

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 12TH 2026

This Sunday's Readings

First Reading

Isaiah 55:10-11

The Word of the Lord shall achieve its purpose.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 65:10-14

A prayer of praise to God for his abundance.

Second Reading

Romans 8:18-23

Together with all of creation, we await God's redemption.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 13:1-23 (shorter form: Matthew 13:1-9)

Jesus teaches that the kingdom of heaven is like seed that has been sown on good soil.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel marks the beginning of the third long discourse given by Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew. Over the next few weeks, the Gospel readings will consist of the entire 13th Chapter of Matthew's Gospel, a lengthy teaching discourse.

Throughout this discourse, Jesus will offer several parables to illustrate for his listeners what he means by the kingdom of heaven. He begins with the parable of the sower, which appears rather straightforward—of course seeds grow best in good soil. Seeds that miss the soil, are sown on rocky ground, or are sown among other plants will not grow. The surprise in the parable is the enormous yield of the seed that is sown on good soil.

Jesus then explains his use of parables. Jesus seems to suggest that he uses parables to teach because the meanings of parables are not self-evident. The hearer must engage in some degree of reflection in order to comprehend the message of a parable. In this way, the medium—the parable—models the point of the parable of the sower. Those who are willing to engage themselves in the effort to understand will be rewarded by the discovery of the message and will bear fruit.

To bring home the point, Jesus interprets the parable of the sower to his disciples. The different types of soil in which the seeds are sown are metaphors for the disposition with which each individual hears the teaching about the kingdom of heaven. Some will be easily swayed away from the kingdom of heaven. Some will receive it for a time but will lose it when faced with difficulties. Some will hear the word but will then permit other cares to choke it out. Yet some will receive it well, and the seed will produce abundant fruit.

Bible Verse for the Week

"Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience..." Colossians 3:12-17

Pro Sanctity Movement

The Proscantity Movement

The Pro Sanctity Family wishes to thank all the members and friends who attended our Founder's Day celebration at St. Kevin's in Flushing, NY. It was a wonderful faith filled spiritual experience followed by refreshments and sharing. So please continue to grow spiritually by joining us

REMEMBER we will continue to meet in JULY

Who: The Proscantity Movement is a catholic organization dedicated to promoting the universal call to holiness by seeking to address the needs of the mind with Theology, the heart with spirituality and the hands with ministry

When: Monday Nights for the Rosary and today's gospel reflection and/or Thursday nights for Sunday's scripture readings and reflections

Why: To grow in your spiritual journey through prayer & Sharing

How: Call (339)-207-8069 on Monday & Thursday at 7:00PM

Wishing you a safe, happy, healthy and fun filled summer and as always, the Apostolic Oblates and all its member will be keeping YOU in our prayers.

God Bless All

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 voca-

Infant Baptisms will take place on the 4th Saturday of each month at 12PM

Weekend Masses in the Canarsie Cluster Parishes:

Our Lady of Miracles (E. 86 th St. & Flatlands Ave.)	Holy Family (Rockaway Pkwy. & Flatlands Ave.)	St. Jude (Seaview Ave. & Canarsie Rd.)
Sat. 5:30 PM (Eng.)	Sat. 5:00 PM (Eng.)	Sat. 5:30 PM (Eng.)
Sun. 9:00 AM (Eng.)	Sun. 8:00 AM (Eng.)	Sun. 8:30 AM (Eng.)
11:00 AM (French/Creole)	9:15 AM (Creole)	10:30 AM (Family)
	11:15 AM (Eng.)	12:30 PM (Bi-Lingual)
	12:45 PM (Eng.)	1 st Sun ... Eng/French/Creole
		2 nd Sun ... Eng/Spanish

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Saturday July 11

8:30 AM No Mass Intentions

5:30 PM Thanksgiving to God & Birthday Blessings for Dolphy Lamarre by her Mom Marlene Lamarre

Sunday July 12

9:00 AM Thanksgiving to Our Lord Jesus Christ by Letecia Casipe

9:00 AM Anniversary In Heaven for Concetta Petrizzo by Michael Jr, MaryAnne, & Steve

