



ST. ANTHONY - ST. ALPHONSUS

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH



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Office Hours

Monday - Friday: 9 am - 5 pm

Saturday: 8 am - 1 pm

Mass Schedule

Mon - Fri: 9:30am

Mon, Wed, Thurs 12:30 pm

Friday: 7:30 pm (Spanish)

Saturday: 9:30 am & 5:30 pm

Sunday: 9:30 am &
11:00 am (Spanish), 12:30 pm

Confessions

Tuesday 10:15 am - 10:45 am

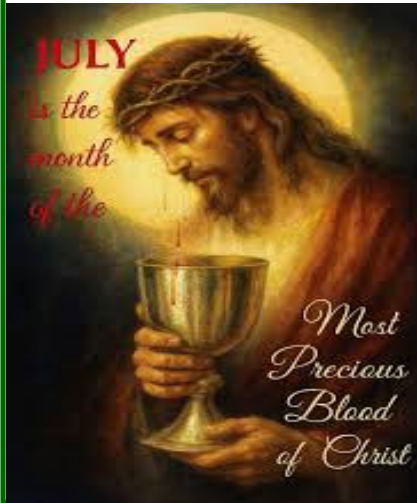
Saturday 4 pm - 5 pm

All other times

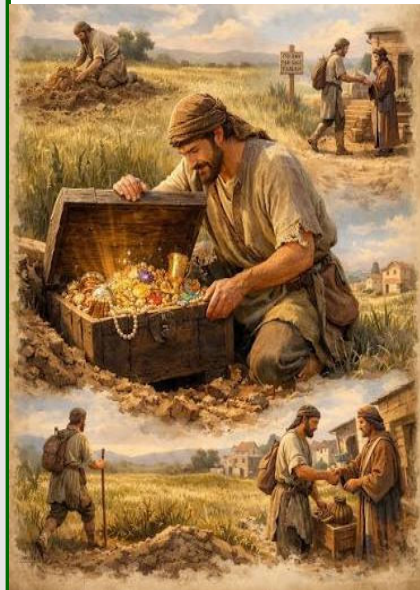
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Monthly Devotion

Most Precious Blood of Jesus



Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time July 26th, 2026



Decimo Séptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario 26 de Julio 2026

Devotions

Mon-Sat: Rosary 10 am

Monday: Miraculous Medal
(After 9:30 am Mass)

Tuesday: St. Anthony
(After 9:30 am Mass)

Friday: Chaplet of Divine
Mercy (After Rosary)

First Friday: Eucharistic
Adoration (After all Masses)



Mass Intentions



Saturday, July 25th: 5:30pm + Brian Dunne by Tatiana Dunne	St. James, Apostle <i>1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12 / Rom 8:28-30 / Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46</i>
Sunday, July 26th: 9:30am + Liz Reyes by Brenda Torres 11:00am (Spanish) + Pablo Roman por Daniela Ramírez 12:30pm + Purgatory Society	<i>1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12 / Rom 8:28-30 / Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46</i>
Monday, July 27th: 9:30am + People of the Parish 12:30pm + People of the Parish	<i>Jer 13:1-11 / Mt 13:31-35</i>
Tuesday, July 28th: 9:30am + People of the Parish	<i>Jer 14:17-22 / Mt 13:36-43</i>
Wednesday, July 29th: 9:30am + People of the Parish 12:30pm + Tadeusz Szwaja by Wife and Children	Sts. Mary, Martha and Lazarus <i>Jer 15:10, 16-21 / Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42</i>
Thursday, July 30th: 9:30am + People of the Parish 12:30pm + People of the Parish	St. Peter Chrysologus <i>Jer 18:1-6 / Mt 13:47-53</i>
Friday, July 31st: 9:30am + People of the Parish 7:30pm + Misa por el Pueblo	St. Ignatius of Loyola <i>Jer 26:1-9 / Mt 13:54-58</i>
Saturday, August 1st: 9:30am + Gail Wierzbicky by Lorraine Sweeney 5:30pm + Dahlem Family by Buddenhagen Family	St. Alphonsus Liguori <i>Jer 26:11-16, 24 / Mt 14:1-12</i> <i>Is 55:1-3 / Rom 8:35, 37-39 / Mt 14:13-21</i>
Sunday, August 2nd: 9:30am + Robert Knapp Sr. by Theresa Antennen, Rosemary Gilbert 11:00am (Spanish) + Pedro y Valentin Nuñez, Belkys Ramirez por Daniela Ramírez 12:30pm + Eileen Strickland by Dolores Hronec	<i>Is 55:1-3 / Rom 8:35, 37-39 / Mt 14:13-21</i>



