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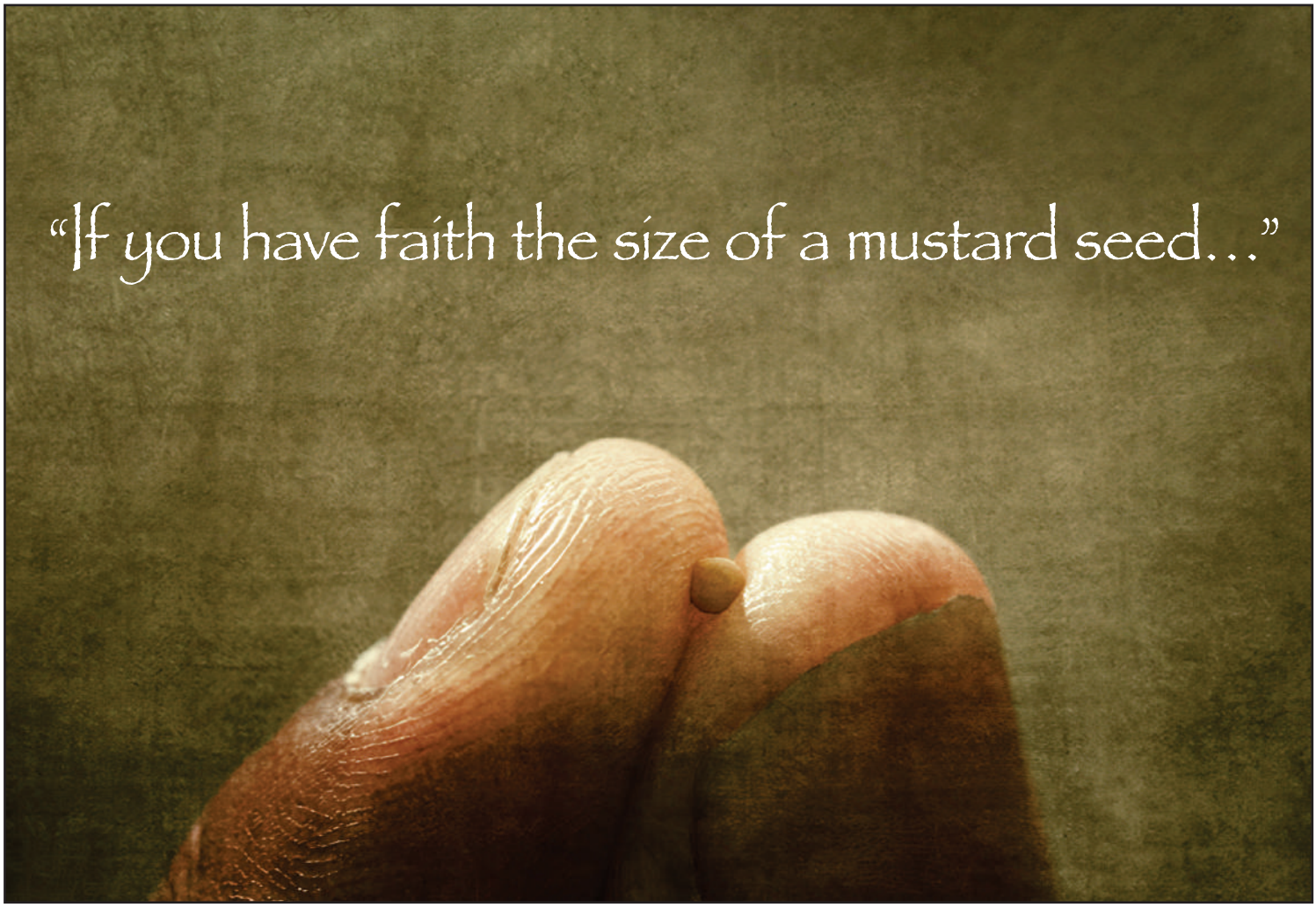

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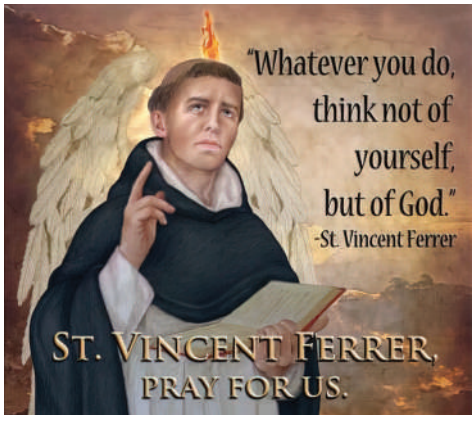

MASS SCHEDULE

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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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 5, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, October 4th **5:00 p.m.**
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Margaret and James Feron — In Memoriam
Requested by Margaret and James Bambara

Sunday, October 5th **8:00 a.m.**
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Joan T. Williams — Birthday Blessings

11:00 a.m.
Adinah Thomas and Lydia K. Martin — In Memoriam
Requested by Lester C. Martin