9:00 AM Repose of the souls of Charite Gerome & Esperance Gerome by Yolene Despinos

9:00 AM 4 Year Anniversary in Heaven for Adrian Bastien by Marie Bastien

11:00 AM Birthday Blessings for Jacqueline Chery, Mr & Mrs Fouchard Chery, Altagrace Torchon, & Colo Merveille, by Monique Augustin

Monday July 13

8:30 AM In Memory of Carolina Bajada by Letecia Casipe

Tuesday July 14

8:30 AM No Mass Intentions

Wednesday July 15

8:30 AM No Mass Intentions

Thursday July 16

8:30 AM Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Mount Carmel by Letecia Casipe

8:30 AM In Memory of Mona St Fleur by her daughter Macule St Hubert

Friday July 17

8:30 AM No Mass Intentions

Saturday July 18

8:30 AM Messe de remerciement pour Chris A. Charles, Janell E. Charles, & Louis Charles by Martine Charles

5:30 PM Thanksgiving to God for his blessings toward Melissa & Alicia Charles by Their Mom Laurel Charles



Please Pray for ALL Our Sick In Our Parish

Ann Jacobs Deryck Ming, Dortehea C Hogarth, Marie Kernizan, Ann Bethany, Sue Vales, Rosemarie Campanilla, Dexter Stiell, Joseph Esposito, Noel Toussaint, , Joseph Virgile, Lucy Simon Fred Castro Sr & Jr Edward Deppert, Shirley Deppert, Alexandria Lopez

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

Our Parish needs your Weekly Support TIME People

Saturday	8:00 PM	Eng	35
Sunday	9:00 AM	Eng	125
Sunday	11:00 AM	French/Creole	149

If you would like to register to become a Parishioner of Our Lady of Miracles RC Church please call the rectory at 718-257-2401

Coming Up This Week

Monday: July 13

8:30 AM Mass

Tuesday: July 14

8:30 AM Mass

Wednesday: July 15

8:30 AM Mass

Thursday: July 16

8:30 AM

Friday: July 17

8:30 AM Mass

Saturday: July 18

5:30 PM Mass

Sunday: July 19

9:00 AM English Mass 11:00 AM Creole/Haitian Mass

Our Lady of Miracles Rectory Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9AM-5PM Saturday 9AM-3PM

Sunday Closed

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Pope Leo XIV Reflection for Sunday July 12th 2026
Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!

Today's Gospel presents us with the familiar Parable of the Sower. Jesus speaks of a farmer who scatters seed generously, allowing it to fall on every kind of soil. At first glance, we may think the focus is on the seed. Yet Jesus invites us to examine something much closer to home: the condition of our hearts.

The seed is always good because it is the Word of God. It carries within it the power to transform lives, renew hope, heal wounds, and bring forth abundant fruit. The question is not whether God continues to speak. The question is whether we are willing to receive His Word with openness and perseverance.

Modern life often resembles the rocky path or the thorny ground described in the Gospel. Our hearts can become hardened by disappointment, distracted by endless activity, or burdened by anxiety and the pursuit of success. When this happens, God's voice is not absent; it is simply drowned out by the many competing voices that demand our attention.

Yet Jesus does not tell this parable to discourage us. He tells it to awaken hope. The Divine Sower never tires of sowing. He continues to scatter His grace with extraordinary generosity, trusting that even hearts once hardened can be softened by mercy, that rocky places can be broken open by faith, and that thorns can be cleared away through conversion.

This Gospel also reminds us that every Christian is called to become a sower. We sow whenever we offer a word of encouragement, extend forgiveness, teach the faith, care for the poor, or bear witness to Christ by the integrity of our lives. We may not always see immediate results, but the growth belongs to God. Our task is to sow faithfully, generously, and without losing hope.

Today, let us ask ourselves: What kind of soil am I offering the Lord? Is there resentment that hardens my heart? Are there distractions that choke His Word? Or am I cultivating the silence, prayer, and humility that allow His grace to take deep root?

