

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

## ***St. Martha Roman Catholic Church***

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VERY REV. FAUSTO STAMPIGLIA S.A.C., PASTOR      SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2016      16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MASS SCHEDULE

*Church opens 30 minutes before each service and close afterwards.*

**SATURDAY:** 7:30 am & 8:30 am; (**Vigil**) 4:00 pm & 5:30 pm

**SUNDAY CHURCH:** 7:30 am, 9 am, 10:30 am, 12 pm & 5:30 pm

**SUNDAY PARISH HALL:** 8 am (Spanish), & 12 pm (Vietnamese)

**WEEKDAY:** 7:30 am, 8:30 am, 12 pm & 5:30 pm

**HOLY DAY:** (Vigil) 4 pm & 5:30 pm; 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am, 12 pm, & 5:30 pm

**TV Mass**—Sunday, 9:30 am on CW Network. Check your local listings or go to [dioceseofvenice/TVMass](http://dioceseofvenice/TVMass)

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Carosella Chapel:** Tuesdays 9 am - 12 pm; Fridays 9 am - 4 pm

**Church:** 9 am - 5:30 pm on the **first Friday** of the month

**(The Carosella Chapel is open for quiet prayer during office hours.)**

### ROSARY & MORNING PRAYER DEVOTIONS

Rosary is prayed each day following the 7:30 am Mass, immediately followed by Morning Prayer.

Rosary is again prayed before the 12 pm Mass.

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 9 am - 10 am; 3pm - 4 pm in Reconciliation Room

Sunday - Friday: 11:30 am - 12 pm (Church entrance)

### BAPTISM

Classes are held on the 2nd Monday of each month from 7 pm to 8 pm in the Conference Room.

Baptism will take place regularly every Sunday at 5 pm or by appointment with your choice of clergyman.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Saturdays after the 8:30 am Mass

**PRAYER LINE: 941-306-6503**

**From Our Pastor, Fr. Fausto ...**

**MY DEAR FRIENDS,**



**Today's Gospel introduces St. Martha, the Patron Saint of our parish.** Luke is the evangelist in the Sunday "C" cycle of readings from the Gospel, and Luke is called the evangelist of the mercy of God, and the evangelist of women. The ancient world was totally dominated by men, and the so called "machismo" (exaggerated masculine pride) was predominant everywhere; the exception was only for queens or princesses. In the culture of Mediterranean Israel, women sat aside in

the house, did not mingle with, or come in contact with men, unless these men were relatives. The women's social status was inferior to men. Even when we read in the Gospel about the number of people present (for example, at Jesus preaching) we find the curious expression: "5,000 men, not counting women and children," which, even if in this case it is just a numerical expression, shows the fact that women and children did not count. Just think of the social position of women in strict Islamic nations to appreciate what Jesus did. A few years ago, in Afghanistan, the Taliban government closed an Italian hospital only because the women were eating with men in the cafeteria! In today's Gospel, Jesus is going contrary to cultural Israelite norms, first by being alone with women who are not His relatives; then, he teaches women in their home, actually in that section of the house reserved exclusively to women. In Christian literature, much is made of Jesus' remark to Martha: "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and upset about many things..." which had become a proverb in many idioms, and which Fr. Carosella inscribed at the entrance of our Pastoral Center built in 1979: how time flies!

The reason for such notoriety is that the second part of Jesus' remark says: "Mary has chosen the better portion," so that for many centuries we believed that the contemplative life of monks and nuns was a higher state of life than that of a regular "pew-Christian," who had to work and raise a family.

But Jesus was not really saying that: "A dish of couscous would just be enough for me, my dear Martha; do not kill yourself with so many recipes to prepare, just sit next to Mary, in the mutual admiration society." The lesson that Jesus wanted us to learn is that Jesus is number one in our daily living: prayer, reading the Bible, union with Jesus in meditation is the first duty of Jesus' followers; and nothing can excel more than the daily Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, if we can put it first in our daily routine.

