

SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE: SATURDAY VIGIL MASS 5:45pm • SUNDAY MORNING MASS 10:00am ONLY

There will be NO Thursday evening Mass, Rosary nor Adoration

LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE DIOCESE

The 12:10pm Mass at St. Theresa's Cathedral will be suspended until 2nd September.
The Mass will resume on Wednesday, 4th September.

SATURDAY ADORATION: In the Chapel of St. Theresa's The Saturday morning services at St. Theresa's Cathedral will be on the Summer schedule to 31 August.

9:00am - Holy Mass in Portuguese with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the Mass.

Recitation of Rosary in Portuguese and English
Recitation of Chaplet of Divine Mercy in Portuguese and English

10:30am - Benediction and Repositioning of the Blessed Sacrament.

The regular schedule will resume on the 7th September.

Lectio Divina takes place at 7 PM on Mondays at St. Theresa's Hall through to Monday, July 29th. Lectio Divina will resume September 9th.

Caritas House of Prayer (236-5877): "Quiet Wednesday, July 24th: The Recitation of the Rosary will be at 10:30am followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 1pm. We will have a special prayer at 12:30pm for the immigrant children held in inhumane camps.

LOOKING WAY AHEAD: There will be a very special meeting of ALL OF our Associates on Sunday, September 15th. Please mark your calendars and if it is a day where you have a commitment, please try to change it as we really would like a 100% attendance as we look at the handbook and its changes.

Visits to the sick: Please let the Sisters know if you have loved ones or neighbors who are in the hospital or are homebound and would like a visit. (236-5877)

ST. THERESA'S GIFT SHOP: SUMMER HOURS OF OPERATION: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdays from 10am to 2pm. The Gift Shop will be CLOSED from 28 July to 30 August. During the month of August, the Gift Shop will be open on Saturdays ONLY from 10am to 2pm



The Bishop's Corner

Dear Fellow-Catholics,

Christians are the most persecuted religious group in the world - according to the final report prepared for the British Ministry of Foreign Affairs. One-third of the world's population suffers from discrimination on religious grounds. As much as 80 percent of this group is made up of Christians. On average, 345 Christians die per month due to their faith. "We must recognize that there is a specific problem of persecution related to Christianity, which goes beyond the mere promotion of religious freedom," said Jeremy Hunt, the head of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The report notes that persecution takes a variety of forms, from discrimination at school and work to genocide. Examples of such cases include countries such as China, Nigeria, Iraq, Pakistan, Indonesia, Syria and Sri Lanka. Among the motives indicated by the report as the reason for indifference to this phenomenon, political correctness and postcolonial sense of guilt are mentioned. It is also recommended the introduction of the term "Christianophobia" to British criminal law, in addition to existing Islamophobia and anti-Semitism.

In turn, France ranks first among European countries with the largest number of anti-Christian acts. In 2008-2019, the number of attacks on churches, cemeteries and other places of worship increased four times. In the first three months of this year there were 228 of them. These disturbing figures were provided by the French Ministry of the Internal Affairs. These attacks take place all over France, both in big cities and in small villages, however, not enough for the French media which practically ignores this topic. However, as observers note, they always talk about cases of attacks on Jewish or Muslim symbols.

It is difficult to state clearly the reason for this anti-Christian fury. According to the Christian magazine *Avenir de la Culture*, it consists of the loss of the sense of the sacred, the decline of the authority of many priests, and the fact that the Church, remaining faithful to its teaching, for many French people is old-fashioned, meaningless and perceived as an obstacle to a peaceful life.

Have a restful Sunday and a blessed week!

Bishop Wes



FORGIVENESS

To forgive is to set a prisoner free and to discover that the prisoner is me. —Anonymous

A Word From Pope Francis



It is normal for a husband and wife to quarrel.... Perhaps you were mad, perhaps plates flew, but please remember this: never let the sun go down without making peace! Never, never, never!...For if you let the day end without making peace, the next day what is inside of you is cold and hardened.

