



God Gives us What We Need

In today's Gospel reading, the disciples asked Jesus to teach them how to pray, so He taught them the "Our Father."

In the first part of the "Our Father" we give glory to God by praising Him, and in the second part we ask Him for the things we need. First we ask for our daily bread. This can be asking both for the things like food that our bodies need, and for the spiritual things as well, especially Holy Communion. Next we ask for forgiveness for our sins and for God to keep us away from temptation and evil.

Jesus said that if a father on earth would give his children the things they need, then God, Who is our Father in Heaven, will certainly give us what we need. All He wants us to do is show that we trust in Him by asking Him.

Make sure you say the "Our Father" every day to praise God our Father and ask Him for everything you need.



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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Baptisms are usually celebrated on the fourth Sunday of every month. Please contact the Parish Office at least 6 weeks before the date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples must contact the Parish Office to arrange at least 6 months before the desired date.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Intentions must be booked at least by the Wednesday, one week before the desired date.

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FIND	PRAY	OPEN	TEMPTATION	FRIEND
SEEK	FATHER	NAME	KNOCK	RECEIVE
MIDNIGHT	DAILY	TEACH	LEAD	BREAD
SINS	KINGDOM	HALLOWED	FORGIVE	ASK

Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus (Cont'd)

bishop for 30 years. It is certain there was early devotion to the saint. From a round the year 390, a pilgrim talks of the procession that took place on the Saturday before Palm Sunday at the tomb where Lazarus had been raised from the dead. In the West, Passion Sunday was called *Dominica de Lazaro*, and St. Augustine tells us that in Africa the Gospel of the raising of Lazarus was read at the office of Palm Sunday.

Our final picture of the siblings in Scripture is one that sums up who they were. Jesus has returned to Bethany to share a meal with His good friends. In this home were three extraordinary people. We hear how brother Lazarus caused a stir when he was brought back to life, we hear how Mary causes a commotion at dinner by anointing Jesus with expensive perfume, and we hear about Martha the simple statement: "Martha served." Together the three are the patron saints of siblings.

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Call and He will answer.

Though we be "but dust and ashes," we can presume to draw near and speak boldly to our Lord, as Abraham dares to do in this week's First Reading. But even Abraham - the friend of God, our father in the faith - did not know the intimacy that we know as children of Abraham, heirs of the blessings promised to his descendants.

The mystery of prayer, as Jesus reveals to His disciples in the Gospel, is the living relationship of beloved sons and daughters with their heavenly Father. Our prayer is pure gift, made possible by the "good gift" of the Father, the Holy Spirit of His Son. It is the fruit of the New Covenant by which we are made children of God in Christ Jesus. Through the Spirit given to us in Baptism, we can cry to Him as our Father, knowing that when we call He will answer.

Jesus teaches His disciples to persist in their prayer, as Abraham persisted in begging God's mercy for the innocent of Sodom and Gomorrah. For the sake of the one just Man, Jesus, God spared the city of man from destruction, cancelling "every record of the debt we had to pay," as Paul says in the Epistle. On the Cross, Jesus bore the guilt of us all. He canceled the debt we owed to God, the death we deserved to die for our transgressions. We pray as ones who have been visited in our affliction and saved from our enemies, as ones who have been spared.

We pray always a prayer of thanksgiving, which is the literal meaning of "Eucharist." We have realized the promise of the Psalm: we worship in His holy temple, in the presence of angels, hallowing His name. In confidence we ask, knowing that we will receive, that He will bring to completion what He has done for us, raising us from the dead, bringing us to everlasting life along with Him.

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CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday
9.00 - 10.00 a.m
&
by appointment

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SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading

Gen.18:20-32

Second Reading

Col.2:12-14

Gospel

Lk.11:1-13

MASS TIMES

Gros Islet

Morning Prayers:
Mon -Fri
5:45 a.m.



MONDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



TUESDAY

6:00 a.m.



WEDNESDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.
G/Riviere: 6:00 p.m.



THURSDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



FRIDAY

6:00 a.m./12:30 p.m.



SATURDAY

6:30 a.m./6:00 p. m.



SUNDAY

Gros Islet/G. Riviere
7:30 a.m.

Gros Islet/Monchy
10:00 a.m.



