

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

For the preparation program, phone four months before child's birth
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SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:55am-12 Noon
Program for 3- & 4- year-olds; Grades K-8 Program for the children of registered parishioners
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CONFIRMATION

For Grades 8-12: Enquire at Parish Office in September
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YOUTH EVENTS

Lynne, youth@stignatius.ca
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CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA): Enquire at the Adult Education Centre if interested in joining the Catholic Church.
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SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
Arrange 12 months in advance.
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SICK CALLS: Request through the Office. Someone will gladly visit the sick.
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HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY: call Office, 204-474-2351
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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
meet 1st Monday each month at 7:30pm

THE MARTHA & MARY STORY – An Alternative Exegesis

The traditional interpretation of the Mary & Martha story legitimates a split-level faith in which *being* and *doing* can be separated, as can private and public religion, or faith (Mary) and works (Martha). But in the context of the first-century world, nothing is particularly religious or outstanding in Martha's behaviour, as if she were attempting some kind of religiously-oriented work; on the contrary, she does what was expected when *any* male enters her house.

Mary's response to Jesus' presence was also no act of religious devotion; rather, it was a well-known response even to other, non-divine people. While first-century people normally sat on chairs or couches during a meal, Mary's act of sitting at the feet of another was uniquely the place of a disciple, of a student learning from a rabbi. But the position of disciple was not the place for a woman. The standard first-century "female space" included the kitchen, the (public) well and drawing water, spinning and sewing, the (public) oven and bread-making, sweeping the house, etc. In forgoing her expected role, Mary committed a shocking act. Moreover, disciples in first-century Judaism would normally have aspired to become, for example, rabbis like their master. But as a woman, Mary could not have become a rabbi. For Martha to see Mary doing nothing would have seemed unfair, and culturally odd. Jesus' response is equally odd, culturally: Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the better option, which will not be taken from her – she has chosen the path of discipleship (symbolised by sitting at Jesus' feet) over cultural norms (about which Martha is anxious). *Jesus is here affirming the place of women on the discipleship journey: a risk, given that many rabbis viewed teaching a woman as sinful, and the cultural subversion involved.*

In the end, the Martha and Mary story is not at all about personal religious devotion holding priority over works or service; such an interpretation creates a dualism alien to biblical thought. It's rather a story about Jesus' subversion of cultural norms that exploited the oppressed, including women. This kind of subversion would have affected every aspect of accepted thought about women, including social roles and expectations, value attributions, household codes, and theological assumptions and traditions. Jesus is destroying the accepted gender roles of his time. He affirms their replacement with an unheard-of code of equality and egalitarianism. For Jesus, a central aspect of his kingdom program of preaching good news to the poor, freeing captives and releasing the downtrodden (Luke 4:18-19) is releasing women from situations and systems that oppress them (seen throughout Luke's Gospel).

Jesus wants Christians to become an alternative community in the world. The being/doing dualism that permits personal devotion separate from tangible works is based on an ahistorical (mis)reading of Luke 10:38-42. If anything, the story of Martha and Mary concretizes the very opposite ethic: that Christians are to embody completely a set of values and lifestyles alternative to those of the rest of society, that – in accordance with the kingdom – enhance the life of the oppressed and marginalized, demonstrate a holistic compound of being and doing, devotion and works, worship and action. And that's just five verses...

-- Adapted/condensed from a blog by **Matt Anslow**, PhD in New Testament Theology, founder of an intentional community, and, former VP of the Anabaptist Association of Australia and New Zealand. See <https://liferemixed.net/>

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ST IGNATIUS SCHOOL
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SUMMER WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 9:00am
11:00am
3:40pm (Spanish)
9:00pm

The Community of St Ignatius



Jesus in the Home of Mary & Martha (Luke 10)
painting by HeQi

21 July 2019
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUMMER WEEKEND MASSES		WEEKDAY MASSES	
Saturday:	5:00pm	Mon:	7:15am (& Communion Service 11am)
Sunday:	9:00am	Tues-Sat:	11:00am
	11:00am	SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION	
	3:40pm (Spanish)	Fri July 26 th	4:00 - 5:00pm <i>No confessions</i>
	9:00pm	Sat 27 th	9:45 - 10:45am Fr Newman
		Fri Aug 2 nd	4:00 - 5:00pm <i>No confessions</i>
		Sat 3 rd	9:45 - 10:45am Fr Obrigewitsch

21 July 2019 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Sharing God's Gifts: There is a collection *next* weekend.

SUMMER SCHEDULE REMINDERS

- Summer Weekend Mass Schedule begins 1 July and ends 30 September.
 - Masses are: **Saturday 5pm; Sunday: 9 & 11am, 3:40 & 9pm.**
- There is no Friday reconciliation during July, August and September.
- The office and church close Mondays at noon from 8 July through 30 September.
- The Education Centre is closed and will reopen Tuesday 3 September.
- There will be no Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until September.

