

Families of Faith

✝ July ✝

Prayer Corner



Dear Jesus,
Thank You for coming to Mary and Martha's home.

Martha worked hard to get everything ready, and Mary sat and listened to You.

Please help me to be like both of them - to work and help others when it's needed, but also to stop and listen to You with my heart.

Amen.

Dear Jesus,
Please help me to be like Pier Giorgio - to smile even when things are hard, to help others with love, and to always put You first in my life.

Amen.

Saints to Inspire

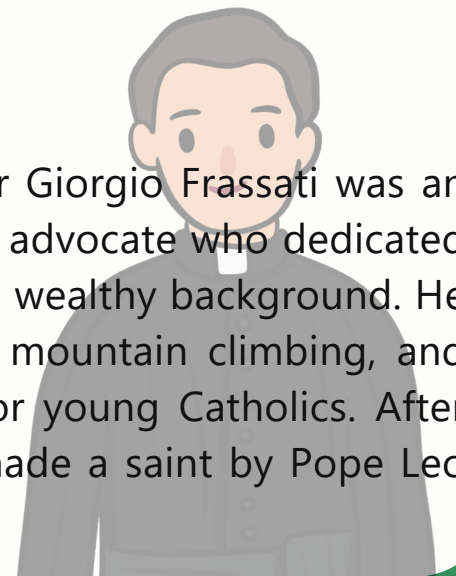


29 July - Saints Martha, Mary of Bethany, and Lazarus

Saints Martha, Mary of Bethany, and Lazarus were close friends of Jesus. Martha is known for her active service and hospitality. Mary is celebrated for her devotion and for anointing Jesus' feet with expensive perfume. Lazarus is famous for being raised from the dead by Jesus. Together, they are recognised for their love for Jesus, and their feast day is celebrated on July 29.

4 July - Pier Giorgio Frassati

"Jesus is with me, I have nothing to fear". Pier Giorgio Frassati was an Italian Catholic youth activist and social justice advocate who dedicated his life to helping the poor and sick despite his wealthy background. He was known for his joyful personality, love of mountain climbing, and strong faith, and he is considered a model for young Catholics. After dying from polio at age 24 in 1925, he was made a saint by Pope Leo XIV in September 2025.



Good News from the Gospel



6th July - Matthew 11:25-30

Jesus invites everyone who feels tired or has worries to come to him for rest. He teaches us that being gentle and humble brings peace. *When do I need to rest in Jesus' love?*

12th July - Matthew 13:1-23

God's Word is like a seed: when we hear it with open hearts, it can grow and bear lots of good fruit in our lives. *How can I make my heart good soil for God's Word?*

19th July - Matthew 13:24-43

The Kingdom of God might start small or hidden, but it grows into something amazing - we are invited to be part of it. *How can I help goodness grow in the world?*

26th July - Matthew 13:44-52

The Kingdom of Heaven is a treasure worth giving everything for; when we truly find it, we joyfully accept and live in it. *What treasures do I want to find in my life with God?*

Family Faith in Action

- Invite a friend to dinner
- Make the tart of St Martha
- Spend time with your brothers and sisters
- Exercise
- Pray a walking rosary
- Call a family member to say they love them
- Make a rice crispie chocolate mountain using Fairtrade chocolate



World Chocolate Day - 1st July

Enjoy a Fairtrade bar of chocolate

