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SEPTEMBER 28, 2025 – 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented.'

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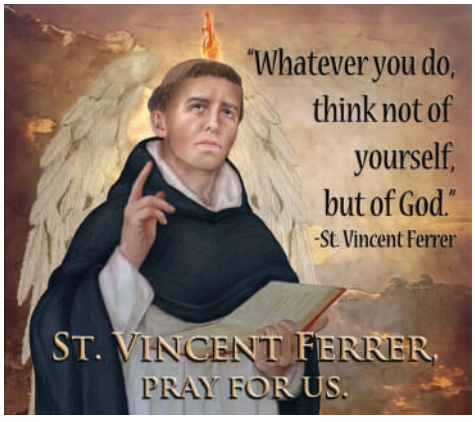

MASS SCHEDULE

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.

SCHOOL AFFILIATION

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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 28, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, September 27th — 5:00 p.m.
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Pauline Martin — In Memoriam
Requested by The Aird Family

Sunday, September 28th — 8:00 a.m.
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Novena in Honor of the Archangels
In Thanksgiving to the Archangels
Requested by Claudia Hooper and Family

11:00 a.m.
Margaret Sanders — Blessings
Petra Tidd — Birthday Blessings
Rev. Father Antonius P. Gopaul — God's Blessings
Requested by the Redhead Family
Santiago Rodriguez – In Memoriam
Requested by Cristina Gillies and Family
Nirupima Lohtia — In Memoriam
Requested by the Nasir Family
Fritz Baron — In Memoriam
Requested by Father Gopaul and Parishioners
Evelyn Carter — Blessings
Lydia Ford — Healing and Thanksgiving
Requested by the Ministry of Mercy

Monday, September 29th — 9:00 a.m.
Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels
Rev. Father Dennis J. Farrell — In Memoriam
Requested by Margaret and James Bambara

Tuesday, September 30th — 9:00 a.m.
Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Santiago Rodriguez — In Memoriam (First Anniversary)
Requested by Cristina Gillies and Family

Wednesday, October 1st — 9:00 a.m.
Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Hans Coutard — In Memoriam
Requested by Marie Ange Bernier

Thursday, October 2nd — 9:00 a.m.
Feast of the Holy Guardian Angels
Murielle Elysée — Birthday Blessings
Requested by the Elysée Family

Friday, October 3rd — 9:00 a.m.
Jaylon Newby — Birthday Blessings
Requested by Jacqueline Gopaul Barker and Family

Saturday, October 4th — 9:00 a.m.
Saint Francis of Assisi
Bernard Gregory Jean — Healing and Thanksgiving
Requested by Marie Ange Bernier

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

Bread and Wine
Ministers of Music — Blessings and Thanksgiving

Altar Flowers
Ministers of Technology — Blessings and Thanksgiving

Altar Candles
Altar Servers — Blessings and Thanksgiving

Sanctuary Candle
Ministers of the Environment
— Blessings and Thanksgiving

Mary's Chapel
The Sick and Homebound of the Parish
— Blessings and Healing

Annunciation Chapel
All the Souls in Purgatory

SCHOOL OF RELIGION CLASSES ARE NOW IN SESSION

School of Religion 2025-2026 Registration is now open for new and returning students. Classes began on September 21st.

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.

REGISTERING A NEW STUDENT: Please complete the online registration form for new students. Bring the original copies of the Birth and Baptism certificates along with the registration fee.

RETURNING STUDENTS: Please complete the online registration form for returning students and bring 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.

Lectio Divina

Read the following scripture: Luke 16:19-31.

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 lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus. Who is "Lazarus" in my community? How can I give more care and attention to those in need?

Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established. When have I felt separated from God? What are the causes of that separation?

They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them. Who can teach me about my faith in a truthful and reliable way? How can I be more attentive to what God is trying to tell me?

Closing Prayer

Blessed he who keeps faith forever,
secures justice for the oppressed,
gives food to the hungry.
The LORD sets captives free.