Toward a Just Peace: 5-day Catholic and Mennonite Conference on Indigenous-Settler Reconciliation through Friendship, 25-28 July, Canadian Mennonite University. Organized by Bridgefolk, “a community of peace-minded Catholics and sacramentally minded Mennonites.” Speakers: Sr Eva Solomon, csj, an Anishinaabe (Ojibway) woman; and Steve Henrichs, Director of Indigenous Settlement Relations for the Mennonite Church of Canada. Conference opens with a play, *Discovery: a Comic Lament*. Purchase tickets (\$20) on line at www.eventbrite.ca/e/discovery-a-comic-lament-tickets-56829521629

Couples for Christ Canadian True North Conference, 26-28 July. Youth are especially invited. For info, go to <https://onwardtnc2019manitobasaskatch.regfox.com/mbsktnc2019>

Youth Group's Vacation Bible School, remaining session: from 26 to 30 August. Registrations are still being accepted. Forms are available at the back of the church or in the Office. Forms can be dropped off at the Office during working hours.

Festival of Friends: Joint Spanish and English Mass, Sunday 8 September 11am. Then, after Mass, please join your fellow parishioners in the Main Hall for cake and coffee. There will be a display of booths highlighting the many groups of our Parish. If you are a group coordinator and would like to set up a booth, contact Theresa, tcannon@live.ca

Mass Intentions for the Week of July 22nd to 27th

Mon	July 22 nd	7:15am +Leo Jansens
Tues	23 rd	11:00am +Dermot Rooney
Wed	24 th	11:00am +Frank Kuklica
Thu	25 th	11:00am +Henry Walmark
Fri	26 th	11:00am Happy Anniversary Birkholz
Sat	27 th	11:00am +Michael Blonar

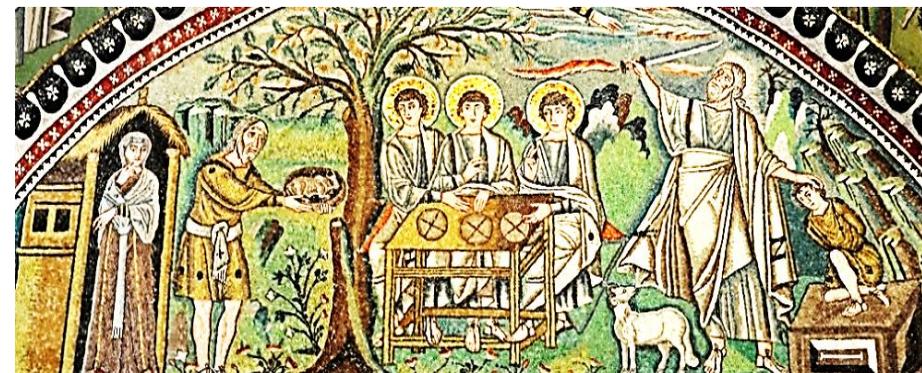
Financial Report

2019 Sharing God's Gifts Archdiocesan Collection (SGG): We take up our SGG collections every second week. Our Parish's assessment for 2019 is \$65,453; we still have to collect \$26,692. Please make cheques payable to the Parish, earmarked “Sharing God's Gifts” – and print your name and envelope number clearly on the Sharing God's Gifts envelope. Thank you for your generosity towards the various Archdiocesan ministries!

St Ignatius Statement for this week: To our regular Sunday collections you gave \$10,478 toward the support of our Parish, including school and church expenses. To SGG you gave \$2,158. To Agape and the Poor Box you gave \$54. Thank you for your generosity.

Please consider using Pre-Authorized Payments (PAC) for your contributions to the church: an easy way to donate. **To start a new PAC or increase an existing one, please fill out a form available from the Office.**

St Mary's Academy 150th Birthday Gala Dinner & Dance, Friday 27 September, 6pm Victoria Inn, 1808 Wellington Avenue. Tribute to the Sisters of Holy Names of Jesus and Mary (SNJM). Everyone welcome. Join the Academy at the Gala as we pay tribute to the SNJM for their unwavering commitment to learning, faith, service and leadership. Tickets: \$150 available at <https://www.smamb.ca/about/150th-birthday/>



The Hospitality of Abraham: (Genesis 18) Mosaic, 6thC, Basilica di San Vitale, Ravenna

**Readings:
16th Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

1st Reading:
Genesis 18: 1-10a

2nd Reading:
Colossians 1: 24-28

Gospel
Luke 10: 38-42

Wanted: Sunday-school teachers for St Ignatius Confirmation classes. Please contact the Office if you are interested, or email office@stignatius.ca.

Pukatawagan Mission members thank the volunteers who worked diligently to make this mission possible. Donations are still being accepted to cover food and craft costs.