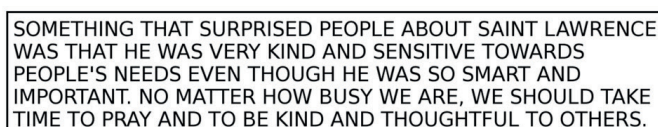
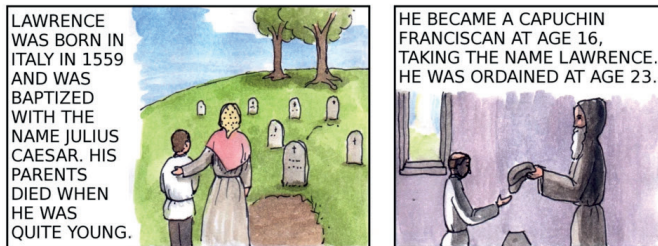


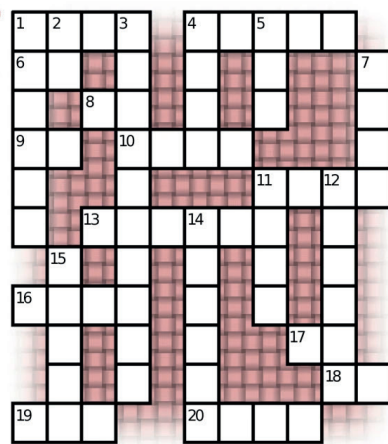
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## Martha and Mary

### 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."



## S GILES-IN-READING SOUTHAMPTON STREET

# The S Giles Sunday School Sheet

Today is the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

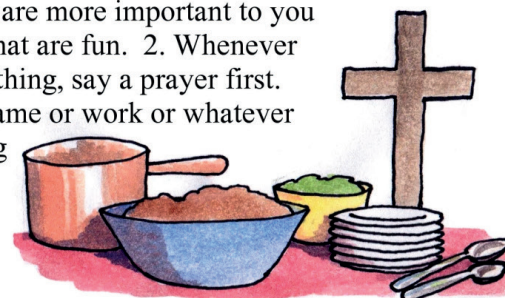
Children remain with their families until the near the end of the first hymn, at that point a teacher will lead them out to the Vestry Room for Sunday School. You are welcome to join your child if they are nervous about going alone. The children then return during the Offertory Hymn.

## 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.



## 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 20th, 2025

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



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!

## Night prayers

We always need to think about Jesus before we end each day. Ask mum or dad to pray these simple prayers with you before bed.

### Sunday

Now I lay me down to sleep,  
I pray the Lord my soul to keep.  
May God guard me through the night,  
And wake me with the morning light. Amen.

### Monday

Now I lay me down to sleep,  
I pray the Lord my soul to keep.  
May the angels watch me through the night,  
And keep me in their blessed sight. Amen.

### Tuesday

Now I lay me down to sleep,  
I pray the Lord my soul to keep.  
If I should live another day  
I pray the Lord to guide my way. Amen.

### Wednesday

God, my friend, it is time for bed.  
Time to rest my sleepy head.  
I pray to you before I do.  
Please guide me down the path that's true.

### Thursday

Father, we thank thee for the night,  
And for the pleasant morning light;  
For rest and food and loving care,  
And all that makes the day so fair.

### Friday

God, Help us do the things we should,  
To be to others kind and good;  
In all we do, in work or play,  
To grow more loving every day.

### Saturday

God, my friend, it is time to sleep.  
I thank you for a soul unique,  
And thank you for another day,  
To run and jump and laugh and play!

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



# Today's Worship

**Welcome:** Today we hear that Jesus visits Martha and Mary. Jesus wants us to make him our number one priority. Let's find out how we can do this.

**Opening prayer:** (In the name...) Loving Father, give us ears to hear, time to be still, courage to stop what we are doing and a willingness to listen to your words, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



**Gospel: Luke 10:** At that time: Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me.' But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her.'

## Intercessions

Let us listen to Jesus as we pray together:

- We pray for the leaders in our schools and our communities: that they may make time for all people and listen to those around them. Lord in your mercy...
- We pray for world leaders: that they may be inspired by the Holy Spirit in their work and listen to the needs of all their people. Lord in your mercy...
- We pray for our parish, family and friends: that together we may know when to be busy and when to be still, so that we may be ready to welcome Jesus into our hearts. Lord in your mercy...

## Closing prayer

Christ our Lord, open our ears to listen to your word in this quiet moment. **[Pause in silence for a few moments.]** May we turn to you with helping hands and hearts ready to love. Amen.

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Gospel: Luke 10:38-42**

