

**Future Direction Subcommittee of the Supreme Council
Polish National Catholic Church**

DISCIPLESHIP

2020

PNCC



Prayerfulness and Service

DISCIPLESHIP 2020 continues to present monthly messages focused on the lives and messages of the disciples of Jesus.

March 2020 – Martha and Mary

[Click Here to watch a short video message on Simeon and Anna delivered by Fr. Antulio Alvarado](#)

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Scriptures for Reflection
Luke 10:38-42 & John 11:1-145

Questions for Reflection:

Martha and Mary together give us a balanced model of the aspects of our discipleship. Do you have this same balance of prayer and service in your daily life? What can you do to achieve it?

How can you, as a disciple, help others take their relationship with our Lord more seriously?

Name a few important “discipleship qualities” that Martha and Mary demonstrate?

Which one would you personally like to better emulate?

How can you begin to practically do so in your daily life?

BELOW IS THE MARCH 2020 PRAYER CALENDAR
provided by the Eastern Diocese Mission and Evangelism Committee

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>March 2020</h1> <p>PNCC-ED Mission / Evangelism Prayer for the Year of Discipleship: Mary and Martha of Bethany - Prayerfulness, Service</p>					<i>Resurrection PNCC in Temperance, MI, is the site for the Twentieth Mission Workshop, set for</i>	<i>March 27-29, 2020. Registration is FREE, and all are welcome. Pray about it & plan to attend!</i>
1 LENT 1 May God's Word be our bread and nourish our souls. (See Mt. 4:1-11)	2 Jesus, may we show our care for You as we serve the hungry and those in need.	3 May young people walk in the way God chooses for them and find fulfillment in Him.	4 What is behind my prayer? Am I seeking the Giver, or only His gifts?	5 "Do to others as you would have them do to you..." (Read and live Matthew 7:7-12)	6 May we deny ourselves today and not deny those in need. (<i>Liturgy of the Hours</i>)	7 Seen on a bumper sticker: "Humankind: Be Both." What does it mean for you?
8 Institution of the PNCC - No branch can bear fruit by itself. Stay close to Jesus (John 15).	9 "The measure you give will be the measure you get back." (See Luke 6: 36-38)	10 Lord, purify and renew Your Church in this time of salvation. Teach us to follow Christ.	11 Guide the minds and hearts of civil and religious leaders to seek the common good.	12 May our clergy draw near to our Lord in the Holy Eucharist and grow in grace.	13 May I always wish others well and pray for them, even if they hurt me. (<i>Sacred Space</i>)	14 "Every moment of every day, our God is waiting to save." No one is beyond His reach!
15 LENT 3 "Give justice to the weak & the orphan, defend the afflicted & the destitute."	16 You call us to fasting, prayer & works of mercy. Heal our wounds, Father (<i>Lit. of Hours</i>)	17 "Prayer knocks at the door, fasting obtains, mercy receives." ~ St. Peter Chrysologus	18 May we stand before God not as scrupulous rule keepers but as loving children. (SS)	19 "Whatever you do, work at it with your whole being... for the Lord..." (See Colossians 3:23-24)	20 Lord, master our rebellious hearts and teach us generosity. (<i>Liturgy of the Hours</i>)	21 May we be true neighbors to all in distress, as the Good Samaritan was.
22 LENT 4 "Let us throw off the chains that prevent us from following the Lord"	23 May we reverence Christ in the poor, distressed and troublesome. (<i>Hrs.</i>)	24 Like the angel Gabriel, may we be messengers of God's Salvation.	25 "Authentic power is service" (Francis I). Look beyond yourself to others' needs.	26 "Lead back to Your friendship & truth all who have gone astray; teach us how to help."	27 "Draw near to God and He will draw near to you." (Read James 4)	28 "Pray for one another that you may find healing." (Read James 5)
29 May the Mission Workshop yield much fruit in the spiritual life of PNC parishes.	30 (St. Augustine, b. 354- d. 430) "If Christ were not tempted, He could not teach you..."	31 "...how to triumph over temptation." Lord, help us today in our struggles!	Take time to sit at the Lord's feet, as Mary did, and let Him teach you (see Luke 10:38-42).	May you serve others with the faith and strength of Martha (see John 11:20-29)	"Encourage one another daily while it is still 'today' so that no one grows hardened..."	...by the deceit of sin." ~ Hebrews 3:1-19

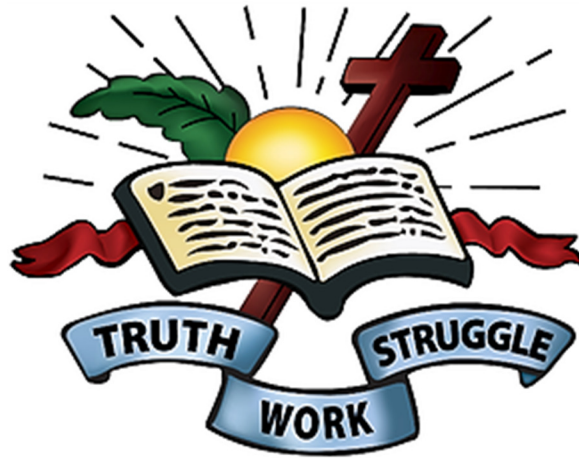
During this month remember to schedule a Mass for healing and attend a Lenten Retreat to draw closer to our Lord during this Holy and Sacred Lenten season.

PNCC Future Direction is also on Facebook! Like us and follow our updates on Facebook too. If you know of parishioners or friends who are not a part of our monthly email updates – please have them email us at FutureDirection@pncc.org to become a part of this important effort for our Holy Church.

May we prayerfully live serving God and one another as disciples of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ today. Wishing you a blessed Lenten journey.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

PNCC Supreme Council Future Direction Committee



We continue to implement the five themes the Synod determined for our future direction:

Growth and Membership
Increase Spirituality
Lifelong Learning
Sacred Vocations

Community Involvement and Presence

Action Plan for Discipleship: 2020

Develop and strengthen Discipleship throughout 2020
Parish Assessment
Special Masses
Continue the Business Free Zone
Continue and Strengthen Social Media Presence
Adult Continuing Education
Two Days of Spiritual Retreat
Complete Six Community Service Projects

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