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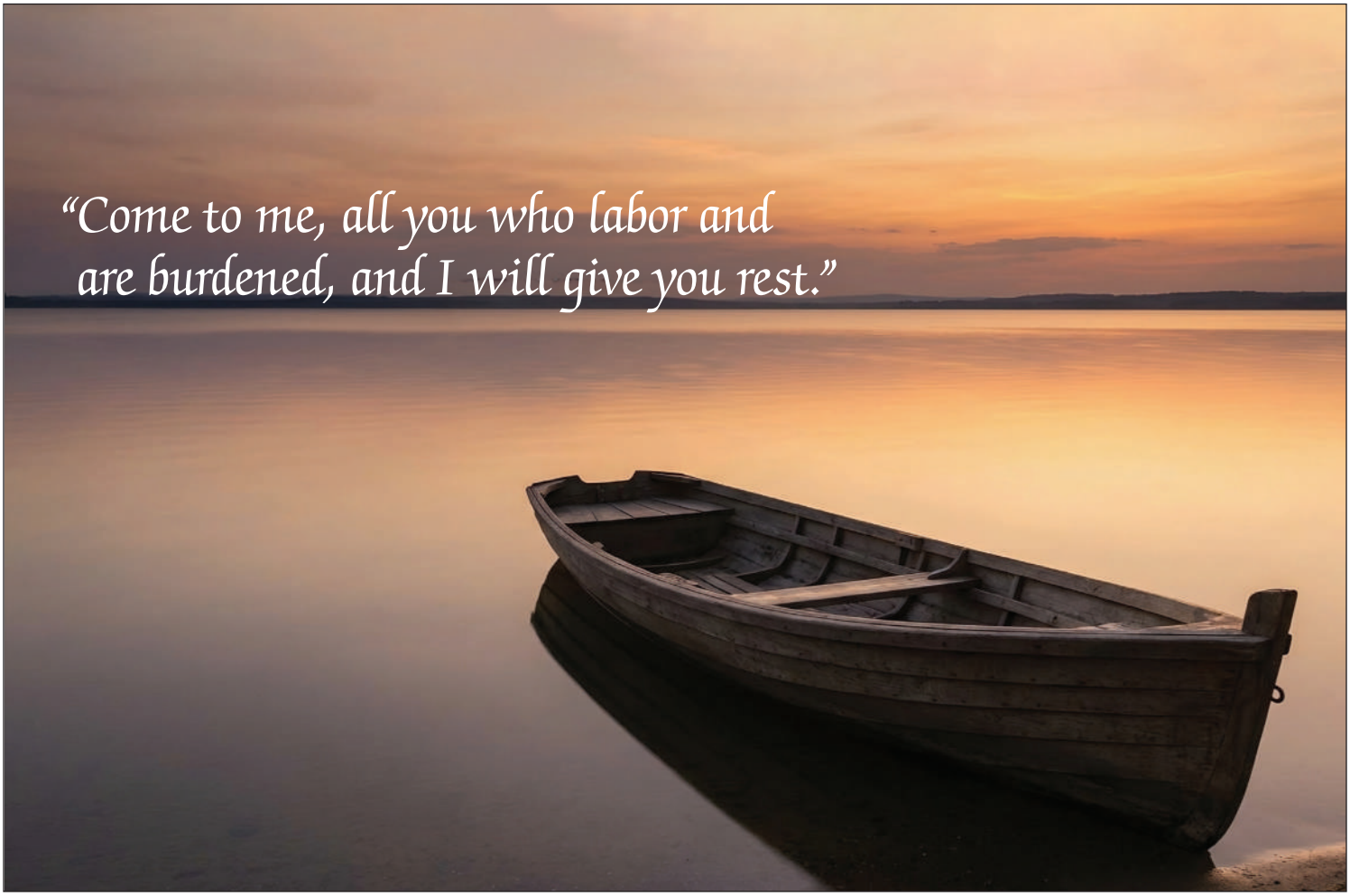