Please pray for our sick: / Por favor oren por nuestros enfermos:
Heal me, LORD, that I may be healed; save me, that I may be saved, for you are my praise.
Sáname, oh SEÑOR, y seré sanado; Sálvame y seré salvado, Porque Tú eres mi alabanza.
Jeremiah 17:14 / Jeremías 17:14



Ramona Acevedo, Carlos and Juana Aguirre, Milagros Álvarez, Rosa Alvarez, Daliah Rose Alvarado, Michael Anobile, Judith Ballaster, Baby Jozef Ban, Mary Barreta, Stephanie Batista, Elsie Baumgardt, Steve Belus, Genowefa Biernaca, Laura Borruso, Anna Bostic, Alice Ellison Brown, Valerie Bruno, Rosa Caguana, Angel Cantu, Brian Francis Campion, Luis Castro, Dominic Cirone, Matthew Colasanti, Elvia Cuestas, Joseph Anthony D'Avino, Elizabeth Diaz, Joan Dobkin, Melodie Donovan, Alyssa Estevez, Abiola, Ajani, Ayoka, Nicole Falade, Olugbenga, Oluyemi, and Veruska Falade, Theresa Su Fang, Marie Feith, Gemma Ferrara, José Figueroa, Nancy Froelick, Julissa Garcia, Caitlyn Geer, Kataryna Gierczynska, Elizabeth "Betty" Gifford, Christine Godwin, Emily & Kiara Groce, Gladys Gutiérrez, Yvonne Harp, Francisca Herrera, Gilda Infante, Juliana Jiménez, Richard Johnson, Robert Keenan, Michael Kopec, Carolyn Lattanzio, Josep Lauron, Anna Lewicki, Zibbi Lewko, Ida M. Lopez, Oliver Jayme Lopez, Richard Lopez, Irena Maj Rodriguez, Thomas Mehldau, Elizabeth Malenik, Ryan Marshall, Frederick Martin, Andrea Martinez, Sobeida Matos Garcia, J. Meehan, Aiden & Andrew Millender, Aliannah Merino, John Montanez, Cerece Bernice Morris Smith, Minellis Moya, Carmen Muñoz, Patricia Murphy, Ljuvica Negovan, Gary Normandia, Laila Skye O, Zofia Orlowska, Talia Ortega, Angel Pacheco, Donald Parson, Maria Petrona Paiz Turcios, Claudius Peña, Edward Pertell, Amy Pisarki, Gloria Quintero, Daniela Ramirez, José Ramos, Maria Ramos, Levi Reavy, A. L. Rodriguez, Marylou Ryan, Rey Salgado, Edith Santiago, Mary Sanz, Frank Sarlie, Noah Serrano, Julia Silva, Kristian Schoman, Virginia Sheehan, John Slattery, Karol Q. Soto, Antonio Stabile, Eugene Stonebreaker, Patricia Taranovich, Maximo Tavera, H. J. Torres, Carol & Lori Tuzzio, John Tyburczy, Molly Tyburczy, Zenon Urban, Myrta Vargas, Rose Vitale, Brian Wang, Janice L. Whelan, Barbara Wielunski, Harden Williams Jr. Bill Wisniewski

*"My Jesus, I am all
Yours and all that
I have is yours"*

St. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori



*«Jesús mío, soy todo
Tuyo y todo lo que
tengo es Tuyo».*

San Alfonso Maria de Liguori

MESSAGE FROM FR. SINTO

Our Patron Saint: St. Alphonsus Liguori- Discovering the Greatest Treasure

As our parish joyfully celebrates the Annual Feast of one of our patron saints, St. Alphonsus Liguori, on August 01, he reminds us that the Kingdom of Heaven is like ‘a treasure buried in a field’. (Matthew 13.44-52)

