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Mass

MONDAY-FRIDAY: 8:00AM
SATURDAY VIGIL: 5:00PM
SUNDAY: 7:30AM, 9:00AM,
11:00AM, 5:00PM



Eucharistic Adoration

**MONDAYS &
WEDNESDAYS:**
8:30AM - 9:00PM

Parish Directory

PARISH OFFICE: 440-526-1686
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Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



Monday, July 21, 2025

8am Frederick & Marie De Pompei
(Linda De Pompei)

Tuesday, July 22, 2025

8am Ginny Mone *(Todd & Stephanie Sikon)*

Wednesday, July 23, 2025-

8am Ralph De Santis *(Renee De Santis)*

Thursday, July 24, 2025

8am Joseph Pickett *(Martha Pickett & Family)*

Friday, July 25, 2025

8am Deceased Members of the Dziwis and Kantor Families *(The Di Scenna Family)*

Saturday, July 26, 2025

Wedding: Brian Wygonski-Kristen Brocco
(Fr. Ryan Mann)

5:00pm David Trepes *(Mary Lou Trepes)*
(Fr. Mann)

Sunday, July 27, 2025

7:30am Parishioners of St. Basil *(Fr. Liptak)*

9am Jerry Holderbaum
(Mike & Nancy Wawzyniak (Fr. Mann)

11am Robert Middleton *(Wife & Son)*
(Fr. Liptak)

5pm Thomas & Patricia Neff and Stanley & Sabina Bugaj *(Mary Pat & Dale Bugaj)*
(Fr. Liptak)

Welcome



Offertory July 13, 2025

Regular weekly collection \$35,891.75

Monthly maintenance \$3,183.00



Thank you for your continued support!



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 27, 2025

1st Reading: Genesis 18: 20-32

2nd Reading: Colossians 2: 12-14

Gospel: Luke 11: 1-13

*"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet,
and a light unto my path."*



Mission Appeal For the Foundation for Children in Need

August 9-10, 2025 at all the weekend masses Dr. Geetha Yeruva, FCN, co-founder of the *Foundation for Children in Need* will be here to share her experiences and the work that is being done with the Foundation of Children in Need.

The Foundation for Children in Need was founded by Dr. Geetha and Tom Chitta in 2002 in Arlington Heights, Illinois, USA.

Foundation of Children in Need (FCN) is a not-for-profit organization with 501 (C) 3 tax exempt status. It's because of their connection with India there grew a desire to help those in need.

Presently, FCN is sponsoring nearly 1600 children and college students and 100 elderly in the States of Andhra, Pradesh and Telangana. FCN also addresses various needs such as medical care, health education, women development and others.

Please give generously to help those in need.

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Food Pantry: End of the month food and household supplies for the Food Pantry is **July 26-27, 2025.**

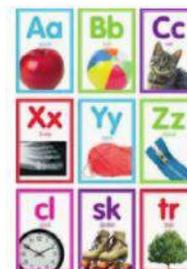


Don't forget to pick up a green grocery bag, this weekend, **July 19-20, 2025.**

*****Checks should be made out to St. Basil the Great.** Don't forget our fur babies! Dog and cat food is also needed and appreciated. Please place dog/cat food in separate bags.



Alphabet Flash Cards Collection For I'm In Ministry



August 16
Parish Center

email Robin Youngs
@ryoungs@basilthegreat.org

9:00 -
10:00
AM



Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays & Wednesdays
8:30am-9:00pm

sign up for an hour or to be a substitute at bulletin@great.org

Eucharistic Adoration
Mondays & Wednesdays
8:30am - 9:00pm
Spend time with the Lord.



Grandkids Lunch
Wednesday, July 30
St. Basil Parish Center

11:30 EAT LUNCH
12:15 MAGIC SHOW

Bring a brown bag lunch.
Cookies and ice cream provided.

All seniors with or without grandchildren are welcome to join in the fun!

MAGICIAN RICK SMITH JR.

