

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JUNE 16TH 2024

First Reading

Ezekiel 17:22–24

I, the Lord, bring low the high tree and lift high the lowly tree.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 92:2–3, 13–16

They that are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God.

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 5:6–10

The lives of all are to be revealed before the tribunal of Christ.

Gospel Reading

Mark 4:26–34

The reign of God is like a mustard seed.

Background on the Gospel Reading

After Lent, the Easter season, and three Sundays of feast days—Pentecost, Most Holy Trinity, and Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ—the Church returns to Ordinary Time. This Sunday’s Gospel from Mark carries a significant message regarding faith and the Kingdom of God.

In Mark’s Gospel, Jesus appears reluctant to reveal his identity as the Son of God. After performing miracles of healing, he warns those cured to tell no one (see Mark 1:44, 3:12, 5:43, 7:36, and 8:26). Also, when preaching, Jesus chooses to speak to the crowds in parables, leaving them to discern his message. Only to his disciples does he explain the parable’s meaning, and he does this in private at a later time.

Today’s Gospel Reading consists of two parables about seeds. In the first, Jesus tells those gathered that this is “how it is with the kingdom of God.” A man scatters seed which over time sprouts and develops. Then when the grain is ripe, the man harvests his crop. The emphasis in the parable is on the seed, which seemingly has the power to grow on its own. In this it is like the Kingdom of God. While on earth, Jesus planted the seeds of the kingdom by his life, miracles, teaching, and suffering. However, the kingdom is not yet fully established. Although already present in Jesus and his group of twelve, it has yet to come to fruition; just as the seed in the parable needs time to grow, so does God’s kingdom.

The second parable focuses on the tiny mustard seed. Though not the smallest of all seeds, it is most likely the smallest that a first-century farmer in Jesus’ part of the world would have sown. Small as the mustard seed is, it develops into a tree. Though the mustard tree generally averages only nine to twelve feet in height, it has a wide expanse and provides a nesting place for birds. Just as the tree welcomes the birds, so is God’s kingdom welcoming and open to many.

These parables help us discern something about the kingdom of God and our own faith. In God we live and move and have our being, but God is a mystery and his kingdom, though present, has not yet come into its fullness. Today, the Kingdom of God is present in the Church. The mission of proclaiming the Good News of the Kingdom given to the Apostles is now given to us. But just as seeds need time to come to fruition, so does the Kingdom of God. That is why in the Lord’s Prayer, we pray, “thy kingdom come.” We know that it will come in its fullness at the end of time. All we need is faith.

Bible Verse for the Week

“We can make our own plans, but the Lord gives the right answer. People may be pure in their own eyes, but the Lord examines their motives. Commit your actions to the Lord and your plans will succeed.” *Proverbs 16:1-3*

Pro Sanctity

You are invited to join Pro Sanctity

When: Monday nights for the Rosary and today's Gospel reflection

Thursday nights for Sunday's scripture readings and reflections

Why: To pray, learn and share

How: Call 3392073069 on Mondays and/or Thursdays ALL ARE WELCOME!

Prayer for Vocations

Lord of the Harvest, we petition you as you have instructed us to ask for more laborers to serve in the vineyard of Your Church. You have told us that the harvest is rich and laborers are few and we experience this great need in the face of the challenge of the New Evangelization we ask the Holy Spirit to inspire young men and women to seriously consider vocations for the priesthood and religious life. Help all of us to be effective instruments to encourage and support those whom you are calling to serve and lead the Church of Brooklyn and Queens in the future. Lord, you told the Apostles to put out into the deep. We ask for the grace and courage to accept your call as we pray and work for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life.

Every First, and Third Sunday, of the month after each mass Fellowship is followed in the Parish Center all are welcomed

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Weekend Masses in the Canarsie Cluster Parishes:

Our Lady of Miracles

(E. 86th St. & Flatlands Ave.)

Sat. 5:30 PM (Eng.)

Sun. 8:30 AM (Eng.)

10:30 AM (Eng.)

12:30 PM (French/Creole)

Holy Family

(Rockaway Pkwy. & Flatlands Ave.)

Sat. 5:00 PM (Eng.)

Sun. 8:00 AM (Eng.)

9:15 AM (Creole)

11:15 AM (Eng.)

12:45 PM (Eng.)

St. Jude

(Seaview Ave. & Canarsie Rd.)

Sat. 5:30 PM (Eng.)

Sun. 8:30 AM (Eng.)

10:30 AM (Family)

12:30 PM (Bi-Lingual)

1st Sun ... Eng/French/Creole

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Please Pray for ALL Our Sick In Our Parish

Ann Jacobs Deryck Ming, Dorthea C Hogarth, Marie Kernizan, Ann Bethany, Sue Vales, Rose-marie Campanilla, Rosamund Gilkes, Dexter Stiell, Joseph Esposito, Tyra Plaisimond, Noel Toussaint, Anthony Cavaliere, Joseph Virgile

We will keep names on the sick list for three weeks.