The LORD gives sight to the blind.
The LORD raises up those who were bowed down;
the LORD loves the just.
The LORD protects strangers.

The fatherless and the widow he sustains,
but the way of the wicked he thwarts.
The LORD shall reign forever;
your God, O Zion, through all generations. Alleluia.

(From Psalm 146)

DAILY READINGS FOR 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, September 28
Amos 6:1a, 4-7 Psalm 146:7, 8-9, 9-10
Timothy 6:11-16 Luke 16:19-31
Amos condemns the complacency of the rich who seek only their own comfort (1). In his parable about the rich man and Lazarus, Jesus echoes Amos, exhorting those who have to share with those who have not. Self-sufficiency must never blind us to the needs of others (3, Ps). Only in this way do we keep God's commandments in integrity and in truth (2).

Monday, September 29
Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rev 12:7-12ab
Psalm 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 John 1:47-51
Let us join the countless hosts of angels (1a) in singing the praises of the Lord (Ps), and of his victory over sin and death (1b). They are God's faithful ministers (2).

Tuesday, September 30
Zechariah 8:20-23 Psalm 122:1-5 Luke 8:19-21
God's love is universal, embracing even the Gentiles (1, Ps). God's love is patient, allowing sinners to repent (2).

Wednesday, October 1
Nehemiah 2:1-8 Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 Luke 9:57-62
Artaxerxes gives Nehemiah leave to rebuild Jerusalem (1, Ps). Jesus speaks of the demands of discipleship (2).

Thursday, October 2
Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11
Matthew 18:1-5, 10
The feast of Tabernacles becomes an occasion for hearing the Lord's precepts (Ps) and for renewing the covenant (1). Even the lowliest among us is precious in God's sight (2).

Friday, October 3
Baruch 1:15-22 Psalm 79:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9 Luke 10:13-16
This penitential prayer speaks of infidelity and subsequent misfortune (1, Ps). Woe to those who choose self over Christ (2).

Saturday, October 4
Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29 Psalm 69:33-35, 36-37 Luke 10:17-24
The Lord chastises us to bring us to repentance (1, Ps). Jesus praises his Father for revealing the mystery of his love (2) to his disciples.

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Charismatic Prayer Group

Annual Prayer Breakfast

Saturday, October 18th, 2025
9:45 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.

Charismatic Revival

October 20th, 21st, 22nd 2025
7:00 P.M.

BREAKFAST TICKETS:
Adults - $35.00 Children: $25.00

Revivalist

Reverend Father Michel Pierre - Louis
Parochial Vicar, Our Lady of Refuge/Holy Innocents Parish, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Theme

"The Joy of the Lord is my strength..."
Nehemiah 8:10

6:30 P.M. - The Rosary
7:00 P.M. - Praise and Worship
7:30 P.M. - Homily

Revival closes with Eucharistic Celebration Wednesday Evening

For Tickets, call: Ignatius 347-248-2224; Christine 347-681-2439
The Rectory 718-859-9009

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October 5 – 10, 2025

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250 Cathedral Pl, Brooklyn, NY 11201

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856 Pacific St, Brooklyn, NY 11238

Shrine Church of St. Gerard Majella
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Shrine Church of St. Jude
1677 Canarsie Rd, Brooklyn, NY 11236

Sacred Heart of Jesus
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More information on the individual schedules will follow.

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Scripture Reflection

Friends of God

Now that you perceive the repose of Lazarus and the punishment of the rich man, dearly beloved, behave shrewdly. Seek intercessors for your sins. Look to the poor to be your advocates on the day of judgment. At present you have many Lazaruses. They lie at your gate, and are in need of what daily falls from your table when you have been satisfied. The words of the reading must instruct us in fulfilling the holy precepts. Every day we find a Lazarus, if we seek him; every day we see a Lazarus, even if we do not seek him. The poor persist in being present. Those who beg of us may later come as intercessors for us. It is we who ought to beg, and yet they beg from us.

