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FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Schedule

The Lord's Day
Saturday
5:15 p.m.
Sunday
10:15 a.m.
Korean Mass
9:15a.m. Children's Mass
12:00 p.m.

Weekdays
Monday - Friday
9:00 a.m.
Rosary Follows Mass

Holy Days
As Announced

Confessions
Saturday
4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

St. Padre Pio Devotions
1st Friday of each month
7pm Holy Hour with confessions following 8pm Mass

Wednesday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
after 9:00am Mass
till 10:30am

July 12th, 2026 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

"My word shall not return to me void but shall do my will achieving the end for which I sent it."

God tells us through the Prophet Isaiah that His word is to be taken quite seriously, and that it is not uttered aimlessly. No, it is spoken with great intent and purpose, and it is so powerful that no matter what, it will achieve the goal for God, which spoke it! We see this throughout the Old Testament and in today's Gospel reading of the Parable of the Sower.

The word of God, and how we receive it, is the subject of this parable, but before we can get to this focus, let us first look at the dialogue between Jesus and the disciples as to why He teaches in parables. A parable is a story, and we love stories. We find them easier to remember than lessons learned in school. A story usually remains with us forever, and we like to share them with other people; those whom we know well or even with someone we just happen to strike up a conversation with. Stories usually have a point or help illustrate a point that they are trying to make, and Jesus' parables are no exceptions. That is what Jesus is telling the Apostles when He explains why He teaches in parables. If the listener can get the point, he or she will be able to go beyond the narration of the story and see the saving message that Jesus wishes to impart. Unfortunately, the sad fact is that not everyone can get the point or are able to apply the teaching to how they should live their lives. Fortunately, they are not totally left in the dark, but this does depend on the person's ability to be open to the working of the Holy Spirit in their life. For people can always change and eventually desire to follow God's call, and it is up to us to help them by explaining the story and of course by living it out.

Certainly, Our Lord expected the Apostles, and now His Church to spread the word so it would come to its desired end. For the Apostles and the church were the ones meant to understand and pass on the wisdom as we see in Jesus' words, *"But blessed are your eyes because they see, and your ears because they hear. Amen, I say to you many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see but did not see it, and to hear what you hear, but did not hear it."* Therefore, it is up to us to pass on the word but do remember if the other person has no desire to listen or be open then we can only do so much, it is not up to us but them, but we must try.

The ability to hear and be open is the point of the Parable of the Sower, and each time I read it, I believe that depending on the situation I can fit into each of the categories that Jesus mentions about where the seed falls. This may apply to you too, or someone you know. I hope that for most of my life I am like the seed sown in the rich soil; I hear the word of God, I understand it or do my best, and then I let it take root in my heart and soul, so I can produce much fruit. However, I do know that there are times when I feel or act like the seed sown in the rocky soil. Yes, I do hear the word, I acknowledge it with joy, but when temptation enters my life, I give in and commit sin. Yes, I dislike it when I am like that, but I do know that due to human weakness I can be like this. With the help of God and the prayers of you my brothers and sisters, I hope these times will be rare. I certainly hope I am never like the seed sown in the path who refuses to understand the word of God and allow the Evil One to take me away.

With all this being said, let us pray and support one another so that we can always be rooted in the rich soil and that if we, or those who we love, are found in the path or in lesser soil that we can quickly move them back to the good soil. Please pray for those who need to be moved, that they will hear the word of God and be transformed by it!

God bless you always.
Fr. Mike

WEEKLY MASSES

Sunday, July 12th, *2026*

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Focus— *Lord, plant your word in our hearts*. The prophet Isaiah likens God's word to rain and snow, coming from God and achieving his purpose. In the epistle, Paul encourages the Romans to endure present suffering, anticipating God's glory and our redemption. In the Gospel from Matthew, Jesus tells the parable of the sower, explaining that the seed represents those who hear the Gospel. by Franciscan Media

Saturday-7/11/26-St. Benedict, Abbot
Mary & Neal Pisanti (Living)
Happy Birthday
Claire Pisanti-Stodoski (Living)
Terry Russell (Living)
Francesco, Clementina & Stefano Ciervo