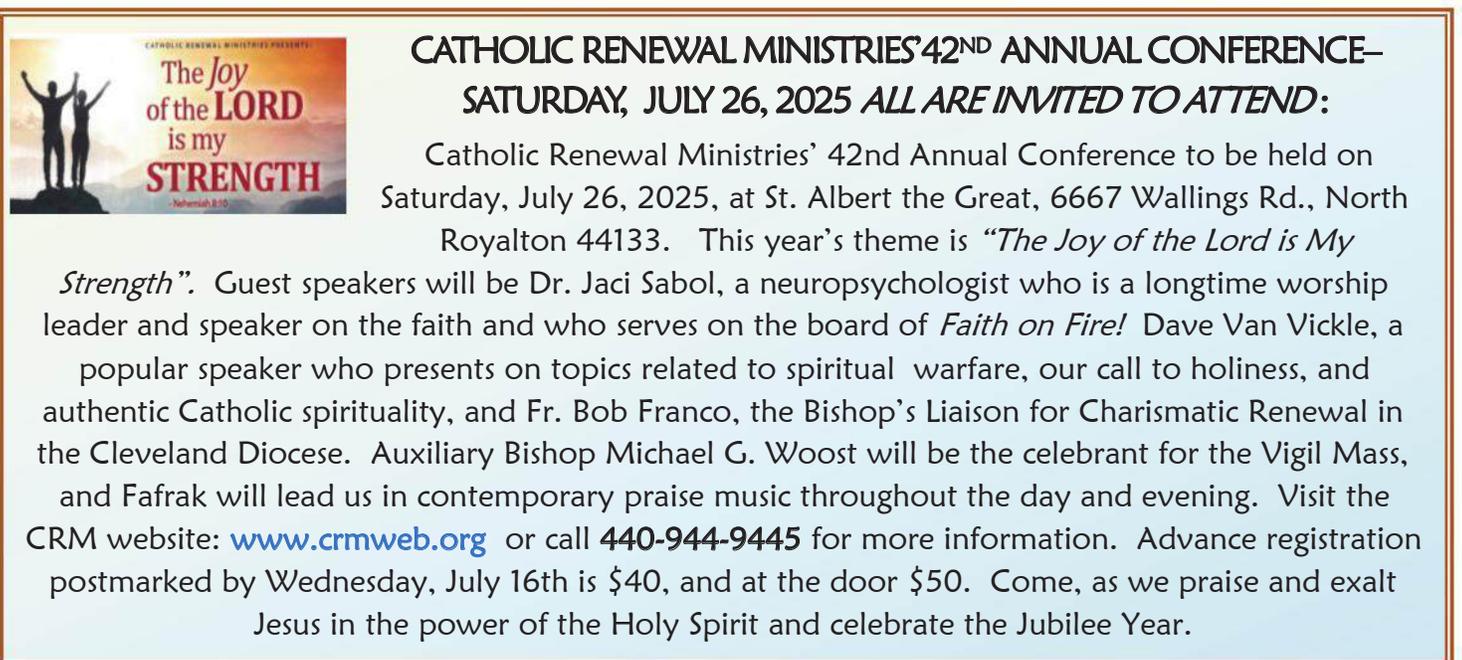
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CATHOLIC RENEWAL MINISTRIES' 42ND ANNUAL CONFERENCE— SATURDAY, JULY 26, 2025 ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND:

Catholic Renewal Ministries' 42nd Annual Conference to be held on Saturday, July 26, 2025, at St. Albert the Great, 6667 Wallings Rd., North Royalton 44133. This year's theme is *"The Joy of the Lord is My Strength"*. Guest speakers will be Dr. Jaci Sabol, a neuropsychologist who is a longtime worship leader and speaker on the faith and who serves on the board of *Faith on Fire!* Dave Van Vickle, a popular speaker who presents on topics related to spiritual warfare, our call to holiness, and authentic Catholic spirituality, and Fr. Bob Franco, the Bishop's Liaison for Charismatic Renewal in the Cleveland Diocese. Auxiliary Bishop Michael G. Woost will be the celebrant for the Vigil Mass, and Fafrak will lead us in contemporary praise music throughout the day and evening. Visit the CRM website: www.crmweb.org or call 440-944-9445 for more information. Advance registration postmarked by Wednesday, July 16th is \$40, and at the door \$50. Come, as we praise and exalt Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit and celebrate the Jubilee Year.

