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OCTOBER 11, 2026 – 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find."

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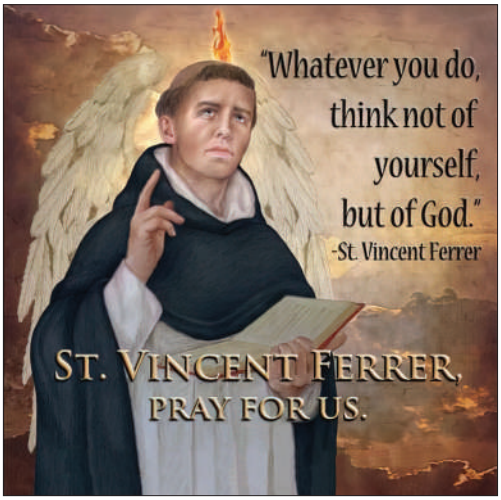

MASS SCHEDULE

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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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 11, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 10 **5:00 p.m.**
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Guynesere Philogene — In Memoriam

Sunday, October 11 **8:00 a.m.**
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Malathi Antoine — Birthday Blessings

11:00 a.m.
The People of Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish — Blessings
Reverend Msgr. Joseph A. Nugent — In Memoriam
Requested by Gerald DeMaio
Judy Pierre — In Memoriam
Requested by Gerald DeMaio
Cristina Blake de Nurse — Birthday Memoriam
Requested by the Rodriguez-Gillies Family
Shelton Paul Liddel, Marlysha Myrthil Liddel, and Leilani Liddel — In Memoriam
Requested by the Ministry of Mercy
Ordanie and Hadriana Leveque — Thanksgiving and Blessings
Joan Williams — Birthday Blessings

Monday, October 12 **9:00 a.m.**
Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day
Judith Gullap — Blessings and Healing
Requested by the Gullap Family

Tuesday, October 13 **9:00 a.m.**
Hubert Constantine and Milleta Williams — In Memoriam
Requested by Brenda Constantine

Wednesday, October 14 **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr
Carida Pierre-Louis — In Thanksgiving to Saint Thérèse
Requested by The Delinois Family

Thursday, October 15 **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
Arnoh Aird — In Memoriam
Requested by the Aird Family

Friday, October 16 **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Hedwig, Religious
Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin
Lawrence Thomas — In Memoriam
Requested by Raylyn Thomas

Saturday, October 17 **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr
Judy Pierre — In Memoriam
Requested by Saint Vincent Ferrer Staff

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS

Sanctuary Candle
Patricia Nicolas — Blessings and Healing

Bread and Wine
Lucienne Previl — Blessings and Healing

Altar Flowers
Sulette Baron — Blessings and Healing

Altar Candles
Jean and Kenneth Chase — Blessings and Healing

Saint Joseph Candle
June Goggin — Blessings and Healing

Mary's Chapel
Monica Walker — Blessings and Healing

Annunciation Chapel
Sheila Scope — Blessings and Healing

ALTAR SERVERS' MEETING AND TRAINING OCTOBER 18 AND 25

There will be a meeting and training session for **ALL Altar Servers** on two consecutive Sundays:

October 18 and October 25
following the 8:00 a.m. Mass

Please make every effort to attend.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS' MEETING SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17

In preparation for the new Liturgical Year, there will be a meeting of all liturgical ministries: Ministers of the Word, Ministers of Music, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, and Ministers of Welcome
on

Saturday, October 17, 2026
following the 9:00 a.m. Mass

Please make every effort to attend.

Scripture Reflection

Today's Gospel passage tells us about a king who prepares a wedding banquet for his son (cf. Mt 22:1-14). He is a powerful man, but he is above all a generous father, who invites others to share in his joy. In particular, he reveals the goodness of his heart in the fact that he does not compel anyone, but invites everyone, even though this way exposes him to the possibility of rejection. We notice that he prepares a banquet, freely offering an opportunity for encounter, an opportunity for a feast. This is what God prepares for us: a banquet, to be in communion with him and among ourselves. And we, all of us, are therefore God's invited guests. But a wedding banquet requires time and commitment on our part: it requires a "yes": to go, to go to the Lord's invitation. He invites, but he leaves us free.

