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JULY 12, 2026 – 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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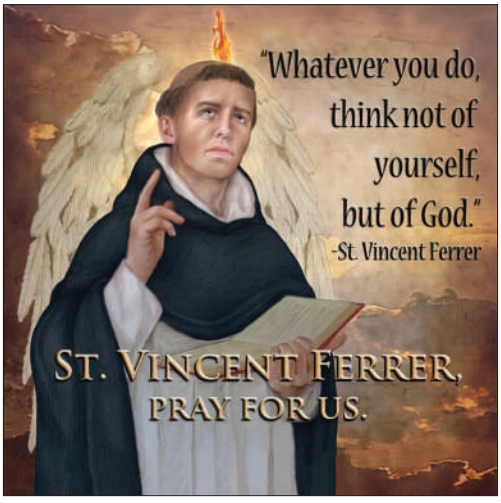

MASS SCHEDULE

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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1501 Hendrickson Street
Brooklyn, NY 11234
718-377-1800

www.midwoodcatholicacademy.org

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 12, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 11 **5:00 p.m.**
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Isabella Arthur — In Memoriam
Norman Arthur — In Memoriam
Leah Cumberbatch — In Memoriam
Alethia Arthur Dickey — In Memoriam
Anne Marie Dickey — In Memoriam
Don Roger Haynes, Jr. — In Memoriam
Requested by The Dickey-Haynes Family

Sunday, July 12 **8:00 a.m.**
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Verne and Lisa Farray w
— 29th Wedding Anniversary Blessings

11:00 a.m.
The People of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish — Blessings
Dorothy Alexis —In Memoriam
Requested by Helen Weekes
Muracia Audain — In Thanksgiving
Requested by Jocelyne Myrthil

Monday, July 13 **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Henry
Jean Souffrant — In Memoriam

Tuesday, July 14 **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin
Gladys Builes— Blessings and Healing
Requested by Saint Vincent Ferrer Staff

Wednesday, July 15 **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
Antonine Myrthil — Birthday Blessings
Requested by Jocelyne Myrthil

Thursday, July 16 **9:00 a.m.**
Our Lady of Mount Carmel
In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Carida Pierre Louis
Requested by The Delinois Family

Friday, July 17 **9:00 a.m.**
Georgette Germain Nau — Birthday Blessings
Requested by Marie-Ange Bernier

Saturday, July 18 **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Camillus de Lellis, Priest
In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Mount Carmel
Carida Pierre Louis
Requested by The Delinois Family

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS

Bread and Wine
Barbara Miller — In Memoriam

Sanctuary Candle
Agnes Guy — In Memoriam

Altar Flowers
Brigina Pharoan — Blessings and Healing

Altar Candles
Sulette Baron — Blessings and Healing

Saint Joseph Candle
Jean and Kenneth Chase — Blessings and Healing

Mary's Chapel
June Goggin — Blessings and Healing

Annunciation Chapel
Monica Walker — Blessings and Healing

MISSION APPEAL
July 18th & 19th

A representative of the Marian Sisters of Eucharistic Love in Ghana will be visiting our parish for a mission appeal during the weekend of June 18th & 19th. The Sisters provide a home for children with special needs who are often rejected or even ritually killed by their families and communities due to superstitious beliefs that associate congenital disabilities with witchcraft. In addition to providing care, the sisters also focus on raising awareness and educating the community. To learn more about the work of the sisters visit: www.SisterStansChildren.org

Your generous donations will directly impact on the lives of these children by providing them with a safe home and education. Please make all checks for this appeal payable to: **St. Vincent Ferrer Roman Catholic Church**, noting "2026 Mission Appeal" in the memo.

Scripture Reflection

Today, the Gospel presents us with the parable of the sower (cf. Mt 13:1-23). "Sowing" is a very beautiful image, and Jesus uses it to describe the gift of his Word. Let us imagine a seed: it is tiny, barely visible, but it makes fruit-bearing plants grow. The Word of God is like this: think of the Gospel, a small book, simple and within everyone's reach, that produces new life in those who receive it. Thus, if the Word is the seed, we are the soil: we can receive it or not. But Jesus, the "good sower", does not tire of sowing it generously. He knows our terrain, he knows that the stones of our inconstancy and the thorns of our vices (cf. vv. 21-22) can suffocate the Word, yet he hopes, he always hopes that we can bear abundant fruit (cf. v. 8).

This is what the Lord does, and this is what we too are called to do: to sow tirelessly. But how can one do this, sow continually without tiring? Let us take a few examples.

