The Lord said to her in reply,
"Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

MASS INTENTIONS AND CHURCH SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 16
- 5:00pm (O) Evelyn, Joe, and Joseph Corey
  Catherine E. Gray (Birthday Remembrance)
  Manuel Medeiros (1st Anniversary)

Sunday, July 17
- 8:00am (O) Mary Lou Rogers and John E. Rogers
- 10:30am (O) Catherine E. Gray
- 7:00pm (O'N) St. Lucy's Parishioners

Monday, July 18
- 9:00am Lauren Morris

Tuesday, July 19
- 9:00am Manuel J. Mello

Wednesday, July 20
- 9:00am Marianna R. Freese

Thursday, July 21
- 9:00am Communion Service

Friday, July 22
- 9:00am (M) Rene
- 5:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 7:00pm Devotions
- 8:00pm Benediction

Saturday, July 23
- 5:00pm (O) Agnes L. Elliott (Birthday Remembrance)

Sunday, July 24
- 8:00am (O) St. Lucy's Parishioners
- 10:30am (O) George and Helen Leeber
- 7:00pm (O'N) St. Lucy's Parishioners

In the above celebrations:
O = Rev. John O'Brien
O'N = Rev. Tom O'Neill
M = Rev. Eugene McKenna

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday:	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday:	Jer 1:1, 4-10/Mt 13:1-9
Thursday:	Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Mt 13:10-17
Friday:	Jer 3:14-17/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Saturday:	Jer 7:1-11/Mt 13:24-30
Sunday:	Gn 18:20-32/Col 2:12-14/Lk 11:1-13

LIFE (Learning In Faith Experiences)
One of the many challenges that I heard from last week's homily based on the parable of the Good Samaritan left me wondering: how often do I behave in the manner of those people in the story who saw the injured person but either closed their eyes or crossed the street in the hopes of not really seeing the needs of the other? (Or better yet, not even being able to literally SEE the other person!) Some examples that the homilist shared from his life weren't examples of "injured" persons – but truly our neighbors, those who live right next door to us. "In the olden days…" we never locked our doors, we borrowed a cup of sugar or eggs, we ran errands for our neighbor (all of whom we knew, and knew well!). Do we even know the names of our neighbors? Oops…only some, I admit. I've got two brand-new across-the-street neighbors that I've been meaning to welcome to the neighborhood, but haven't. Tonight's the night though! Brownies have been baked and additional sugary treats for our new neighbors and their children are ready to be delivered! Now tying into this weekend's Gospel story, the "Martha" portion of my task is complete, the "Mary" portion of the task yet to be fulfilled – to welcome and be present to guests and visitors. In our everyday lives there is and always will be things and tasks competing for our attention; but should these distractions take precedence over people?? For instance, I've sat at many a meeting where individuals, including those who have run the meeting, have had their noses glued to their i-phone screens, and do not come up for air to communicate properly. Couldn't that person have checked his/her emails, the Patriots schedule, what they've DVR'ed, checked obits, upcoming calendar, googled, etc – before he/she stepped foot into our meeting? Is this meeting or members present not important enough for another's attention? In our daily living we need to learn to put into practice the BEST OF both Martha and Mary. Whether at meetings, at home with family, out to dinner with friends – we need to learn to RELAX and ENJOY ONE ANOTHER'S COMPANY without distractions or worries! Yes, we need to be like "Martha" and buy groceries, cook dinner and set the table, etc. Like "Martha" we need/should prepare ahead of time for a meeting and create a conducive environment. But, like "Mary" we must also be present to the moment, and see the moment as gift and opportunity. We do need the balance of Martha's hospitality and preparedness in our lives as well as Mary's foresight to know, deep down, what is truly important and make the decision to be present. During the upcoming week, try to not get too overly distracted with the minutia that may sometimes cloud our vision and priorities.

(Written by Colette Savaria, **LIFE** Coordinator)

SOUP KITCHEN NEEDS
Tuesday, July 19, 2016

6 bags Oranges 4 loaves Bread
Assorted finger desserts (cupcakes, cookies, brownies)

If you would like to help with any of the above items please call Sylvia Bunker at 683-0320. You may drop off your donations at the rectory anytime before 3pm on Tuesday, July 19. We served 93 meals in June. Thank you all for your generosity.