Sunday-7/12/26-15th Sunday in Ordinary Time People of the Parish
Joan & Steve Calascione (Living)
Rita Helen Corcoran
Vincent Puleo & Family
Stephen Michael Calascione
Bishop William F. Murphy

Monday-7/13/26-Weekday
Noreen & Joseph VonZwehl

Tuesday-7/14/26-St. Kateri Tekakwitha
Blanche Baj

Wednesday-7/15/26-St. Bonaventure, Bishop
Joseph Mario Reali

Thursday-7/16/26-Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
Jean Pierre Serena

Friday-7/17/26-Weekday
Michael S. Reali (Living)

The **9:15 am** & **12 noon Korean Masses** will be celebrated by Fr. Matthew

Saturday, 7/11/26
Isaiah 6:1-8
Matthew 10:24-33

Sunday, 7/12/26
Isaiah 55:10-11
Romans 8:18-23
Matthew 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Monday, 7/13/26
Isaiah 1:10-17
Matthew 10:34–11:1

Tuesday, 7/14/26
Isaiah 7:1-9
Matthew 11:20-24

Wednesday, 7/15/26
Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-16
Matthew 11:25-27

Thursday, 7/16/26
Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19
Matthew 11:28-30

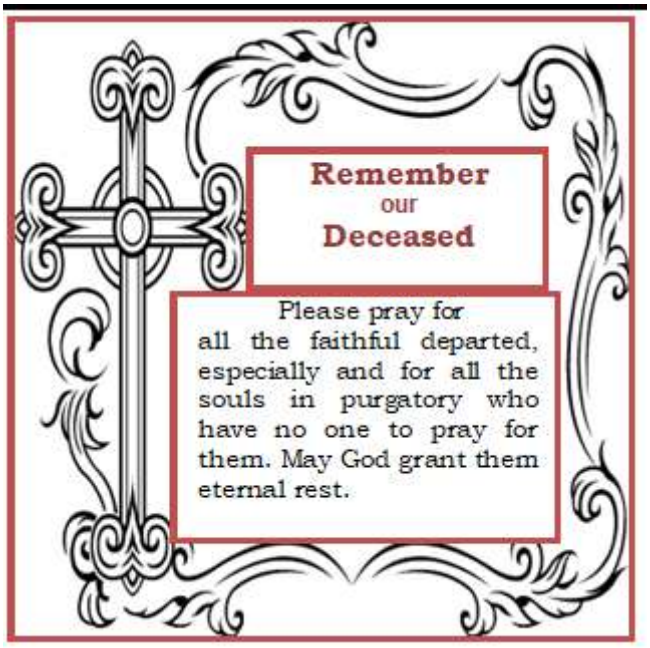
Friday, 7/17/26
Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8
Matthew 12:1-8

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURY
Of June 28, 2026

Saturday Collection $551
Sunday $1,815
Mail-in $40
On line $396.13
Regional Schools $140
Peter's Pence $598

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURY
Of July 5, 2026

Saturday Collection $746
Sunday $2,740
Mail-in $430
On line $1,110.36



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7/11/2026

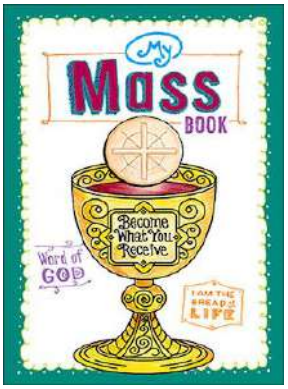
5:15pm Mass

Celebrant	Msgr. Richard Bauhoff
EMHC	Johnston/Quinn
Readers	Sciabarra
Sacristan	Onglengco
Music & Cantor	Tom Stallone

7/12/26

10:15am Mass

Celebrant	Fr. Michael T. Maffeo, Pastor
EMHC	Sweeney/Medina
Readers	Gregorio
Sacristan	Pascua
Music & Cantor	Tom Stallone



The 2027 Mass Book is open for intentions

ST. MICHAEL'S PRAYER

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do though, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

Please Note: St. Michael's Prayer is on the back cover of the missalette.

