

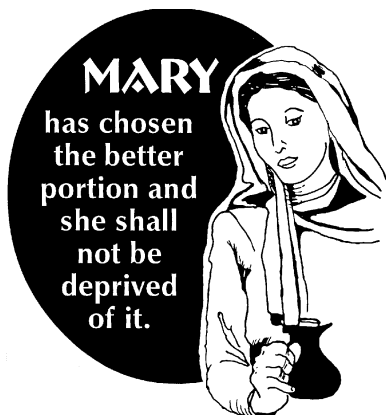
A Message From Deacon Paul

A part of the Mass that many take for granted is called the Collect. The Collect concludes the Introductory Rites and occurs before the first reading. It's name comes from ancient Gaul, where it was called the *collecta*, a prayer which gathers all the intentions of the faithful together.

Father begins the Collect by extending his hands and inviting all into prayer by saying "Let us Pray." Then follows a period of silence where we are to offer all our intentions, thanksgivings, frustrations, and prayers to be gathered up and presented to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit with the Opening Prayer. As a community, we make all our prayers one by responding Amen.

Many of us can relate to Martha's frustration in today's Gospel. It is all too easy to get burdened down with our daily chores, work, as well as the unexpected events that crop up. Jesus responds to Martha by using Mary as an example. What Martha needs is exactly what Mary is doing; taking time, being still, and listening to the Lord.

Next time you come to Mass, take that advice. Prepare by setting aside all the daily "busyness", quieting yourself, and reflecting on what you wish to offer God during the Collect.



STEWARDSHIP

is what I do after I say "I Believe"....

Kids Coins For Kids	\$ 78.20
Cemetery Maintenance Fund	\$ 25.00
Building Fund	\$ 1,733.50
Tuition Angel Fund	\$ ---
Endowment	\$ 10.00
Envelopes (371)	\$13,133.50
Loose	\$ 4,215.59
Total Collection Last Week	\$19,195.79

"What return shall I make to the Lord for all he has done for me?"

Today's readings speak of hospitality. Abraham, who cheerfully did for his guests all that desert hospitality required, was rewarded with his heart's desire - a son. Martha also busied herself with all the details of hospitality, but grudgingly and with complaint. Am I a cheerful or a grudging giver?

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High School Youth Group

High School Youth Group's re-scheduled rafting trip will take place on Sunday, August 5, 2007. We will depart after the 8:00 am Mass at St. Francis Xavier and return by 3:30 pm Pre-Registration is required by noon on Friday, August 3. To obtain the necessary forms call Liz Gengle at 347-4133. Join the fun as we head down the Sturgeon River through Big Bear Adventures!

Special thanks to Norm and Kathy Bennett for chaperoning the Young Neighbor's In Action group of teen's to Detroit recently!

Interested in more information about St. Francis Xavier/Holy Childhood High School Youth Ministry Program? Call Liz Gengle at 347-4133 to find out how your teen can get involved!

In Christ,
Liz Gengle

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LIFE MATTERS

Respect for human life finds an ultimate expression in the bond of love the mother has for her child.

Eagle Project

My eagle project is to expand the pre-school playground by adding a sandbox and a teaching garden, also painting the garage wall. I am currently looking for donations for my project, and people to work for two days in August. For more information call Kevin Wroblewski at 582-1711.

The Seeker

The sparkle like diamonds
Dazzles my eyes
As I make my solitary way
On the beach.

The sun, and now the moon,
Light my way
On my lonely journey
To find answers.

Though they elude me
I still seek
Asking that divine guidance
Light my path.

He is my companion,
His hand guides.
I ever trust in the Lord
To lead me.

His ways are mysterious.
Like the waves
Breaking over and around me,
Fear takes flight.

The sand diamonds are multiplied
Through relieved tears.
Though still seeking answers
Peace now descends.

FAMILY PERSPECTIVES

The gospel today teaches us to imitate BOTH Martha and Mary. We must "welcome others into our home" as Martha did, but we must also "listen" to them as Mary did. Welcoming and listening create hospitality.

Higher Authority

by John Sheppard



Matthew, Mark, Luke and John,
the original Fantastic ④

August Dinner Craft & Bake Sale

Just a reminder to all of you who do crafts and who bake and can things; the craft and bake sale at the dinner is looking for your products to sell!! Please keep us in mind and add one (or more) to share with us!! And don't forget your "Attic Treasures"!

ADOPTION PLANNING SEMINAR

Catholic Human Services is offering an orientation meeting for married couples interested in adopting an infant from Northern Michigan. Topics will include openness in adoption, the adoption process, and costs. The meeting will take place on July 30 at 7 p.m. at the Traverse City office located at 1000 Hastings. For more information about adoption services, visit CHS website at www.catholichumanservices.org or call Catholic Human Services at 231-947-8110. Catholic Human Services serves people of all faiths throughout Northern Lower Michigan.

Coming Events

The parish is invited

to hear a brief presentation and view pictures of the activities by those who attended the Young Neighbor's In Action program at a coffee hour following the 10:00 Mass next weekend.