—Address to engaged couples, February 14, 2014



July 21, 2019

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Gn 18:1–10a

Col 1:24–28

Lk 10:38–42

Bringing Jesus to Our Work and Prayer

Jesus enjoyed resting in the home of his friends Lazarus, Martha, and Mary because of their affection and hospitality. Martha was a big part of this hospitality because she was energetic and dedicated to making sure Jesus was cared for. Mary made him feel at home differently, as she was hungry for the Lord's teaching. She was open, interested, and attentive.

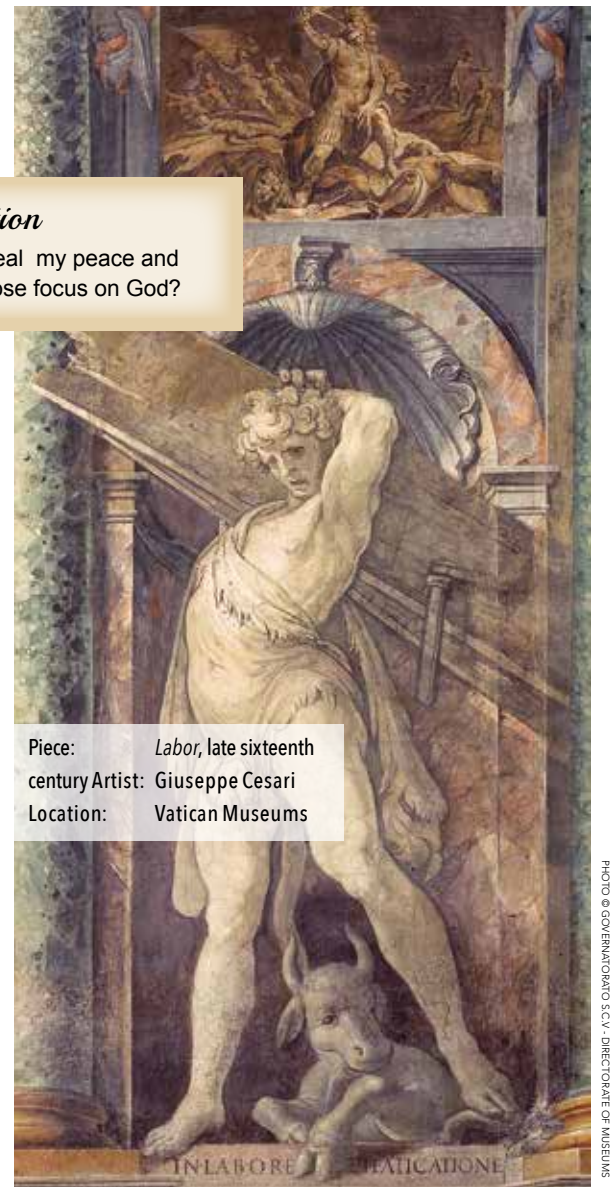
Yet on this occasion Martha is overcome with the urgent and leaves aside the important. Martha receives Christ in her home while Mary brings him into her heart. Living in relationship with Jesus always includes these two elements. Part of our love for him involves sitting at his feet in prayer. This is no doubt the "better part." Yet, serving Jesus also requires an active, busy life of work and responsibilities. Far from being an obstacle, work should be an occasion for a closer relationship with Jesus.

The key is having a unifying center to life; that center should be Jesus. He is the "why" we do what we do—whether work, play, or pray. Martha wasn't mistaken in serving Jesus' needs, but she lost focus with anxiety and worries. How to maintain this focus? First, pray regularly to remain centered. Second, don't worry about the small things at work or home. Third, frequently redirect your intention with a short, motivating motto like, "All for you, my Jesus" or "Your kingdom come!" Find one that works for you. Let's not lose sight of the Lord of our work when doing the work of the Lord.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

[Jesus said,] "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing."