The Members of the Holy Family Chapter of Lay Carmelites

Invites you to join us as we joyfully celebrate the

Solemn Commemoration of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mount Carmel

Thursday, July 16, 2026

5pm Holy Hour (Adoration, Rosary & Evening Prayer)
6pm Holy Mass

(with an opportunity to enroll in the Brown Scapular)

Refreshments & Fellowship to follow

Holy Family Church
17 Fordham Avenue
Hicksville, NY 11801

Hymnn Corner

JULY HYMN

"America the Beautiful"

America the Beautiful **began as a poem written in 1893 by Katharine Lee Bates, a young English professor from Massachusetts. While traveling across the country to teach a summer class in Colorado, she was deeply moved by the landscapes she saw — the wheat fields of Kansas, the wide prairies, and finally the breathtaking view from the summit of Pikes Peak. That experience inspired her to write the poem that same evening.**

The words express gratitude for the natural beauty of the nation and a prayer that America would grow in virtue, compassion, and unity. The tune most commonly used today, ***MATERNA*****, was composed by church musician Samuel A. Ward. Though Bates and Ward never met, their work came together to form one of the most beloved American hymns, often sung on patriotic holidays as both a celebration and a prayer for the nation.**

DAUGHTERS OF MARY IMMACULATE INTERNATIONAL

Please join us for a morning grace

Communion Breakfast

Speaker: Fr. Douglas Arcoleo

Sunday July 12, 2026 after the 10:15am mass
Rsvp: july 6th $25/person

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One Minute Meditations

St. Lawrence of Brindisi

Born in Brindisi, Naples, Cesare de Rossi entered the Capuchin Order when he was sixteen, taking the name Lawrence. In addition to Italian, he was fluent in many languages. His knowledge of Latin, Greek, and Hebrew made him a great Biblical scholar, but his knowledge of German, French, and Spanish made Him a good preacher and diplomat. As minister general of the Capuchins, he spread the influence of the Order, establishing monasteries in Germany, Austria, and Spain.

The indispensability of prayer

St. Martha is often criticized for her busyness while her sister Mary is praised for sitting at Jesus' feet. Yet Martha's fault was not her service itself, but for allowing productivity to take precedence over prayerful attentiveness to the Lord. Scripture does not call us to perpetual activity; God commands us to rest (Exodus 20:10–11) and to *"pray without ceasing"* (1 Thessalonians 5:17), while still fulfilling our responsibilities. Prayer enables us to live out our vocations, especially our fundamental vocation to love.

"That [Precious] blood inebriates the soul. It clothes her in the fire of divine charity. It gives her the food of the sacrament that I have set up for you in the hostel of the mystic body of holy Church, the body and the blood of my Son…" – God to St. Catherine of Siena

Your summer soul-care checklist

Summer brings a welcome change of pace. While routines may take a break, our faith doesn't have to. Here are seven simple ways to stay rooted in God's presence and make this summer spiritually fruitful:

1. Begin every journey with prayer. Before heading out, take a moment to entrust your plans to God. Pray the Guardian Angel prayer and ask for protection, wisdom, and peace throughout your travels and activities.

2. Wear reminders of your faith. A crucifix, Miraculous Medal, scapular, or Rosary bracelet can do more than complete an outfit. These sacramentals serve as quiet reminders of who you belong to and what you value.

3. Adopt a saint for summer. Choose a saint to be your spiritual companion for the season. You may discover that the saint you choose has something to teach you exactly when you need it.

4. Let creation lead you to the Creator. A brilliant sunset, a mountain view, or even flowers blooming in a neighbor's garden can become moments of prayer. When beauty captures your attention, let it lift your heart and mind to God, the source of all beauty and goodness.

5. Look for opportunities to serve. Summer may offer additional flexibility. Use it to love your neighbor in practical ways. Help with yardwork, spend time with someone who appears lonely, offer encouragement to a colleague.

"The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork. Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge" (Psalm 19:1-2).