Our Parish needs your Weekly Support TIME People

Saturday	5:30 PM	Eng	60
Sunday	8:30 AM	Eng	160
Sunday	10:30 AM	Eng	140
Sunday	12:30 PM	French/Kreyol	250

Weather: Sunny Day

Our weekly goal is \$4850.00

This Weeks Total was \$3,780.00

Previous Week \$4,740.00

Your generosity is greatly appreciated

Second Collection

Coming Up This Week



Monday: June 17

8:30 AM Mass

Tuesday: June 18

8:30 AM Mass

Wednesday: June 19

8:30 AM Mass

Thursday: June 20

8:30 AM Mass

Friday: June 21

8:30 AM Mass

Saturday: June 22

8:30 AM Mass & 5:30 PM Mass

Sunday: June 23 Corpus Christi

8:30 AM English Mass 11:00 AM Haitian Mass

Our Lady of Miracles Rectory Office Hours

Monday 10AM-5PM, Tuesday 10AM-5PM,

Wednesday 10AM-5PM, Thursday 10AM-5PM,

Friday 10AM-5PM, Saturday Closed, Sunday Closed

Our Lady of Miracles Rectory office is now open from

Monday-Friday 10AM-5PM



**Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Miracles
By Evenise Casimir**

Saturday June 15

8:30 AM 1000 Hail Mary's by The Etincelles D' Amour Group

5:30 PM In Memory of Marie Odette Joseph by her Daughter Judith Soto

Sunday June 16

8:30 AM Birthday In Heaven for Wilner Kenscoff by his Son Joseph Kenscoff

8:30 AM In Memory of Alicia Barrientos by Letecia Casipe

8:30 AM Happy Father's Day In Heaven for Roland Prudhomme by his wife Marie

8:30 AM In Memory of David Daniel by his Daughter Amy Francis

10:30 AM Happy Father's Day In Heaven for Celestino Sr & Jr Mallare by Letecia Casipe

12:30 PM In Memory of Hermimhe Rosidor, Alice Pricien, & Francois Fleurine by Marlene Dyle & Daniel Dauphin

12:30 PM Thanksgiving by Monique Petit Frere

12:30 PM In Memory of Grandmere Marie Louise Certine, Grandpere Bernard Julmis, & Mere Bernadette Julmis by Family

12:30 PM In Memory of Grand Mere Lucina Cherfils, Grand Pere Rene Samson, & Pere Max Emmanuel Samson by Family

Monday June 17

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Evenise Casimir by Evenise Casimir

8:30 AM In Memory of Yvica Cadet by The Children

8:30 AM In Memory of Leonie & Andre Gedeon by Daughter Gertude Lissade

Tuesday June 18

8:30 AM Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Miracles by OLM

Wednesday June 19

8:30 AM In Memory of Alfred, Guiseppa, Paolina, Joann & Charles Fusco by Brothers, Sisters, & Children

8:30 AM In Memory of Florence Bevacqua by Daughter & Grandson

Thursday June 20

8:30 AM Thanksgiving to God for all of our blessings by OLM

Friday June 21

8:30 AM In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Miracles by Letecia Casipe

8:30 AM For God's Blessings on Alicia Charles by Laurel Charles

8:30 AM In Thanksgiving to The Sacred Heart, St Anthony, & Our Lady of Miracles by Norma Fequiere

8:30 AM Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Miracles by Jocelyne Prudhomme

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Marie Jacques-Fils by Marie Jacques-Fils

7:30 PM In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Miracles by Letecia Casipe

7:30 PM Birthday In Heaven for Giordani Desir by Wife & Son

7:30 PM In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Miracles by Immacula Desir

Saturday June 22

8:30 AM 1000 Hail Mary's by The Etincelles D' Amour Group

8:30 AM Birthday Blessings for Tatiana Casimir by Her Mom

5:30 PM Birthday In Heaven for Jarrad Mancuso by Nina Riti & Family

5:30 PM In Memory of Tezila Dume by Venise & Family

5:30 PM Birthday In Heaven for Jarrad Mancuso by Nina Riti & Family

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Pope Francis's Reflection for Sunday June 16th 2024
Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!

“I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me” (*Gal 2:19*). In these words, the Apostle Paul powerfully expresses the mystery of the Christian life, which can be summed up in the *paschal dynamic* of death and resurrection received at baptism. Indeed, through immersion in water, each of us, as it were, dies and is buried with Christ (cf. *Rom 6:3-4*), and reemerging, shows forth new life in the Holy Spirit. This rebirth embraces every aspect of our lives: even sickness, suffering and death are taken up in Christ and in him find their ultimate meaning. Today, on the Jubilee day devoted to the sick and bearers of disabilities, this word of life has a special resonance for our assembly.

Each of us, sooner or later, is called to face – at times painfully – frailty and illness, both our own and those of others. How many different faces do these common yet dramatically human experiences take! Yet all of them directly raise the pressing question of the meaning of life. Our hearts may quietly yield to cynicism, as if the only solution were simply to put up with these experiences, trusting only in our own strength. Or we may put complete trust in science, thinking that surely somewhere in the world there is a medicine capable of curing the illness. Sadly, however, this is not always the case, and, even if the medicine did exist, it would be accessible to very few people.