Children's Faith Formation



2025 - 2026 Registration is open!

CFF (formerly PSR) is for children entering
Kindergarten - 8th grade.

Please visit basilthegreat.org/cff for more information
and to register online.



Taste of St. Casimir's



"Cleveland's Number One Traditional Polish Food Festival"
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Saturday, July 26th - Polish Food Extravaganza

Festival Hours from 2PM - 10PM

Ample A-La-Carte menu featuring a wide variety of Polish favorites
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Polish Beer Garden & "St. Casimir's own *Cytrynowka*"
along with full bar, water, tea, coffee, and pop.

Bi-Lingual English/Polish Vigil Mass (counts for Sunday)
at 5PM in the Church.

Live Polish Music by John & Mark Sleszynski from 2PM - 5PM
Tom Mrocza & The Music Box Band live from 6PM - 10PM.

Sunday, July 27th - Bi-Lingual Mass - 11:30AM

Festival Follows from 12:30PM - 7PM

Ample A-La-Carte menu featuring a wide variety of Polish favorites for you to
mix and match plus plenty to satisfy your sweet tooth!

Polish Beer Garden & St. Casimir's own *Cytrynowka*"
along with full bar, water, tea, coffee, and pop.

St. Casimir's own Tony Czekanski & the Northcoast Mix
performing from 1PM.

***** \$5 Admission Fee at gate redeemable for food and beverage purchases

**** Feel like giving us a hand and volunteering? Give us a ring! It's great fun and greatly appreciated!

*** Church tours available each day during the festival. Pilgrim Virgin Fatima Statue will be present.

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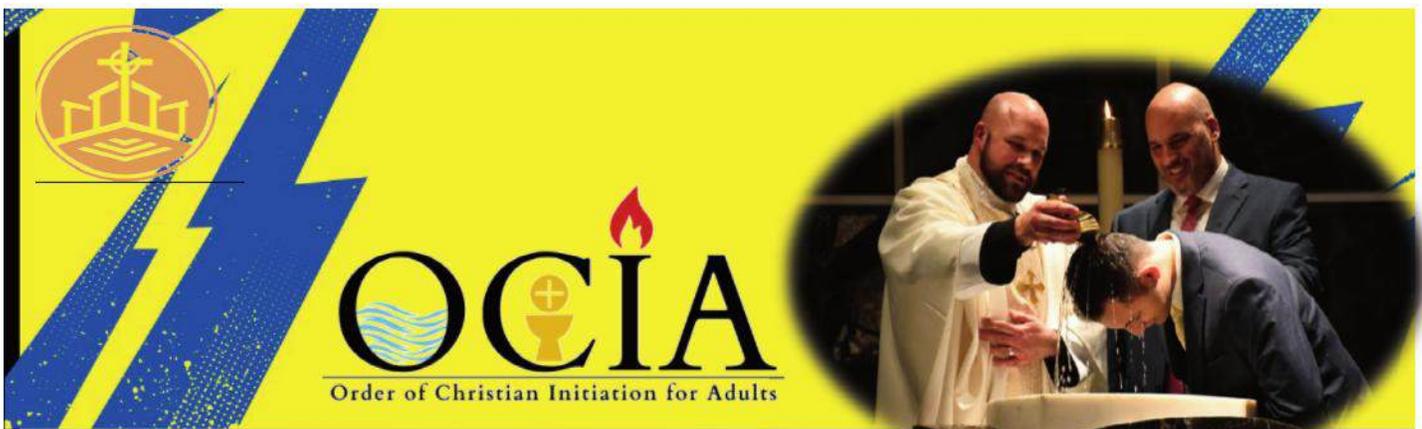
Terri Shawhan, D. Min., retired
from the Diocesan Tribunal
where she worked on
Declarations of Invalidity of
Marriage (annulments). She
is available at the parish to work
with parishioners who wish to
petition for an annulment.