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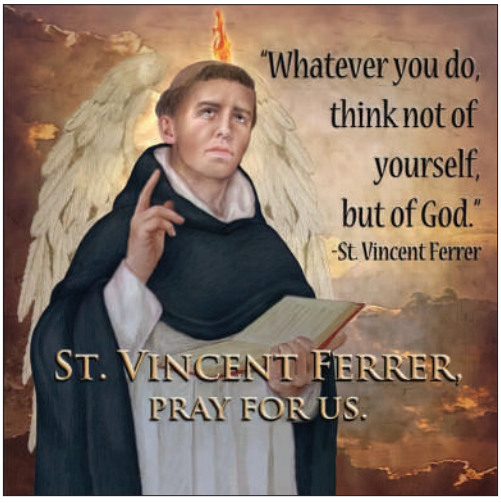

MASS SCHEDULE

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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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 5, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 4 **5:00 p.m.**
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Gerald DeMaio — Blessings and Thanksgiving
Requested by Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish

Sunday, July 5 **8:00 a.m.**
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sarita Thomas — Blessings and Thanksgiving
Requested by Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish

11:00 a.m.
The People of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish — Blessings
Marie Adams, George, Wingard and Jazna Jean — Blessings and Thanksgiving
Hazel Samuel and Ellen Haynes — In Memoriam
Requested by the Redhead Family

Monday, July 6 **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr
For All the Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, July 7 **9:00 a.m.**
Lidia Patricia Solarte — In Memoriam
Requested by Saint Vincent Ferrer Staff

Wednesday, July 8 **9:00 a.m.**
Hubert Constantine — In Memoriam
Requested by the Jeanne Mance Guild

Thursday, July 9 **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
Chanel Forbes — Birthday Blessings
Requested by Gillian and Sean Forbes

Friday, July 10 **9:00 a.m.**
Rev. Father Chinedu Achusim — Blessings and Thanksgiving (Anniversary of Ordination)
Requested by Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish

Saturday, July 11 **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Benedict, Abbot
Patrick and Cynthia Addison Bernadine Wedding Anniversary Blessings
Requested by Saint Vincent Ferrer Staff

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS

Bread and Wine
Barbara Dhanieram — Blessings and Healing

Sanctuary Candle
Eileen Morancie — Blessings and Healing

Altar Flowers
Barbara Mark — Blessings and Healing

Altar Candles
Patricia Nicolas — Blessings and Healing

Saint Joseph Candle
Lyn Duplessy — Blessings and Healing

Mary's Chapel
Lucienne Previl — Blessings and Healing

Annunciation Chapel
Betty Compton — Blessings and Healing

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTION

July 11-12: **Utilities Assistance (Air Conditioning)**

Please be generous.

MASS INTENTIONS

THE 2026 MASS BOOK IS OPEN

We encourage you to honor and/or memorialize a loved one, living or deceased, with a Mass, a gift of bread and wine, sanctuary candle, altar candle, chapel candle or altar flowers.

Requests must be submitted on or before the Friday, two weeks before the desired date.

Place your request together with your **name** and **phone number**, in a sealed envelope in the offering basket.

Please make a Donation of $20 as set by the Diocese of Brooklyn with each request.

Scripture Reflection

Today the Gospel contains a very beautiful prayer of Jesus, who addresses the Father, saying, "I thank thee, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to babes" (Mt 11:25). But what things is Jesus talking about? And then, who are these "babes" to whom such things are revealed? Let us reflect on this: on the things for which Jesus praises his Father and on the "babes" who know how to welcome them.

The things for which Jesus praises the Father. Just before this, the Lord had recalled some of his works — "the blind receive their sight […], lepers are cleansed […], the poor have good news preached to them" (Mt 11:5) — and revealed their meaning, saying that these are the signs that God is at work in the world. The message, then, is clear: God reveals himself by liberating and healing the human person. Let us not forget this: God reveals himself by liberating and healing the human person, and he does this with a gratuitous love, a love that saves. This is why Jesus praises his father, because his greatness consists in love and he never works outside of love. But this greatness in love is not understood by those who presume to be great and who fabricate a god in their own image — powerful, inflexible, vindictive. In other words, those who are presumptuous are not able to accept God as Father; those who are full of themselves, proud, concerned only about their own interests — these are the presumptuous ones — convinced they do not need anyone. In this regard, Jesus names the inhabitants of three rich cities of his time: Chorazin, Bethsaida, Capernaum, where he had accomplished many healings, but whose inhabitants remained indifferent to his preaching. For them, his miracles were only spectacular events, useful for making news and feeding gossip. Once passing interest in them was over, they archived them, maybe in order to occupy themselves with other novelties of the moment. They did not know how to welcome the great things of God.