Firstly, parents: they sow goodness and faith in their children, and they are called to do so without being discouraged if at times they seem not to understand or to appreciate their teachings, or if the mentality of the world is against them. The good seed remains. This is what counts, and it will take root in due time. But if, giving in to mistrust, they give up sowing and leave their children at the mercy of trends and mobile phones, without dedicating time to them, without educating them, then the fertile soil will be filled with weeds. Parents, never grow tired of sowing in your children!

Let us look, then, at the young: they too can sow the Gospel in the furrows of everyday life; for example, with prayer: it is a small seed that you cannot see, but with which you entrust all your experiences to Jesus, and then he can make it ripen. But I am also thinking of the time to dedicate to others, to those who are most in need. It may seem wasted. Instead it is holy time, while the apparent satisfactions of consumerism and hedonism leave one empty-handed. And I am thinking of those who study: it is true, [studying] is tiring and not immediately fulfilling, like sowing, but is essential to building a better future for all.

We have looked at parents, we have looked at the young; now let us look at the sowers of the Gospel: many good priests, religious and laypeople engaged in proclamation, who live and preach the Word of God, often without immediate success. Let us never forget when we proclaim the Word, that even where it seems that nothing is happening, in reality the Holy Spirit is at work, and the Kingdom of God is already growing, through and beyond our efforts. Therefore, go ahead joyfully, dear brothers and sisters! Let us remember the people who placed the seed of the Word of God in our life: each one of us, let us think: "How did my faith begin"? Perhaps it germinated years after we encountered their examples, but it happened thanks to them!

In light of all this, we can ask ourselves: do I sow goodness? Do I only care about reaping for myself, or do I also sow for others? Do I sow some seeds of the Gospel in everyday life: study, work, free time? Do I get discouraged or, like Jesus, do I continue to sow, even if I do not see immediate results? May Mary, whom we venerate today as the Blessed Virgin of Mount Carmel, help us to be generous and joyful sowers of the Good News.

— Pope Francis' Angelus Message for the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 16, 2023

Daily readings for the 15th Week in Ordinary Time

Sunday, July 12
Isaiah 55:10-11
Psalm 65:10, 11, 12-13, 14
Romans 8:18-23
Matthew 13:1-23

Monday, July 13
Isaiah 1:10-17
Psalm 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23
Matthew 10:34–11:1

Tuesday, July 14
Isaiah 7:1-9
Psalm 48:2-3a, 3b-4, 5-6, 7-8
Matthew 11:20-24

Wednesday, July 15
Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-16
Psalm 94:5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 14-15
Matthew 11:25-27

Thursday, July 16
Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19
Psalm 102:13-14ab and 15, 16-18, 19-21
Matthew 11:28-30

Friday, July 17
Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8
(Psalm) Isaiah 38:10, 11, 12abcd, 16
Matthew 12:1-8

Saturday, July 18
Micah 2:1-5
Psalm 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14
Matthew 12:14-21

JOIN US IN 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 16, 2026.**

The celebration will begin with a **Holy Hour at 6:00 p.m.**, with recitation of the **Precious Blood of Jesus Chaplet,** followed by **Mass at 7:00 p.m.**

All are welcome to participate!

Parish Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of the Island

Saturday, July 25th, 2026

Sponsored by the Ministry of Mercy

Bus leaves from Saint Vincent Ferrer at 7.30 AM returning at 3.30PM

Donation $ 80.00

For further information, contact members of the Ministry of Mercy

Shrine of Our Lady of the Island
258 Eastport Manor Road
Manorville, NY 11949

www.ourladyoftheisland.com

SCHOOL OF RELIGION REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

School of Religion Registration has begun for new and returning students for the school year 2026-2027. Classes begin in September.

