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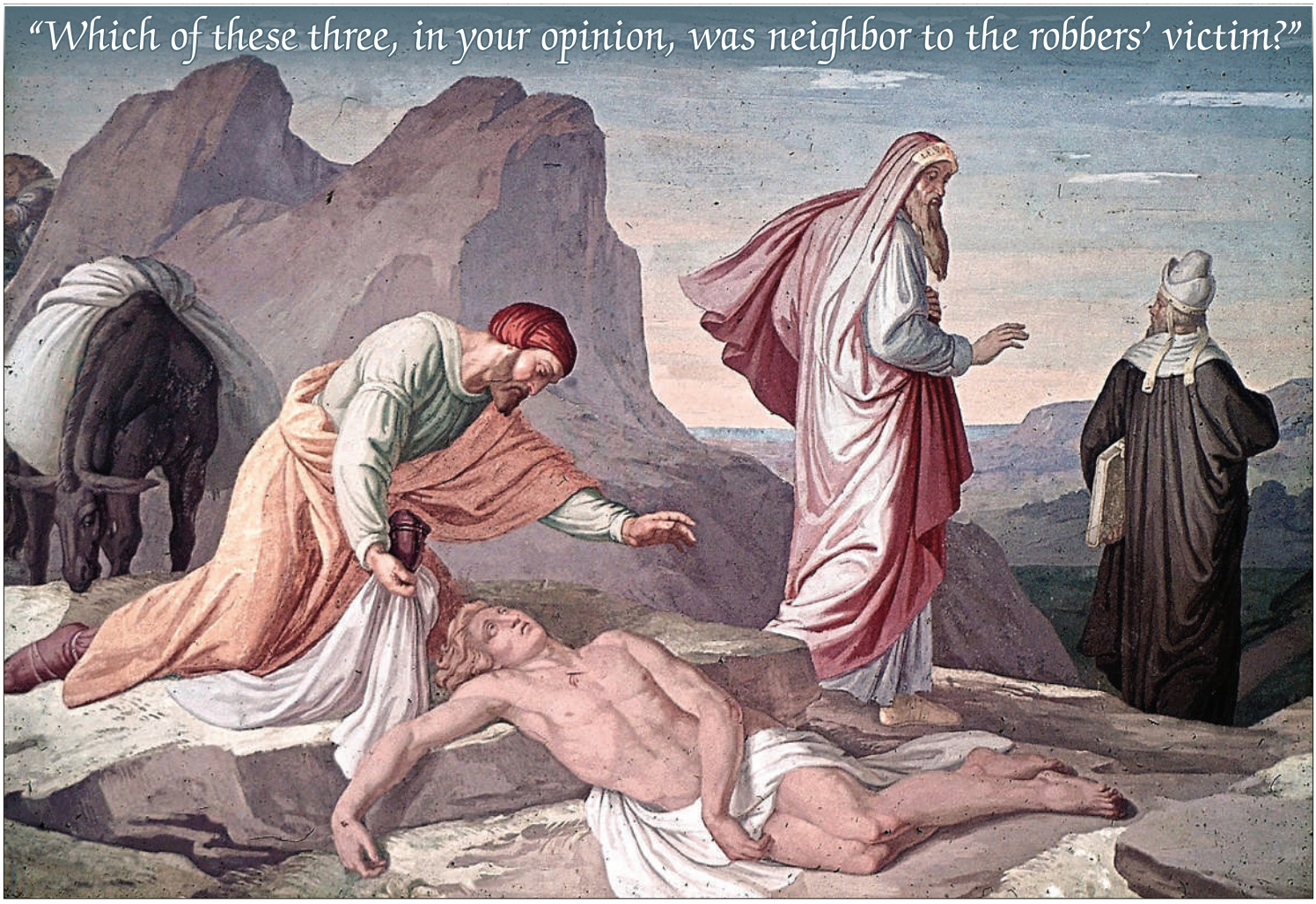

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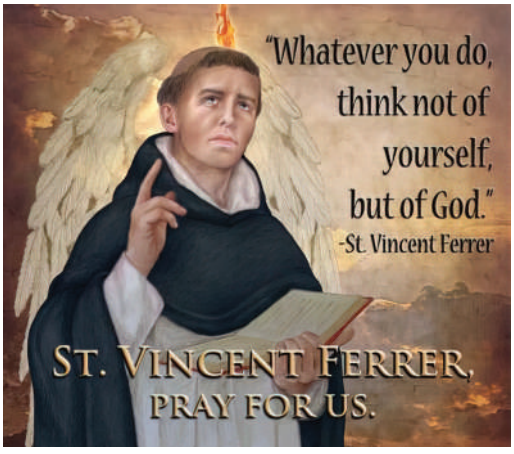

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Saturday: 9:00 a.m.
Saturday: 5:00 p.m. – Vigil Mass
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
HOLY DAYS: 9:00 a.m.