St. Alphonsus was born in a wealthy family and he enjoyed success as one of the most brilliant lawyers of his time. But, after encountering the love and call of Christ, he realized that no earthly honor could compare with the priceless treasure of the Kingdom of God. With great courage and joyful conviction, he left behind worldly prestige to become a priest, a founder, a bishop, and one of the greatest teachers of the Church. His life proclaimed that Christ is the only treasure worth possessing.

St. Alphonsus understood that the Kingdom of God is not gained without sacrifice. Like the man who sold everything to purchase the field containing the treasure, he willingly surrendered everything for the sake of Christ. His sacrifice was not a loss but the greatest gain, for he found lasting joy in serving God and leading countless souls to His mercy and love.

As we celebrate the feast of our patron saint, let us ask: What earthly attachments keep us from embracing Christ more fully?

Through the intercession of St. Alphonsus Liguori, may our parish continue to grow in faith, holiness, and missionary zeal.

Fr. Sinto Joy CMI, Parochial Vicar

UN MENSAJE DEL PADRE SINTO

Nuestro Santo Patron: San Alfonso María de Liguori – Descubriendo el Mayor Tesoro

Mientras nuestra parroquia celebra con alegría la fiesta anual de uno de nuestros santos patronos, San Alfonso María de Liguori, este 1 de agosto, él nos recuerda que el Reino de los Cielos es como «un tesoro escondido en un campo» (Mateo 13, 44-52).

San Alfonso nació en el seno de una familia acomodada y gozó de éxito como uno de los abogados más brillantes de su tiempo. Sin embargo, tras experimentar el amor y la llamada de Cristo, comprendió que ningún honor terrenal podía compararse con el tesoro inestimable del Reino de Dios. Con gran valentía y alegre convicción, dejó atrás el prestigio mundano para convertirse en sacerdote, fundador, obispo y uno de los grandes maestros de la Iglesia. Su vida proclamó que Cristo es el único tesoro que vale la pena poseer.

San Alfonso entendió que el Reino de Dios no se alcanza sin sacrificio. Al igual que el hombre que vendió todo para comprar el campo que contenía el tesoro, él renunció voluntariamente a todo por amor a Cristo. Su sacrificio no fue una pérdida, sino la mayor ganancia, pues halló una alegría duradera al servir a Dios y conducir innumerables almas hacia Su misericordia y Su amor. Al celebrar la fiesta de nuestro santo patrono, preguntémonos: ¿Qué apegos terrenales nos impiden abrazar a Cristo más plenamente?

Que, por intercesión de San Alfonso María de Liguori, nuestra parroquia continúe creciendo en fe, santidad y celo misionero.

P. Sinto Joy CMI, Vicario Parroquial

Welcome

Parish Membership

We invite everyone to fully participate in our spiritual life.
Come register! Forms are available on our parish website.
Registration is required for the reception of the sacraments.

Bienvenido

TITHES & OFFERINGS

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

July 17th - 19th 2026

Attendance 413 (Fri Spanish Mass 28, Sat & Sun 385)
Collection \$3,541- First Collection \$3,105
Votive Shrine \$342 Fri Spanish Mass \$94

2025 Attendance 395 Collection \$4,352

First Collection \$3,989

Fri Span Mass \$47 Votive Shrine \$316

Thank you for your offerings / Gracias por su ofrendas



Annual Catholic One Church.
Appeal 2026 Diverse Ministries.
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN United Mission.

Parish Goal: \$35,525

July 20th, 2026

Pledged Amount \$19,840 Paid: \$18,935

Open Pledge Balance: \$905

Total Pledges: 40 Paid Pledges: 37

Open Pledges: 3 Balance: \$16,590



Thank you for your contribution!

¡Gracias por sus contribuciones!

PRAY for the SOULS IN PURGATORY!