This is the type of relationship that the Father offers us: he calls us to stay with him, leaving us the possibility to accept or not accept [the invitation]. He does not propose to us a relationship of subjection, but rather of fatherhood and sonship, which is necessarily conditioned by our free assent. God is very respectful regarding freedom; very respectful. Saint Augustine uses a very beautiful expression in this regard, saying: "He who created us without our help will not save us without our consent" (Sermonclxix, 13). And certainly not because he does not have the capacity to do so — God is omnipotent! — but because, being love, he respects our freedom fully. God proposes: he does not impose. Never.

Let us return, then, to the parable: the king, the text says, "sent his servants to call those who were invited to the marriage feast; but they would not come " (v. 3). Here is the drama of the story: the "no" to God. But why do people refuse his invitation? Was it perhaps an unpleasant invitation? No, and yet — the Gospel says — "they made light of it and went off, one to his farm, another to his business" (v. 5). They did not care, because they were thinking of their own affairs. And that king, who is a father, God, what does he do? He does not give up; he continues to invite. Indeed, he extends the invitation, until he finds someone who accepts it, among the poor. Among those who know they have little else, many come, until they fill the hall (cf. vv. 8-10).

Brothers and sisters, how many times do we fail to heed God's invitation, because we are intent on our own affairs! Often, we struggle to have free time, but today Jesus invites us to find the time that frees: the time to dedicate to God, that lightens and heals our hearts, that increases peace, confidence and joy in us, that saves us from evil, loneliness and loss of meaning. It is worth it, because it is good to be with the Lord, to make room for him. Where? At Mass, in listening to the Word, in prayer and also in charity, because by helping those who are weak or poor, by spending time with those who are lonely, by listening to those who ask for attention, by consoling those who suffer, one is with the Lord, who is present in those in need. However, many think that these things are a "waste of time", and so they lock themselves away in their private world; and it is sad. And this creates sadness. How many sad hearts there are! For this reason, because they are closed.

Let us ask ourselves, then: how do I respond to God's invitations? What space do I give him in my days? Does the quality of my life depend on my affairs and my free time, or on love for the Lord and for my brethren, especially those most in need?

May Mary, who with her "yes" made room for God, help us not to be deaf to his invitations.

— Pope Francis' Angelus Message for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 15, 2023

Daily readings for the 28th Week in Ordinary Time

Sunday, October 11
Isaiah 25:6-10a
Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20
Matthew 22:1-14

Monday, October 12
Galatians 4:22-24, 26-27, 31–5:1
Psalm 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7
Luke 11:29-32

Tuesday, October 13
Galatians 5:1-6
Psalm 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48
Luke 11:37-41

Wednesday, October 14
Galatians 5:18-25
Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6
Luke 11:42-46

Thursday, October 15
Ephesians 1:1-10
Psalm 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6
Luke 11:47-54

Friday, October 16
Ephesians 1:11-14
Psalm 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13
Luke 12:1-7

Saturday, October 17
Ephesians 1:15-23
Psalm 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7
Luke 12:8-12

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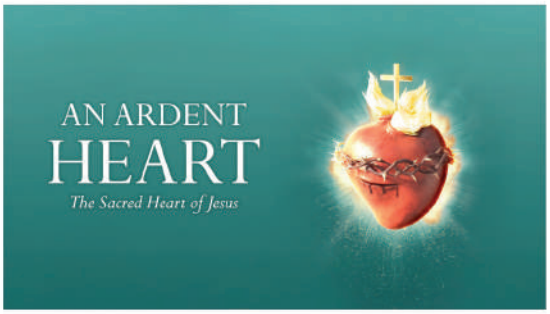