May the Blessed Virgin Mary, who received the Word with a heart fully open to God's will, teach us to welcome Christ each day. Then, nourished by His Word, may we become fruitful disciples who bring hope, peace, and the joy of the Gospel to our families, our communities, and our world.



Scriptures For The Week

Monday July 13
Is 1:10-17 Mt 10:34—11:1(389)
Tuesday July 14
Is 7:1-9 Mt 11:20-24(390)
Wednesday July 15
Is 10:5-7; 13b-16 Mt 11:25-27(391)
Thursday July 16
Is 26:7-9; 12; 16-19 Mt 11:28-30(392)
Friday July 17
Is 38:1-6; 21-22; 7-8 Mt 12:1-8(393)
Saturday July 18
MI 2:1-5 Mt 12:14-21(394)

Announcements

Every Last Monday of the month The OLM Vision Divine Group will have a Prayer & a Mass at 7PM

EVERY MONDAY AT 7PM- Haitian Prayer Group Meeting

1,000 Hail Mary's every second Saturday of the month after the 8:30 AM Mass the next one will be on July 11th

SATURDAY August 22nd – Infant Baptism at 12:00 noon

The ZOOM Adult Faith Formation with Sr. Francesca started this WEDNESDAY @7:00PM and will continue every Wednesday at the same time CLASS INFORMATION link, Password and Passcode are at the back of the Church

The Faith Formation office will be closed for vacation during the month of July.

Please remember in your prayers our sick and homebound parishioners, especially Jeanne Louis, Andre Souffrance, & Ernst St. Julien

We continue to pray for the soul of Ms. Theresa Baptiste.

Etincelles D' Amour Group Tentative Event Schedule for 2025-2026

Novena of Our Lady of Mount Carmel July 7th-15th and The Solemnity of Our Lady of Mount Carmel will be celebrated on July 16th

The Novena of Saint Michael the Archangel will be from September 20th-29th with the feast celebration taking place on September 29th

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Office Of Faith Formation News

Religious Ed Program registration for the 2026-2027 year has begun come to register on Friday or Saturday from 11 AM –3PM

Important Dates & Information

- **The Religious Ed Office is open for everyone from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM Fridays, & Saturdays**
- If you need assistance outside these hours, please call **718-649-1006** to schedule an appointment.
- For assistance call 718-649-1006

Anyone including adults who want to register for any religious education should contact Sr Francesca at 718-649-1006 or 929-634-1068 on the following office hours and days Friday, and Saturday from 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM

The next baptism will be on August 22nd at 12PM

Baptism classes are held on the 3rd Friday & Saturday of each month from 10:00-11:30 AM or 1:00-2:30 PM

Our office Days and Hours

Friday: 9:30AM-4:00 PM
Saturday 9:30AM-4:00 PM
Email: dre101163@diobrook.org



Knights of Columbus
Are recruiting at the parish & are looking For good catholic gentlemen. This is an organization that helps others, feeds the poor, gives coats for the needy, special Olympics, & so much more a true brother hood built on Shared values. Are you a Knight Why Not? For more information please contact Grand Knight Rich at 917-678-7529



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 2026 CATHOLIC APPEAL PRAYER

Loving and merciful God, You call us to be one Church, united in faith and rich in service to one another. Open our hearts to recognize the many gifts You have given us, and inspire us to share them generously for the good of Your people. Bless the work of the Annual Catholic Appeal. May our sacrifices help Your Church to serve the poor, heal the suffering, teach the young, and accompany all who seek Your presence. Strengthen our priests, support our ministries, and guide our communities as we bring the hope of the Gospel to life throughout Brooklyn and Queens. Unite us ever more deeply in Your love, that together we may continue Christ's mission of charity, compassion, and service. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Annual Catholic Appeal 2026 Goal at Our Lady of Miracles R.C is \$38,686

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.

You can donate to the parish by using our electronic giving page at <https://givecentral.org/olm-brooklyn> Or simply text the word SUDAY to 646-736-4700 or mail your envelopes to the rectory at 757 East 86TH St Brooklyn NY 11236

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Chapter 7 Ordinary Time

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