Please contact her at the parish
office at: 440-526-1686.

This is a FREE service.

There are NO fees charged
for annulments.

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The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) begins on Monday, September 8, 2025.

Are you interested in sharing your Catholic faith? Consider serving in OCIA! Help guide others on their journey to Jesus Christ and His Church through accompaniment and support. Discern God's calling for you to be part of this rewarding ministry.

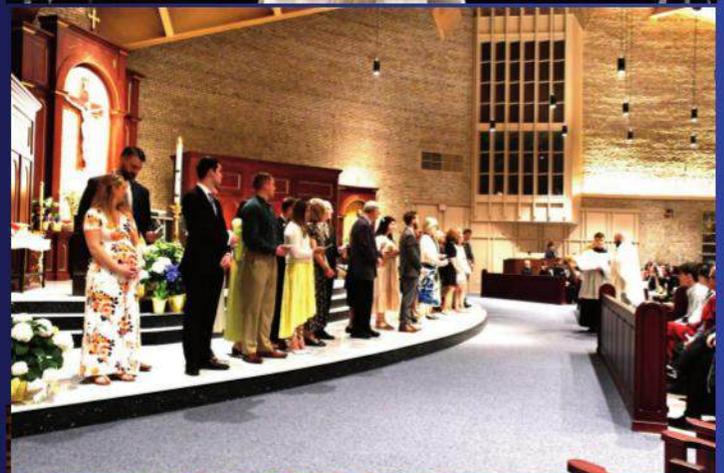
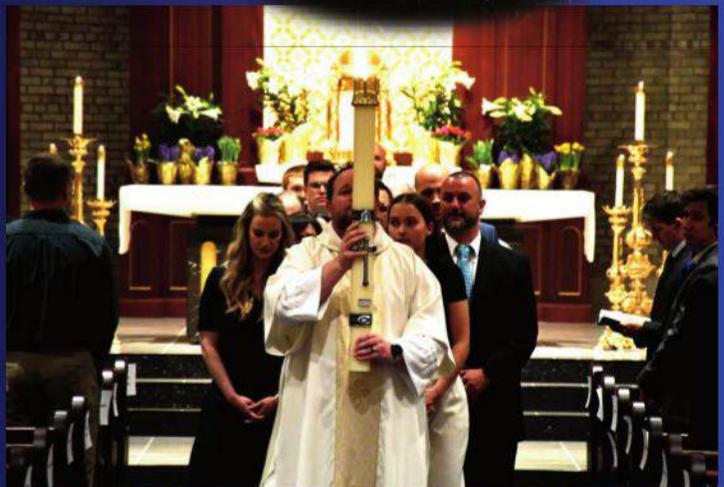
Do you know someone curious about the Catholic faith? Invite them to explore OCIA! Share the joy of our faith and welcome them to discover the beauty of the Catholic Church.

If you do not invite them, then they will not come. We need and want your help spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ.

Contact Fr. Liptak for details on how to join or refer a friend.

Phone: 440-373-7560

Email: JLiptak@BasiltheGreat.org



Join our Music Ministry

Choirs resume in September!

Contemporary Choir -
Rehearses Tuesdays @ 6:30pm
Sings at 5:00pm Mass on Saturday

Resurrection Choir
Rehearses as needed
Sings at all Parish Funeral

Sunday (Traditional) Choir -
Rehearses Thursdays at 6:00pm
Sings at 9:00am Mass on Sunday

Children's "Christmas" Choir
(Ages 5-Grade 8)
Rehearses Tuesdays at 5:30pm
Sings on Christmas Eve at 4:00pm

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The FEST

Sunday, August 3, 2025
Noon -10:00 pm • Wickliffe, Ohio



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Come together in prayer, with My Daily Prayers!






