

This Sunday's Readings

First Reading

1 Kings 3:5,7-12

Solomon pleases God when he asks for a wise and understanding heart to better govern the people.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 119:57,72,76-77,127-130

The law of the Lord is more precious than silver and gold.

Second Gospel Reading

Romans 8:28-30

God chose us to be conformed to the image of his Son.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 13:44-52 (shorter form: Matthew 13:44-46)

Jesus teaches about the Kingdom of Heaven.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel concludes three weeks of readings from the 13th Chapter of Matthew's Gospel. Throughout these three weeks we have heard Jesus teaching crowds about the kingdom of heaven, and we have heard Jesus interpret some of his teachings for the disciples. In this week's Gospel, Jesus offers three more short parables.

The first two parables describe the great value of the kingdom of heaven. In the first parable, Jesus says that the kingdom of heaven is like a buried treasure that is worth possessing even if it means giving up everything else. In the second parable, Jesus proposes that the kingdom of heaven is like a pearl of great worth for which one will sell everything else to possess. These parables teach us that we are to place everything we value in the service of the pursuit of the Kingdom of God.

The third parable that Jesus proposes in today's Gospel is different from the first two, but it is reminiscent of the parable of the sower heard in last week's Gospel. The kingdom of heaven is compared to fishing with a wide net. After the fish have been collected, the good fish are kept and the bad fish are thrown away; so too, in the final judgment, will the wicked and the righteous be separated.

Today's Gospel concludes with a curious statement about the scribe who understands the kingdom of heaven. Here a metaphor is offered: this scribe is like the head of a household who "brings from his store-room both the new and the old." The scribes referred to here are experts of Mosaic law. It is possible that Jesus is here instructing the early Christian community on how to proceed in the interpretation of Jewish law with respect to Jesus' "new" teaching. Jesus' teaching about the kingdom of heaven does not replace the Jewish tradition; it interprets it in a different light.

Bible Verse for the Week

"No matter how many mistakes you make or how slow you progress, you are still way ahead of everyone who isn't trying."
Philippians 3:13-14

Pro Sanctity Movement

Despite the horrific rain the Men's Summer picnic was a huge success. The day scheduled to be in the Seaview Park was quickly relocated to the center. Word spread quickly and the Men's group along with the lovely ladies always there to help set up the tables for the unbelievable food, games, face painting for the kids and more. The Pro Sanctity Family and all the church members want to thank the Men's group and the beautiful ladies that gave our parish such a wonderful day of sharing. This is just a little message to let you know how APPRECIATED you are and the difference you all make spreading Christian love to all. May God bless and continue to inspire and guide you in His work.

REMEMBER to continue to pray the Rosary and take time to read scripture even though were not meeting on Monday and Thursday nights till September 14, 2026

Who: The Prosanctity 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

As always, the Apostolic Oblates and all its member will be keeping YOU in our prayers.

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

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

 Weekend Masses in the Canarsie Cluster Parishes:

Evangelization we ask the Holy Spirit to inspire young men and women to seriously consider voca-

Our Lady of Miracles
(E. 86th St. & Flatlands Ave.)

Sat. 5:30 PM (Eng.)
Sun. 9:00 AM (Eng.)
11:00 AM (French/Creole)

Holy Family
(Rockaway Pkwy. & Flatlands Ave.)

Sat. 5:00 PM (Eng.)
Sun. 8:00 AM (Eng.)
9:15 AM (Creole)

St. Jude
(Seaview Ave. & Canarsie Rd.)

Sat. 5:30 PM (Eng.)
Sun. 8:30 AM (Eng.)
10:30 AM (Family)

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JULY 26TH 2026

Saturday July 25

8:30 AM No Mass Intentions

5:30 PM All Souls in Purgatory by Ann & Family

Sunday July 26

9:00 AM In Memory of Rosario, Jose, & Sandra Cordenillo by Letecia Casipe

9:00 AM 7 Year Anniversary In Heaven for Bernadette Viltus by Marie Viltus Louis

11:00 AM Thanksgiving to God for Ronald Edouard & Family by Ronald Edouard

11:00 AM Pour le repos des ames de Neuver Louis et Marie Louis by Seraphin Louis

11:00 AM Pour le repos de l'ame de Nerette Louis Juste a l'occasion de son anniversaire de Naissance by Paulette Clerjeune Moise

Monday July 27

8:30 AM In Memory Laura Kelly by Ann & Family

Tuesday July 28

8:30 AM No Mass Intentions

Wednesday July 29

8:30 AM No Mass Intentions

Thursday July 30

8:30 AM No Mass Intentions

Friday July 31

8:30 AM For the repose of the soul of Denis Antoine by Marie Monette Michel

8:30 AM 6th Anniversary of the death of Ivy Alexander in honor of the precious blood by her children

Saturday August 1

8:30 AM No Mass Intentions

5:30 PM No Mass Intentions



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, 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	60
Sunday	9:00 AM Eng	125
Sunday	11:00 AM French/Creole	201

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 27

8:30 AM Mass

Tuesday: July 28

8:30 AM Mass

Wednesday: July 29

8:30 AM Mass

Thursday: July 30

8:30 AM

Friday: July 31

8:30 AM Mass

Saturday: August 1

5:30 PM Mass

Sunday: August 2

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 26th 2026
Seventeenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!

Today's readings invite us to reflect on what we truly value in life. King Solomon asks God not for wealth, power, or long life, but for wisdom—a heart that can discern what is right and lead God's people faithfully. His request reminds us that true success is not measured by what we possess but by the choices we make and the values we embrace.

In the Gospel, Jesus compares the Kingdom of Heaven to a treasure hidden in a field and to a pearl of great price. In both stories, those who discover something of immense value willingly give up everything else to obtain it. Their joy does not come from what they lose but from what they gain. The Kingdom of God is worth every sacrifice because it offers a life filled with purpose, hope, and communion with God.

Yet, in our daily lives, we often become attached to things that promise happiness but leave us empty—status, comfort, possessions, or recognition. Jesus challenges us to ask: *What is my treasure? What am I willing to sacrifice for?* If Christ and His Kingdom are truly the center of our lives, our decisions, priorities, and relationships will reflect that reality.

St. Paul reassures us that "all things work together for good for those who love God." This does not mean life will be free from suffering or disappointment. Rather, it means that God is always at work, drawing us closer to Him and shaping us into the image of His Son. Even our struggles can become opportunities for growth when we place our trust in God's loving plan.

As we celebrate this Eucharist, let us ask for the wisdom of Solomon—to recognize what truly matters—and for the courage of the merchant in the Gospel, who joyfully gave up everything to possess the pearl of great price. May we never settle for lesser treasures when God offers us the greatest gift of all: His Kingdom and His abiding presence.



Scriptures For The Week

Monday July 27
Jer 13:1-11 Mt 13:31-35(401)
Tuesday July 28
Jer 14:17-22 Mt 13:36-43(402)
Wednesday July 29
Jer 15:10; 16-21(403) Jn 11:19-27(607)
Thursday July 30
Jer 18:1-6 Mt 13:47-53(404)
Friday July 31
Jer 26:1-9 Mt 13:54-58(405)
Saturday August 1
Jer 26:11-16; 24 Mt 14:1-12(406)

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 August 8th

Upcoming Fund-raising events: a) OLM Variety Pop-up Fair August 8th and 9th in the church parking lot. 10AM – 6PM.

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.

Bus trip to Sight and sound October 31st , 2026. see the flyer at the back of the church for more information.

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

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

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

Name: _____

Chapter 7 Ordinary Time

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