Learn, my friends, to look down upon all temporal things, learn to reject ephemeral honors and to love eternal glory. Honor the poor you see; consider that those you see the world outwardly despising are within themselves friends of God. Share your possessions with them, so that finally they may deign to share what they have with you. Reflect on what the Teacher of the Gentiles says: Let your abundance at the present time supply their want, so that their abundance may supply your want. Reflect on what Truth himself said: As you did it for one of the least of these my brothers, you did it for me. Why are you slow to make a gift? What you offer to a person lying on the earth you are giving to One sitting in heaven.

—St. Gregory the Great,
adapted from *Forty Gospel Homilies*

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MINISTERS OF THE WORD SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 2025

	Saturday 5PM Mass	Sunday 8AM Mass	Sunday 11AM Mass
	October 4	**October 5**	**October 5**
Lector # 1	Alison	Jared	Marina
Lector # 2	Jamie	Jeri	Gloria
	October 11	**October 12**	**October 12**
Lector # 1	Fritz	Anna	Lydia
Lector # 2	Cynthia	Daisy	Donald
	October 18	**October 19**	**October 19**
Lector # 1	Mattheus	Carolle	Elaine
Lector # 2	Jamie	Jeri	Charmaine
	October 25	**October 26**	**October 26**
Lector # 1	Fritz	Lester	Geralda
Lector # 2	Allison	Carolle	Marcia
	November 1	**November 2**	**November 2**
Lector # 1	Cynthia	Daisy	Donald
Lector # 2	Jamie	Anna	Marina

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 2025

Saturday 5PM Mass	Sunday 8AM Mass	Sunday 11AM Mass
October 4	**October 5**	**October 5**
Jocelyn	Claudia	Kim
October 11	**October 12**	**October 12**
Marie-Ange	Brenda	Marie Rosa
October 18	**October 19**	**October 19**
Jean	Daisy	Gillian
October 25	**October 26**	**October 26**
Pat	Roxanne	Eric
November 1	**November 2**	**November 2**
Mary	Ignatius	Gloria

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This Week on Formed

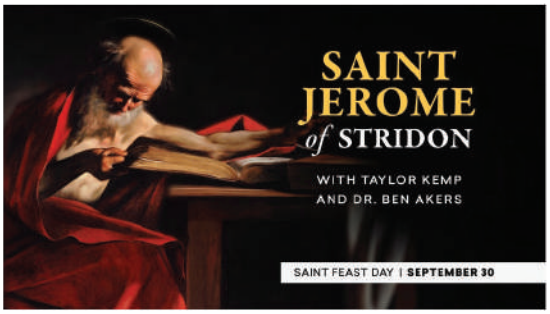
Week of September 28, 2025

St. Therese | Littlest Saints

Which flower in Jesus's garden is the best? The most beautiful? St. Therese gives us her "little" answer to these questions.

St. Francis of Assisi: Sign of Contradiction

From 4PM Media and The Ministry of the Wild Goose comes a breathtaking film on the life of St. Francis of Assisi. A fool according to the standards of the world, St. Francis' life was a sign of contradiction, convicting others of the beauty of Christ and his Gospel.



St. Jerome | Catholic Saints

An early Church Father from the 4th century, St. Jerome translated the Bible into Latin with the desire to make Scripture more accessible. St. Jerome is the patron of biblical scholars, translators, and archivists and famously said, "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ."

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26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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What did the rich man say next in the story ?

Use the code to fill in the letters.

△ = e ○ = h

♡ = t □ = w

"If someone goes to them from the dead,

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△ △ ♡

Abraham ends the story,
"Even if someone rose from the dead,
they would not be convinced."

The rich man asked Abraham to send Lazarus with some cool water to help him.
What did Abraham say?

Begin at the arrow. Read every other letter.
Go clockwise. Go around 2 times.

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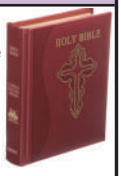

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