Human nature, wounded by sin, is marked by *limitations*. We are familiar with the objections raised, especially nowadays, to a life characterized by serious physical limitations. It is thought that sick or disabled persons cannot be happy, since they cannot live the lifestyle held up by the culture of pleasure and entertainment. In an age when care for one's body has become an obsession and a big business, anything imperfect has to be hidden away, since it threatens the happiness and serenity of the privileged few and endangers the dominant model.

Such persons should best be kept apart, in some “enclosure” – even a gilded one – or in “islands” of pietism or social welfare, so that they do not hold back the pace of a false well-being. In some cases, we are even told that it is better to eliminate them as soon as possible, because they become an unacceptable economic burden in time of crisis. Yet what an illusion it is when people today shut their eyes in the face of sickness and disability! They fail to understand the real meaning of life, which also has to do with accepting suffering and limitations. The world does not become better because only apparently “perfect” people live there – I say “perfect” rather than “false” – but when human solidarity, mutual acceptance and respect increase. How true are the words of the Apostle: “God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong” (*1 Cor 1:27*)!

The way we experience illness and disability is an index of the love we are ready to offer. The way we face suffering and limitation is the measure of our freedom to give meaning to life's experiences, even when they strike us as meaningless and unmerited. Let us not be disturbed, then, by these tribulations (cf. *1 Th 3:3*). We know that in weakness we can become strong (cf. *2 Cor 12:10*) and receive the grace to fill up what is lacking in the sufferings of Christ for his body, the Church (cf. *Col 1:24*). For that body, in the image of the risen Lord's own, keeps its wounds, the mark of a hard struggle, but they are wounds transfigured for ever by love.



Scriptures For The Week

Monday June 17

1 Kgs 21:1-16 Mt 5:38-42(365)

Tuesday June 18

1 Kgs 21:17-29 Mt 5:43-48(366)

Wednesday June 19

2 Kgs 2:1; 6-14 Mt 6:1-6; 16-18(367)

Thursday June 20

Sir 48:1-14 Mt 6:7-15(368)

Friday June 21

2 Kgs 11:1-4; 9-18; 20 Mt 6:19-23(369)

Saturday June 22

2 Chr 24:17-25 Mt 6:24-34(370)

Our Lady of Trust Catholic Academy

up coming events

Open House for Pre-3, Pre – K4 & Pre K
9:00 to 11 AM

For more information call 718-241-6633

Record of PARISH contributions

If you use our church envelopes and need to have a record of your contributions to Our Lady of Miracles Church for the past year(2023) for income tax purposes, please contact the rectory during office hours or send a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request to

Our Lady of Miracles Church, 757 East 86th street, Brooklyn, New York 11236. We will be happy to forward the information to you.

Due to the Corona Virus we will not be serving the Precious Blood we will let you know when we will be serving the precious blood.

Haitian Prayer group meet every Monday night at 7:00 Pm in the church. All are welcomed

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Office Of Faith Formation News

The Religious Education Classes for 2023-2024 ended on JUNE 2 2024 with the celebration of CORPUS CHRISTI.

All parents and Guardians are required to register Students for 2024-2025. Any child who will be registered between June 4 2024 through August 31st will pay \$60. After this date, registration will be \$80.

Please take advantage of this discount.

I wish you all a blessed summer vacation.

Anyone including adults who want to register for any religious education should contact Sr Francesca at 718-649-1006 on the following office hours and days

Our office Days and Hours

Tuesday: 9:30AM-4:00PM

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Email: dre101163@diobrook.org

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Exposition of Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday, from 9:30 AM till 12:00 Noon, we have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and Benediction. We are looking for people to sit in church while the Blessed Sacrament is on the altar. Please come to the rectory to put your name down for an hour or two.

The only time we will not have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is if we have a funeral

Annual Catholic Appeal 2024 CATHOLIC APPEAL PRAYER

Loving Father, through Baptism you have made us members of the Body of your Son and His Priestly People. You have enriched us with the outpouring of the gift of your Holy Spirit. You continue to make your Son present among us through the Sacrament of His Body and Blood in the Eucharist.

We are ever grateful for what you do for us and we seek to respond by revealing your goodness through the witness of our lives.

Help us to nourish and support those members of the Body of Christ who are in need of our generous sharing of our time, talent and treasure.

We make this prayer through Christ our High Priest and Lord. AMEN

***Annual Catholic Appeal 2024 Goal at Our
Lady of Miracles R.C is \$35,000***

Thank for your generous support.

God bless you!

PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR CELL PHONE WHEN YOU ARE ENTERING THE CHURCH. THIS IS QUITE DISTRACTING TO THE PRIEST AND OTHER PARISHIONERS THANK YOU.

If you haven't received your tax letter for 2023 please call the rectory at 718-257-2400 this will be the last week to receive your tax letter for 2023 as we will be closing out the 2023 year and starting the 2024 envelopes

Bible Word Search

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Books of the New Testament



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