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THE MINISTRY OF THE TRAVELING STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA



Have you signed up lately to have the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima in your home? Especially with Lent coming up, what a perfect time to bring your petitions to Our Lady of Fatima!

Please call the rectory at **440-526-1686** if you would like to. The schedule is for one week.

The prayer theme is for **Peace, Unity** and **Love** within each home and within the parish. In addition, you can add any intentions and/or petitions you and your family want to make to our Lady and receive graces for you and your family. May is the traditional month to pray the rosary at home with our families. October is the month of the rosary to Our Lady—but anytime is a perfect time to bring the Statue of Our Lady of Fatima to your home to pray the rosary for *your special intentions.*

Our Lady of the Rosary, Pray for Us!



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7PM @ THE ANNEX

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July 17; Aug 21

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Cub Scout recruitment events

Learn about our programming,
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Wednesday, August 13, 5:30 - 7:00 pm

Brushwood Lake, Furnace Run, Summit Metroparks

Meet up for fishing and a family barbeque.
For those who join the pack, earn your
fishing adventure award.

Wednesday, August 27, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Family Life Center, St. Basil's, Brecksville

Join us for our official recruitment open
house. Meet Cub Scouts through fun
activities and try the climbing wall.

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Free Lunch and Speaker

Tuesday, August 5, 2025

12:00 pm

Mount Alverna Village 6765 State Road, Parma,
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Life Enrichment Area

TOPIC: Accessing Your Benefits: Benefits Check-up and More

Presenters: Charletta Foote and Megan Docteur

Senior & Adult Benefits Program Specialist for Cuyahoga County Division of Senior & Adult Services.

You must RSVP Michelle Young at mmyoung@franciscancommunities.org or 440-663-3301

Looking forward to you participating in this event.





Lectio Divina is a traditional Christian practice of scriptural reading, meditation, and prayer aimed at fostering a deeper relationship with God. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) promotes this method as a way to engage with the Bible.

Key Steps of Lectio Divina:

1. **Lectio (Reading):** Read a passage of Scripture slowly and attentively.
2. **Meditatio (Meditation):** Reflect on the text, considering its meaning and implications.
3. **Oratio (Prayer):** Respond to God in prayer, expressing thoughts and feelings inspired by the reading.
4. **Contemplatio (Contemplation):** Rest in God's presence, allowing the message to resonate within.

Purpose and Benefits:

- Encourages spiritual growth and understanding of Scripture.
- Fosters a personal dialogue with God.
- Enhances prayer life and meditation practices.

The USCCB provides resources and guidance on implementing Lectio Divina, emphasizing its role in personal and communal prayer. For more information, visit the USCCB website or consult their publications on prayer and spirituality.

The Four R's of Lectio Divina

Lectio (Reading)

Take your time and read the passage. Get a sense of what it is saying. Read the passage a second time. Listen for any words or phrases that strike you, and listen in your heart.

Meditatio (Reflecting)

Read the passage again, slowly. As you pause on the words or phrases that strike you, take time to consider what the word, phrase, or passage means, particularly in your life.

Oratio (Responding)

Read the passage again, slowly. Consider now how God has spoken to you in this passage and respond back to Him. You may want to consider how this passage is asking you to act differently.

Contemplatio (Remaining)

Now take some time to simply remain in the presence of God.





Lectio Divina for the Sixteenth Week in Ordinary Time

We begin our prayer:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Show favor, O Lord, to your servants
and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace,
that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity,
they may be ever watchful in keeping your
commands.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

(Collect, Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reading (*Lectio*)

Read the following Scripture two or three times.
Luke 10:38-42

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. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." 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."

Meditation (*Meditatio*)

After the reading, take some time to reflect in silence on one or more of the following questions:

- What word or words in this passage caught your attention?
- What in this passage comforted you?
- What in this passage challenged you?

If practicing *lectio divina* as a family or in a group, after the reflection time, invite the participants to share their responses.