**By the way, the two schools,** in Bishop Nevins Academy, are named now for the two sisters of Bethany: St. Martha School and, terminating the "Dreams Are Free at Bishop Nevins Academy", St. Mary (Martha's sister, not our Blessed Mother, whom we all love).

**The Zazarino Center is almost complete!** It will be open by August, just in time for the new school year. Heartfelt thank you to all who have contributed. We have decided to install a new air conditioner for the

entire campus. We will be approximately \$1 million in debt, but "Hallelujah!" the children will have four additional classrooms, a stage and full size basketball court. Thank you to all who have generously contributed. May the good Lord help and reward you for your generosity.

**We have applied for the necessary permits for the new Caritas building on 4th Street.** As soon as we receive them, construction will begin.

**Less than two weeks from now,** Pope Francis will join millions of youth for World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland. The theme for this World Youth Day is "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy." Our very own Fr. Sebastian will be joining the youth from our diocese. Let us pray for their safe travels!

**St. Martha Parish is looking for two or more dedicated people to assist the Diocese in promoting vocations in the parish.** The Parish Vocation Team would help raise awareness, promote prayer for vocations and invite young people to consider the call God might have for them. The Diocese is looking for these volunteers to work closely with the Bishop to help promote new vocations. If God is asking you to use your talents and heart in this direction to serve on the parish team, please email me at [pastor@stmartha.org](mailto:pastor@stmartha.org).

**As you have seen in the last bulletin, our volunteer bulletin editor, Kate Shaver, has retired.** Our finance assistant, Teressa McCoy, will takeover the weekly composition of our Sunday bulletin. Please contact her for all news that you would like to have brought to the attention of the parishioners by emailing her at [bulletinsmc@stmartha.org](mailto:bulletinsmc@stmartha.org).

- Smile, God loves you and so does Fr. Fausto with your St. Martha priests, clergy and staff:**
- Fathers Patrick, Wojciech, Sebastian, Philip & Jerry**
  - Deacons Bill, Patrick, & Kevin**
  - Brothers Bill, Tom, Paul & Lawrence**
  - Sisters Cathy & Marianne**
  - Sara Brinn, Office Mgr./Parish Secretary**
  - Virginia Bray, Music Director**
  - Gina Snode, Bus. Manager/Bookkeeper**
  - Patricia Sileo, Religious Education Dir.**
  - Maria DeSanto, Director of Dev.**
  - Teressa McCoy, Admin Asst./Media Coordinator**
  - Pamela Paulson, Reception/Data Entry**
  - Sabrina Gibson, Reception/Data Entry**
  - Rose Ann Runnells, Tom Patt, Janet Cocco, Sacristans**
  - Miguel Jimenez, Maintenance Supervisor**



**ANGEL'S ATTIC NEEDS CASUAL CLOTHES**

St. Martha CARITAS partners with several agencies to help serve the needy in Sarasota. Angel's Attic is a major source of clothing for the Caritas clients.

Angel's Attic is IN GREAT NEED of clothes. Please consider donating your gently used "casual" clothes to Angel's Attic, located at 1255 Seeds Ave., Sarasota. Their hours are Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday, 10 am to 1 pm. Thank you.



## 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### 2016 St. Martha Summer Activity Week CAVE QUEST



#### *Following Jesus... The Light of the World!*

**July 25 - 29  
9:00 am - Noon**

**For children age 4-10  
Cost: \$50 per child**

**(Scholarships are available)**

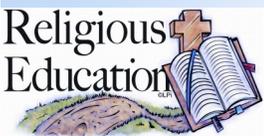
Registration packets are available in the School & Parish Office  
Counselor positions are limited. If interested, contact [msmith@stmarthaschool.net](mailto:msmith@stmarthaschool.net) as soon as possible.

For more information, please contact Patty at 366-4210 Ext. 3236 or [sileo@stmartha.org](mailto:sileo@stmartha.org)



Would you like to help our engaged couples prepare for marriage using your experience? We're looking for a few married couples who would be willing to meet with them, couple-to-couple, perhaps once or twice a month during their preparation process, for one hour each time. All the materials and questions are prepared ahead for team members using the Diocesan-endorsed "Fully Engaged" program. Training will be provided. If interested, call **Deacon Bill Ladroga at 378-7070**.

