Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. - Lk 10:38-39
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Save the Dates!

5 K Race 8/24/19
Parish Picnic 8/25/19
Golf Outing 9/13/19 - new location
   Oak Brook Hills Golf Course
Blue and Gold Gala 2/8/20
Jesus visits With Martha and Mary

When Jesus visits the home of his friends Mary, Martha and Lazarus, Mary sits at Jesus’ feet listening to him. Her sister Martha is busy preparing dinner and serving it. When Martha complains that Mary is not helping, Jesus tells her that Mary is fine. “Mary has chosen the better part...” (v. 42).

Martha was right: Mary, a woman living in first-century Palestine, should have been up and about cooking and serving. But as in so many other instances, Jesus ignores the social norms of his times. He tells Martha, and all of us, that it is often more important to be a listener than a doer.

Jesus wants us to be attentive to his presence, not only by spending time in prayer but also by recognizing him in the people we encounter, especially those in need. Unfortunately, we are sometimes so intent on getting the grass cut that we just give a wave to our out-of-work neighbor. Or we’re so busy getting a late dinner cooked that we miss the opportunity to talk to an eight-year-old who is having a really bad day.

There are always a dozen things that need to be done, and at least half of them need to be done right now. Jesus is telling us to prioritize. And when we prioritize, people always come first. So we look at the situation: overgrown grass, hungry kids, a concerned neighbor and a worried child. We know the grass can wait, and the kids won’t starve. We go over to the neighbor or sit down with the child, and we listen.

When all is said and done, what does it matter if your house is immaculate and the beds are always made, or the garage is so clean you can see your face in the concrete? The bottom line is always about relationships.

Jesus is telling us how important it is to take time from our busy schedules to spend time with him in prayer, yes, but also to take time to engage in attentive listening to those in need.

Family Response

As a family, practice attentive listening. Have someone talk about a problem he or she is having at work or school. Make sure no one interrupts until the one who is speaking has finished his or her story. Ask questions to better understand the situation. Suggest solutions only if the person asks for them.

Personal Response

Think of someone you know who is a good listener. What qualities make him or her that way? How good a listener are you? How can you be better?
Martha and Mary are the focus of this weekend’s Gospel, which abounds with rich themes about hospitality, service, and finding the right balance between action and prayerful attention to the Lord. Christians who are good stewards of their faith life realize that if they are too busy to enjoy peaceful, private time with the Lord, then something is out of balance in their spiritual lives. If we make time for Mass, but then carry on with our busy schedules without prayer, meditation and reflection, we are missing out. If we find ourselves anxious and harried by life’s routines, could it be a sign that something in our spiritual life needs some serious attention?

A CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Collection 7/14/19: $30,571.31
Weekly Goal (Fiscal Year 19/20): $29,500.00

Goals to Date:
Sunday Goal to Date: $59,000.00

Collections to Date:
Sunday Collection to Date: $59,482.65

Total Over Goals to Date: $482.65

Thank you for your support and generosity, especially during the summer months.
Second and third rows of scaffolding hold cider block as the process moves the wall to the ceiling. Once this wall is joined to the old ceiling to bear the weight of the existing building, the far east wall will be demolished to make way for the new gym space.

New wall—This perspective shows how much of the existing gym, approximately 70%, (behind the wall to the left) will be dedicated to the multi-purpose space. This narrow space is the area that will be demolished when the east wall comes down and will be a part of the new gym. Picture is taken from where the old south emergency stairs had been towards the north emergency stairs.

New wall with interior window and door openings. This perspective is looking from the multi-purpose space towards the new gym.

With the new wall in place, work was to begin midweek to take down the old roof over the new gym space. The first hole in the roof is in this picture just to the right of the steel girder. Once the roof is off, the far east wall will start coming down, hopefully this week. Next step, we will begin digging the foundation for the new space.
MONDAY, JULY 22, 2019
6:15 AM - Communion Service

TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2019
6:15 AM - Frank Matus req. Art & Mary Anne Bostwick
Jack Byrne req. Esther Byrne

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2019
8:00 AM - Pat Simoncelli req. Lou Simoncelli
Rory A. Neill req. Adam Walsh Family

THURSDAY, JULY 25, 2019
8:00 AM - Bob Modrzynski req. Mauser Family
Jim Hill req. Mike & Mary Signer

FRIDAY, JULY 26, 2019
8:00 AM - Marty McGowan req. Mike & Mary Signer

SATURDAY, JULY 27, 2019
8:00 AM - Lawrence Huene req. Kathleen Keable
4:30 PM - Lawrence Huene req. Maureen Miller