HOLIDAY

Variable

Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus - Feast Day July 29th	
“Jesus loved Martha and Mary and Lazarus.” This statement in John's gospel tells us of the special relationship Jesus had with these siblings. Apparently Jesus was a frequent guest at their home; we read of three visits - in Luke 10:38-42, John 11:1-53, and John 12:1-9.	
Many of us find it easy to identify with Martha in the story Luke tells: Martha welcomes Jesus and His disciples into her home and immediately goes to work to serve them. Her sister Mary chooses to sit with Jesus instead of helping, and Martha asks Jesus to intervene. Jesus' response is not unkind, which gives us an idea of His affection for her. He reminds Martha that there is only one thing that is truly important - listening to Him. In Martha we see ourselves, worried and distracted by all we have to do in the world and forgetting to spend time with Jesus. It is, however, comforting to note that Jesus loved her just the same. The next visit shows how well Martha learned this lesson. Grieving the death of her brother with a house full of mourners, she hears that Jesus has come. She gets up immediately, leaves the guests, and goes to meet Him. Her conversation with Jesus shows her faith and courage. She states clearly and without doubt that she believes in Jesus' power in the resurrection, and, most of all, that Jesus is the Son of God. Martha is the patron saint of servants and cooks.	
Mary of Bethany exemplifies the uniqueness of a personal relationship with Jesus. When Jesus was in their home, she sat at His feet, quietly listening to His teachings. In her devotion she shows us the importance of placing Jesus above all. Mary is also known for a significant act of worship – anointing the feet of Jesus with expensive perfume and wiping them with her hair (John 12:3). In this action, Mary exhibits a model of sacrificial love, humility, and devotion towards Jesus. She teaches us to give our best to the Lord, without counting the cost. Judas Iscariot objected to her actions because of the perceived wastefulness. Yet, Jesus defended Mary, stating, “Leave her alone...She has done a beautiful thing to me...” (Mark 14:6-9), underscoring the lesson that in our worship and service to God, we may face misunderstanding or criticism, but we should rest assured that God knows our hearts and will defend us. When her brother Lazarus died, Mary showed great faith in Jesus, saying, “Even now, I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you.” (John 11:22).	
Lazarus was a disciple and friend of Jesus who died and was raised from the dead by Jesus after pleas from his sisters, Martha and Mary. Scripture tells us that on approaching the tomb of his friend Lazarus, “Jesus wept” (John11:35). No mention is made in the New Testament of Lazarus’ activities after being brought back to life, but several traditions survive. Some say he followed Peter into Syria. In one story, Lazarus, Martha, and Mary go to France, where he became the first bishop of Marseilles, before being martyred. Another story is that despite being put into a leaking boat by the Jews at Jaffa, he, his sisters, and others landed safely in Cyprus. There he died peacefully after serving as	
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PLEASE PRAY FOR	
<u>THE SICK</u>	
Patsy Crafton Iris Macauldy Martha Mason Marie Joseph Anne Marie Felicien	
<u>DECEASED</u>	
Adams Alexis Sylvie Sayers Peter Norville Joseph K. Joseph Therese Jn. Baptiste	
WEEKDAY READINGS	
✠ MONDAY Ex.32:15-24,30-34 Mt.13:31-35 ✠ TUESDAY Ex.33:7-11 34:5-9,28 Jn.11:19-27 ✠ WEDNESDAY Ex.34:29-35 Mt.13:44-46 ✠ THURSDAY Ex.40:16-21,34-38 Mt.13:47-53 ✠ FRIDAY Lev.23:1,4-11, 15-16,27, 34-37 Mt.13:54-58 ✠ SATURDAY Lev.25:1,8-17 Mt.14:1-2 ✠	

MASS INTENTIONS		
GROS ISLET	CLERGY/RELIGIOUS	INTENTIONS
17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C		
Sat Jul 26 - 6:00 p.m.		B'day: Adelle St. John Tanysia Compton Thks: The Destang family Wedd Ann: Joakim & Azelia George
Sun Jul 27- 7:30 a.m.		MISSA PRO POPULO
10:00 a.m.		Sp Int: Dinella Prospere Thks: Hyacinth family
Grande Riviere - 7:30 a.m.		Guid & Protec: Marcella Johnson
Monchy - 10:00 a.m.		Wedd Ann: Peter & Sheena Cherry
WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS		
Mon Jul 28 - 6:00 a.m.	Fr. John Milton Fr. Kevin Murray Rev. Gerard Calderon	Sp Int: Dinella Prospere
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Peter Norville, Florence Philip
Tue Jul 29 - 6:00 a.m. <i>Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus Disciples of the Lord</i>	Rev. David Popo Rev. Peter Fevrier Rev. Herald Wilson	Thks: Dinella Prospere Int: Fr. Athanase Joseph Fr. Michel Francis B'day: Mary Anna Lesmond
Wed Jul 30 - 6:00 a.m.	Sr. Margaret Maynard	B'day: Alison Raymond
12:30 p.m.		Dc'd: Eldon Mathurin Angelina Roberts
Grande Riviere - 6:00 a.m.		Parishioners
Thu Jul 31 - 6:00 a.m <i>St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest</i>	Sr. Mary Mumba Sr. Marie Therese Clement	Guid: Kaelan Haywood
12:30 p.m.		Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Ayinde Popo
Fri Aug 1 - 6:00 a.m. <i>St. Alphonsus Liguori Bishop & Doctor</i>	Fr. Joseph Akande Fr. Ignatius Cetoute Fr. Cleophus Joseph	Sacred Heart: Perlin Verdant & family
Sat Aug 2 - 6:30 a.m. <i>Mass at the Shrine</i>	Fr. Athanase Joseph Fr. Stephen Quinlan Fr. Philomin Zacharias	Dc'd: Teresa Huntley Marie Headley Holy Souls in Purgatory