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SUNDAY MASS

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

DAILY MASSES

Daily Masses at
St. Francis Xavier Church &
Our Lady of the Lakes Church
in New Milford.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday at 4:00 p.m.
at St. Francis Xavier Church in New Milford.
Anytime by appointment. Call 860-354-2202.

MISSION STATEMENT

As part of the Archdiocese of Hartford facing the needs of a changing society and changing Church, aware of our uniqueness embracing the towns of Washington and Roxbury with many weekend residents as well as full-time resident families, conscious of being blessed with material and natural bounty, recognizing the special opportunities available in the setting of small towns dedicated to the spirit of ecumenism, we see our mission to live and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ through prayer, especially the Eucharist, through education, supporting parents in their role as the primary educators of their children as they prepare for their first reception of the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist, and Confirmation, through social action building community among parish members, reaching out to Catholics not affiliated with the parish, and cooperating with the other churches in our towns, especially in addressing the needs of the community with a particular emphasis to reach out to those with special needs.

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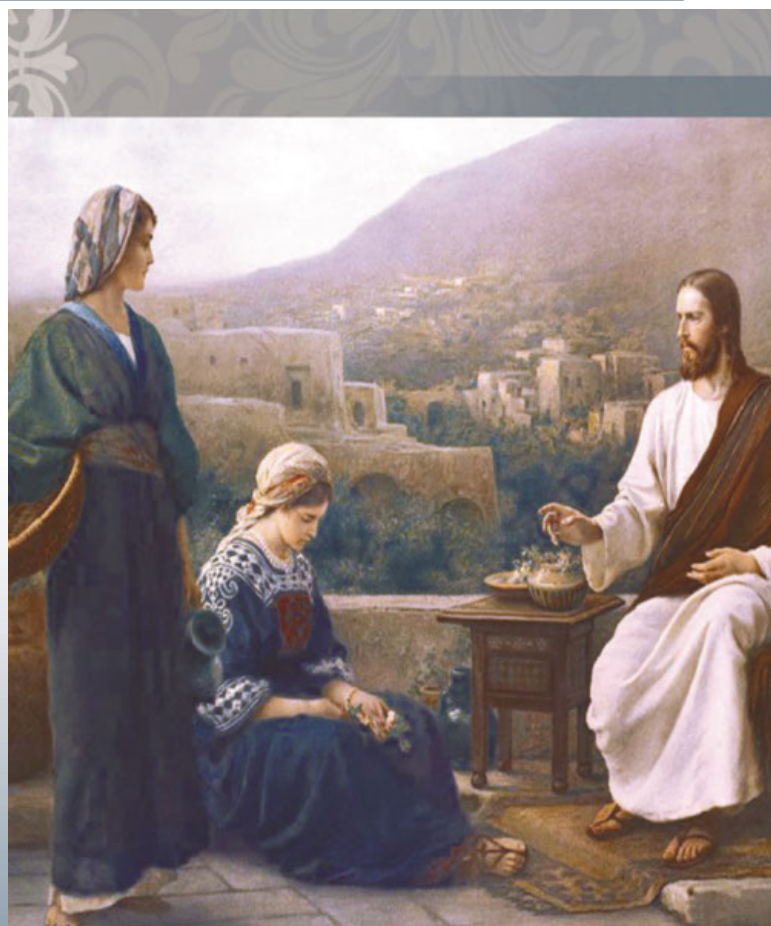
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16th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

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

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY JULY 20

10:00 a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Raymond Kozak+
req. by his wife, Suzanne, & family

SUNDAY JULY 27

10:00 a.m. Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Michael Fitch+
req. by the Fitch family

**A ROSARY FOR PEACE IS SAID EVERY
SUNDAY AT 9:30 A.M. AT OUR LADY.
NOW, MORE THAN EVER, WON'T YOU COME AND
PRAY WITH US?**

MINISTER OF THE WORD

Christine Kersten

**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP COLLECTION
July 13, 2025**

Sunday Collection	1,262.
Online Giving	<u>612.</u>
Total	1,874.

May God bless you in your generosity.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Are you like Martha in the Gospel today, anxious and worried about many things? Learn how to make Jesus a part of your marriage and take your worries away. Participate in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience.

August 15-17, 2025

**Holy Family Retreat Center, West Hartford, CT
September 19-21**

Huntington, New York

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee.

For more information or to apply,
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at 860-337-2447 or <https://www.mectw.org/>.

**"LITURGY & LUNCHEON"
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Saturday, August 2nd**

Mass at 11:00 followed by lunch at 12:00
and a talk given by newly ordained Fr. Martin Chouinard.
An opportunity for Eucharistic adoration will follow.
St. Joseph's Residence/Little Sisters of the Poor,
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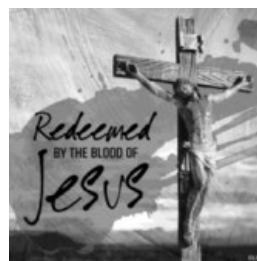
**July 20, 2025
16th Sunday in Ordinary
Time
Luke 10:38-42**

One of my close friends is a hermit priest who lives on a desert mountain. Recently I found myself in a group conversation about him. One vehemently objected, "What does he do up there all day?"