SUNDAY, JULY 28, 2019
8:00 AM - Thomas Tylutki req. Joyce & Woody Cunningham
10:00 AM - Robert Tylutki req. Judy Bogdanski
12:00 PM - Gerald Wilczynski req. Wilczynski Family
6:00 PM - Maryann E. Trawczynski req. Cathy Prochazka

TODAY’S READINGS
First Reading — Abraham shows hospitality to three visitors (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).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Tuesday: Ex 14:21 — 15:1; Ex 15:8-10, 12, 17; Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28; Mt 13:1-9
Thursday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28
Friday: Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23
Saturday: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Mt 13:24-30
Sunday: Gn 18:20-32; Ps 138:1-3, 6-8; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13
**Around the Parish**

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

The beautiful flower arrangement this weekend is in honor of

**JACK AND JEAN WALSH’S 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

**Congratulations!**

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**Baptism**

St. Mary of Gostyn Parish Family welcomed the following child to the Catholic Faith through the Sacrament of Baptism recently:

**Charles Martin Karnia,**
son of Richard & Dana Karnia

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**Need to Fulfill Service Hours?**

**Come Help in the SMG Children's Garden!**

The rain has been heavy and the sun has been hot, so the weeds are flourishing in the SMG Children’s Garden. Join us for weed pulling and general clean up on two consecutive Sundays - July 28 and August 4, from 9-11 am. Please use the link below to sign up for a date and time. Water and snacks provided. Children under 10 should be accompanied by an adult. If you have gardening gloves, please bring them.

**Thank you and see you in the Garden!**

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0844ADABE02A02-smgchildrens

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**MEMORIAL GIVING CARDS**

Attending wake services can be a very stressful time for all parties concerned. As visitors, we generally try and buoy the emotions of the family that lost a loved one by sharing stories, experiences, and anecdotes about how much the deceased had touched our life. We genuinely celebrate the impact the departed made in the success of the organizations they worked at or participated in. You want to be comforting, but words fail. You want a remembrance that is lasting, but flowers wilt.

Often times, funeral announcements will convey family wishes that, in lieu of sending flowers, those inclined to such a gesture be given the opportunity to support a cause near and dear to the heart of the person who has gone on to his/her eternal reward. Examples include the American Cancer Society, St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital, or a local Hospice organization. In addition, families often designate a school or parish to receive such funds.

We are pleased to announce that if you choose to honor a loved one to whom St. Mary of Gostyn Parish or School has been major influences in their life, our local funeral homes now have cards available to carry out those wishes. We have met with officials from Adams, Winterfield, & Sullivan, Toon, Hallowell & James, Modell, and Knollcrest Funeral Homes. All you need to do when making arrangements for a loved one is tell them you prefer St. Mary’s Parish or School be the recipient of monetary expressions of grief.
The following persons have requested prayers from our parish community:

Jaclyn Golly   Pat Metzger Noonan   George Metzger   Clara Christiaens   Richard Bade
Dan Jirus     Jeanmarie Starshak   Krysler Dulek     Frank Davis     Buddy Davis
Linda Randazzo   Julie Worsch  Missy Tepe          Lorie Travis     Anna Bandur
Spencer Mehr   Mark Gowgiel  

In Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy to the families of
Richard A. Heidecke
Laurel Iturrieta
Mary Smrz
Deacon George Soloy

Pray for our Military

Let us pray for all of our military personnel, especially the men and women of our parish who are serving in harm’s way:

Kevin Braasch  Michael Martel  Natalya Brechlin  John Svoboda
Christopher Fountain  Nathan Kijowski  Bob Lang  Zachary Frano
Timothy Randazzo   Kyle Ng          Christopher Randazzo  Joe McSweeney
Maggie Benhart  Kevin Hanlon

MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

The most fulfilling little Ministry at St. Mary’s!

Bring Homebound Sunday Communion after 8am Mass.

Visit 4 - 6 homes per week.

