

JULY 26

2020

17TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
YEAR A
CYCLE II

2020 Collections

Regular & Holy Days Collection

07/19/20 \$2,154.00

2020 Total Regular Collection
\$108,245.87**2020 Total Parish Project Collection**
\$28,115.00

Church Office Hours

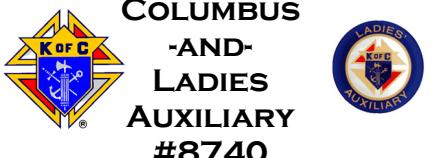
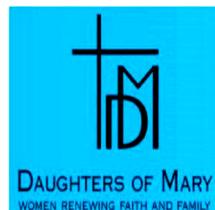
Tuesday—Friday
8:30am - 3:30pm

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In the beginning
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SPECIAL INTENTIONS ON
BAPTISMAL FEAST DAYSUNDAY
JULY 268:30 AM
FATHER'S DAY INTENTIONS
+ BILL KENNY, SR.
+ EUGENE BOUTRIES11:00 AM
FOR PARISHIONERSTUESDAY
JULY 288:00AM
PERPETUAL PRAYER
ASSOCIATIONWEDNESDAY
JULY 298:00AM
+ SHARON WILLIAMSTHURSDAY
JULY 308:00AM
+ SHARON WILLIAMSFRIDAY
JULY 318:00AM
+ SHARON WILLIAMS

Saint Martha Feast Day July 29

Martha, Mary, and their brother Lazarus were evidently close friends of Jesus. He came to their home simply as a welcomed guest, rather than as one celebrating the conversion of a sinner like Zacchaeus or one unceremoniously received by a suspicious Pharisee. The sisters feel free to call on Jesus at their brother's death, even though a return to Judea at that time seems almost certain death.

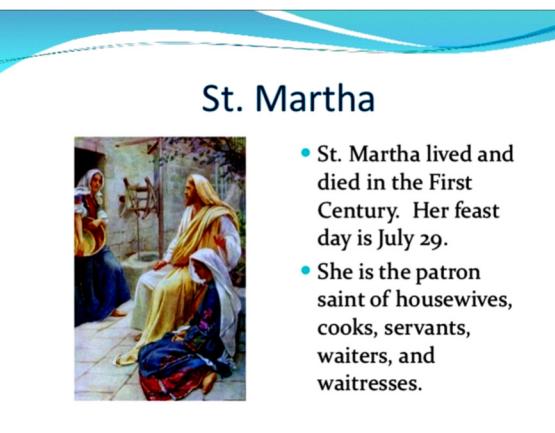
No doubt Martha was an active sort of person. On one occasion, she prepares the meal for Jesus and possibly his fellow guests and forthrightly states the obvious: All hands should pitch in to help with the dinner.

Yet, as biblical scholar Father John McKenzie points out, she need not be rated as an "unrecalled activist." The evangelist is emphasizing what our Lord said on several occasions about the primacy of the spiritual: "...[D]o not worry about your life, what you will eat [or drink], or about your body, what you will wear.... But seek first the kingdom [of God] and his righteousness" (Matthew 6:25b, 33a); "One does not live by bread alone" (Luke 4:4b); "Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness..." (Matthew 5:6a).

Martha's great glory is her simple and strong statement of faith in Jesus after her brother's death. "Jesus told her, 'I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world'" (John 11:25-27).

Reflection

Scripture commentators point out that in writing his account of the raising of Lazarus, Saint John intends that we should see Martha's words to Mary before Lazarus was raised as a summons that every Christian must obey. In her saying "The teacher is here and is asking for you," Jesus is calling every one of us to resurrection—now in baptismal faith, forever in sharing his victory over death. And all of us, as well as these three friends, are in our own unique way called to special friendship with him.



St. Martha

- St. Martha lived and died in the First Century. Her feast day is July 29.
- She is the patron saint of housewives, cooks, servants, waiters, and waitresses.



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Bringing Home the Word +

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
July 26, 2020

Rags to Riches

By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

The richly decorated portrait *The Vision of Saint Helena* by Paolo Veronese is immediately impressive. Helena, a woman of humble origins, became the wife of Constantius Chlorus (Rome's emperor from 293–306). An innkeeper's daughter in an outback town, her beauty caught the eye of the most powerful man on earth. She went from rags to riches.

In the painting she wears lush, Eastern fabrics with woven prints and royal colors. The gold and blue details of her dress and the velour of her crimson cape broached under her chin denote

the wealth her position afforded. She rests on a high-back leather throne; an elegant textile wall covering provides a background from floor to ceiling.