Luke 10:41–42



Piece: Labor, late sixteenth century Artist: Giuseppe Cesari Location: Vatican Museums

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Summer Mass Schedule:
Vigil: 5:45pm, **Sunday:** 10:00am
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):
Saturday at 5:00-5:30pm
Baptisms: by appointment 3 weeks in advance
Weddings: by appointment 6 months in advance

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We welcome our parishioners and visitors who have come to St. Michael's to worship this Sunday. May you be blessed by your presence here today.

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sat. Jul 20	5:45pm	Adelina & Jose De Frias ++ Engracia Domingo +
Sun. Jul 21	10:00am	Kirby Brackstone +
Sat. Jul 27	5:45pm	Veronica & Herman Tucker ++
Sun. Jul 28	10:00am	Deolinda & Antonio Carvalho++ Maria Ruggiero & Vito Lovechio ++ Engracia Domingo +

You are welcome to attend Morning Masses at St. Theresa's - 7:30 Mon.—Fri. or St Anthony's - 8:00 Tues.—Fri.

DUE to the change to the Summer Mass Schedule, our three Masses per weekend is now two Masses per weekend therefore, previously reserved Mass Intentions will be combined with intentions from other Masses. We do not want anyone's loved ones' intention missed out and feel this is the best possible arrangement to combine intentions for the week for July and August in this way.

Thank you for your understanding and compassion.

July 20/21st — 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:45PM Lector: L. DeFrias
EM: W. Forbes, P. Marsh, S. Peniston
10:00AM

Greeters: E. Soares, E. Curt Lector: L. Attide-Stirling
EM: S. DeCouto, A. Cannonier, I. Brackstone, L. Lau
Altar Guild: I Manuel Counters: The DeFrias

July 27/28th—17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5:45PM Lector: W. Forbes
EM: A. Cannonier, K. Marsh, M. Wong
10:00AM

Greeters: E. Soares, E. Curt Lector: J. Almeida
EM: G. Lovechio, P. Robinson, I. Brackstone, Maura Almeida
Altar Guild: T. DeSilva Counters: K. Marsh

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Mary Magdalene
Tuesday:	St. Bridget
Wednesday:	St. Sharbel Makhlouf
Thursday:	St. James
Friday:	Ss. Joachim and Anne
Saturday:	Blessed Virgin Mary

PARISH NEWS

We are in need of a PARISHSOFT INPUT for St. Michael's parish. Anyone who is interested in volunteering to assist with this is asked to contact Fr. Joe for more details.



ST. MICHAEL'S SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE started as of JULY 1st. The new schedule continues the Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:45pm. Sunday morning Mass changed to ONE (1) MASS ONLY at 10:00AM. This schedule will be in place for July and August, with the final weekend on August 24/25th. The Thursday Evening 7pm Mass as well as the Rosary and Benediction will be discontinued for this same Summer Schedule. Fr. Joe will celebrate weekend Masses during July and August as scheduled.

Fr. Joe will NOT be travelling during August, however he will take Monday – Friday each week of August as a staycation. ☺ Fr. Joe will be available during the week if there is an emergency etc. as needed, however not on a day to day weekday basis. Weekend Masses as new schedule.

Registration for CCD 2019-20 school year. Registration and payment of (\$140) for September 2019 school year should be completed prior to the start of the new Term on September 22nd. Children who will be five years old by December 31, 2019, (born 2014) and are not attending MSA, are invited to enroll in the Parish religious education CCD program. Application forms are available from your Parish Catechetical Leader Patricia Carreiro, contact details are on the front of the Bulletin and online at www.romancatholicbermuda.bm Found on home page, under useful links.. Please attach a copy of your child's baptism certificate with the Registration form.

Six Summer Prayers Inspiration to refresh your Daily prayer habits

All things bright and beautiful,
All creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful:
You, Lord God, made them all.

Each little flower that opens,
Each little bird that sings,
You made their glowing colors,
You made their tiny wings.

The purple headed mountains,
The river running by,
The sunset and the morning
That brightens up the sky

he changing of the seasons,
The pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden,
You made them every one.

