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~ PARISH NEWSLETTER ~

17 JULY 2022:
16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
(Year C (II); Psalter: Week 4)

Mass Readings

1st Reading: Genesis 18: 1-10
Resp. Psalm: 14 (15): 2-5
2nd Reading: Colossians 1: 24-28
Gospel: Luke 10: 38-42

Date	Details	Liturgies	Time
Sunday 17 July	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (p. 1025 – Year C)	Holy Mass	9.30 am
Tuesday 19 July	Tuesday of Week 16 in Ordinary Time	NO LITURGIES	---
Thursday 21 July	Thursday of Week 16 in Ordinary Time	NO LITURGIES	---
Saturday 23 July	Feast of St. Bridget of Sweden Mass Intention: Tom MacDonald, RIP (Third Anniversary Today)	NO LITURGIES	---
Sunday 24 July	17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (p. 1029 – Year C)	Holy Mass	9.30 am

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Waiting on the Lord

God wants to dwell with each of us personally, intimately—as the mysterious guests once visited Abraham's tent, as Jesus once entered the home of Mary and Martha.

By his hospitality in this week's First Reading, Abraham shows us how we are to welcome the Lord into our lives. His selfless service of his divine guests (see Hebrews 13:1) stands in contrast to the portrait of Martha drawn in this week's Gospel. Where Abraham is concerned only for the well-being of his guests, Martha speaks only of herself—"Do you not care that my sister has left me by myself . . . ? Tell her to help me." Jesus' gentle rebuke reminds us that we risk missing the divine in the mundane, that we can fall into the trap of believing that God somehow needs to be served by human hands (see Acts 17:25). Our Lord comes to us not to be served but to serve (see Matthew 20:28). He gave His life that we might know the one thing we need, the "better part," which is life in the fellowship of God. Jesus is the true Son promised today by Abraham's visitors (see Matthew 1:1). In Him, God has made an everlasting covenant for all time; He has made us blessed descendants of Abraham (see Genesis 17:19, 21; Romans 4:16–17, 19–21).

The Church now offers us this covenant, bringing to completion the word of God, the promise of His plan of salvation, what Paul calls "the mystery hidden for ages." As once He came to Abraham, Martha, and Mary, Christ now comes to each of us in Word and Sacrament. As we sing in this week's Psalm: He will make His dwelling with those who keep His Word and practice justice (see also John 14:23).

If we do these things, we will not be anxious or disturbed. We will not have our Lord taken from us. We will wait on the Lord, Who told Abraham and Who tells each of us: "I will surely return to you." (Scott Hahn)

Thought for the Day with Pope Francis

"... The Lord always surprises us: when we truly focus on listening to him, clouds disappear, doubts give way to truth, fears to serenity, and life's various situations find the right placement. When the Lord comes, he always puts things in order, even us." (Angelus, 21 July 2019)

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TODAY'S LITURGY (CTS New Sunday Missal): 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C (pp. 1025 ff.)

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THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES – please note that there will be no midweek Masses or liturgies. Apologies for any inconvenience that this may cause.

CONGRATULATIONS TO EOIN who makes his First Holy Communion today! May the Good Lord bless you in abundance, and fill you with grace and love on your special day!!

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) – this is available after Saturday morning Mass, and at any other mutually convenient time. Simply get in touch with Fr. Domenico to make an appointment.

New weekday Mass times at St. Columba's – as a result of Fr. Domenico's new responsibilities looking after the parish of St. Mary's in Nairn, weekday Masses will be offered here at St. Columba's on Tuesdays (7.30pm), Thursdays (7.30pm), and Saturdays (9.30am). Fr. Domenico apologises for any inconvenience caused, but he does welcome you to join him in Nairn for Mass on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays (9.00am: Holy Hour; 10.00am: Mass), if you happen to be passing by at any time!

Would you like to become an Altar Server? – Any child who has made his or her First Holy Communion is eligible to apply to become an Altar Server. Would you like to join our small team? Full training will be given! If you are interested, please speak to Fr. Domenico.

Holy Land Pilgrimage, 2-9 March 2023: Fr. Domenico is leading an 8-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land, following the footsteps of Jesus: from Jerusalem and Bethlehem to Nazareth and the Sea of Galilee. There is a special 'early bird' price **until 15 July** for this 8-day / 7-night pilgrimage of **£1,169**. The price includes: a non-stop return flight from the UK to Tel Aviv airport, an air-conditioned luxury touring coach and professional local guide, and en-suite half-board hotel accommodation in Tiberias and Bethlehem. For further details, together with online booking, please go to this link: www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/hl0768/

90 Club: The next draw will be held on Sunday 31 July. You too could be a winner! Only £2 monthly, with three prizes to be won! See Fr. Domenico.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Sick: Anna Black, Angus Johnson, Laura Johnstone, Ian Macdonald, Kathleen Macpherson, Marian Ellis, Chris Hamilton, Rina Herbison, David Munro, Ellen Williams, Rose Corbett, Winnie Ferrari, Colin MacMillan, Angus Cumming, Godfrey Herman, Eileen Anne Millar

Anniversaries: Tom MacDonald, Samuel Thomson, Richard Utton, Bill Muir, Nan Ward