Purgatory Society

Sunday, July 26th, 2026 - 12:30pm Mass

Rozalia, Teodor, Zbigniew,	Kathleen Gannon
Charles, Ted Toniuk	Alonzo, Maria Bongiorno
Ermengilio, Rena,	AnnMarie Pasquin
Geraldine, Laura, Anthony,	Phyllis Nusspickel
Irene Panattieri	Joan Walsh
Walter, Debbie, Robert	Carlos and Awilda Martinez
Keough	Felipa Cruz, Cecilio Muñoz
Marty Smilowitz	Christine Godwin
Donald Buddenhagen	Patricia Cusack
Leonarda Bigos-Halina	Geraldine Stagg-Reinhard
Robert Steven McGinnis	Raymond Zawodzinski
Luis Ramos	



SECOND COLLECTION

SEGUNDA COLECTA

Venezuela Earthquake
Terremoto de Venezuela

July / Julio

25 - 26, 2026

Altar Server Training



Saturdays August 2026

11.00 a.m to 12.00 p.m. in the upper Church.

Mr. Juan Manuel Martinez, Instructor.

Eligibility: Sacrament of Communion and practicing Catholic. Interested children are requested to contact the office along with their parent/guardian.



Annual Feast of
ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI
OUR PATRON SAINT

NOVENA
from
July 24, 2026
after 09.30 am Mass

FEAST DAY CELEBRATION:
Saturday,
August 01, 2026

9.30 am:
Feast Day Holy Mass
followed by
Special Blessings &
Veneration of the
Holy Relics
of St. Alphonsus

*"My Jesus, I am
all Yours and
all that I have
is Yours."*
- St. Alphonsus Liguori

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All are Welcome!



Summer Mission Appeal - Salesian Sisters Weekend August 1-2, Sister Teresa Gutierrez FMS

The Salesian Sisters were founded by St. John Bosco in 1872 and started their work in mission lands in 1877. Their congregation was specifically founded for the service of poor youth. They are a worldwide community spreading the Gospel in areas affected by great poverty, disease, war and other conditions such as areas of natural disaster and refugee camps. They provide missionaries for Africa, Asia Latin America and Pacific Islands dedicating themselves to children, young people, families the wounded and the dying.

Campaña Misionera de Verano — Hijas de María Auxiliadora (Salesianas) 1-2 de Agosto, Hermana Teresa Gutierrez FMS

Las Hijas de María Auxiliadora (Salesianas) fueron fundadas por San Juan Bosco en 1872 e iniciaron su labor en tierras de misión en 1877. Su congregación nació específicamente para servir a la juventud pobre. Son una comunidad de alcance mundial que difunde el Evangelio en zonas afectadas por la pobreza extrema, las enfermedades, la guerra y otras situaciones críticas, como áreas azotadas por desastres naturales y campos de refugiados. Envían misioneras a África, Asia, América Latina y las islas del Pacífico, dedicándose a atender a niños, jóvenes, familias, heridos y moribundos.



Parish Elevator Project

inspire giving

For many years the church has been fundraising in order to fulfill the Project of making the church fully handicapped accessible. It will allow our members and guests from the wider community who cannot navigate stairs to be able to attend all events at the church. If you would like to help financially with this project, you may make a donation in person, by mail or by using our GiveCentral website to secure your payment via card or bank account. All donations are 100% tax deductible. You choose to participate in our Mission. You choose to embrace our Vision. For this, we are **truly blessed** and so **very thankful!** Bequeathing a portion in your will for the church will help the restoration

To donate via GiveCentral, please visit: Givecentral.org/location/761/event/31380

Proyecto de Ascensor Parroquial

Durante muchos años, la Iglesia ha estado recaudando fondos para cumplir con el proyecto de hacer que iglesia sea totalmente accesible para discapacitados. Permitirá que nuestros miembros e invitados de la comunidad en general que no pueden subir escaleras puedan asistir a todos los eventos en la iglesia. Si desea ayudar financieramente con este Proyecto, puede hacer una donación en persona, por correo o utilizando nuestro sitio web GiveCentral para asegurar su pago mediante tarjeta o cuenta bancaria. Todas las donaciones son 100% deducibles de impuestos. Eliges participar en nuestra Misión. Elige abrazar nuestra Visión. ¡Por esto, estamos realmente bendecidos y muy agradecidos! Legar una parte de su testamento para la iglesia ayudará a la restauración. Para donar a través de **GiveCentral**, visite: Givecentral.org/location/76/event/31380

50/50 Club

50/50 envelopes are available in the back of the church. Please feel free to take additional envelopes for neighbors and friends.

