

SS John and James Parish

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BAPTISM

Parents must be participating members of the parish for at least three months. Godparents must be participating members of their parish. **For more information and registration please contact our Baptismal Coordinator, Jeanne Gereau at 828-4711.**

PENANCE

Confessions are on Saturdays from 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm and by appointment.

MARRIAGE

Contact the priest at least one year in advance to set a date and make arrangements for marriage preparation



SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please notify the parish (821-7661) when you are admitted to the hospital, suffering from a serious illness, home bound or know someone who is and would like to receive Communion on a regular basis.

ADORATION

Won't You Sit With Me For One Hour? To find out how to receive these **BLESSINGS** please contact Jean-Marie Smith at 230-5286 to schedule your hour. Adoration hours are on Tuesdays from 8:00 am to Noon in the daily chapel in the church.

The Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL READING:

Luke 10:38-42

July 17, 2016

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday thru Thursday: 7:30 am
First Friday: 8:00 am
Civil Holiday Mass: 9:00 am

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am & 9:30 am
Spanish Mass: 11:30 am



July 17—Following 9:30 mass 10/10 club meeting in rectory—drawing
 July 19—SVD Yellow School Bus Project begins
 August 1-5—Vacation Bible School 9am to 1pm
 August 8—Holiday: Mass will be celebrated in main church at 9:00am
 August 14—final day for school bus donations
 August 28—Following 9:30 mass 10/10 club meeting in rectory—collection

**ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY
 GUIDELINES FOR DECORATIONS**

The following is a reminder about the guidelines for decorations taken from the Rules and Regulations for St. Joseph Cemetery. **No shells, stones, or pebbles may be used to decorate graves or lots. No glass jars, solar lights, bottles, tin cans, crockery or earthenware pots are permitted. No pin-wheels, banners, toys, small statues, vigil lights, balloons, or bric-a-brac of any description are permitted either in planting area or placed on or affixed to monuments. Please note that Mylar balloons will stain the monument. Any article of this nature placed on plots will be removed without notice. Any of these smaller items may be easily moved or windblown and present a hazard to maintenance crews and visitors.**

**MASS WITH HEALING SERVICE
 AT SS JOHN & JAMES
 SATURDAY, AUGUST 20 AT 11:00AM**

SS John & James Parish invites all to celebrate a Mass with healing service on Saturday, August 20 at 11:00am. Lunch will be served in the school cafeteria following the Mass. Both areas are handicapped accessible. Please RSVP no later than August 13 to Dillia Sylvester at 828-6790 or Normand Plante at 828-0520.



BAPTIZED INTO GOD'S FAMILY!

Congratulations to the proud parents and godparents of **HENRY CHARLES GOLEMESKE** who was recently baptized into God's family. *Your parish family rejoices with you!*



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing." Martha was caught up in a whirlwind of her own making. She stressed herself out with all the tasks and chores she thought she had to do to host Jesus, but Jesus wasn't the one who expected all of that. He just wanted Martha's presence, her company and friendship. His only expectation was that Martha would prepare for him her heart, but she was fixated on preparing her home instead.

How often do we create a similar whirlwind in our lives? How often do we fixate on external details, on making a good impression, on having all appearances looking just so, but forget what really matters? How often do we make ourselves "anxious and worried" about all we think we have to do? **In today's Gospel Jesus calls us to stop the frenetic activity of our lives, to pause and listen, imitating Mary "who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak."**

This can seem impossible. We look at our calendars and our to-do lists and cannot find a single slot in which to squeeze quiet prayer or silent spiritual listening. But Jesus asks us to reorganize our priorities. He tells us, "There is need of only one thing." Really, Jesus? Have you seen our lists!? What can we possibly eliminate? Don't we need to do all of this?

The Lord says no. **What we need to do is to make time to be with Him. The same Lord who turned water into wine and fed five thousand men with five loaves of bread and two fish can also multiply our time. So instead of being like Martha who tried to tell Jesus what to do-"Tell her to help me"-let's be like Mary who listened to what Jesus had to say.**

"God is a Father who forgives. His mercy is greater than our sin."

—Mother Teresa

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