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July 21, 2019 – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Holy Mass

WEEKENDS Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 7:30 AM - Spanish 10:00 AM - English

> WEEKDAYS Mon, Wed, Thu, Fri 7:30 AM

Major Feast Days (Holy Days): As announced

CONFESSIONBy appointment.

Warm welcome NEW PARISHIONERS

St. James parish welcomes all newcomers. Please contact the parish office to register.

OFFICE HOURS Mon, Tues, Thu, Fri 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Closed Wednesday

PAROCHIAL TEAM

Pastor Rev. Jacob

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Parish Secretary Juanita L. Martinez

Director of Religious Education Anna Castillo

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> Cursillistas Vocal Elfida Garcia

Faith Ministry Pres. Yolanda Maldonado

> Spanish Choir Tony De La Rosa

English Choir Margaret Smith

Bulletin and Website R. Anthony Hinojosa

MISSION STATEMENT:

The Catholic community of St. James Church is made up of loving and sensitive members seeking to meet their spiritual needs, strengthen their faith, and affirm their continued existence as the church of Jesus Christ today and tomorrow. In their quest to evangelize, it is their mission to assist everyone toward a more abundant experience of the riches of their liturgy and sacraments, and to convince all of Christ's sheep that the Lord's Day is indeed for all.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOLIDARITY FUND FOR THE CHURCH IN AFRICA

There will be a Second Collection today for the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa.

OFFICE HOURS

The new hours for the parish office are open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and will be closed on Wednesdays from hereafter.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS MEETING

There will be a Eucharistic Ministers Meeting on Wednesday, July 24th at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Martha Cuellar for being this year's recipient of the Diocese of Corpus Christi Evengelii Guaudium from St. James Church. Thank you, Martha, for your joyful service to St.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sanchez for the \$1,000 donation to the Building, Repair, and Maintenance Fund (BRM).

CHURCH HYMNALS

We have received the new Church Hymnals. The office staff has started putting labels on the hymnals. If you are interested in buying hymnals there are many still available at the cost of \$20 each, please write or type the information as you want it to appear on the hymnal. We have forms available at the back of the church. We would ask you to place the written or type information with your telephone number and money in a sealed envelope. Please hand the envelope to an Usher or put it in the collection basket.

FORMS

Forms for Mass Intentions, to Schedule Baptisms and Church **Registration** are available at the back of the Church. Please add your telephone number to all forms, place in an envelope and put in the collection basket or hand to any Usher.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

July 14, 2019

Envelope Collection \$1,541.20 Loose Collection 443.00 Children's Fund 50.74 Total \$1,984.94

Second Collection

Religious Education Fund \$267.28

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 20

5:00 PM + **Johnny Ramirez** by Jan and Longie Berdan

+ Francisca C. Ruiz by ElfIda Garcia

Sunday, July 21 7:30 AM

+ Isidro Cruz by Family

Alberto Noriega in Memory of 16th Anniversary

By Maria Hilaria Noriega and Sons

Domingo Garcia by Elfida Garcia

Delfina Huerta by Rogelia Silvas

Estella Guzman in Memory of Her Birthday

By Garces Sisters

10:00 AM Ana Maria Paredez by Margaret Smith

Meridith Beltran by Family

Tony Guerrero, Jr. by Abdon and Juanita Martinez

Monday, July 22

7:30 AM + **Londa Trial** by Paul Trial

Jeff Trial for His Health by Paul Trial

Wednesday, July 24 7:30 AM

+ Londa Trial by Paul Trial

Jeff Trial for His Health by Paul Trial

Thursday, July 25

7:30 AM

+ Londa Trial by Paul Trial

Jeff Trial for His Health by Paul Trial

Friday, July 26

7:30 PM

Londa Trial by Paul Trial

Jeff Trial for His Health by Paul Trial

Sanctuary Candle - Olga Castaneda

AUDITORS

Team V, Sunday, July 21

Elfida Garcia, Juanita Cruz, & Angie Garcia

Team I, Sunday, July 28

Janie Maldonado, Alice Sanchez & Kimberly Cuéllar

Team II, Sunday, August 4

Amy Gonzales & Diana Barrera

Team III, Sunday, August 11

Rosalinda Orozco, Maria Servantes, & Margaret R. Mesquita

Team IV, Sunday, August 18

Teodora Galvan, Virginia Quintanilla, & Chris Silvas

BAPTISM CLASS

Baptism classes for parents and sponsors are held every second Tuesday of the Month at 7:00 p.m. in the CCE Building. All application information MUST be completed before that date. Items needed are: Copy of the child's Birth Certificate and sponsor's proof of all Sacraments if single and, if married, a copy of the marriage license by a Catholic Church. Baptisms will take place after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

