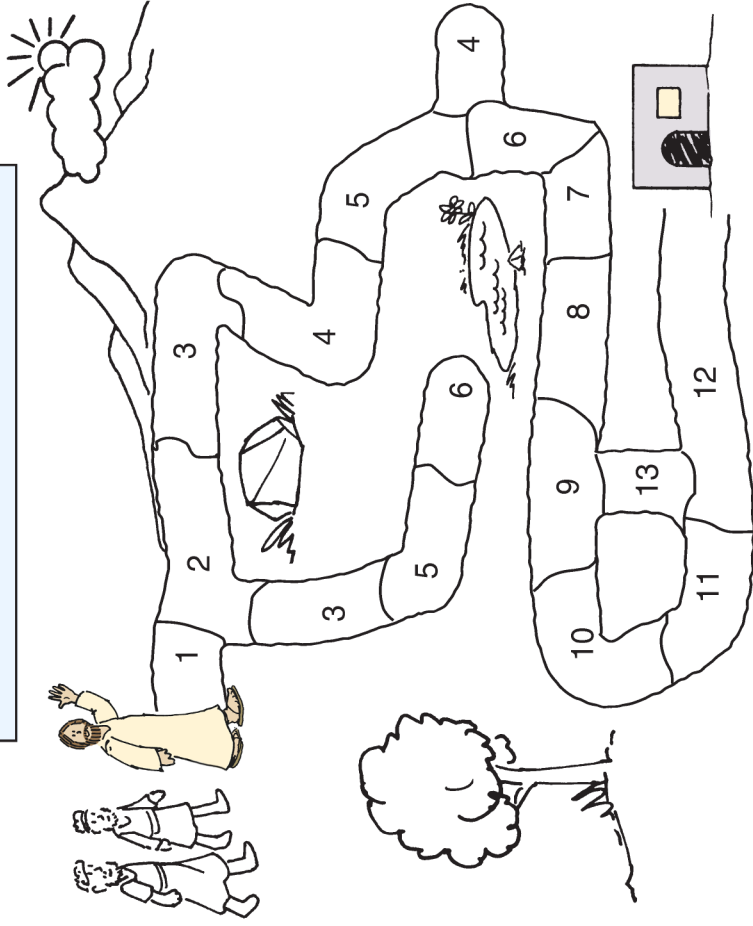
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At the Home of Mary and Martha

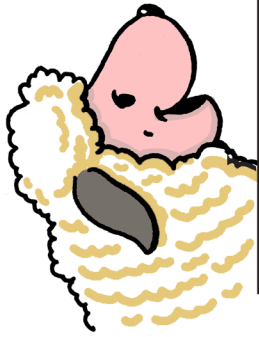
Jesus and His disciples came to
 a village where 2 sisters lived.

Help Jesus and the disciples
 get to Mary and Martha's house.
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What did Jesus say to Martha?

Use the code to write the words on the blanks.

☺ = away	☺ = her	♥ = not	♥ = thing
☺ = better	♥ = Mary	☺ = one	♥ = upset
✚ = chosen	✚ = needed	♥ = taken	☺ = worried



“You are _____ and _____
 _____ about many _____ s,
 but only _____ is _____ has

 _____ what is _____, and it will _____

 be _____ from _____.”

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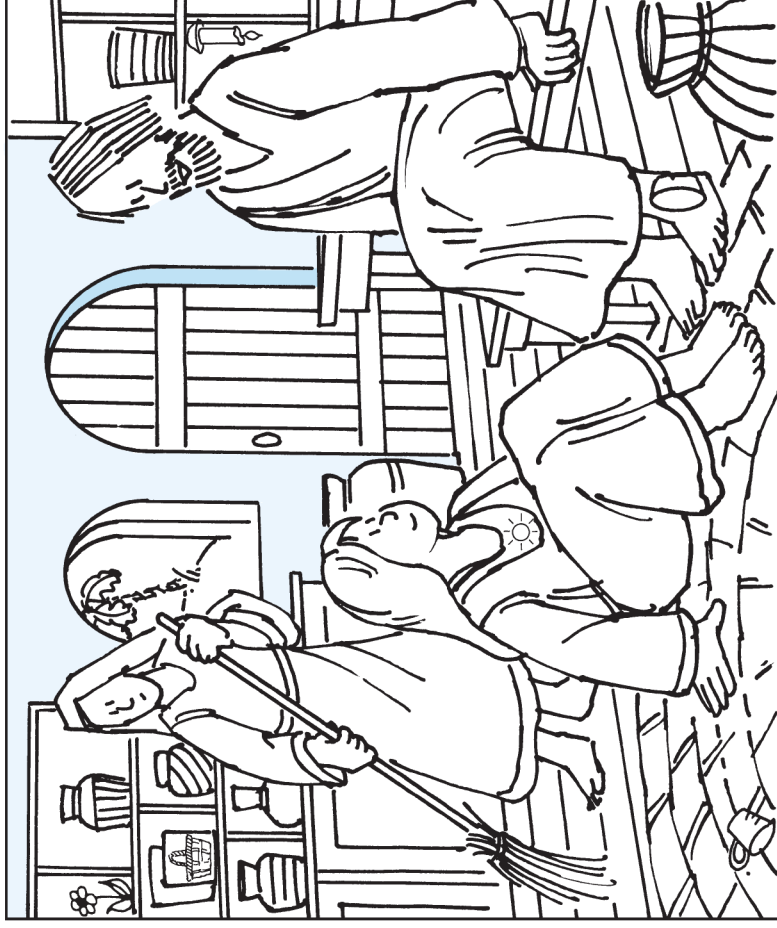
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At the Home of Mary and Martha

Jesus was visiting in the home of Martha and Mary.

Find these things in the picture.

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