



17 July 2022  
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



### INTRODUCTION:

We are frequently busy with many things, but are we spending time listening to the voice of the Lord, are we reflecting on his wisdom, are we meditating on his goodness and wonder as we see it around us in creation, are we recalling his gift of life, are we rejoicing in the presence of the Word made flesh?

### READINGS:

First Reading: Gen 18:1-10a  
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5  
Second Reading: Col 1:24-28  
Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL:

**Celebrant:** Realizing our priority of being with Jesus and choosing the better part as Mary did, let us now express our needs to Him:

R/- Lord, graciously hear us.

We pray for Pope Francis, the Bishops, the Clergy and the Religious, that guided by the Holy Spirit, they may proclaim the good news of salvation and bring hope to those they minister. We pray to the Lord...

We pray for religious men and women, as well as those in monasteries, who have chosen active or contemplative life that they may always balance their work and prayer without compromising any. We pray to the Lord...

We pray for our political leaders and those in government, that they may take constructive decisions for the common good of all and strive to build a more just society. We pray to the Lord...

We pray for our families that Parents may exercise their authority with utmost care and concern and children may respond to them in love and obedience. We pray to the Lord...

We pray for sufficient rain so that being supplied with what sustains us in this present life, we may seek more confidently what sustains us for eternity. We pray to the Lord....

**Celebrant:** God our Father, we thank you for giving us your Son, Jesus as our teacher and guide. Grant that we may be always attentive to him like Mary and be committed to him in our actions like Martha, so that our actions may flow from our contemplation of the words of Jesus, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.