The little children, instead, know how to welcome them, and Jesus praises the Father for them: "I bless you," he says, because you have revealed the Kingdom of Heaven to the little ones. Jesus praises him for the simple people whose hearts are free from presumption and self-love. The little ones are those who, like children, feel their need and are not self-sufficient. They are open to God and allow themselves to be amazed at his works. They know how to read his signs, to marvel at the miracles of his love! I ask all of you, and even myself, do we know how to marvel at the things of God or do we take them for passing things?

Brothers and sisters, if we think about it, our lives are filled with miracles. They are filled with deeds of love, signs of God's goodness. Before these, however, even our hearts can remain indifferent and become habitual, curious but not capable of being amazed, of allowing themselves to be "impressed". A closed heart, an armoured heart, is incapable of being amazed. To impress is a beautiful verb that brings to mind photographic film. This is the correct behaviour to have before God's works: to take a photograph of his works in our minds so that they may be impressed in our hearts, and then developed in our lives through many good deeds, so that this "photograph" of God, who is love, becomes ever brighter in us and through us.

And now, let us all ask ourselves: In the deluge of news that overwhelms us, do I, as Jesus shows us today, know how to stop before the great things of God, those that God accomplishes? Do I allow myself to marvel like a child at the good that silently changes the world? Or have I lost the ability to be amazed? And do I bless the Father each day for his works? May Mary, who exulted in the Lord, make us capable of being amazed by his love and of praising him with simplicity.

— Pope Francis' Angelus Message for the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 9, 2023

Daily readings for the 14th Week in Ordinary Time

Sunday, July 5
2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a
Psalm 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14
Romans 8:9, 11-13
Matthew 11:25-30

Monday, July 6
Hosea 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22
Psalm 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
Matthew 9:18-26

Tuesday, July 7
Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13
Psalm 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10
Matthew 9:32-38

Wednesday, July 8
Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12
Psalm 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Matthew 10:1-7

Thursday, July 9
Hosea 11:1-4, 8e-9
Psalm 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16
Matthew 10:7-15

Friday, July 10
Hosea 14:2-10
Psalm 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17
Matthew 10:16-23

Saturday, July 11
Isaiah 6:1-8
Psalm 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5
Matthew 10:24-33

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Saturday, July 11th, 2026 **10:00 a.m.**

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LOCATION :

Lower Church
925 East 37th Street
Brooklyn, NY 11210

For more information, please call the Rectory: 718-859-9009

Food/Bake Sale

Saturday, July 18
after the 5:00 p.m. Mass
and
Sunday, July 19
after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses

Order forms are available from any member of the group, and at the back of the Church. They can be returned to any member or to the Rectory.
The deadline to order is Friday, July 10.

Thank you for supporting us as we prepare for our Annual Prayer Breakfast/Revival in the Fall.

For further information, please contact:

Christine: 347-681-2439
Marilyn: 646-353-3426
Ignatius: 347-248-2224
Charmaine: 347-268-8756

Thank you,
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JOIN US IN HONORING THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS

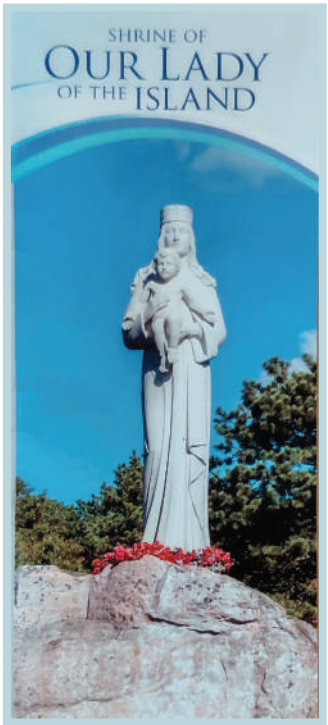
The Ministry of Mercy will host a Eucharistic Celebration in honor of The Most Precious Blood of Jesus on **Thursday, July 16, 2026.**