Come hear and see some of the good things our young people are doing in our world.

SCRIPTURES FOR WEEK OF July 22-28

Sun: ...it is Christ in you, the hope for glory.

Do I remember from the reading or the homily?
 What is one theme of each reading? What is my reaction or response to each reading?

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10a
 Second Reading: Colossians 1:24-28
 Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

Is there a phrase or verse to memorize and store in my heart?

8am Intention: D. Joseph & Ann Schneider
10am Intention: Special Intentions of the Dorger family
12noon Bay Shore: Caro Bosca

Mon: Ex 14:5-18; Gospel Mt 12:38-42
5:30pm Tues: Ex 14:21--15:1; Gospel Mt 12:46-50
Intention: D. Anna Waterman

8am Wed: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Gospel Mt 20:20-28
Intention: D. Joan Green

8am Thurs: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Gospel Mt 13:10-17
Intention: Carol Lamberti

8am Fri: Ex 20:1-17; Gospel Mt 13:18-23
Intention: Cathy Carrico

5 pm Sat: Ex 24:3-8; Gospel Mt 13:24-30
Intention: St. Francis Xavier Parish

LECTORS

Saturday & Sunday, July 28/29, 2007

5:00 pm Jim Wolf
8:00 am John Parker & Norm Bennett
10:00 am Dave Schneider & Julie Gudmunsen

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Saturday & Sunday, July 28/29, 2007

5:00 pm Carol Schwartzfisher, Denn Nason, Audrey Mania, Phyllis Linck, Austin & Virginia Cole
8:00 am Mary Putters, Maureen McCarthy, Mary Lee & Bill Huber, Ann & Larry Hendricks, Sylvia Studzinski
10:00 am Pat Baier, Marsey Shuman, Lee Phillips, Sally Spring, Jim & Linda Beno

GREETERS

Saturday & Sunday, July 28/29, 2007

5:00 pm Jack & Nancy Balchik, Kitty Hramiec, Jerry & Barb Rosevear
8:00 am Russ & Jane Bock, Mick & Barb Stoddard, Jamie & Pam Clark, Dale & Marie Seeley & family
10:00 am Jim & Linda Beno, Steve & Marsey Shuman, Sally Spring, Greg & Marie Law & family, Eric & Chris Daniel & family

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday & Sunday, July 28/29, 2007

5:00 pm Lily Sloan, Lucas & Sam Robbins
8:00 am Craig Schoenith, Luke Tillotson, Austin Willson
10:00 am Ian Burke, Tom & Joe LeBlanc

St. Francis Solanus - Bay Shore

Envelopes \$315.00
 Loose \$527.65
 \$842.65

Liturgical Ministers - July 29, 2007

Minister of the Word: Eric Kessler
 Eucharistic Minister: Sandi Meyer
 Server: Joey Sypniewski
 Usher: Dave Meyer
 Offering: Sandi & Dave Meyer
 Prayer Chain: Sandi Meyer 347-6190

"O, Come Let Us Adore Him"


St. Francis Xavier Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Adoration on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays
 7:00 am to 10:00 pm

Entrance on South side of church (ramp side) off State St.

VOCATIONAL VIEWS

How enjoyable to sit and talk with a friend. Sit and talk with your friend Jesus. Take time just to BE WITH Jesus and to listen.

 PRAYER REQUESTS	LeiAnn (Locke) Hunter, Carol Reed, Samuel Theodore Kolinski, Kerri Malloy, Carolyn Rostar, Larry Shear, Pvt. Ryan Craig, Duncan Livingston, Mike Dainoviec, Jessica Kohlligian, Karen Golovich, Martha & Robert Fate, Sr., Peggy Beyers, Therese Skoczylas, Ed Kelbel, Sr., Helen Dyksterhouse, Robert Pung, Frank & Gertrude Kline, Lois Brinkel, Mary Ketchman, Ralph Kilpatrick, Betty Riley, Casie Parker, Penny Pemberton, Rose Case, Ryan McCarthy, Tim Geottes, Sarah Miller, Floyd Francis, Brian Kuebler, Geri Brown, Laura Ilenich, Gregg Hosler, Catherine Donnelly, Michael J. Foltz, Mike Conflitti, Pat Powers, Louis Schantz, Molly Walenta All shut-ins and those in care facilities
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Persons of Ministry

Cemetery	Don Paulus	347-2976
Prayer Chain	Margaret Pennell	347-4753
	Bea Wolf	347-2711
Resect Life Committee	Mike LaVictoire	526-1302
Greeters	Bonnie Farrugia	347-9632
Hospitality	Sally Parish	590-0949
Coffee Hours	Carol Gietzen	347-6935
	Mary Ellen Pulaski	347-4648
Newcomer's	Jim & Linda Beno	347-7926
Health Ministry	Suzanne Holguin	347-4133
Peace & Justice	Fred Liederbach	347-8646
Br. Dan's Food Pantry	Mary Moellering	347-7423

Sponsor of the Week

Dr. Charles R. Farrugia, D.D.S.