### ST. MARTHA RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2016/2017



Registration is now open for the 2016/2017 Religious Education classes. Class will begin after the Family Mass in the Parish Hall on September 18, 2016. Families need to be registered parishioners of St. Martha Parish.

Classes are available for children Grades K-12. Registration is available online at [www.stmartha.org](http://www.stmartha.org) or in the Parish Office. For more information contact Patty Sileo, Director of Religious Education at 366-4210, or email: [sileo@stmartha.org](mailto:sileo@stmartha.org)



### ST. MARTHA HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

**Saturday, July 23, join us to celebrate the feast of St. Martha (which falls on July 29).** The Hospitality Ministry will host a celebration in the Parish Center after the 4:00 and 5:30 pm Masses. Wine, beer and snacks will be served. Please join the priests and other parishioners in honor of our St. Martha.

### *This Week in Our Parish*

#### Sun., July 17

11:30 am Confession - Fr. Patrick

#### Mon., July 18 - St. Camillus de Lellis

#### Tues., July 19

6:30 pm Symbolon-Part Two - Conference Rm.

#### Wed., July 20 - St. Apollinaris

#### Thurs., July 21 - St. Lawrence of Brindisi

#### Fri., July 22 - St. Mary Magdalene

8:00 pm AA (Spanish) - Geenen Hall

#### Sat., July 23 - St. Bridget

9:00 am Confessions - Fr. Patrick

9:15 am Legion of Mary - Meeting Room

3:00 pm Confessions - Fr. Fausto

5:00 pm Feast of St. Martha - Fr. Fausto Parish Center



### *Year of Mercy Dec. 8, 2015 - Nov. 20, 2016*

In this Jubilee Year, let us allow God to surprise us. He never tires of casting open doors of his heart and of repeating that he loves us and wants to share his love with us. May the Church echo the Word of God that resounds strong and clear as a message and a sign of pardon, strength, aid and love. May she never tire of extending mercy and be ever patient in offering compassion and comfort.

#### *A letter we would like to share....*

Dear Fr. Fausto,

My husband, Philip, and I would like to sincerely thank you for the wonderful Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion you have placed in Sarasota Memorial Hospital. At a horrible time for me, of five months of surgeries for back and colon issues, two near death experiences on the operating table and two visits to an inpatient physical therapy facility, the one constant and only comfort for the pain and discouragement was the daily visits to me to receive Holy Communion in the hospital. I believe the volunteers also came once to the inpatient physical therapy facility. What a wonderful ministry and we thank you very much that it is available. Sincerely,  
Philip and Emma



### MARRIAGE BANNS

*Joshua McDowell & Andrea Rodriguez (2)  
Tuan Truong & Ngoc Le (2)*



The first reading and Gospel today speak of hospitality and being welcomed. "Every child is a wanted child" is a Planned Parenthood slogan. Yet as psychiatrist Dr. Philip Ney explains, it is not being "wanted" that leads to psychological health, but rather being "welcomed." Being "wanted" means we meet someone else's need or desire; being "welcomed" means there is room for us because of who we are and the dignity we possess, independent of what is going on with anyone else.

### Matthew 25:36 Outreach Opportunity

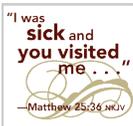


The Diocesan Team Leader at the Sarasota County Jail, Br. Jim Connolly, CFX, is looking for volunteers to visit inmates in the Sarasota County Jail. The opportunity is available every Friday night and open to both men and women.

The visits are not face-to-face—they are through a phone and TV monitor. Please pray about getting involved and meditate on this passage:

***"I was in prison, and you visited me" Matthew 25:36***

If you have any questions, you can contact Br. Jim at 617-872-9714 or [xavbrosv@yahoo.com](mailto:xavbrosv@yahoo.com)



### HOSPITAL EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION ARE NEEDED!

**WE CARE ABOUT YOU...CALL US WHEN YOU ARE SICK**

One of the Corporal Works of Mercy highlighted during this Jubilee Year of Mercy is: VISIT THE SICK.