NETWORK's Nuns on the Bus are hitting the road again – and they're coming to Providence! Throughout the journey, Sister Simone Campbell will be joined by 18 other Catholic sisters for the 13-state tour that includes stops at both the Republican and Democratic Conventions. The Nuns will be calling on elected officials and candidates to "Mend the Gaps" in income and wealth inequality in our nation. Their goal is to bring a politics of inclusion to divided places, change the conversation to mending the vast economic and social divides in our country, and counter political incivility with their message of inclusion. Be a part of their visit for a community meal at Amos House on **Saturday, July 23 from 5-6:15pm,** 460 Pine St., Providence.

A Holy Hour for Persecuted Christians will be aired on EWTN on Sunday, July 17 at 8pm.

Child & Family's Supportive Housing provides shelter and assists homeless mothers and their children to reach their full potential in life. This is accomplished through various goals set by the program to provide families with the necessary tools to create and gain stability as well as a safe and healthy environment. In addition to financial contributions, in-kind gifts are welcome, such as new (or gently used) sheets, comforters, household and kitchen items, personal care items, diapers, toiletries, etc. and infant and children's items. The program is also looking for volunteers to share a skill or talent, such as cooking classes, nutrition, wellness, fitness, parenting and job skill training, resume building, budgeting, education guidance, etc. As each family has their own apartment, the program has an immediate need for cribs (no mattress needed) and new bedding for twin beds to finish these apartment set ups. If you can help out, please contact the case manager, Jaime Pichierri at jpichierri@childandfamilyri.org or call 842-6982.

All Saints STEAM Academy will be holding two **Open Houses: Sunday, July 24 and Sunday, August 14 from 11:00 – 1:00pm**. Tours are also available at any time. All Saints STEAM Academy offers an affordable Catholic education for children in grades Pre-K to 8, and applications are being accepted for all grades. For more information call 848-4300 or visit our website www.allsaintsacademy.org

CHURCH SUPPORT – July 9/10, 2016
Weekly Collection $6346.00
The Second Collection this weekend will be for the Reduction of the Parish Debt.
Friendly Reminder: For your convenience donations may be made electronically. It is simple, secure, and convenient! Detailed instructions are on our web site (www.stlucy.org).
**If you have been making your donation by EFT and no longer wish to receive bi-monthly envelopes, please contact the office 847-6153 ext. 201. (You would still receive special mailings from St. Lucy's if you opt out of having the collection envelopes mailed to you.)
Thank you for your continuing generosity.

2016 CCF Week 22 Ending 7-01-16
Amount Raised To Date: **$59,032.00**

"Ladies" Lunch: This Wednesday, July 20, from noon -12:45 in the Parish Center. We will continue **Women of the Judges** and also look at **Women of the Kings: Bathsheba, Abigail, Michel and others.** Bring your lunch, cold drinks will be provided. All are welcome.

BIBLE STUDY will be held every Tuesday morning from 9:45-10:30 in the Family Room of the Church. We will focus on the upcoming Sunday readings. All are welcome.

The Office of Marriage Preparation and Enrichment is sponsoring the 10th Annual Wedding Anniversary Celebration honoring couples of the Diocese of Providence who will be observing their 25th, 40th, 50th and OVER 50 years wedding anniversaries in 2016. The celebration will be held on Sunday, September 25, 2016 at 1:00pm at the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul, Providence and will include Mass, renewal of marriage vows, a personalized certificate for each couple and a reception for the couples and their families. Bishop Thomas J. Tobin will be the main celebrant and homilist. Please contact the Rectory if you would like information in order to participate.

Please ***pray*** for all the men and women who have served and who currently serve in the armed forces, and the military commanders who lead them. ***Pray*** for our homebound Parishioners and the sick of the Parish (including those in hospitals and nursing homes). ***Pray*** for the unborn, the premature, and the fragile among us so that we may deepen our respect for life at all stages.

SAVE THE DATE! St. Lucy's Annual Parish Picnic will be held on **Tuesday, Aug. 2** (5:30pm-dusk), rain or shine. The picnic menu will include hot dogs, potato and pasta salads, and beverages (lemonade, water, and juice). There will be face painting, games, and much more! If you are planning to attend, please fill out this form and place it in the designated basket in the back of the Church by July 27. Please bring a ready to serve plated dessert or cut fruit to share which will serve 4 people. In addition, please bring a blanket or chair. For more information and/or to help, please contact Sr. Sheila at 847-6153 (x205) if you can help.

Family Name:_____

No. attending: Adults_____Children_____
Telephone No._____
I will bring_____