# Looking Forward



17th July 2022 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time In Luke's Gospel: "She sat beside the Lord and listened to Him speak."



# Looking Forward in Prayer



The Gospel this week tells the story of sisters Martha and Mary.

Martha appears as someone who is always busy, Mary as the one who is contemplative.

Martha is a doer, Mary is a thinker.

Ignatius of Loyola, who founded the Jesuits, came up with the phrase contemplative in action.

Angela Merici, who established the Ursulines, also saw the link between prayer and action.

How do you combine the two?

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#### SAINTS AND SCHOOLS # 32



St Edward the Confessor built the abbey of St Peter (Westminster Abbey). He became king of England in 1042 and as a very pious and saintly man he is known by the title 'Edward the Confessor'. He died at

the start of 1066 and his death set in chain one of the significant events of English history resulting in the Battle of Hastings. He was made a saint in 1161. St Edward's catholic Primary School in Upton Park serves a diverse community in East London.

"In your dreams, you can say: my life is not captive to the mindset of the world."

(Pope Francis, Youth Sunday 2021)

### Feast of St Mary Magdalene: 22nd July



Mary Magdalene appears in the Gospels as one of the women who travel with Jesus. She was present at his crucifixion in all four Gospels and is at his burial according to all except John. She is first to witness the empty tomb and Jesus' resurrection. In the Gospel of Matthew an angel tells Mary and the other women that Jesus has risen, and then Jesus himself appears to them. In John's Gospel, Mary greets the risen Jesus with the title 'Rabbouni' meaning 'my teacher'. She is sent to the apostles to tell them the Good News. In 2016 Pope Francis raised 22nd July to the status of a feast day and Mary Magdalene to be referred to as 'The Apostle of the apostles.'



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