Receiving Holy Communion when you are in the hospital can be very comforting. We need more volunteers to take Communion - once a month, or once a week - to those in the hospital. Please help; if you can find time for the sick, call Calvin Kreider at 928-6995

You can also let the parish Hospital Ministry know if you or a loved one is taken to the hospital by calling the Parish Office. We would like to visit and bring you Holy Communion. Please let us know.

### THE ARIMATEANS OF ST. MARTHA



The name, Arimatheans, comes from St. Joseph of Arimathea, who tended to our Lord, after his death. Arimatheans are caring parishioners who attend funerals and memorial Masses as representatives of the faith community. We are seeking a committed group of parishioners, who would accept this call to represent the St. Martha Faith Community at funerals and memorial Masses. If an Arimathean minister is available for a particular Mass, he/she simply will attend the liturgy.

If you feel you might be interested in joining this new ministry, please call Cindy at 941-544-8117.



**SYMBOLON**  
THE CATHOLIC FAITH EXPLAINED

**SYMBOLON PART II  
DISCUSSION GROUP**

**TUESDAY, 6:30 PM. IN ST. MARTHA CONF. ROOM**

Date	Session	Topic
July 19	Catholic Social Teaching	Building a Civilization of Love

[www.symboloncatholic.org/register](http://www.symboloncatholic.org/register) Parish Code: b5f2cc

### ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL

At Bishop Nevins Academy

(Formerly Dreams Are Free Catholic School)

In 2001 St. Martha Church opened its doors to a new school for children with special needs, using the second floor classrooms utilized for catechetical studies. When Bishop Nevins Academy was completed, *Dreams are Free Catholic School* was transferred to the newly opened facility, and established itself as one of the finest special needs schools in the greater Sarasota area. On July 1, 2016 Dreams Are Free Catholic School's name was changed to **St. Mary Catholic School**. The name change stems from their belief in the value to have a name with strong Catholic identity.

St. Mary of Bethany is described as a spiritual scholar, an effective evangelist and a grateful giver. She was sister to Martha and Lazarus and known for sitting peacefully at Christ's feet, listening to His teachings. You can see how fitting it is to have Saints Martha and Mary of Bethany together on one campus.

**School Mission:** St. Mary Catholic School develops a strong foundation of faith, values and education for students with special learning needs while aspiring to challenge each student to achieve their potential.

St. Mary Catholic School's motto (**FIRE**) represents the school, teachers and students...

**F**aithful to *God*,  
**I**nspired to *Serve*,  
**R**espectful of *Others*  
**E**ngaged to *Learn*

Please pray for their continued success as an important part of our Bishop Nevins Academy.

### Farewell Reception for Br. Paul Kelley

**Tuesday, July 19, 2016 at 12:00 pm**

**Br. Geenen Friendship Hall**

Please join us for a farewell reception for Br. Paul Kelley as he has been assigned to Notre Dame at the end of July. We are thankful for all his time here with us at St. Martha and send with him all our love and prayers as he begins this new mission!

*A people who do not take care of their elderly and their children have no future  
because they will not have memory and will not have a promise.*

## Upcoming Events

**Annual Back-to-School Migrant Shoe Campaign**—It's time again annual Children's Back-to-School Shoe Campaign. Your donation of \$10 will provide a gift certificate that will give a migrant or needy child the opportunity to select the style and size of the shoes he or she would like to wear "Back to School" this fall. Your donation may be sent to: SHOES C/O Stillpoint House of Prayer, PO Box 619, Bradenton, FL 34206.

**Women of Grace 2016 Retreat**—August 5-7 at Ave Maria University, Ave Maria, FL. Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy: Our Refuge on the Battlefield of Life. Presenters: Johnette Benkovic, Fr. Joh Paul, Mary Zeller, MFVA; Susan P. Brinkman, OCDS, Thomas K. Sullivan. For more details go to [www.womenofgrace.com](http://www.womenofgrace.com)

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**—August 12-14, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat Center, Venice. Husbands and wives spend immense amounts of time on their job, careers, children and leisure; how much time do they spend just for themselves as a couple? They deserve to learn how to make the most of their time and relationship. Attend this Marriage Encounter and find out how! Information? Go to [WWME.org](http://WWME.org) or call Pat and Debbie Powers at 813-270-7832.