The tall trees in the greenwood,
The meadows where we play,
The rushes by the water,
To gather every day.

You gave us eyes to see them,
And lips that we might tell
How great is God Almighty,
Who has made all things well.

(A hymn by Cecil F. Alexander, slightly revised. Public domain.)

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

There's a different pace to a summer Sunday, especially on those days when we dream of air conditioning and wave any available paper to stir the air. Yet we persist in gathering, even with so many breaks from the usual routines. We distance ourselves not only from routines, but from schedules and familiar well-worn paths. These are playful days and contemplative days. We see long-lost friends and visit almost-forgotten places. We have more leisure than any people before in the history of the world, and we need it because our lives are so care-worn and tiring. More of us walk barefoot and look up at the stars or dip our toes in the lake or sea, sing around campfires, read novels on the beach, and eat comfort food with our fingers. We see how beautiful life can be, and are more aware than usual of how God is always breaking in with signs of love.

In Genesis today, Abraham and Sarah practice hospitality to their visitors, who turn out to be God dropping in. During the summer months, God practices hospitality in return, inviting us into a season of celebration. Keeping Sunday holy is a good habit to cultivate in these days when our spirits are especially receptive to God's deep desire for us to know divine love.

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HOSPITALITY

Christians should offer their brethren simple and unpretentious hospitality.

Stewardship... is what I do after I say "I Believe"

Weekly Collection July 13/14th	\$1,143.60
Weekly Income Needed to cover Routine Expenses:	\$3,036.00
Weekly Surplus/ (Shortfall)	\$1,892.40

ST. MICHAEL'S uses your regular collection contributions to support Parish Operations.

Latest Update: The Cedar Door facing the road has been repaired, and an electrician will be working with Danny to repair the electrical outlet in the Church. The work in the bathrooms and the Hall south room storage drywall will be repaired after Vacation Bible School is finished. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT. IT REALLY HELPS!**

Votes: 113.40 Poor Box: \$45.00

BISHOP'S APPEAL COLLECTION TO DATE: \$3,927.50
PETER'SPENCE COLLECTION TO DATE: \$1027.00

POOR BOX FUNDS GO TO THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY's Loaves and Fishes
Direct Deposit to Butterfield Bank (BNTB) to:
"The Ordinary of the Roman Catholic Church, St. Michael's" Acct # 2000-6060-081824 -100

Dear Padre,

Our son and his fiancée, both Catholic, are talking about getting married in the Church. What are recent changes since our daughter's wedding a decade ago?

The rite, now called The Order of Celebrating Matrimony, was revised in 2016 for weddings celebrated in English within the United States. Some of the changes at a Mass when two Catholics marry include:

- An expansion of Scripture selections to choose for the celebration, with at least one reading explicitly speaking of marriage
- The addition of the Gloria (sung or recited)
- An assembly's response following the couple's reception of consent
- After the final blessing, the marriage record may be signed in the sacristy or in the presence of the assembly (but not on the altar)

Moreover, adaptations include the English translation of the texts to accompany the optional use of the arras (coins) and lazo (veil) for one or both spouses with Hispanic or Filipino cultural backgrounds.

A Marriage that is desired, prepared for, celebrated, and lived daily in the light of faith is that which is 'joined by the Church, strengthened by a sacrificial offering, sealed by a blessing, announced by Angels, and ratified by the Father....How wonderful the bond of the two believers: one in hope, one in vow, one in discipline, one in the same service!...Indeed, they are two in one flesh; where there is one flesh, there is also one spirit'" (The Order of Celebrating Matrimony).

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR
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Complete and drop the form into either the Collection basket, at your Rectory Office or email it to diocesancentre@northrock.bm. Thanks for your assistance and God bless.

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Hamilton in Bermuda website has been updated. Please take the time to review the website, it has a great deal of information of what is happening in and around our Diocese is www.romancatholicbermuda.bm.