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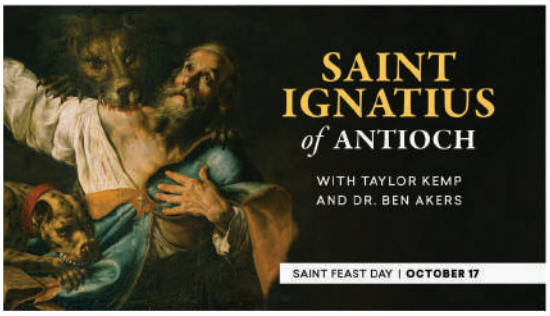

St. Ignatius of Antioch

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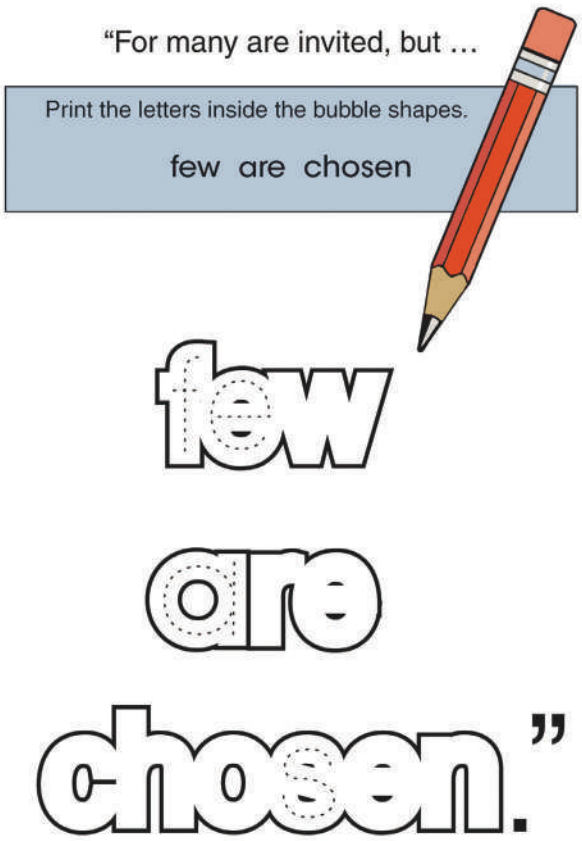

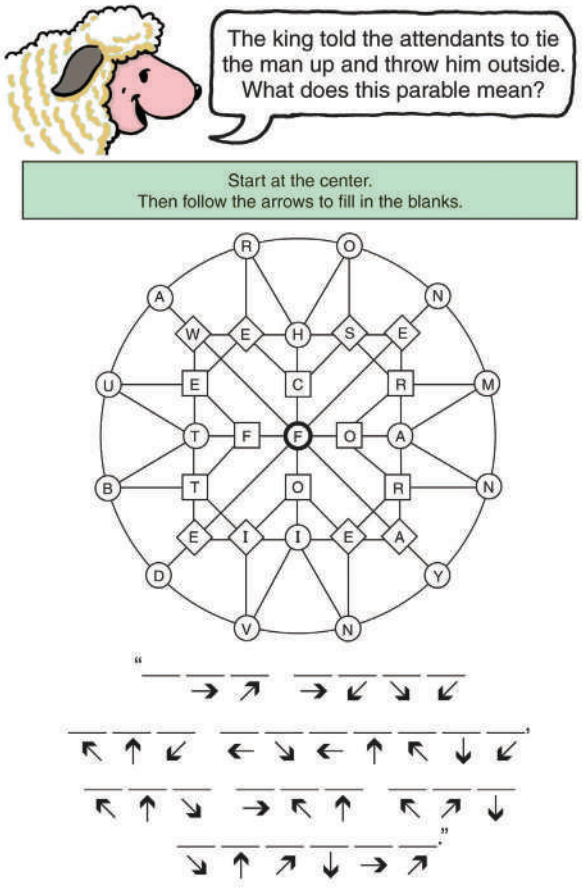

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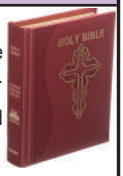

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