Monday, October 6th **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Bruno, Priest
Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin
Claudia Hooper — Blessings and Healing
Requested by Mary Nicholas

Tuesday, October 7th **9:00 a.m.**
Our Lady of the Rosary
Lavern Marshall — Birthday Blessings

Wednesday, October 8th **9:00 a.m.**
Sherunda Gopaul — Birthday Blessings
Requested by Jacqueline Gopaul Barker and Family

Thursday, October 9th **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs
Saint John Leonardi, Priest
Anthony and Phyllis Harris
— 25th Anniversary Blessings
Richard Mahabir — Birthday Blessings
Requested by Father Gopaul and Saint Vincent Ferrer Staff

Friday, October 10th **9:00 a.m.**
Blair and Joan Brookes
— Wedding Anniversary Blessings
Requested by Mrs. Pearly Gopaul and Family

Lachelle Gopaul — Birthday Blessings
Requested by Mrs. Pearly Gopaul and Family

Selvon Gopaul — In Memoriam
Requested by Mrs. Pearly Gopaul and Family

Saturday, October 11th **9:00 a.m.**
Saint John XXIII, Pope
Louis B. Cardiello — In Memoriam

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

Bread and Wine
Lidia Patricia Solarte — Blessings and Healing

Altar Flowers
Gladys Builes — Blessings and Healing

Altar Candles
Emile Pswarayi — Birthday Blessings
Requested by Grandma

Sanctuary Candle
Adinah Thomas and Lydia K. Martin — In Memoriam
Requested by Lester C. Martin

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

Annunciation Chapel
All the Souls in Purgatory

SECOND COLLECTION OCTOBER 19-20

The second collection the weekend of October 19-20 is for
World Mission Sunday
to benefit The Pontifical Mission Societies, which includes
The Propagation of the Faith, The Missionary Union,
The Missionary Childhood Association and
The Society of Saint Peter the Apostle
Please be generous.

Lectio Divina

Read the following scripture: Luke 17:5-10.

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 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, October 5
Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4 Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9
2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 Luke 17:5-10
Faith is a gracious gift from God. It can neither be earned nor bought, only responded to with works of love and service (3). A vibrant faith can make us strong, loving, and wise (2), confident that God will guard us from all harm (1). God is the Rock of our salvation (Ps).

Monday, October 6
Jonah 1:1–2:2, 11 (Psalm) Jonah 2:3, 4, 5, 8 Luke 10:25-37
Jonah (Ps) wants no part of any mission to Gentile territory (1). We are to love one another will all our heart and strength (2).

Tuesday, October 7
Jonah 3:1-10 Psalm 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8 Luke 10:38-42
The Ninevites repent and experience the Lord's kindness (1, Ps). Most important for the disciples is awaiting the kingdom and being attentive to the word of the Lord (2), living it with deeds of love and service.

Wednesday, October 8
Jonah 4:1-11 Psalm 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10 Luke 11:1-4
The exclusiveness of Israel is ridiculed, for God's love is universal (1, Ps). God is Father of all (2).

Thursday, October 9
Malachi 3:13-20b Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Luke 11:5-13
For those tempted to follow evil ways (Ps), judgment is near (1). God anticipates our needs, for he is a loving Father (2).

Friday, October 10
Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2 Psalm 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9
Luke 11:15-26
May we always be one with the Lord and with each other (2). The Lord will judge (1) us with justice (Ps) and mercy.

Saturday, October 11
Joel 4:12-21 Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 Luke 11:27-28
On that day, the Lord of all (Ps) will avenge Jerusalem (1). Those who her the word of God and keep it are blest indeed (2).

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IN HIS LIGHT
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

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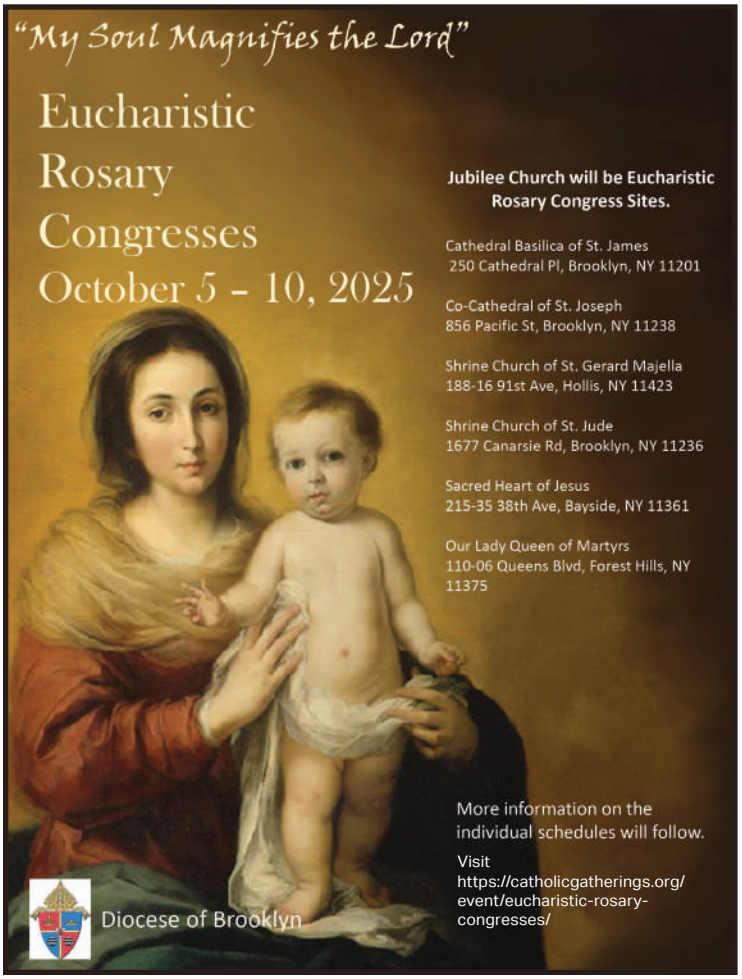