Minimum donation is \$2.00 / \$2.00 = 1 chance to win / \$5.00 = 3 chances to win \$10.00 = 6 chances to win

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR NAME, PHONE # AND DOLLAR AMOUNT ARE ON EACH 50/50 ENVELOPE

(We will make sure your contribution is converted into the proper amount of chances to which you are entitled.)



Annual Catholic Appeal 2026
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

**Jubilee of Hope, Renewal
Of Faith and Charity**

Campaña Católica Anual 2026
DIOCESIS DE BROOKLYN

**Jubileo de Esperanza,
Renovación de Fe y Caridad**

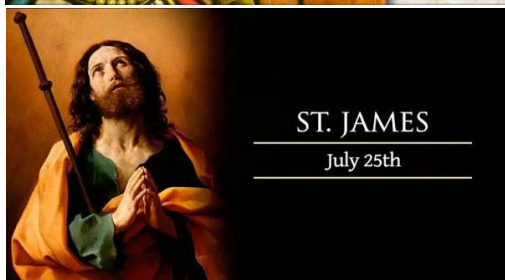
I sincerely thank all the generous individuals who have already made a pledge to the 2025 Annual Catholic Appeal at our parish. Your support makes a difference! If you haven't pledged yet, now is the time to act! Pick up a donation envelope at the entrance of the church and submit it as soon as possible. For an even faster way to give, text DONATE to 917-336-1255 today! Every gift, no matter the size, helps us reach our goal and support those in need. Make your commitment today—your generosity changes lives!



Agradezco sinceramente a todas las personas generosas que ya han hecho una promesa de contribución a la Campaña Anual Católica 2025 en nuestra parroquia. ¡Su apoyo marca la diferencia! Si aún no ha hecho su compromiso, ¡ahora es el momento de actuar! Tome un sobre de donación en la entrada de la iglesia y entréguelo lo mas antes posible. Para una forma aún más rápida de donar, envíe un mensaje de texto con la palabra DONATE al 917-336-1255 hoy mismo. Cada contribución, sin importar el monto, nos ayuda a alcanzar nuestra meta y a apoyar a quienes más lo necesitan. ¡Haga su compromiso hoy—su generosidad cambia vidas!