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15th Week in Ordinary Time
July 13, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, July 12th — 5:00 p.m.
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jacquie Gopaul Barker — Blessings and Thanksgiving
Requested b Mary Baker

Sunday, July 13th — 8:00 a.m.
Wilfredo Toppin — In Memoriam
Requested by The Toppin Family

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 11:00 a.m.
Rev. Msgr. Joseph A. Nugent —In Memoriam
Requested by Gerald DeMaio
Judy Pierre — In Memoriam
Requested by Gerald DeMaio
Laughton and Paula Miller
— Blessings and Thanksgiving
Requested by Father Gopaul and Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish
Hamerton Mathieu and Altagrace Mathieu and Family
— Blessings and Thanksgiving

Monday, July 14th — 9:00 a.m.
Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin
Marie Liautaud — In Memoriam
Requested by Yurose and Juan Martinez

Tuesday, July 15th — 9:00 a.m.
Saint Bonaventure, Bishop, Doctor of the Church
Antonine Myrthil — Birthday Blessings

Wednesday, July 16th — 9:00 a.m.
Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Mary Ann Young — In Memoriam
Requested by Suzanne Balsamo

Thursday, July 17th — 9:00 a.m.
Raymond Wagner —In Memoriam
Requested by Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish

Friday, July 18th — 9:00 a.m.
Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest
Thomas Galatola — In Memoriam
Requested by Margaret and James Bambara

Saturday, July 19th — 9:00 a.m.
Rev. Father Gary P. Rogers — In Memoriam
Requested by Father Gopaul and Family

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

Bread and Wine
Mary Baker — Blessings
Requested by Margaret and James Bambara

Altar Flowers
Rev. Father Daniel O. Kingsley — Blessings on His
10th Anniversary of Ordination
Requested by Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish

Altar Candles
Godfrey Commissiong — Birthday Blessings and
Wedding Anniversary — In Thanksgiving
Requested by Joan Commissiong

Sanctuary Candle
Marc Jean — In Memoriam

Mary's Chapel
The Sick and Homebound of the Parish

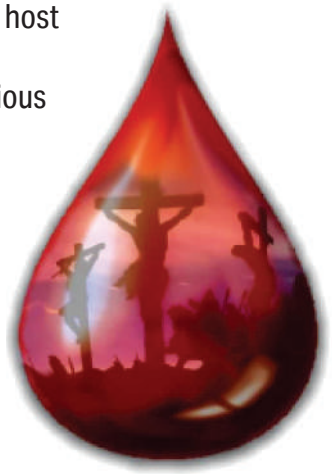
Annunciation Chapel
All Those Who Have No One To Pray For Them

HONORING THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS

The Ministry of Mercy will host a Eucharistic Celebration in honor of The Most Precious Blood of Jesus on Thursday, July 17, 2025.

The celebration will begin with a **Holy Hour at 6:00 p.m.**, followed by **Mass at 7:00 p.m.**

Please join us!



The month of July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus

Lectio Divina

Read the following scripture: 10:25-37 .

Take some time to reflect in silence on one or more of the following questions:

- What word or words in this passage caught your attention?
- What in this passage comforted you?
- What in this passage challenged you?

Read the Scripture passage one more time. Bring to the Lord the praise, petition, or thanksgiving that the Word inspires in you.

Scripture Reflection

What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me?

And who is my neighbor? Who do I regard as my neighbors? Who am I omitting from this company?

But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight. What experiences or causes move me to compassion? How do I act on those feelings?

The one who treated him with mercy. Who has treated me with mercy? Who needs my merciful treatment this week?

Closing Prayer

I pray to you, O LORD,
for the time of your favor, O God!
In your great kindness answer me
with your constant help.
Answer me, O LORD, for bounteous is your kindness:
in your great mercy turn toward me.

I am afflicted and in pain;
let your saving help, O God, protect me.
I will praise the name of God in song,
and I will glorify him with thanksgiving.

"See, you lowly ones, and be glad;
you who seek God, may your hearts revive!
For the LORD hears the poor,
and his own who are in bonds he spurns not."

For God will save Zion
and rebuild the cities of Judah.
The descendants of his servants shall inherit it,
and those who love his name shall inhabit it.

(From Psalm 69)

DAILY READINGS FOR THE 15TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, July 13
Deuteronomy 30:10-14 Psalm 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37
Colossians 1:15-20 Luke 10:25-37
The great commandment of love is not something "mysterious" or "remote." Indeed, it is "very near" to us (1). Yet how difficult it is to fulfill, being neighbor to whomever is in need (2). But if we seek God (Ps), we must "go and do the same" (3), for we have been created in, for, and through Christ (2).