LECTORS

Saturday July 20 5:00 PM Elfida Garcia

Sunday, July 21 7:30 AM Rosario Cruz

10:00 AM Gilbert Gonzales

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday July 20 5:00 PM Adam Duran San Juanita Duran Sunday, July 21 7:30 AM Susana Martinez Juanita Cruz

10:00 AM Joe Gomez Luis Hernandez

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday July 20 5:00 PM Autumn Rodriguez

Sunday, July 21 7:30 AM Ryan Martinez

10:00 AM Brandon Guerrero Krislynn Cuellar

XVI Sunday of the Year

Serving those in need and providing hospitality is considered an important Christian virtue. The readings of today reveal the unique insight of generosity given in hospitality that finds its fulfillment. Hence the central theme of today's Mass is hospitality where a person seeks to discover the divine presence in the other. In general, welcoming a guest was and still is an extremely important obligation of people living in the Orient. In the severe conditions of the desert, sometimes finding shelter can be a matter of life and death. Hospitality has been an important custom in several ethnic groups, in many parts of Asia, especially among Muslims and Jews. In the Gospel, we have Martha, Mary, and Lazarus welcoming Jesus to their house and show their hospitality. However, the Lord indicates that such hospitality should be without any anxiety but filled with service and love. The first and the third readings of today are set within the context of ancient near eastern customs of hospitality. Abraham discovers the presence of the divine messengers in the three visitors. These customs were very much wrapped up in the understanding of boundaries regulating the actions and activities of both men and women. In the second reading from the letter to the Colossians Paul speaks of his sufferings for Jesus as he serves the community of Christ while fulfilling his mission.

In the Gospel passage, we see the true model of hospitality where Jesus is the guest. The house of Mary, Martha and Lazarus seems to have been a place where Jesus was always welcome and where he could find shelter when things were getting too hot in nearby Jerusalem. Luke indicates that Jesus was welcome there as he was a constant visitor and the presence of Lazarus is not mentioned. The incident described concerns the two sisters only. The story tells us that there were certain customs regulating the activities of men and women while showing hospitality to guests. Generally, it was not permitted for a woman of the household to sit with the male visitor or engage him in conversation. They would just extend a greeting and stay discretely away when the male guest was present. Martha is upset that her sister has broken the boundary by sitting at the feet of Jesus, listening to his words. This was equivalent to Mary assuming the role of the man in the house, certainly not an acceptable situation. Martha does her best by requesting Jesus to send her into the kitchen for the preparation of the food and also follow the custom. The shock comes when Jesus indicates that he is well aware of what Mary has done. Not only does it not bother him, he applauds her for it. He clearly says that she has chosen the better thing. The shock of Jesus' response cannot be overstated. He tells Martha that both the things, namely service, and listening are important and both of them manifest service and they are equally praiseworthy.

The Gospel tells us that Mary sat at the feet of Jesus listening to him. That meant real listening, which is love in action and hard work. Most people do not listen well and often our listening is selective, with preset agenda in mind. Martha, on the other hand as a good host, was preoccupied with the task of providing hospitality. Jesus' gentle, loving and inoffensive correction of Martha was directed at her being preoccupied to the point of distraction about many things. The problem was not that Martha was just working but that she was obsessed with working. She wanted to be an extremely good host. Jesus spoke to Martha those often misunderstood words that apply to all of us. There is need of only one thing and Mary has chosen it. Jesus while speaking of the choice made by Martha and Mary did not refer to the two states of life contemplation and action and that contemplative life was better. Jesus in fact never wanted work to be separate from prayer. He wanted a balance between action and contemplation and both are necessary and important. Work and prayer have become a solid Christian tradition. St Ignatius in the Spiritual Exercises calls this Contemplation in Action.

When he went to Martha's home, Jesus did not forget to also give a gift to her sister Mary: he also gave her the grace to put herself in his service, but a different service, one proper to her person. Mary received the grace of listening attentively to the word of the Master. Mary listened to Jesus speak, and the grace she received made it possible for her to understand and to meditate this word, which is none other than

the Word of God. While Martha was busy in the service of the home, Mary remained in the service of the Word of God. Martha did not seem to understand that there can be different ways to serve the Lord. So she asked Jesus if he found it normal that her sister, unlike her, did not do any housework and she should be helping her. Martha would have preferred that Mary were like her and would also did housework. But, in fact, Martha was wrong. It is not Mary who should be like her, but rather Martha who should be like Mary. And Jesus wanted her to understand this and told her that she was anxious and troubled about many things; one thing was needful. Mary had chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her.