The softly flowing fabrics and her serene posture exude calm and focus our attention on her tranquil face and spirit of contemplation. No matter the power, wealth, and beauty of the world surrounding her, Helena has forsaken all to pursue the true treasure she possesses as a Christian and values more than the rest. Helena traveled from Rome to Jerusalem to bring back the relics of Christ's passion. These reminders of Jesus' love for sinners became the most important treasures of Christendom.

Veronese wants to convince us that through prayer we come to understand our treasure is not found in wealth but in the glorious vestment of baptismal faith. As adopted sons and daughters of the king, we become like St. Helena: poor commoners raised to royalty! Thank God for his gift of life in Christ and allow your heart to follow the inspirations he shares with you. +

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Sunday Readings

1 Kings 3:5, 7–12

Give your servant, therefore, a listening heart to judge your people and to distinguish between good and evil.

Romans 8:28–30

We know that all things work for good for those who love God.

Matthew 13:44–52 or 13:44–46

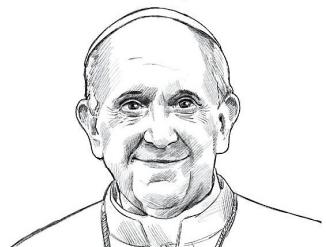
[Jesus said,] "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field."

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A Word from Pope Francis

How nice it is to feel that our school, or the places where we gather, are a second home....School then ends up being one big family. A family where, together with our mothers and fathers, our grandparents, our teachers and friends, we learn to help one another, to share our good qualities, to give the best of ourselves.

—Our Lady Queen of Angels School, Harlem, NY, September 25, 2015



REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- What are you searching for? Will you make sacrifices for it?
- Do riches have a stronger hold on you than God?

Bringing Home the Word +
July 26, 2020



Belonging to God

By Kathy Coffey

free." To forget such a liberator would be the worst ingratitude.

Awareness, Gratitude

After a gift like the one the Hebrew people received, how could they ignore God? How could they even think of worshiping anyone or anything else?

Before we get too high and mighty, scorning those ungrateful Jews, we should look at the ways God has freed us. Our situation may not be as obvious as imprisonment, but there are other, subtler forms of slavery. Some are caught in addictions to gambling, smoking, drugs, or alcohol. Others are trapped in unhealthy habits, fears, or relationships.

From all of these, God is the ultimate liberator, freeing us in ways that surpass what we can do for ourselves.

Newspapers carried the story of a father who was boating with his son and the boy's friend. When a strong, unexpected current carried the children overboard, the dad rescued them both. But after dragging them to safety, he could not save himself and drowned.

We can speculate about the gratitude the son, his friend, and their families will carry throughout their lives. Every breath they take is, in some sense, a gift of and a tribute to the heroic father who saved them. When people do us a big favor, we can rarely repay them. We breathe gratitude and cannot say thanks enough.

The extreme thankfulness that recipients must feel gives us a clue about the First Commandment. When we read about God freeing the Hebrews from Egypt, it's hard to relate. Few of us know slavery firsthand. Hearing about people who are slaves today, many of them children, we're appalled. We can only imagine what it means when someone unlocks the prison door and says, "You're

WEEKDAY READINGS

July 27–August 1

Monday, Weekday:
Jer 13:1–11 / Mt 13:31–35

Tuesday, Weekday:
Jer 14:17–22 / Mt 13:36–43

Wednesday, St. Martha: Jer 15:10, 16–21 / Jn 11:19–27 or Lk 10:38–42

Thursday, Weekday:
Jer 18:1–6 / Mt 13:47–53

Friday, St. Ignatius of Loyola:
Jer 26:1–9 / Mt 13:54–58

Saturday, St. Alphonsus Liguori:
Jer 26:11–16, 24 / Mt 14:1–12

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PRAYER

Lord, you reveal the kingdom of heaven on earth. Help me be more aware of God's presence.

—From *Faithful Meditations for Every Day in Ordinary Time*, Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney



Mass of the Silver Rose

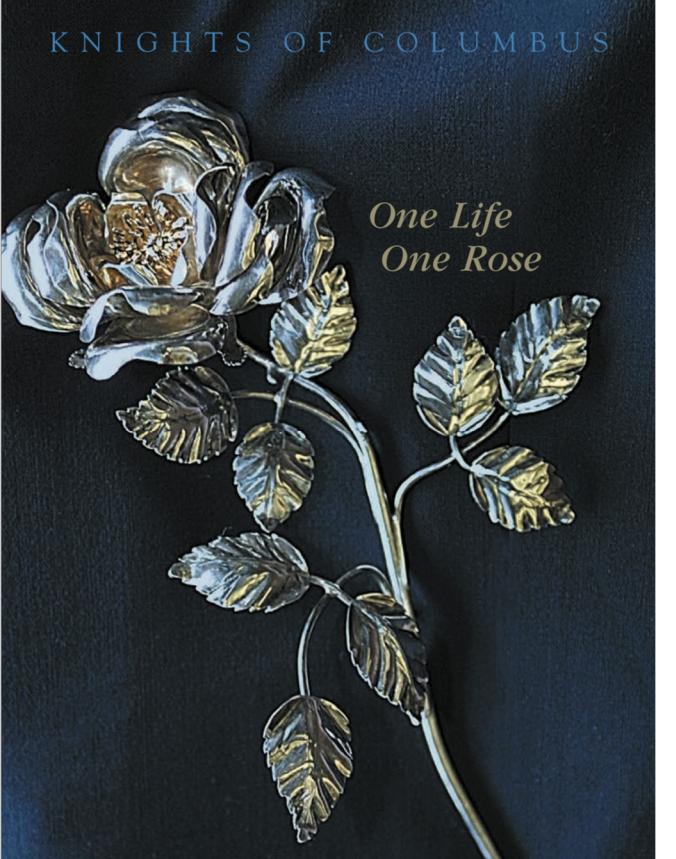
July 29, 2020

8:00am

Sponsored by: The Knights of Columbus Council 8740

History of the Silver Rose

Our Lady of Guadalupe did so much for her people in Mexico that, in 1960, the Columbian Squires, a youth organization of the Knights of Columbus, wanted to give something back to her. The group of young men in Knights of Columbus Council 2312 in Monterrey, Mexico, came up with the idea of running a rose to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Monterrey, Mexico. The rose was chosen to commemorate Juan Diego and the miracle of the roses, an important part of the story of Our Lady of Guadalupe. The first rose was a natural rose and was blessed by Bishop John C. Cody of London. It was then flown to New York where it was received by Grand Knight Joseph Thomasen, who in turn, took it to Supreme Knight Luke E. Hart. Mr. Hart then shepherded the rose to Dallas, Texas. There, Texas State Deputy Jack Colleran received the rose and took it to Laredo, Texas, where it was finally given to the Squires from Monterrey, Mexico, at the International Bridge in Laredo. They ran the rose from the International Bridge through Sabinas Hidalgo N.L., Mexico, to Cienega de Flores and on to the Basilica in Monterrey, Mexico, on December 12, 1960.



The silver rose program demonstrates the unity between Knights of Columbus in Canada, the United States, and Mexico, through a series of prayer services promoting the dignity of all human life and honoring Our Lady. Each year, from early March through mid-December, Silver Roses are stewarded by councils along routes from Canada to Mexico. Every stop the Silver Rose makes throughout the pilgrimage is a Rosary-centered occasion for Knights, parishioners and community members to pray for respect for life, for the spiritual renewal of each nation, and for the advancement of the message of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Entrance: Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art—
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.



Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
We give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world,
Receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
Have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father, Amen.
Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

The LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream at night. God said, "Ask something of me and I will give it to you." Solomon answered:
"O LORD, my God, you have made me, your servant, king to succeed my father David; but I am a mere youth, not knowing at all how to act. I serve you in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a people so vast that it cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant, therefore, an understanding heart to judge your people and to distinguish right from wrong. For who is able to govern this vast people of yours?"

The LORD was pleased that Solomon made this request. So God said to him:
"Because you have asked for this—not for a long life for yourself, nor for riches, nor for the life of your enemies, but for understanding so that you may know what is right—I do as you requested. I give you a heart so wise and understanding that there has never been anyone like you up to now, and after you there will come no one to equal you."

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 119

R: Lord, I love your commands.

I have said, O Lord, that my part is to keep your words. The law of your mouth is to me more precious than thousands of gold and silver pieces.

R: Lord, I love your commands.

Let your kindness comfort me according to your promise to your servants. Let your compassion come to me that I may live, for your law is my delight.

R: Lord, I love your commands.

For I love your commands more than gold, however fine. For in all your precepts I go forward; every false way I hate.

R: Lord, I love your commands.

Wonderful are your decrees; therefore I observe them. The revelation of your words sheds light, giving understanding to the simple.

R: Lord, I love your commands.

Second Reading: Romans 8: 28-30

Brothers and sisters:
We know that all things work for good for those who love God,
who are called according to his purpose.
For those he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son,
so that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.
And those he predestined he also called;
and those he called he also justified;
and those he justified he also glorified.

Alleluia

Matthew 11:25

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
for you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Matthew 13: 44-52

Jesus said to his disciples:
“The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field,
which a person finds and hides again,
and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.
Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls.
When he finds a pearl of great price,
he goes and sells all that he has and buys it.
Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea,
which collects fish of every kind.
When it is full they haul it ashore
and sit down to put what is good into buckets.
What is bad they throw away.
Thus it will be at the end of the age.
The angels will go out and separate the wicked from the righteous
and throw them into the fiery furnace,
where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.

