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*O Gesu' misericordioso, ricevi tutti noi nella dimora del tuo cuore compassionevole e non lasciarci mai allontanare da Te.*

Rev. Thomas F. Vassalotti, Pastor  
Rev. Rafael Perez, Parochial Vicar  
Deacon Carlos Valderrama



## AFFILIATED PRIMARY SCHOOL

Queen of the Rosary Catholic Academy  
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<http://www.queenoftherosarybrooklyn.org>

## PARISH MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00pm English Mass at Saint Francis of Paola Church

Sunday: 8:00am Italian/English Mass at  
Saint Francis of Paola Church

9:30am English Mass at Saint Cecilia Church

10:30am Spanish Mass at Saint Nicholas Church

11:30am English Mass at  
Saint Francis of Paola Church

12:45pm English Mass at Saint Nicholas Church

7:00pm English Mass at St. Cecilia Church

Monday - Saturday

7:45am Mass at Saint Francis of Paola Church

8:30am Mass at Saint Cecilia Church

## WEEKLY ADORATION SCHEDULE

Monday: 11:00am - 1:00pm (St. Francis of Paola)

Friday: 9:00am - 10:00am (St. Cecilia Chapel)

Sunday: 9:30am - 10:30am (St. Nicholas)

## WEEKLY CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 9:00am - 9:30am (St. Cecilia Main Church)

Saturday: 4:00pm - 4:50pm (St. Francis of Paola)

Sunday: 9:30am - 10:30am (St. Nicholas)

OR

Call our rectory office to schedule confession at a time that is convenient for 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.

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## Sunday Collection

Sunday collection for DMP for the week July 4/5, 2016 was \$3,734.00 and July 9/10, 2016 was \$3,452.00.

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## Save the Date

Sun. July 17/31	Silent Meditation 8pm St. Cecilia's Chapel
Sat. Aug. 27	Violin Recital at St. Francis After the 5pm Mass
Sat. Sept. 17	Witness to Mercy Series: Patti Kelly

# 16° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Este domingo la primera lectura nos narra la misteriosa visita de tres personajes que llegan a la tienda de Abraham el que se desvive por atenderlos, su hospitalidad es de primera clase. Se preocupa de recibir a sus visitantes con un succulento banquete desde que llegan su actitud de servicio y disponibilidad son asombrosos. El centro fundamental de la narración es la promesa del hijo. ¿Qué podemos aprender de Abraham sobre la hospitalidad? ¿Cómo implementarla en nuestras comunidades multiculturales? Si al menos hoy nos detuviéramos un poquito en ver la manera de cómo nos tratamos los unos a los otros en el aspecto de la hospitalidad -dejaríamos de hacer mal al prójimo y respetaríamos al vecino. ¡Viviríamos en paz y armonía!

En el relato del Evangelio, se nos narra otro aspecto relacionado con la hospitalidad a partir del contraste entre las personalidades de las dos hermanas que reciben a Jesús en su casa. María contempla, Marta actúa. Ambas acciones son buenas, pero, deben tener balance. Hay un dicho popular que dice: "Ni tanto que queme al santo ni tanto que no lo alumbre". Es decir, las preocupaciones de la vida no deben ahogar la semilla de la Palabra de Dios, el vivir siempre en acción, en este caso, impide ver las cosas bellas del Reino. Lo importante de estas lecturas es que tomemos en cuenta lo siguiente. Recibir al Señor que pasa en cada acontecimiento de la vida. Reconocer su presencia en cada uno de nuestros hermanos y hermanas. Saber que siempre el Señor nos acoge en su casa si hay arrepentimiento. ¡Teniendo a Jesús en casa, nada más es necesario!

## Readings for the Week of July 17, 2016

Sunday:	Gn 18:1-10a/Ps 15:2-5/Col 1:24-28/Lk 10:38-42
Monday:	Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16-17, 21, 23/Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday:	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-8/Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday:	Jer 1:1, 4-10/Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17/Mt 13:1-9
Thursday:	Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-11/Mt 13:10-17
Friday:	Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10-13/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Saturday:	Jer 7:1-11/Ps 84:3-6, 8, 11/Mt 13:24-30
Next Sunday:	Gn 18:20-32/Ps 138:1-3, 6-8/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

## A Message from Fr. Tom

We often find an argument between prayer and service, thought and action, reflection and active engagement. Some people say my prayer is my work. We recall the words of Jesus in today's Gospel: "There is need of only one thing." Service to others is part of that 'one thing.' The Lord addresses her—Martha, Martha. He shows that a real affection and sympathy for her dilemma. BUT, Mary's reception of Jesus while seated at his feet is according to Jesus "the better part."

Martha's dilemma contains many lessons for us.