SCHOOL OF RELIGION CLASSES ARE NOW IN SESSION

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.

Scripture Reflection

Humble Gratitude

There are some people, it seems, who just can't take a compliment. Thank them, and they brush it off. "It was nothing," they mumble. Express your gratitude for the time they commit to making a program or cause succeed, and they reply simply, "Oh, I get more out of it than anything I give." Voice your admiration for the small miracle they were able to work by their simple kindness or understanding and they shrug, "I was lucky that I was able to do it."

Their reaction is not just a false sense of humility. These good folks are aware of all that they have received, and that appreciation compels them to give back. They have a profound sense of responsibility to give as they have been given, to do for others as has been done for them, to bless others as they have been blessed. They embrace the point that Jesus makes in today's Gospel: Our relationship with God should not fill us with self-righteousness but humble us with gratitude for what God has done for us in our lives. The only meaningful response we can offer to God's grace is to try to love others as God loves us, to return to others the blessings we have received.

So instead of taking a bow for contributing to the common good, may we be grateful that we had the means to be of help. Rather than fret over the time and resources required of us to help someone in need, remember all that others have done for us in similar circumstances.

There's a lot of work to do to realize the Kingdom of God in our time and place. Let's be grateful for what we can contribute to bringing that kingdom about.

—Deacon Jay Cormier

Jay Cormier, a deacon serving in the Diocese of Manchester, New Hampshire, teaches at Saint Anselm College and Pope John XXIII National Seminary. He is author of The Deacon's Ministry of the Word and is editor and publisher of Connections.

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John XXIII: The Pope of Peace

This movie tells the life story of John XXIII from his youth through his young priesthood, episcopacy, life as cardinal, and eventually his life as pope. Elected supposedly as an "interim Pope" who would just keep the status quo and listen to the advisers around him, John XXIII proved to be his own man when he surprised the Church and world by calling for the Second Vatican Council.

The Joyful Mysteries

St. Padre Pio said, "The Rosary is the 'weapon' for these times." This incredible film series takes viewers right to the Holy Land, where these Mysteries actually happened, encouraging deeper reflection and meattion on them.

Divine Mercy with Fr. Michael Gaitley

Renowned speaker and author Fr. Michael Gaitley tells the dramatic history of God's love and mercy as interwoven through the transformative message of St. Faustina, the miraculous appearance of Mary at Fatima, the witness of Maximilian Kolbe, and the world-changing papacy of Pope St. John Paul II.

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27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Jesus told them a story about being a master over a faithful servant.

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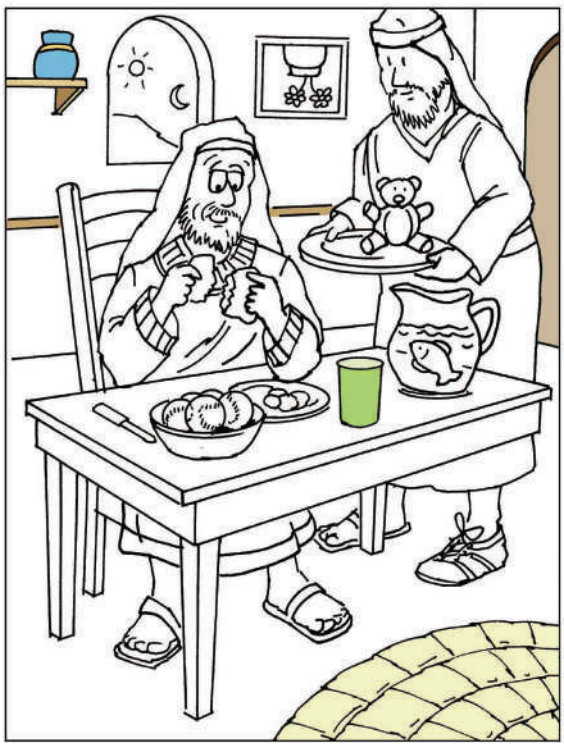

Then Jesus told this story.

Use the code below to fill in the blanks. Read the story.

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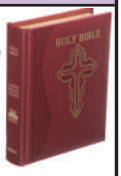

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