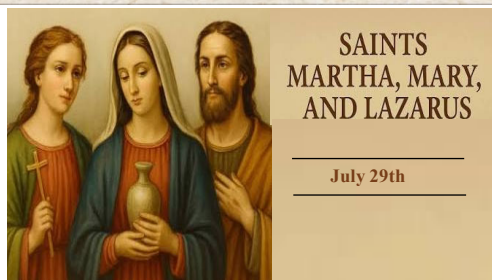


ROMAN CATHOLIC SAINTS



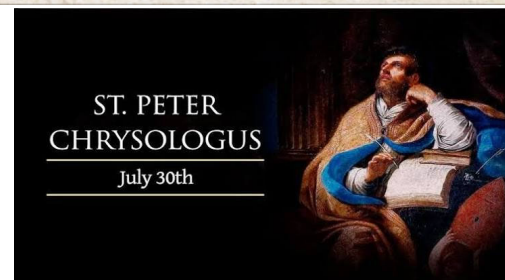
ST. JAMES

July 25th



SAINTS
MARTHA, MARY,
AND LAZARUS

July 29th



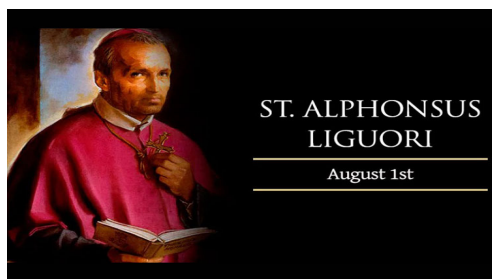
ST. PETER
CHRYSOLOGUS

July 30th



ST. IGNATIUS
OF LOYOLA

July 31st



ST. ALPHONSUS
LIGUORI

August 1st





Order of Christian Initiation For Adults

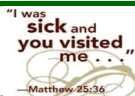
Are you, a family member or friend interested in becoming a Catholic or you are Catholic and have not yet received Holy Communion and/or Confirmation? The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is a wonderful process available to those who feel called to become Catholic and for those Catholics who have not yet received First Communion and/or Confirmation. If interested or for further information, please contact: OCIA Coordinator: Diane Pistey Tel: 718-383-7809



Ministry to the Sick

Priests are available anytime.

Ministers of the Eucharist can be invited to bring Communion to the home of the sick.



Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated in English on the last Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m. and Spanish baptisms are celebrated on the first Saturday of every month at 2:00 p.m.

Arrangements must be made at the Parish office in advance. The birth certificate must be presented. Preparation is required for parents and godparents before Baptism. God parents must meet requirements



Marriages

Arrangements should be made six months in advance. Pre-Cana workshop is part of preparation. The website address is: bqonlineformation.org



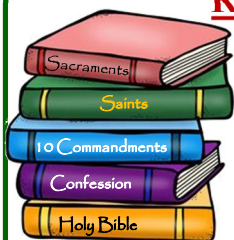
BASKETBALL

Sign Up for Youth Basketball
Any questions, please call
Coach Rocco Rubino 718-431-3404



August 3rd - 7th

OFFICE CLOSED



Religious Education Registration
Tuesday & Wednesday
of August

Registración de
Educación Religiosa
Martes y Miércoles de Agosto

Faith Formation



Grades 1 - 5 Wednesday 5:30pm - 7:00pm
Grades 6 - HS Tuesday 5:30pm - 7:00pm



Orden de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos

¿Está usted un familiar o amigo interesado en convertirse en Católico o es Católico y aún no ha recibido la Sagrada Comunión y / o Confirmación? El Orden de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos (OCIA) es un proceso maravilloso disponible para aquellos que se sienten llamados a convertirse en Católicos y para aquellos católicos que aún no han recibido la Primera Comunión y/o Confirmación. Si está interesado o para obtener más información, comuníquese con: Ernesto Cordero Coordinador de OCIA Tel: (347) 777-6483

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Stephen Jankowski

Are you interested in serving the parish as

SERVICES



LECTORS



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Please speak with Fr. Benny or call the office

Choir Practice



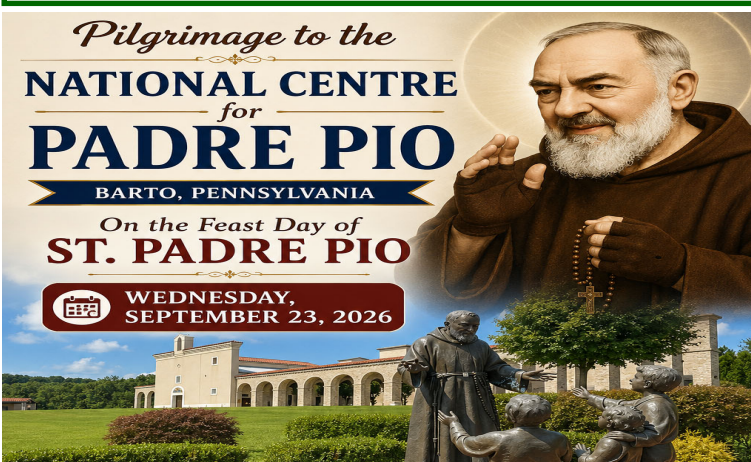
Meets each Thursday at 7:00pm in the Church

Pilgrimage to the NATIONAL CENTRE for PADRE PIO

BARTO, PENNSYLVANIA

On the Feast Day of ST. PADRE PIO

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2026



WE START AT 07.00 AM from our church



WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND THE FEAST DAY HOLY MASS & PROCESSION