- Work can be an excuse that keeps us from facing deeper issues. Our work can be an excuse that we offer to avoid facing more significant issues particularly regarding our relationships and family.
- We live in a consumer culture which distorts the reality of what it means to serve and to be Church. Ties or relationships are lost if we focus too much on successful events or numbers. The Church must *first* be a community gathered at the feet of Jesus and listening to his voice.

A good test of what we are living can be found in the two significant themes of our two readings. Is the Christian faith for us an encounter with the living God? If this is true; first, we will realize new life coming forth from places we don't expect. It is not our action but the action of God within us or God using us. This is the life given to Abraham and Sarah in their advanced age. Second, we have a new identity. We identify with Christ. The Christian is called to totally identify with Christ. In the most difficult of moments it is the crosses that we carry each day.

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## Ladies Night Out

All moms, grandmas, sisters, aunts and daughters of Divine Mercy Parish are welcome to join us for our second Paint Night on Friday, July 22, 2016 at 7PM in Msgr. Vetro Auditorium. Tickets are \$25.00 and include pizza, soda, coffee and dessert. Raffles will be sold. Space is limited so buy your tickets today. Contact Gianna at 718-782-8565 or via email at [gianna.sciangula@gmail.com](mailto:gianna.sciangula@gmail.com) to reserve your spot.

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## Pray For Vocations

## Visiting Missionary

We welcome Fr. Johnus Cherunilath V.C., a Vincentian Missionary Priest from India, to our parish this weekend to participate in our annual Missionary Cooperation Plan. He is preaching at all the Masses this weekend and will make an appeal on behalf of the Vincentian Missions.

The Vincentian Missionaries, all natives of India, need our help to carry out their many missionary, educational and charitable activities in their missions. They need our special financial support for the training of young men studying for the priesthood.

There will be a special collection today to help the Missionary work of the Vincentian Missionaries. We urge you to be very generous in your mission offering since these Missionaries need our help. If you did not have an opportunity to make an offering today or would like to make an additional offering, you may make your offering through the general parish collection next weekend in a specially marked envelope.

Please keep Fr. Johnus and all the Vincentian Missionaries and seminarians in your prayers. Thank you very much for your prayers and generous financial support.

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## Universal Pre-K for Our Children

The program is for any NYC resident children who turn four years old at any time during 2016.

It is a five day a week, full school day program, hosted at Queen of the Rosary Catholic Academy, located at 11 Catherine Street. The school can now accept registrations directly, and the office is open during the summer on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9AM to 1PM but can make other arrangements if those times do not work for parents.

In order to register, parents must bring the child, the child's birth certificate, two proofs of residence (lease, Con Ed bill, driver's license, etc.) and proofs of the child's immunizations. As long as there are seats available (and, there are today), we can instantly register your child. Call 718-388-7992.

Queen of the Rosary, Williamsburg's Hidden Gem, hosts the neighborhood's best Pre-K program for all. Register today before the seats are all gone!!

16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**GIFTS OF LOVE EMERGENCY FOOD  
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*"For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome..." (Matt: 25:35-36)*

Reflection:

"Our works of charity are nothing but the overflow of our love for God. Therefore, the one who is most united to God loves others the most. To understand and practice this, we need to pray, for prayer unites us with God and overflows upon others. **Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta**

Specific items needed this week: **Coffee/Tea**  
Food Pantry Coordinator and Volunteers

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**St. Francis of Paola Church  
Memorial Gifts – July 17, 2016**

**BREAD & WINE**

Elizabeth Santaniello by Ciuffo Family

**ST. JOSEPH CANDLES**

Josephine Strocchia by Anna & Joseph Fusco

**TABERNACLE CANDLES**

Deceased Members of the Falabella Family by Carmela & Jean Falabella

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**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLES**

Giuseppina Arlistico by Maria Arlistico & Family  
Elizabeth Santaniello by Ciuffo Family

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**Kolbe Relic Pilgrimage**

The relics of St. Maximilian Kolbe, OFM Conv. will be enshrined at the San Damiano Mission at Holy Family Church, 21 Nassau Ave., on July 18-20, 2016.

On July 18<sup>th</sup> the presenter will be Fr. Michael Heine, OFM Conv. There will be various events during the afternoon and a healing Mass at 7:30pm. On the 19<sup>th</sup>, Fr. Mietek Wielk, OFM Conv. will offer an evening of reflection and Mass beginning at 7pm. Please know all of the presentations and the Mass will be in Polish on the 19<sup>th</sup>. The church will be open for extended hours to allow for veneration of the relics. Plan on joining us as we celebrate our Franciscan Brother and his courageous witness to the faith.