Please contact Deacon Bob at 630-969-1063 Ext. 244

Presider Schedule for Saturday, July 27th and Sunday, July 28th

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Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, and Altar Servers, please consult your online personal schedule and email reminders for assignments.
41st Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass

The 41st Annual Diocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, August 18 at 2 pm at the Cathedral of St. Raymond in Joliet. Couples celebrating anniversaries of 25 years and more, are welcome to attend. Bishop Conlon will celebrate the Mass and will lead all couples in a special renewal of wedding promises. Those who bring a camera can also have a special picture taken with the bishop on the occasion of their anniversary. Please register as soon as possible by calling the Office of Family Ministry at 815-838-5334 or register online at https://conta.cc/2Jed044.http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/familyministry/

COME AND SEE - VOCATION DISCERNMENT RETREAT

AUGUST 9-11, 2019

Catholic men between the ages of 18 to 45 are invited to a vocation discernment retreat at St. Procopius Abbey, Lisle, IL from Friday, August 9 (4:00 PM) through Sunday, August 11 (1:00 PM). The retreat is an excellent opportunity to discern God’s calling while participating in the monastic life at St. Procopius Abbey. Learn more about seeking God in community life according to the Rule of St. Benedict. Attendance is free, but space is limited. Contact Fr. James Flint at vocations@procopius.org for more information or to reserve a spot.

DuPage Habitat for Humanity

DuPage Habitat for Humanity and Thrivent Financial is seeking volunteers to partner in a Faith Build to build one of 27 townhouses in the Greenbrook Tanglewood Neighborhood of Hanover Park. There will be volunteer opportunities, both construction and non-construction. Faith Build is an ongoing event through December 2019 with build days available Wednesday through Saturday.

If you are interested in putting your faith in action in a concrete way by making a difference in a local family’s life, contact Paul J. Jarosz (SMG parishioner & DuPage Habitat Board member) at 630-852-0204.
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This Week

Monday / 22
6:30 PM Rosary Church

Tuesday / 23
6:00 PM Legion of Mary Small Conf. Rm
6:00 PM Prayer Group Chapel

Wednesday / 24
6:30 PM 6 PM Choir Rehearsal Church

Thursday / 25
1:15 PM Small Christian Communities Living Room

Friday / 26

Saturday / 27
9:00 AM St. Vincent de Paul Society Large Conf. Rm.

Sunday / 28
1:30 PM Communal Baptism Church
4:30 PM 6PM Choir Rehearsal Church
7:00 PM Youth Ministry Hummer Park

St. Vincent DePaul Benefit Food Pantry

DONATE ONE CANNED FOOD ITEM OR DONATE $1.00 AND BOWL ONE GAME FOR FREE

SUBURBANITE BOWL

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NEW PARISHIONERS: We are happy to welcome new members to our community, and encourage you to register either in person at the Parish Office, or register online through our website, www.stmarygostyn.org.

BAPTISMS: St. Mary of Gostyn offers baptismal preparation sessions on a monthly basis. If this is your first child, you will need to participate in a baptismal preparation session before you can receive a date for your baby's baptism.

Parents are the first and primary educators in the practice of the Faith. Godparents play an important role in the faith life of your child. While considering godparents for your child, be aware that at least one must be a baptized and confirmed Catholic who is active in his/her faith. Please call the parish office at 630-969-1063 to register for a preparation class and to schedule a baptismal date.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process of welcoming and preparing adults for the Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation - for full membership in the Catholic Church. Unbaptized adults, adults baptized in another Christian faith, and baptized Catholics with little or no formal religious education are invited to participate. Please call the Parish Office for further information.

ANNULMENTS: We are available to help anyone who is in need of information about how to apply for an annulment. Please contact the Parish Office at (630)969-1063.

LITURGY of HOURS: Morning Prayer (Lauds) is prayed Monday through Saturday following the morning liturgies.

SACRAMENT of ANOINTING: The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is available at regularly scheduled liturgies throughout the year, or by appointment. You may ask the presiding priest before any Mass for an anointing. Communal Anointing Masses are held on the 1st Saturday of the month in August, December and April at the 8:00 AM Mass.

The Eucharist will also be brought to those who are ill, upon request. Please notify the Parish Office if members of your family are in the hospital or homebound.

FUNERALS: Arrangements are usually made by the Funeral Home or by a family member. A member of our Bereavement team will meet with you to plan the Funeral Liturgy. Eulogies can be given at the Wake Service, Interment at the Cemetery or at the Funeral Luncheon, but not at the Mass of Christian Burial.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance to provide ample time for preparation of this sacrament.

PRAYER GROUPS: Monday evenings at 7:15 PM in the Parish Center; Tuesday evenings at 6:00 PM in the Parish Center chapel.

ROSARY DEVOTION: Monday through Saturday, 7:30 AM in the church; Rosary will begin at 6:30 PM on Monday evenings in the church.

RECONCILIATION: Confessions are heard Saturday, 3:30 to 4:30 PM in church. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also available by appointment. Please call the Parish Office (630-969-1063) to arrange to have your confession heard by a priest.