1) "Peace of mind." "Burnout" has become a term everybody knows, because we see people around us collapsing into numbness and addiction -- if not to alcohol or drugs, to television or pleasure or to the rat-race of getting ahead. It's little wonder that a USA Today poll a couple of years ago showed that an overwhelming majority of people from all walks of life, when asked what they wanted most from life, replied "peace of mind." The tale of two sisters from Bethany, today's Gospel, tells us how to have it

2) John 12:21: There is a time-honored story about a newly ordained young priest fresh out of seminary who was assigned to his first parish in a small, farming community. Each Sunday he preached exegetical sermons that had nothing to do with the lives of the people. In fact, over the years the village congregation had become quite patient and tolerant, gifted with the task of training young priests in the realities of Church life. Months went by, and then one Sunday the elderly sacristan who prepared the sanctuary for the Mass left a note on the pulpit. "Read John 12:21." That's all it said, John 12:21. Well, the young priest arrived in the sanctuary to prepare for the morning's Mass. He saw the note on the pulpit which read "John 12:21." A curious thing to find in the pulpit, he thought. So, he quickly thumbed through his Bible and found the passage which read: "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." (Merlin T. Batt, http://www.trucc.org/sermons/020302.htm). In today's Gospel story, while Martha was busy preparing to feed Jesus, Mary wanted to see Jesus and listen to him.

3) C priorities: A time-management guru, a professor in the business school at Harvard, speaks about A, B, and C priorities, and then he notes that too many people spend too much of their time on the C priorities! And then he asks, "Why do you think that is?" The answer is that the C priorities are, first, much easier to accomplish, and, second, give you the impression that you are actually getting something done. In other words, you can keep busy with the C priorities all day and never get to the more important things. The lesson from Mary and Martha is "Don't let the good (the C priorities) get in the way of the best (the A priorities).) Sound like anyone you know? (Dr. James Rueb, Overcoming Busyness).

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

1) Why do we believe that the Bible is an inspired book

It is <u>not</u> because a) It inspires me. b) Bible itself says that it is inspired. (Sacred Scriptures of Hindus and Muslims too make similar claims and most of the Bible books don't make such a claim). c) "The Holy Spirit tells me the Bible is inspired." (It is a subjective argument).d) "We are "convicted" that it is the word of God, and we get a positive "feeling" that it is inspired, and that's that." (It is also a subjective argument). The Catholic position. As the first step we prove the reliability of the Bible insofar as it is history. From that we conclude that a Church with infallible teaching authority was founded by Christ. And then we take the word of that infallible Church that the Bible is inspired. Without the existence of the Church, we could never know whether the Bible is inspired. The Church infallibly teaches that the Old Testament books are also inspired because Jesus and his apostles believed in them as inspired books and taught that truth. The New Testament books are recorded and inspired history of Jesus and his Church. Inspiration of the Bible means that the Holy Spirit as principal author of Sacred Scripture influenced the sacred writers in three ways: 1) He illuminated the mind of the sacred writer. 2) Holy Spirit moved the will of the sacred writers to write freely, though infallibly, what God wished. 3. The Holy Spirit aided the sacred writers in the work of composition. Additional sources:

- 1) http://www.catholic.com/library/Proving_Inspiration.asp
- 2) http://www.cathtruth.com/catholicbible/inspire.htm
- 3) http://www.catholic.com/thisrock/2005/0510fr.asp

PRAY FOR THE SICK

With care and compassion, we pray for:

Jewelia Beth Gonzalez, Christopher Cardenas, Anthony Angel Cardenas, Guadalupe Benavides, Albert Cardenas, Jr., Jim Nelson, Joe Adrian Moya, Catherine McKeowm, Kristina Elena Garcia, Eva Dominguez, Chris Ulmer, Roxann Gleason, Frank Riojas, Jessie Riojas, Joe Anthony Martinez, Armando B. Perez, Lino Garcia, Katy Rendon, Denice Hadwin, Patty Stone, Ascension Carrizales, Lupe Abrigo, Lulu Martinez Watson, Tabitha Rendon, Mary Longoria, Jessie Martinez Jr., Roman Flores, Santos Lopez, Caroline James Ries, Edward Silva, Adrian Sampayo, Aurelio Guajardo, Tonya Sciba, Kenneth Sciba, Nieves Moreno Jr., Jessica Arrisola, Mary Carrizales, Norma Delgado, Juanita Maldonado, Dora Lopez Bernal, Richard Espinosa, Emo Aleman, Robert Hernandez, Nieves Cardenas, Laurie Lawrence, Anselmo Garcia, Jr., Josefa Aleman, Crystal Arciba, Francisco Trevino, Patricia Servantes, Mary Guerrero, Jose Salazar, Elisa Vidauri, Genevieve S. Trevino, Viola Rangel, Oralia Aleman, Ricardo Trevino, Sandy Rios, Nieves Moreno, Dawn Bieber, Lori Baldillez, Cristobal Servantes, Jose Nahom Lugo, Timmy Lopez, Juanita Alvarado, Deacon Juan Vasquez, Viola Maldonado, Madison Pena, Ricardo Trevino, Jr., Daniel Loya, Sandra Urquizo, Jesse Contrerras, Miquel Hemandez, Nell Jamison and to all at Christus Spohn.

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