**Mass Intentions for the Week  
St. Francis of Paola Church**

**Saturday, July 16, 2016**

5:00pm Florence & Anthony Giglio  
by grand-daughter Melissa

**Sunday, July 17, 2016**

8:00am Anthony Giudice by his Children  
11:30am Sister Matilda of the Blessed Sacrament  
by Carlotta Giglio

**Monday, July 18, 2016**

7:45am Elizabeth Santaniello by Ciuffo Family

**Tuesday, July 19, 2016**

7:45am Giuseppina Arlistico by Marie Arlistico  
& Family

**Wednesday, July 20, 2016**

7:45am Annette Antoniello by Family

**Thursday, July 21, 2016**

7:45am Deceased Members of the Carrella  
Family by Family

**Friday, July 22, 2016**

7:45am Agatha Zhu by Aunt Agnes & Joseph  
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**Saturday, July 23, 2016**

7:45am Joseph Di Giovanna by Daughter  
5:00pm For the People of Divine Mercy Parish

**Sunday, July 24, 2016**

8:00am Deceased Members of the Giudice  
Family by Barbara Giudice  
11:30am Loretta Guardino by Marguerite &  
Michael Caccavale

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**6 Month Short Time Rental**

An upstanding Catholic Christian woman (32) urgently needs temporary housing in the neighborhood from September to March prior to wedding. If you can help call Leo Fiorica at 917-676-7461 or lfiorica@hotmail.com.

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**Silent Meditation Group**

**St. Cecilia's Chapel 8PM**  
July 17, 2016 and July 31, 2016

JULY 17, 2016

## Mass Intentions for the Week St. Nicholas Church

### Sunday, July 17, 2016

10:30am Open Intention  
12:45pm Sor. Ma Soledad Dominguez  
by Sobrinos y Carreiras Familia

### Sunday, July 24, 2016

10:30am Open Intention  
12:45pm Marie Daniele by Family

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### Pray For the Sick

Cathy Leonick, Dominick Cantelmo, Vincent Gonzalez, Andy Gonzales, Nancy Gonzales, Elena Rivera, Gabriel Moises, Emma Jones, Eddie Scalla, Mary Walsh, Vincent Perrone, Dominick Cavallo, Dora Logosso, Tom Lupoli, Seymour Sarrell, Regina Monco, John La Creta, Ann Kiefner, David Pelletier, Patricia Clarke, John Percelli, Marie Barbaro

### Pray for Our Recently Deceased

Lilly Lettieri, Catherine Carnivale, Rose Lupoli, Frank L. Callovi, Angela La Rocca

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## Catholic Charities Senior Housing Opportunity

Catholic Charities is pleased to announce that beginning July 18, 2016 the Pierrepont House for the Elderly, a 188-unit building in Brooklyn Heights, will re-open its waiting list.

To enter the lottery, applicants (or their spouse) must be 62 years or older with limited income based on Section 8 guidelines. Non-elderly persons with disabilities may also qualify.

To obtain an application, please send a written application request to;

Pierrepont House for the Elderly  
c/o POP Management Corp.  
191 Joralemon St., 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Brooklyn, NY 11201

You can pick up an application in person by visiting 55 Pierrepont St., Brooklyn, NY 11201 beginning July 18 through August 5 during the hours of 2pm and 4pm. Completed applications must be returned by regular mail to the PO Box listed on the application form and must be postmarked no later than **August 13, 2016**. Call 718-722-6001 for more information.

## Mass Intentions for the Week St. Cecilia Church

### Sunday, July 17, 2016

9:30am Rocky Ferzola  
Cecilia Pelc  
Tom Sabatino  
Evelyn Pastina  
Larry Graham  
Augusto Mendoza

7:00pm For the People of Divine Mercy Parish

### Monday, July 18, 2016

8:30am Joseph Tragna

### Tuesday, July 19, 2016

8:30am Eleanor Fox

### Wednesday, July 20, 2016

8:30am Olga Riccio

### Thursday, July 21, 2016

8:30am Salvatore Settepani

### Friday, July 22, 2016

8:30am Judy Olsen

### Saturday, July 23, 2016

8:30am John & Rose Cusimano

### Sunday, July 24, 2016

9:30am Anthony L. Del Vicario (Anniversary)  
Virginia Raship  
Larry Graham  
Augusto Mendoza

7:00pm Elizabeth Santaniello

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## St. Cecilia's Church

### Memorial Gifts – July 17, 2016

#### Bread & Wine

In Memory of Rocky Ferzola  
Donated by Marie & Enrico

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## CCD News

Anyone that needs to pick-up certificates for First Communion and Confirmation (2016) are asked to come to 206 Skillman Ave. on Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 1pm.

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