Monday, July 14
Exodus 1:8-14, 22 Psalm 124:1b-8
Matthew 9:18-26
The Israelites in Egypt encounter oppression (Ps) and genocide (1). Disciples may encounter alienation from, even rejection by, loved ones and friends (2).

Tuesday, July 15
Exodus 2:1-15a Psalm 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34
Matthew 23:8-12
Rescued by God (Ps), Moses is called to deliver his own people (1). Jesus voices various maledictions on those who refuse to repent (2).

Wednesday, July 16
Exodus3:1-6, 9-12 Psalm 103:1b-4, 6-7 Matthew 11:25-27
God calls Moses to lead his people out of Egypt (Ps, 1). It is to the lowly and the humble that God is revealed (2).

Thursday, July 17
Exodus 3:13-20 Psalm 105:1, 5, 8-9, 24-27
Matthew 11:28-30
God reveals to Moses his special mission (1, Ps). Jesus, humble of heart, is our refreshment and rest (2).

Friday, July 18
Exodus 11:10 — 12:14 Psalm 116:12-13, 15-18
Matthew 12:1-8
The paschal meal, the Passover of the Lord (1), prefigures our sacrifice of thanksgiving (Ps) done in memory of Jesus, Lord of the Sabbath.

Saturday, July 19
Exodus 12:37-42 Psalm 136:1, 23-24, 10-15
Matthew 12:14-21
The exodus from slavery takes place in haste, in a night of vigil for the Lord (1, Ps). The suffering servant seeks faith, not superficial enthusiasm (2).

NYS Catholic Conference

Stop Physician-Assisted Suicide in New York

New York is on the brink of legalizing physician-assisted suicide. Bill A 136 has already passed the Senate and Assembly. The only thing standing in its way is Governor Hochul's veto — and she needs to hear from you.

This bill would allow doctors to prescribe lethal medication with the sole purpose of ending a patient's life. It puts the most vulnerable among us— the elderly, people with disabilities, and those facing emotional or financial despair — at even greater risk. Suicide is not healthcare.

We must speak out to protect the dignity of every human life. Assisted suicide is a dangerous and deadly path — one we must not go down.

Take Action!

Contact the Governor's office now to oppose this deadly practice! Visit bit.ly/veto-pas or use the QR Code.

The New York State Catholic Conference represents the Bishops of New York State in public policy matters.
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Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish Pilgrimage

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The Ministry of Divine Mercy Host

A Pilgrimage to the

National Blue Army Shrine Our Lady of Fatima

Saturday, July 26, 2025

Coach Bus Transportation

Depart: 8:00 AM (in front of Church)
Return: 6:00 PM

Bring Your Own Brown Bag Lunch

The Blue Army Shrine doesn't have a strict formal dress code, but it encourages pilgrims to dress appropriately for the reverence of the occasion. This generally translates to modest, respectful attire, keeping in mind that the space is a place of prayer and devotion.

Donation **$80.00** per person

For More Information or Tickets:
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SCHOOL OF RELIGION REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

School of Religion 2025-2026 Registration has begun for new and returning students. Classes begin in September.

The registration forms can be found online at saintvincentferrer.org under the Education tab. If you prefer a printed copy of the registration form, please call the Rectory at 718 859-9009 and we will mail the form to you.

If you are registering a new student, please bring the original copies of the Birth and Baptism certificates along with the registration fee to the Rectory.

The registration fee is $50.00 per family and can be paid by cash or money order. Please bring the payment to the Rectory, 1603 Brooklyn Avenue. The office is open Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There are no evening or weekend office hours.

Please check the website and your email for further updates.

If you have any questions, please call Miss Margaret Bambara at 718-859-9009.

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST SCHEDULE FOR JULY 2025
*** REVISED ***

Saturday 5PM Mass	Sunday 8AM Mass	Sunday 11AM Mass
July 5	**July 6**	**July 6**
Pat	Francesca	Gillian
Jocelyne	Camille	Shirley P.
July 12	**July 13**	**July 13**
Mary	Brenda	Joan
Jean	Ignatius	Eric
July 19	**July 20**	**July 20**
Marie-Ange	Brenda	Geralda
Mary	Camille	Charmaine
July 26	**July 27**	**July 27**
Mary	Daisy	Lester
Pat	Roxanne	Marcia
August 2	**August 3**	**August 3**
Jocelyne	Brenda	Lydia
Jean	Francesca	Kim

Scripture Reflection

Where God Dwells

On my first day of seminary in 1974, I realized the Word of God in front of me, not abstract in a library or echoed in a choir. Walking around campus of the University of Notre Dame for the first time with a new classmate, a man collapsed in front of us. His two young children screamed for help. We huddled around the man, and my classmate began CPR. Someone called for an ambulance while a priest anointed him. Unfortunately, the young father died on the sidewalk.