\$50 per person as bus fare



FOOD CAN BE BOUGHT AT A LOWER PRICE



For more information & registration, contact Carol Kulikowski (Cell: +1 917 617 0413) by September 10, 2026

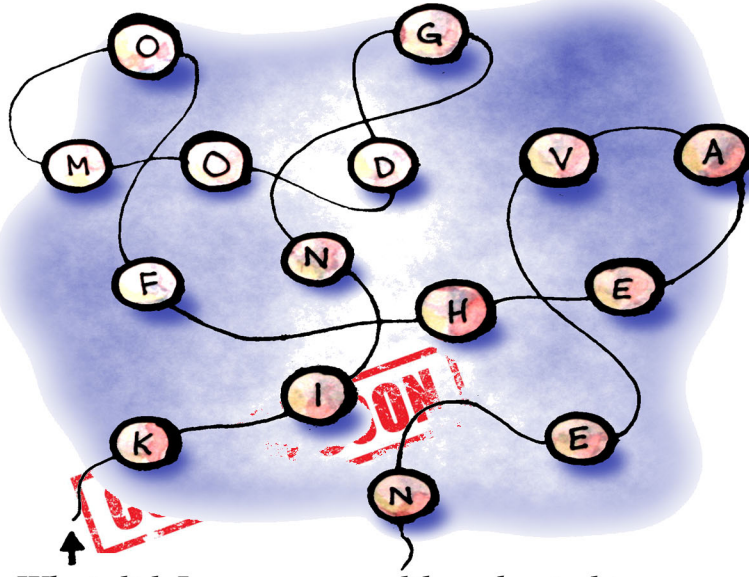


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The Kids' Bulletin

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 26th, 2026



What did Jesus say was like a buried treasure or a pearl of great price?

Use the letters on the string of pearls to fill in the blanks and find out!

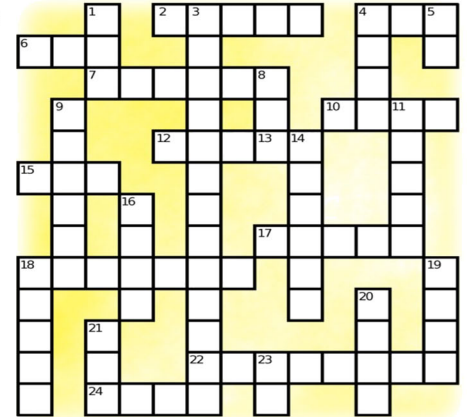
The _____
_____.

King Solomon's Dream Cross-Word

God _____ (19d) to the young _____ (24a) Solomon in a dream, " _____ (21d) _____ (23d) for whatever you want me to _____ (16d) you."
Solomon knew that he was only a young _____ (8d) and couldn't rule God's people without His help. So he said _____ (5d) God, "O _____ (20d), I am a _____ (10a) youth, not knowing _____ (1d) to _____ (4a). I _____ (18d) you in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a people so vast that it cannot be _____ (22a) or counted. Give your _____ (18a), therefore, an _____ (3d) _____ (17a) to _____ (2a) your people and to distinguish _____ (11d) from _____ (12a). For _____ (6a) is _____ (4d) to _____ (14d) this vast _____ (9d) of yours?"
_____ (15a) was pleased with Solomon's request and told him that He would grant him _____ (7a) greater than anyone else had ever had or would have.

Use the words from this list to fill in the blanks and figure out the cross-word.

UNDERSTANDING
ME NUMBERED
TO SERVANT
ASK WISDOM
ACT GOVERN
GIVE WRONG
SAID PEOPLE
GOD JUDGE
WHO HEART
MAN RIGHT
KING SERVE
HOW LORD
ABLE MERE



The Kingdom of Heaven is Like...



I MUST
BUY THIS
PROPERTY!

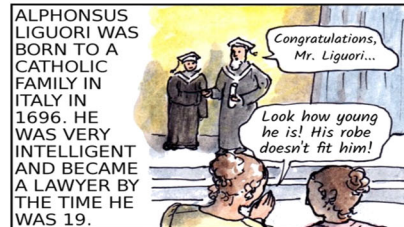
In today's Gospel reading, Jesus tells the disciples what the Kingdom of Heaven is like. He says it is like a buried treasure, that when a man finds it, he sells everything he has and buys the field where it is hidden. He also says it is like a pearl of great price, that when a merchant finds it he sells all he has and buys it.

