



16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 22, 2007

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Mass Schedule:	Sundays	at St. Cecilia's	9:30 a.m.
		at St. Mary's	11:15 a.m.
	Weekdays	at St. Cecilia's	8 a.m. (Mon. Wed. Fri.)
		at St. Mary's	8 a.m. (Thur.)
Confessions:	Sundays	at St. Cecilia's	9 to 9:25 a.m.

Gospel: Luke Luke 10:38-42

The lesson of the Martha Mary story reaches far beyond what is happening in the kitchen. We all know who have organized home parties that sometimes you have to have six hands on you to stay pace in the kitchen. But this is different. Martha is a hostess to a guest in her house, and she acts contrary to being a hostess. She places the importance of food above the time she spends with her guest. Therefore she is not present at all. The story teaches the importance of being present to those who have a right to our presence, such as spouses, children, parents, parish, community, and our world. Too often in this high tech world we live in, we neglect the importance of being present.



Mass Intentions: Week of July 22, 2007

Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Augustine De La Torre
Sunday	11:15 a.m.	Anna Arena
Monday	8 a.m.	Antonio M. Jimenez +
Wednesday	8 a.m.	John Lawson +
Thursday	8 a.m.	Jimmy Millette
Friday	8 a.m.	Dutra Family intentions

From the Pew

Congratulations to Kitty Forstner on her birthday. She just arrived back from Anchorage, Alaska, where she spent two weeks help building homes for the needy. She will be leaving St. Cecilia's parish in August to a new home in Terra Linda. We will miss her and wish her well.

Congratulations to Pavel Kouznetson and Jeanne Serrano. The happy couple married at St. Mary's last Sunday. It was a great wedding.

The youth Day Trip to Santa Cruz Boardwalk is Friday, August 10th. Any youths you may know who might be interested, also if drivers are available, contact me.

Our weddings have increased enormously. It seems our parishes are popular for marriages. The problem now is the preparation that the Diocese requires for Catholic weddings. For example, Marriage Preparation by a married couple, presently we do not have. This part of the preparation is handled by those who have lived a married life and are willing to share it to those who are about to enter the married state. I need a married couple who wish to work in this important ministry. Training is required and the commitment of at least five years. It would involve four sessions in preparation twice a year for those who are preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony. Please consider if you are inclined to be a part of this ministry.

A former parishioner asked me at a wedding last week, "How are they treating you out there?" I said, "They are slowly converting me to Catholicism." 🙄

Three-part Series: The Swiss Guards, the Pope's Police

Part-II: Every May 6th, the oath of loyalty of new recruits is taken in the St. Damaso courtyard within the Vatican City. All dignitary, religious hierarchies, military officers and family members are present for this occasion. The century old Oath reads, "I swear that I will faithfully, loyally and honorably serve the supreme pontiff and his legitimate successor, and also dedicate my self to them with all my strength, sacrificing if necessary my life to defend them." Then one by one, the new recruits are called by name and each one advances and holds his right hand with three fingers open, a symbol of the Holy Trinity. The ceremony ends praying for the assistance of God and His Saints. This is the only military that serves the defense of Christianity. (To-be-continued)

<u>Last week's collections:</u>	St. Cecilia's, Lagunitas	\$ 430.00
	St. Mary's, Nicasio	\$ 220.00
	Total:	\$ 650.00



"The careful keeps it to himself. The careless one throws it away. But the generous one passes it on to others." ... Cardinal Rosales