Prayer (*Oratio*)

Read the Scripture passage one more time. Bring to the Lord the praise, petition, or thanksgiving that the Word inspires in you.



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Contemplation (*Contemplatio*)

Read the Scripture again, followed by this reflection:

What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me?

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. When have I had an opportunity to welcome Jesus into my heart and home? How can I become more welcoming to Jesus in disguise in my brothers and sisters?

Tell her to help me. When have I found it difficult to ask for help? Who needs my help this week?

You are anxious and worried about many things. What is causing me worry or anxiety right now? How might my faith help me in dealing with worry and anxiety?

After a period of silent reflection and/or discussion, all recite the Lord's Prayer and the following:

Closing Prayer:

One who walks blamelessly and does justice;
who thinks the truth in his heart
and slanders not with his tongue.

Who harms not his fellow man,
nor takes up a reproach against his neighbor;
by whom the reprobate is despised,
while he honors those who fear the LORD.

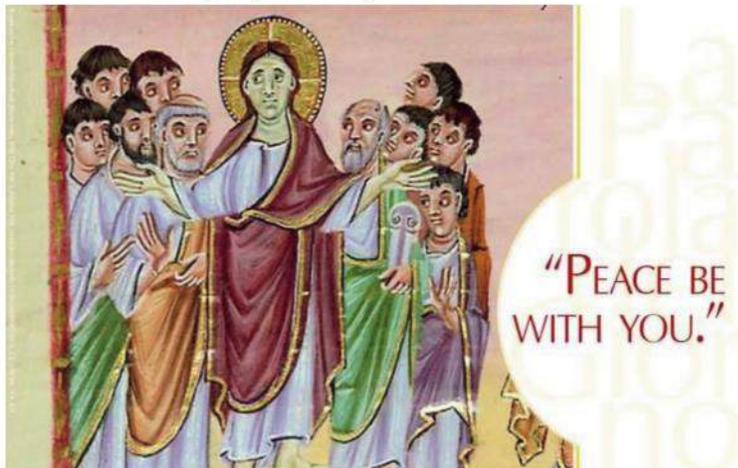
Who lends not his money at usury
and accepts no bribe against the innocent.
One who does these things
shall never be disturbed.

(From Psalm 15)

Living the Word This Week

How can I make my life a gift for others in charity?

If possible, take time this week to pray and share faith with a group of family or friends.



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The Diocese of Cleveland's

"Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior. Also, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at: 216-334-2999 or via email at: response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org.



Prayer for Spiritual Communion

You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen

In Loving Memory



HELEN MAE NOWAK

Mother of Mary Jo Jun

July 10, 2025

*We remember all of our deceased loved ones.
May they rest in peace.*



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In this week's Gospel, we have the well-known story of Mary & Martha. At first glance, I always thought this Gospel passage was unfair

to Martha. Without her there would be no meal, no clean home, and, since Martha invited Him, no Jesus. Yet Jesus rebukes Martha and praises Mary since she has "chosen the better part." Upon reflection, I've come to believe that Jesus is not saying that Martha's work is unimportant, but that Mary's listening is the higher priority. Our lives require a balance of work and prayer and Jesus is urging us to keep prayer as our highest priority. As life changes and we potentially have new job demands, children, or other responsibilities, life can feel overwhelming and busy. In those moments, we are likely tempted to be Martha, "burdened" by trying to get it all done. However, this does not excuse us from prayer. We cannot be Martha and become so focused on errands, housekeeping, and work that we excuse ourselves from daily prayer, sacrifices, and Sunday Mass. On the flip side, we cannot be Mary all the time and spend all day in Adoration or bills will not get paid, meals will not get cooked, and diapers will not get changed. For us to be holy in body, mind, and spirit, we need to find a healthy balance of prayer and work. This balance can only be found through vigilant prayer and discernment. This week, consider asking God for the grace to balance the prayer and receptivity of Mary with the work ethic and sacrifice of Martha in your own life.

-Luke Brown, LPCC



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