“Do you understand all these things?”
They answered, “Yes.”
And he replied,
“Then every scribe who has been instructed in the kingdom of heaven
is like the head of a household
who brings from his storeroom both the new and the old.”

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,
The Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
Of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
The Only Begotten Son of God,
Born of the Father before all ages.
God from God,
Light from Light,
True God from True God,
Begotten, not made,
Consubstantial with the Father,
Through Him all things were made,
For us men and for our salvation
He came down from heaven,
And by the Holy Spirit
Was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
And became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
He suffered death and was buried,
And rose again on the third day
In accordance with the scriptures.
He ascended into heaven and is seated
At the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
To judge the living and the dead
And His kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
The giver life, who proceeds from
The Father and the Son,
Who with the Father and the Son
Is adored and glorified,
Who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic
And apostolic Church.
I confess one baptism
For the forgiveness of sins
And I look forward to the resurrection
Of the dead
And the life of the world to come.
Amen.

Presentation Hymn: Seek Ye First

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness,
And all these things shall be added unto you;
Allelu, alleluia.

Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek, and ye shall find.
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you;
Allelu, alleluia.

Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word
That proceeds from the mouth of God
Allelu, alleluia.

Communion Hymn: Eye Has Not Seen

Refrain

Eye has not seen; ear has not heard what God has ready for those who love him; Spirit of love, come, give us the mind of Jesus, teach us the wisdom of God.

When pain and sorrow weigh us down, be near to us, O Lord, forgive the weakness of our faith, and bear us up within your peaceful word.

Refrain

Our lives are but a single breath, we flower and we fade, yet all our days are in your hands, so we return in love what love has made.

Refrain

To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is ever near,
reflected in the faces of all the poor and lowly of the world.

Refrain

Sending Forth: Glory And Praise To Our God

Refrain

Glory and praise to our God, who alone gives light to our days. Many are the blessings He bears to those who trust in His ways.

We the daughters and sons of Him who built the valleys and plains, praise the wonders our God has done in every heart that sings.

Refrain

A Prayer From The US Conference of Catholic Bishops

For all who have contracted coronavirus,
We pray for care and healing.

For those who are particularly vulnerable,
We pray for safety and protection.

For all who experience fear or anxiety,
We pray for peace of mind and spirit.

For affected families who are facing difficult decisions between food on the table or public safety,
We pray for policies that recognize their plight.

For those who do not have adequate health insurance,
We pray that no family will face financial burdens alone.

For those who are afraid to access care due to immigration status,

We pray for recognition of the God-given dignity of all.
For our brothers and sisters around the world,

We pray for shared solidarity.

For public officials and decisionmakers,
We pray for wisdom and guidance.

Father, during this time may your Church be a sign of hope, comfort and love to all.

Grant peace.
Grant comfort.
Grant healing.

Be with us, Lord.
Amen.



OUR LADY OF
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Almighty and Everlasting God, the eternal salvation of those who believe in You, hear us on behalf of Your servants who are sick, for whom we humbly beg the help of your mercy, so that, being restored to health, they may render thanks to you in your Church. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen

Prayer List

Anita Barclay, Campbell Berger, Katherine Berger, Bethany Ann Boltz, Eddie Booth Sr., Logan Bowers, Clement Boney, Patrick Webb Brownlie-Carey, Noli Causay, Teresa Coleman, Lee Cooley, Peter Cooley, Anita Cowart, Lemuel Dickinson, Daniel Dorriety, Marquitta Dukes, John Dumas, Teresa Dumas, Johnny Finch, Shelby Fletcher, Raymond Floyes, Louise Frontz, Tim Frontz, Janet Gafford, Gracie Galindo, Jose Galindo, Tony Golemon, Billy Kenny, MaryAnn Keith, Liz Kilborn, Steven Kuszynski, Shirley Lacy, Michael Langan, Alfred Leonard, Margie Lord, Rodney Lundy, Mary McKeough, Patricia McRoy, Craig Miley, Archie Moore, Elaine Moore, Wally Neese, Tiffany Neese, Darlene O'Rourke, Alex Paneda, Lita Paneda, Scott Peck, Glenda Pose, Glenda Pouyadou, Ursula Quintana, Kaitlyn Reynolds, Dorothy Sanchez, Simon Schum, Cindy Snow, Larry Snow, Tootie Spikes, Curtis Steiner, Rita Steiner, Todd Stringfellow, Barbara Thomas, Max Edward Thomas, Katelyn Tillman, Tyler Upton, Norma Vilanueva, Anna Visperas, Rudy Visperas, Ida Vraelz, Sallie Washington, Albert Washington, Heather Washington, Darlene Watson, Brad Wells, Bubba Williams, Agnes Worley, Bobby Zarate.

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