The celebration will begin with a **Holy Hour at 6:00 p.m.**, with recitation of the **Divine Mercy 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



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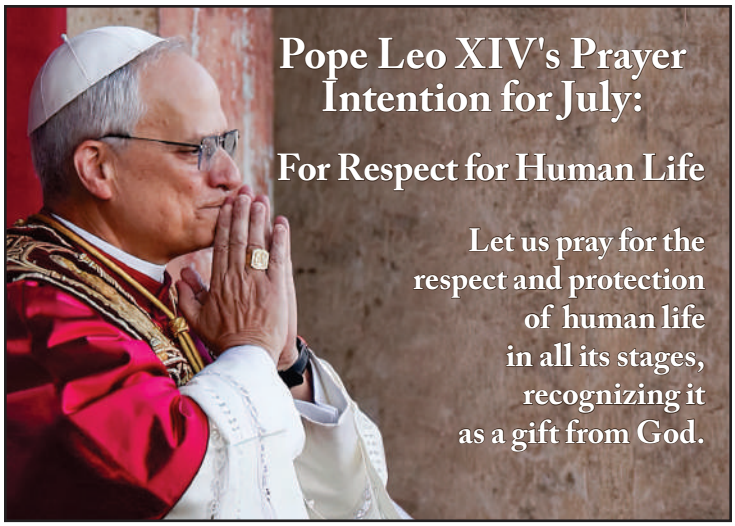

ENSURING A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL

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.

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.

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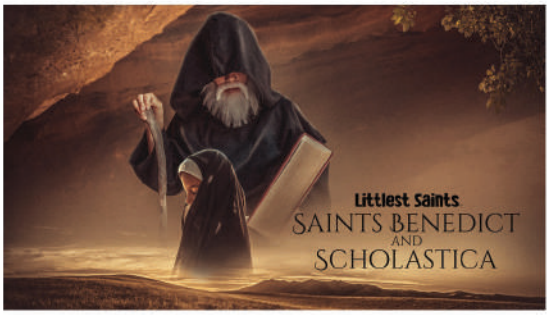
Week of July 05, 2026



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14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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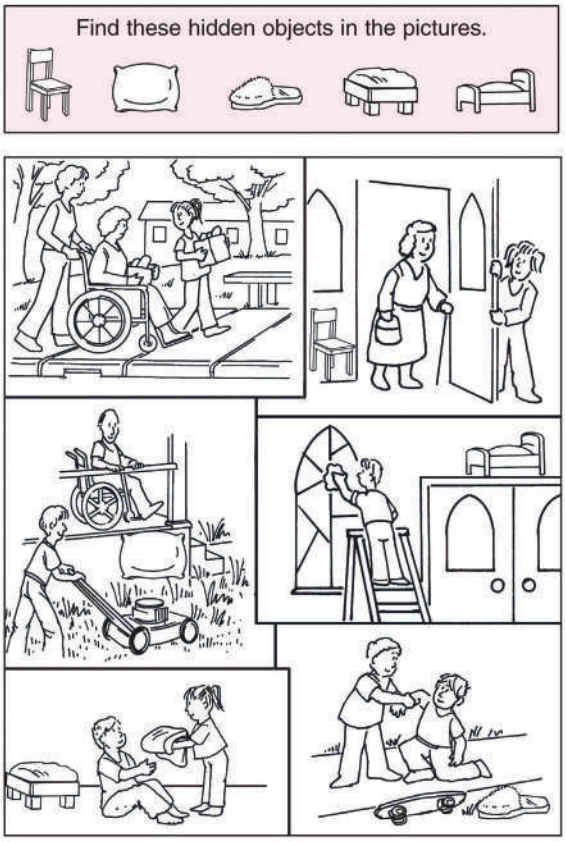
"You will find rest for your souls."

Find these hidden objects in the pictures.



Sometimes you feel tired.
Sometimes you feel as if people expect too much of you.
When you feel like this, Jesus has some special words for you.

Use the letters in the circles to find Jesus' words.

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—Matthew 11:28

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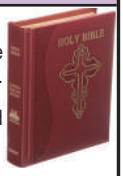

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