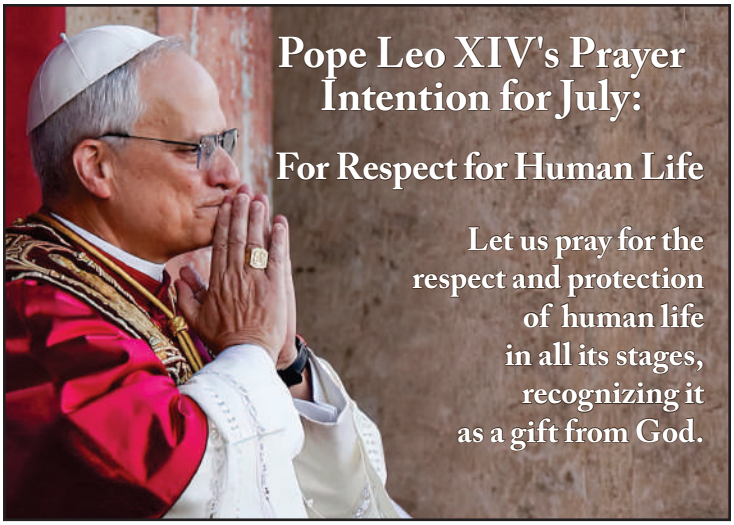
The registration forms can be found online at saintvincentferrer.org under the Education tab. If you prefer a printed copy of the registration form, please call the Rectory at 718 859-9009 and we will mail the form to you.

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, ext. 4.



ENSURING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL

The next Virtus training class will be held on Saturday, July 25, at 1:00 p.m. in the Lower Church.

Please call the Rectory to register.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD SCHEDULE FOR JULY-AUGUST 2026			
	Saturday 5PM Mass	**Sunday 8AM Mass**	**Sunday 11AM Mass**
	July 11	**July 12**	**July 12**
Lector # 1	Lydia	Anna	Marina
Lector # 2	Alana	Carolle	Charmaine
	July 18	**July 19**	**July 19**
Lector # 1	Mattheus	Jared	Donald
Lector # 2	Cynthia	Daisy	Geralda
	July 25	**July 26**	**July 26**
Lector # 1	Alison	Lancine	Aiden
Lector # 2	Fritz	Jeri	Gloria
	August 1	**August 2**	**August 2**
Lector # 1	Mary	Anna	Elaine
Lector # 2	Jonnett	Daisy	Donald
	August 8	**August 9**	**August 9**
Lector # 1	Jocelyne	Jeri	Marcia
Lector # 2	Lydia	Carolle	Lester

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST SCHEDULE FOR JULY-AUGUST 2026		
Saturday 5PM Mass	**Sunday 8AM Mass**	**Sunday 11AM Mass**
July 11	**July 12**	**July 12**
Mary	Brenda	Joan
July 18	**July 19**	**July 19**
Lydia	Camille	Marie-Rosa
July 25	**July 26**	**July 26**
Jocelyne	Claudia	Charmaine
August 1	**August 2**	**August 2**
Jean	Ignatius	Kim
August 8	**August 9**	**August 9**
Marie-Ange	Daisy	Eric

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This Week on Formed

Week of July 12, 2026

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.

What Catholics Believe About Mary: Immaculate Conception, Virginity

Join Dr. Edward Sri as he answers some of the internet's most asked questions about Mary. Who is Mary? Why do Catholics pray to Mary? How could she be a virgin if Jesus had brothers and sisters according to the Bible? Find out answers to these and more questions in this episode of What Catholics Believe.

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15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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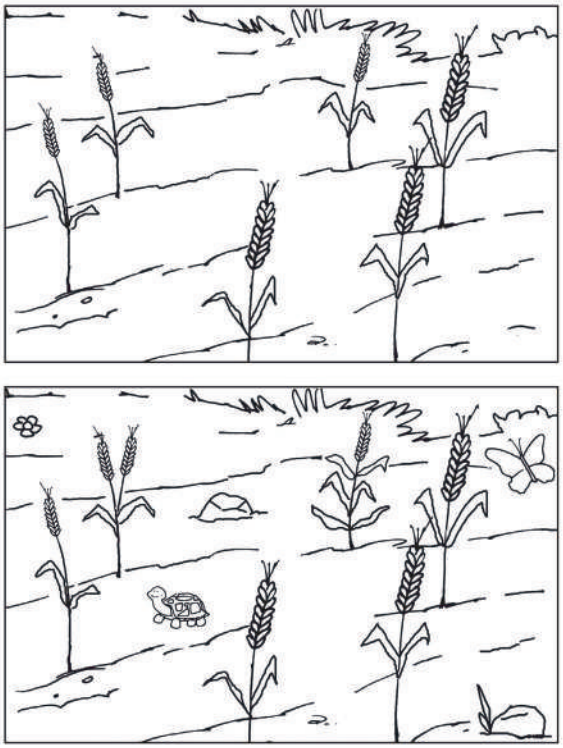

Who received the seed that fell on good soil?

Use the code to fill in the blanks.

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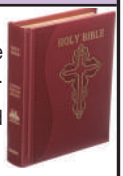

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