



Martha and Mary: Listen and Act

The story of Martha and Mary is one that almost everyone can identify with. Today's Gospel is one in which we can ask, "Who am I most like, Martha or Mary?" Perhaps, we find ourselves at times like Martha, anxious and full of busy activity. At other times, we may find ourselves like Mary, quiet, receptive and taking time to listen to our Lord. Actually, the ideal would be to have Mary's quiet reflective openness to God and Martha's desire to serve with gracious hospitality.

We all need the time to listen to what Jesus has to say to us, but we also must exercise in our daily lives what we have heard: words put into action. There is a time for us to be like Mary and a time to be like Martha. If we find ourselves at either extreme, then we soon realize that something is missing. Jesus wants to speak to us and He wants us to be free of distractions so we can understand His message. He wants us to listen, as Mary listened. He also wants us, once we have understood His message, to go out into the world and be people of service, as Martha was a person of service. Let us try to be people who first listen to our Lord, and then put into practice what He asks of us.

Father David

Capital Campaign Update

As of July 9, we have collected \$115,476 for our Capital Campaign. I thank all those who have supported the campaign thus far and ask those who have not yet responded to prayerfully consider what you are able to give to this important campaign to ensure that our buildings are beautiful and worthy of the many things we do in the parish complex. Thank you!

Father David