These parables tell us how precious the Kingdom of Heaven is. Jesus is explaining that it is more important than anything else in our lives. The men in the parables sold EVERYTHING they had to get the treasures.

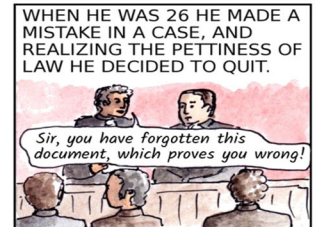
But what is the Kingdom of Heaven? Is it a country with a king and subjects? Well it is, sort of, but you can't see it. Jesus is the King and His people are the people who choose Him as their King. The laws of the kingdom are God's laws, and the enemy is the devil who is trying to take all the souls. Always remember that belonging to God's Kingdom is more important than everything else in your life!



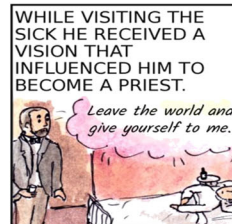
Saint Alphonsus Liguori August 1



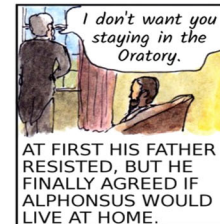
ALPHONSUS LIGUORI WAS BORN TO A CATHOLIC FAMILY IN ITALY IN 1696. HE WAS VERY INTELLIGENT AND BECAME A LAWYER BY THE TIME HE WAS 19.



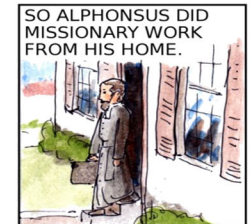
WHEN HE WAS 26 HE MADE A MISTAKE IN A CASE, AND REALIZING THE PETTINESS OF LAW HE DECIDED TO QUIT.
Sir, you have forgotten this document, which proves you wrong!



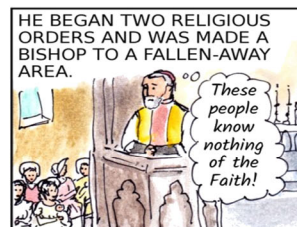
WHILE VISITING THE SICK HE RECEIVED A VISION THAT INFLUENCED HIM TO BECOME A PRIEST.
Leave the world and give yourself to me.



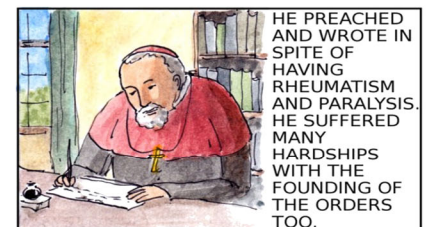
I don't want you staying in the Oratory.
AT FIRST HIS FATHER RESISTED, BUT HE FINALLY AGREED IF ALPHONSUS WOULD LIVE AT HOME.



SO ALPHONSUS DID MISSIONARY WORK FROM HIS HOME.



HE BEGAN TWO RELIGIOUS ORDERS AND WAS MADE A BISHOP TO A FALLEN-AWAY AREA.
These people know nothing of the Faith!



HE PREACHED AND WROTE IN SPIE OF HAVING RHEUMATISM AND PARALYSIS. HE SUFFERED MANY HARDSHIPS WITH THE FOUNDING OF THE ORDERS TOO.

SAINT ALPHONSUS USED HIS INTELLIGENCE TO TEACH THE IGNORANT PEOPLE IN HIS DIOCESE, AND WHEN HE WAS TOO SICK TO PREACH HE WOULD WRITE. GOD HAS GIVEN YOU GIFTS THAT YOU CAN USE TO HELP TEACH OTHERS ABOUT HIM. DON'T LET ANYTHING STOP YOU, JUST LIKE ST. ALPHONSUS DIDN'T!

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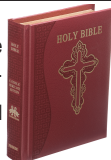
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