Nothing! Priests are down here working, running parishes, making a difference, and he...he is doing nothing! What a waste." The words dripped with indignation and resentment. Most of the group quietly nodded in silent agreement. Were they correct?

No! To see why, consider a similar scenario in this week's gospel. Jesus visits his friends Martha and Mary. A hard-working and exasperated Martha complains to Jesus that her sister is attending to him rather than to urgent household tasks. Our Lord, rather than praising hospitality, explicitly celebrates the less-productive sister for doing the "one necessary thing." He praises her for she "has chosen the better part" (Luke 10:42). Mary is busy doing what matters.

Before we freak out like Martha, consider that all work—domestic, manual, professional, ministerial, contemplative—is done to help us (sooner or later) to experience the love that makes us happy. We should be thankful for those who focus on the "better part" of radical, ceaseless prayer. They invite us to remember the purpose of all work is the enjoyment of love. Contemplatives, hermits, anyone fervently committed to prayer—they invite us to cast aside our forgetful, resentful, and self-aggrandizing attitudes in exchange for hearts ready to do what is finally necessary. — *Father John Muir* ©LPi



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St. Aloysius, Plantsville, Monday 10-12 PM

Prince of Peace, Woodbury Monday 10-12 PM

Online (Virtual), Woodbury Monday 10-12 PM

O.L. of Fatima, Wallingford Tuesday 10-12

Online (Virtual), Thursday 6:30-8:30pm

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Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

They asked Abraham, "Where is your wife Sarah?"
He replied, "There in the tent."
One of them said, "I will surely return to you about
this time next year,
and Sarah will then have a son." (Gn 18:10)

Psalm:

He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord. (Ps 15)

Second Reading:

It is Christ in you, the hope for glory.
It is he whom we proclaim. (Col 1:27-28)

Gospel:

The Lord said to her in reply,
"Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried
about many things.
There is need of only one thing.
Mary has chosen the better part
and it will not be taken from her." (Lk 10:42)

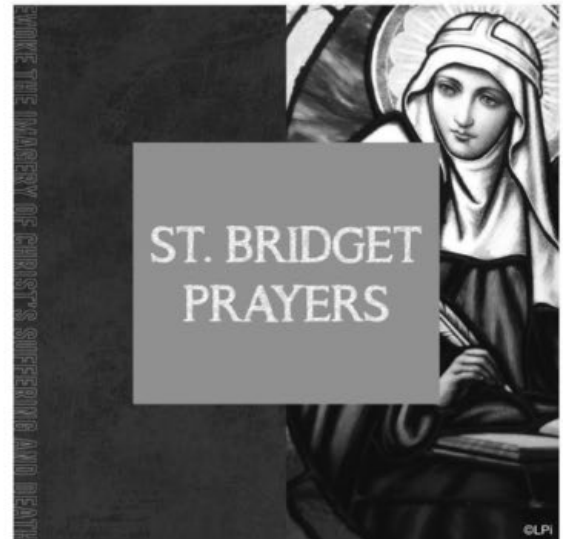
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

In life, there are so many "Marthas" — people and situations that distract us from God. But if we imitate Mary and sit calmly at the feet of Jesus, his Word will guard our hearts from the anxiety of the world.

Observances for the week of July 20, 2025

Sunday:	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Tuesday:	St. Mary Magdalene
Wednesday:	St. Bridget, Religious
Thursday:	St. Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest
Friday:	St. James, Apostle
Saturday:	Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Next Sunday:	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Devotions, Explained!

The St. Bridget Prayers evoke the imagery of Christ's suffering and death, plead for the forgiveness of the supplicant's sins, for a happy death, for fear and love of the Lord, and for a renunciation of worldly desires.

Prayer for Focus

Lord, help me to remember what matters and who matters.
And then help me to prioritize
rightly and wisely, with Your
heaven as my guide.
Amen.

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

by Bud Ozar

Cell phones, emails, faxes, texts and voice mails can reduce our lives to a continual series of interrupted moments. Listen to Jesus in today's gospel: "You are anxious about many things" robbing us of the precious time needed to BE with others. Quality time is QUANTITY time.

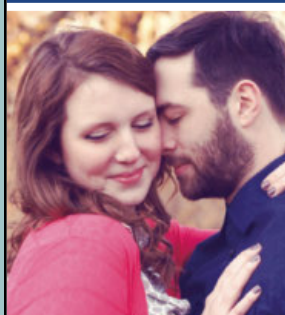
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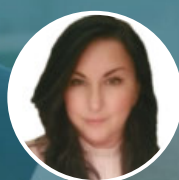
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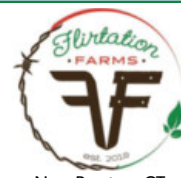


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