Even though I never met the oldest son who came to campus as a freshman nor the mother who had remained home because of illness, the family claims a place in my heart. The message of God is manifest before our eyes. Our neighbor cannot be ignored—not the ill nor the children, not the stranger nor the unbeliever. Our neighbor is not bound by ethnic identity or mental health, not by age or social status. Our neighbor is where God dwells, especially the one who needs care, who longs to be seen. As Christians, we carry the memories of the burdened in our hearts, filling us with love of humanity and hope for heaven.

I learned lessons early that broke through walls of classrooms. Only Jesus shows us how to bend down to hold the mystery and beauty of illness, anguish, and even death. Only Jesus shows us how to herald the Scriptures in community and manifest them on days we least expect.

— Fr. Ronald Patrick Raab

Fr. Ronald Patrick Raab, CSC, serves as religious superior at Holy Cross House, a medical and retirement facility at Notre Dame, Indiana. He is a retreat director, award-winning author, and visual artist. Learn more at ronaldraab.com.

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ENSURING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL

The Diocese of Brooklyn has reached an agreement with the New York State Attorney General to enhance child safety measures. This agreement requires updated training for all clergy, employees and volunteers who work with children. The new training is designed to provide valuable information to help adults ensure the safety of children and adults during interactions.

To be compliant, please log in to your account at Virtus.org and complete your training.

If you have any questions, please contact 718-965-7300, X6076.

IMPORTANT

All ministers and volunteers are reminded that they must update their Virtus training, required as a 'must-do' by the Diocese of Brooklyn.

Failure to do so will prevent them from practicing their ministry within the Diocese.

This Week on Formed

Week of July 13, 2025

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St. Kateri Tekakwitha | God's Princesses

Follow along with Sister Imelda as she tells of the inspiring journey of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, a young Mohawk girl who comes to know the Gospel with the help of pioneering priests. Choosing to follow Jesus, Kateri is faced with great challenges as she does her best to bring God's love to her own people! A fun and inspiring example of not giving up!

St. Bonaventure | Catholic Saints

A Franciscan cardinal-bishop and contemporary of St. Thomas Aquinas, St. Bonaventure is an excellent example of saintly humility. Known as the "Seraphic Doctor," St. Bonaventure loved God above all else. Join Dr. Chris Mooney and Mary McGeehan as they explore the life of this great saint.

Carmelite Spirituality

On July 16, we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Learn more about Carmelite Spirituality and how you can live it in this incredible series on Formed.

An offering from the Augustine Institute

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- Every week of summer (beginning of June to end of August), receive an email containing a Formed video pertaining to a saint from that week.
- Two options to opt-in to: Adults and Kids
- Each week's email will include suggestions for families to implement what they watched through an activity to keep the summer fun and faith-filled.

Learn more at our website!

15TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

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Pray for all the souls in purgatory, especially those who have no one to pray for them.

The man asked, "Who is my neighbor?"

Fit the words into the crossword puzzle.
Then transfer them to the numbered lines. Read the parable.

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SAW	DOWN	OTHER	INJURED
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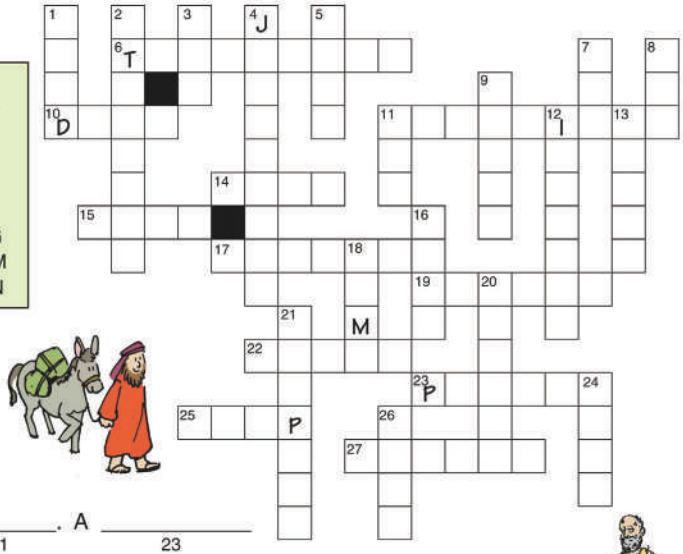

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and _____ to _____ him. He _____ for his wounds, _____ him on his _____
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and _____ him to an _____. The next morning he gave the innkeeper money to care for the _____
26 8 3
and said he'd return to _____ care of any _____ bills for the _____.
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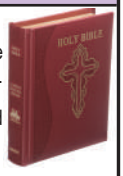

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