

Daily Homily
24 Ordinary Time, Friday
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When we started the Gospel of Luke a week or so ago, I gave an overview of what to expect. Luke has its notes that the other Gospels do not necessarily highlight. One note is that of the role of women in discipleship. More than any of the other Gospels, Luke highlights the role of both men and women. In Jesus' society and times this was very unusual. In our times, the fact that men and women are viewed as a compliment to each other and are not in competition with each other, is a Christian trait that is not always honored.

But here we are... along with The Twelve apostles were these women who provided for Jesus from their resources.

And really they set the stage for ages to come, both men and women are called into discipleship. We see this in our own country in the likes of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, St. Mother Cabrini, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, St. Marianne Cope, St. Katharine Drexel, St. John Neumann, St. Damien of Molokai, St. Junipero Serra, Blessed Solanus Casey. To name just a few – there are several more. ([Link to American Saints and Blesseds](#))

I think of the employees and staff here at St. Brendan. We have around fifty people on staff here, both men and women in leadership who carry on the work of the Gospel. With our parish staff, our school staff, our maintenance staff, we each have our own roles, and we all serve the Church in a relationship that is complimentary, not a competition, in order to carry on our witness to the Gospel and building the Kingdom of God.

So who are the men and women in your life that have built your faith, helped you to grow, shown you the way to the Father? How have you complimented in your discipleship the discipleship of someone else – provided for them out of your resources?