**Parish Vocation Ministry**—is a new initiative of the Vocations Office to promote a culture of vocations in every parish in the Diocese. The Parish Vocation Team would be dedicated to raising awareness for vocations to the priesthood and religious life, promoting prayer for vocations and inviting young people to consider the call God has for them. If you would like to be part of this important ministry, please contact the Vocations Director, Fr. Eric Scanlan, with your name, parish, and phone number at [scanlan@dioceseofvenice.org](mailto:scanlan@dioceseofvenice.org) or call the Vocations Office at 941-411-1124.

**Election Guide**—The Florida Bishops have approved a guide for pastors and parishes intended to encourage Catholic clergy and laity to facilitate the involvement of their faith communities in appropriate election related activities. These activities are designed to increase parishioner interest in the policy issues that will characterize election year debates, to focus their attention on candidate positions and encourage them to exercise their right to vote. To access the guide, available in English and Spanish, please visit <http://www.flaccb.org/election-activities-and-guidelines>

**Theology on Tap**—For young adults (18-39) to learn about the faith while building community. In the Venice area, Theology on Tap presents the "Upper Room Coffee House," every Tuesday evening, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm, at Epiphany Cathedral in Venice. For more details, call the Diocese at 484-9543.

In Today's Gospel, Jesus and His Apostles are on their way to Jerusalem for Passover. In other words He is journeying to His Crucifixion and Resurrection. It is important for us to keep that in mind. He stops in Bethany to visit Martha and Mary. Bethany is only two miles from Jerusalem, so there is a strong sense of foreboding if we keep that in mind.

However, the focus of this reading is on many other issues and items usually. Nevertheless, as is always the case in Holy Scripture, there is a stewardship message for us here. We could cite hospitality as both Martha and Mary in their own ways welcome Jesus and make Him at ease.

The first and main message for us is that the Lord was welcomed into their home. Each of us is a potential home for Jesus. Do we welcome Him? Or are we too busy with our own pursuits, our own distractions, to find a time each day to welcome the Lord into our homes, our very being? There are so many people who cannot seem to find time for the Lord. They are so busy that Jesus never even gets into their houses. Rather than debate whether Martha or Mary do the right thing, we should first make sure that our Savior is welcomed into our hearts each and every day.

Catholic Stewardship Consultants, Inc.



**Prayer Line: 941-306-6503**

### **Decimosexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario 17 de julio de 2016**

Ese mismo Cristo es el que nosotros predicamos cuando corregimos a los hombres y los instruimos con todos los recursos de la sabiduría, a fin de que todos sean cristianos perfectos.

— *Colosenses 1:28b*



### **CUIDA TU POSTURA**

Nuestra postura es muchas veces un indicio de nuestra hospitalidad y reverencia por el Señor. Observa las acciones de Abraham cuando saludó al Señor en presencia de tres hombres que aparecieron cerca de su tienda. Corrió desde la entrada de la tienda a saludarlos. Se postró en tierra a su encuentro. Él y Sara, su esposa, se apresuraron a preparar una comida y llevarle alimento y agua a sus invitados.

En el relato del Evangelio, María, la amiga de Jesús, se sentó a sus pies para escucharlo hablar.

¿Cómo le damos la bienvenida y reverenciamos al Señor? ¿Qué demuestran nuestras acciones? ¿Recordamos la presencia del Señor en el Santísimo Sacramento? ¿Cómo le damos la bienvenida al Señor en las lecturas de las Escrituras? ¿Cómo reconocemos su presencia en nuestros hermanos y hermanas, tanto en la Misa como después?

Ya sea que nos arrodillemos, nos pongamos de pie o nos sentemos ante la presencia del Señor, que nuestro corazón y nuestra mente esté siempre en sintonía con él.

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