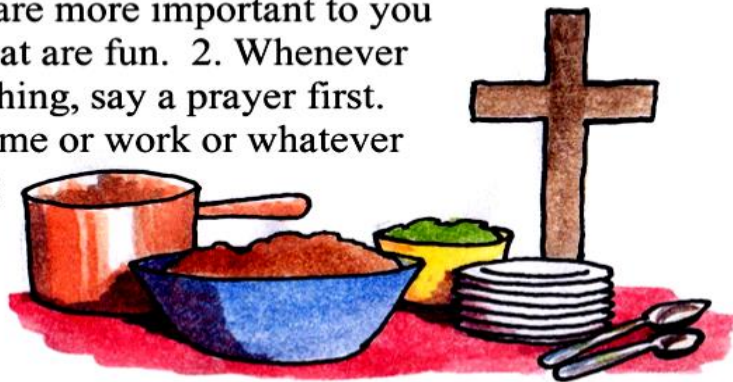


Putting Jesus First

Jesus went to Martha and Mary's house for dinner one day and while Martha got the food ready her sister Mary just sat near Jesus to listen to Him. Martha was upset because she had so much work to do and Mary wasn't helping at all. It doesn't sound quite fair, does it?

But Jesus told Martha that there was only one thing that was important, and that Mary had chosen it. Mary had chosen to be with Him and listen to Him. Martha was concerned about all the details- making good food and setting things out nicely, but she wasn't thinking about Jesus.

Jesus was not saying that cooking or working in the house is bad. He was only showing Martha and Mary that we need to put God first in everything. Here are a couple of ways you can keep God first: 1. Always make sure that things like going to Mass and saying your prayers are more important to you than things that are fun. 2. Whenever you do something, say a prayer first. Offer your game or work or whatever you are doing for the glory of God.



Answers to Cross-Word: ACROSS: 1.Lord 4.chose 6.in 8.is 9.to 10.then 11.many 13.Martha 16.feet 17.be 18.do 19.her 20.said DOWN: 1.Listen 2.on 3.distracted 4.care 5.one 7.away 11.Mary 12.needed 14.things 15.serve



16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

17th July 2022

Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me!



*Martha Martha
You are anxious
and troubled about many things;
but there is one thing
needed, Mary has chosen
the better part.*



Martha was so busy in the kitchen but her sister wasn't helping! What did Jesus say to her when she complained to Him?

Look in the mirror to find out!

SAINT LAWRENCE OF BRINDISI

JULY 21

LAWRENCE WAS BORN IN ITALY IN 1559 AND WAS BAPTIZED WITH THE NAME JULIUS CAESAR. HIS PARENTS DIED WHEN HE WAS QUITE YOUNG.



HE BECAME A CAPUCHIN FRANCISCAN AT AGE 16, TAKING THE NAME LAWRENCE. HE WAS ORDAINED AT AGE 23.



LAWRENCE LEARNED LANGUAGES VERY EASILY, SO HE COULD STUDY THE BIBLE JUST AS IT WAS WRITTEN.



Ah! So that's what he meant!

Tomorrow I want you to preach in the cathedral.



HE WAS A GREAT PREACHER AND TRAVELLED ALL OVER EUROPE.

EVEN THOUGH HIS LIFE WAS VERY BUSY HE WOULD ALWAYS TAKE TIME TO PRAY.



HE BECAME CHAPLAIN OF AN ARMY AND LED A BATTLE WITH NO WEAPON BUT A CRUCIFIX- EVEN THOUGH THEY WERE OUTNUMBERED FOUR TO ONE!



Father, we need you to come. There's a big argument...

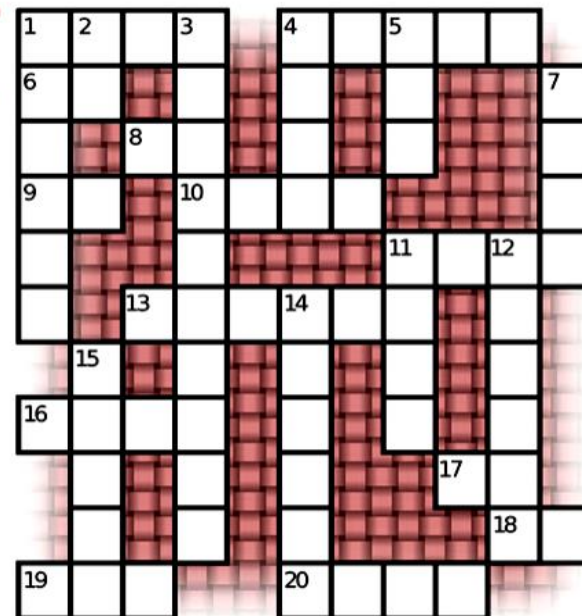


BECAUSE OF HIS HOLINESS, LAWRENCE WAS CHOSEN LEADER OF HIS ORDER. HE WAS SENT ALL OVER TO HELP THE BROTHERS AND MAKE PEACE. HE DIED AT AGE 60.

SOMETHING THAT SURPRISED PEOPLE ABOUT SAINT LAWRENCE WAS THAT HE WAS VERY KIND AND SENSITIVE TOWARDS PEOPLE'S NEEDS EVEN THOUGH HE WAS SO SMART AND IMPORTANT. NO MATTER HOW BUSY WE ARE, WE SHOULD TAKE TIME TO PRAY AND TO BE KIND AND THOUGHTFUL TO OTHERS.

Martha and Mary

**cross
word
puzzle**



Across:

- The ____ came to Martha's house
- Mary ____ the better part
- Jesus was ____ Martha's house
- "One thing ____ needed."
- Jesus said ____ her, "Martha, Martha."
- "Do you not care? ____ tell her to help me!"
- Martha was concerned about ____ things.
- Which sister was working in the kitchen?
- Mary sat at Jesus' ____.
- "Mary has chosen the better part, which shall not ____ taken..."
- "__ you not care?"
- ...away from ____."
- Jesus ____ to her, "Martha, Martha."

Down:

- Mary just wanted to ____ to Jesus speak.
- She sat ____ the ground near Him.
- Martha was ____ with much serving.
- "Lord, do you not ____ that my sister has left me to serve?"
- "__ thing is needed..."
- The better part would not be taken ____ from Mary.
- Which sister was not in the kitchen?
- "...one thing is ____..."
- Martha was anxious about many ____.
- "My sister has left me to ____ alone."