



From the Desk of Fr. Leo

When Angelo Roncalli became Pope John XXII, (now St. Pope John XXIII) an amazing thing took place. His delightful humor, his obvious affection for people of all ages and cultures, his dignified yet earthy humanity won not only the respect but the love of Catholics and non-Catholics alike.

Pope John XXIII showed the whole world that being Pope had not divorced him from every day-type living. It may surprise you to hear that in being so very human, the Pope was only imitating his master, Jesus Christ.

The gospel this Sunday highlights a Jesus who is friendly, charming and witty, a Jesus with a human heart. Jesus had become a very close friend of Lazarus and his two sisters, Martha and Mary.

The response of Jesus shows that he knew Martha very well. Actually, he chided her for being something

of a fuss-budget, but he did so with perfect good humor. The way he repeated her name tells us that he was smiling at a friend whose excesses and little failings were known to him.

We know that during the Mass, we are to offer ourselves with Jesus in sacrifice to the Father. It is easy to remember to offer the big things, the difficult things. Today we are reminded that we must also offer the simple, even pleasant things to God.

Fr. Leo Alban Asuncion

Mass Intentions for the Week

Table with 3 columns: Day, Date, Time. Rows include Tues. July 19 (Living Memorial), Wed. July 20 (Special Intentions), Thur. July 21 (Special Intentions), Fri. July 22 (Special Intentions), Sat. July 23 (Jong), Sun. July 24 (Fernando Urbano, Lisa Urbano), and Port Costa (People of the Parish).



Sunday Collection - July 10

Table with 2 columns: Location, Amount. Rows: St. Rose, Crockett (\$1698), St. Patrick Mission (\$200)

Thank you again to all who support our Parish

Mission Coop 2022

Educating the Poor Children in India

Father Ben Chinnappan is making a mission appeal this weekend at St. Rose of Lima to promote education among the poor children in India. Christianity is India's third-largest religion with approximately 30 million followers, constituting 3% of India's population.



Synod

Dear Friends,

Thank you all again for your prayers, involvement, and support of the Diocese of Oakland Synod Process. The reports were submitted to the United States Conference of Bishops on June 29, 2022.

We all learned so much from this process, in particular, your interest in participating in more activities that help enrich your faith. Encouraged by our recent Synod results calling for more opportunities for our families to gather, the Diocese of Oakland is inviting parishes, ministries, and schools to "Celebrate Catholic Family Life" from September 24-October 2.

Please visit our diocesan website to learn more and let's continue our synodal journey together.

With Blessings
Fr. Jimmy Macalinao and Cristina Hernández
Co-Chairs, Diocese of Oakland
Synod Core Team

“Laughter is the shortest distance between two people.”

- Victor Borge