

**St. Peter, Holy Guardian Angels and St. John the Baptist
Parishes**

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 17, 2022

Sunday Readings

The **First Reading** is taken from the book of *Genesis, 18:1-10a*. For today's reading we join Abraham shortly after his name change. It was with Abram becoming Abraham, the father of all nations, at the making of the second covenant, that men and women began to rely upon God in faith and are changed by it. God promises Abraham that within the year his aged wife, Sarah, will have a son. Abraham's reaction is to laugh. Immediately following today's reading, Sarah laughs at the news (Gen 18:12). The child born was named Isaac, which means "laughter".

The **Second Reading** is from the letter of Paul to the *Colossians, 1:24-28*. Last week Paul used the occasion to answer the Judaizers and remind them of the absolute supremacy of Jesus Christ. Today Paul tells us his role in proclaiming the gospel. "Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church."

The **Gospel** is from *St. Luke, 10:38-42* and recounts the familiar story of Martha and Mary. St Augustine comments on this scene as follows: "Martha, who was arranging and preparing the Lord's meal, was busy doing many things, whereas Mary preferred to find her meal in what the Lord was saying. In a way she deserted her sister, who was very busy, and sat herself down at Jesus' feet and just listened to his words. She was faithfully obeying what the Psalm said: 'Be still, and know that I am God' (Ps 46:10). Martha was getting annoyed, Mary was feasting; the former coping with many things, the latter concentrating on one. Both occupations were good" (*Sermon 103*).

Martha has come to be, as it were, the symbol of the active life, and Mary that of the contemplative life. However, for most Christians, called as they are to sanctify themselves in the middle of the world, action and contemplation cannot be regarded as two opposite ways of practicing the Christian faith: an active life forgetful of union with God is useless and barren; but an apparent life of prayer which shows no concern for apostolate and the sanctification of ordinary things also fails to please God. The key lies in being able to combine these two lives, without either harming the other. Close union between action and contemplation can be achieved in very different ways, depending on the specific vocation each

person is given by God.

—Excerpted from *The Navarre Bible*—*St. Luke*

Sacrament of Baptism

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Sacrament of Matrimony

Please be advised that our last Pre-Marriage Program took place on May 28, 2022. Our agency has been providing this valuable program for over three decades to engaged couples that are marrying in the Catholic Church. At this time due to high demands in a variety of other programming and our provincial expansion, our agency is unable to continue providing the Pre-Marriage Program. We ask that you inform all the parishes in the Diocese so that they may make alternative arrangements for the couples that they are marrying.

Weekday Masses

Tuesday, July 19, 2022

SJB 4:00PM

Wednesday, July 20, 2022

SP 9:00 AM

Friday, July 22, 2022

HGA 11:00 AM

Saturday, July 23, 2022

SH 4:00 PM

HGA 5:30 PM

+ Robert P. Sampson

Sunday, July 24, 2022

SJB 9:00 AM

SP 10:30 AM

+ Ignatius Burke

Receipts

Holy Guardian Angels

July 9, 2022

Envelopes & Loose	\$ 613.00
Candles	28.65
Candidates for priesthood	20.00

Total **\$ 661.65**

St. John the Baptist

July 10, 2022

Envelopes & Loose	\$ 749.10
Cemetery	40.00

Total **\$ 789.10**

St. Peter's

July 10, 2022

Envelopes & Loose	\$ 913.00
Candles	6.00
Cemetery Memorial Donation	192.00
Initial Offering	3.00
Altar Society	15.00
Improvement Fund	22.50
Parish Dues	22.50

Total **\$ 1,174.00**

COMMUNITY EVENTS

HGA: Thank you for sharing in the Mass of the Resurrection held for our beautiful mom, Beatrice Gracie - Pottie on July 5th in L'Ardoise. Your very kind words and memories shared were very much appreciated in this difficult time of our dear mother; our best friend's passing. They truly help our family and highlight what a special person mom was.

There are no words to fully express our deepest heartfelt gratitude for your generosity, love, prayers, and support.

A very special Thank You to Father Yake for the beautiful heartfelt service, Ms. Maureen Sampson for your tremendous love and support in making this day so very special for our family, Ms. Sally Ann Mombourquette and the ladies for the beautiful luncheon, Lorna Madden, Eucharistic Minister, Elaine Sampson, the gentlemen welcoming the family and dear loved one into this sacred blessing, the voice of an angel, Sheila Pottie-Webb for the beautiful songs sang, and our beautiful community, dear family and friends for sharing this day with us. Thank you Aunt Betty Boyles and Edie for being with us.

Kindest Regards, Wanda MacIntosh, Paula, Brenda Gracie and families.

HGA: NOVENA to St ANNE:

From July 17 to July 25, we shall be having a novena to St Anne at 10:30 each morning at Holy Guardian Angels church. Everyone is welcome.

HGA: As discussions continue to plan for our 200th Anniversary we invite members of our Parish Community to reflect on ideas to honour the memory of our ancestors. We are mindful of their sacrifices and contributions to the life of our Parish and want to show gratitude. Our theme for the Anniversary should reflect our appreciation and you are invited to share your thoughts. We also ask that you think about a family perhaps still around from a previous celebration which will proudly be displayed in Church during the 2023 year. If anyone has some old photos that they wish to share for viewing it would be most appreciated. We will continue to provide updates and ask for your prayers and support. As usual, we are once again asking parishioners to help out by donating food items such as: frozen vegetables, pies or sweets and dinner rolls. Items can be dropped off at the Center on Thursday, 28 or Friday, 29. Thank you in advance.

Steve Sampson

200th Anniversary Planning Chair.

The Johnstown Landing Artisan & Farmers Outdoor Market: Dates: July 16, 30, August 13, 27, September 10, 24, October 8 The location is directly across from the Johnstown Parish Hall located at 15290 Highway 4 in Johnstown. The outdoor market will run bi-weekly starting Saturday June 4th ending the season on Saturday October 8th, 2022.

SJB: Weekday Mass at St. John the Baptist will be in the main part of the church until the fall.

August 15:

Online Centennial Celebration of the Sisters of Service

The Sisters of Service, a community of Roman Catholic religious women, were pioneers in their own right in bringing the Roman Catholic Church to outlying districts in Canada. Among their places of mission was Pier 21 in Halifax, where from October 1925 until 1969, the Sisters of Service welcomed, assisted, directed and cared for Catholic immigrants, who were part of the one million passengers who embarked from trans-Atlantic ships and ocean liners at this Eastern Canadian point of entry.

Join us online for the Centennial Celebration of the Foundation of the Sisters of Service on Monday, August 15, 2022.

Visit www.sistersofservice.ca on the day to view

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Urgent Appeal

from Development and Peace

The combined effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, droughts, floods, civil conflicts, political instabilities and the food shortages now caused by the war in Ukraine have left 50 million people “teetering on the edge of famine.”

Development and Peace, as members of the Canadian Foodgrains Bank, has joined the Humanitarian Coalition’s Hunger Crisis appeal. **Until July 17, all donations for this crisis will be matched dollar for dollar (up to a maximum of \$ 5 million) by the Government of Canada.**

To learn more and to donate:

<https://www.devp.org/en/blog/hunger-crisis-in-sub-saharan-africa/>