6. Keep your soul in training. Athletes know that strength comes through discipline. Spiritual strength is no different. Choose a sacrifice or habit that challenges you. Limit social media, wake up earlier for prayer, or attend an extra Mass during the week. Even small acts build up the heart for greater things.

7. Remember the 1–1–1 Rule. A simple rhythm can keep you faithful throughout the summer: *Pray (at least) once a day. Attend Mass once a week. Go to Confession once a month.* These three practices provide a steady anchor, even amidst the looser structure of summer.

Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics call Rome "home?"

Throughout the Gospels, Peter takes up a leadership role among the Apostles – a role Jesus confirmed when, in Matthew 16, He names Peter "the Rock" upon which Jesus would build His Church (Matthew 16:17-18). After the Ascension, St. Peter traveled to Rome with the Gospel and became the bishop of the Christian community there. He was martyred and buried in Rome, and his successors became the next popes. Historically, the church in Rome became a source of unity, strength, and faithfulness in adversity. Today, Catholics everywhere call Rome – the resting place of St. Peter – "home."

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invites you to a

Eucharistic Procession, Family Mass & Barbeque

Saturday, August 15th, 2026

4:30 p.m. Eucharistic Procession with Our Blessed Mother and St. Michael

5:15 p.m. Mass

Concelebrated by Fr. Michael Maffeo, Msgr. Richard Bauhoff and Fr. Fred Marano

Followed by a Barbeque on the Church Grounds

(If raining, it will be held in the Church Hall)

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For more information, please call Michael at 516-364-7119.
Please mail or bring this form to the Rectory Office at
Holy Name of Jesus Church, 690 Woodbury Rd., Woodbury, NY 11797

WINNERS

Congratulations to our Spring Raffle Winners!!!

Final Raffle Collection for June 29th is $9,420

1st Prize - $2,500— Bob O.
2nd Prize- $1,000— Frank G.
3rd Prize - $500— Tony P.

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Worldwide Marriage Encounter:
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 13:8-9 "But some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." Help your marriage be like the rich soil by taking part in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. Here are some dates listed below. For more dates and info go to wwme.org:

August 28-30, 2026, Holy Family Retreat House, West Hartford, CT
September 18-20, 2026, Huntington Seminary, Huntington, NY

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a $100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call George & Dolores Kraus at 516-467-6100 or wwme.org.

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Our next weekend is coming up
September 25-27, 2026

Summer Blessings

July 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3 PADRE PIO 7PM RECTORY CLOSED	4 4th of July
5	6	7	8 DMII MEETING 6:30PM	9	10	11
12 COMMUNION BREAKFAST AFTER MASS	13	14	15	16	17 BINGO 7PM	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 KOC MEETING 7PM	29	30	31	

Dear Friends:

As we begin to enjoy all that summer on Long Island offers us, I write to ask you to prayerfully consider making a gift to this year's Catholic Ministries Appeal so that we can bring that joy to those who come to us for help and support in these uncertain times.

While more than 20,000 of our neighbors from across the Diocese have generously responded with their gifts and prayers, there are still so many ministries that need our support.

Pope Leo XIV urged us to reflect on how we invest the "treasure" that is our life, challenging Catholics to share not only material possessions but also their skills, time, and compassion for the good of others.

Here on Long Island, the Catholic Ministries Appeal is one of the best local vehicles we can use to reach out and show mercy, compassion, and charity to others. Not only does your gift help our very own Parish Outreach Programs feed and serve the poor, but it also sustains programs and services offered by Catholic Charities across the Diocese. Such active efforts ensure that the recipients are comforted with the knowledge that God loves them and is with them even during challenging times in their lives.

Even more, the Catholic Ministries Appeal supports the services that provide religious education for our children, form our future priests and deacons, make available youth and campus ministry programs, and so many other important works that help us to share the Gospel message in our Diocese and beyond.

In gratitude for your prayerful consideration of a gift to the 2026 Catholic Ministries Appeal, be assured of my conviction that together we can bring Christ's message of holiness to individuals, families, and the wider community.

Thank you for embracing the mission of the Church. I will keep you and your family in my Masses and prayers.

If you have already given a gift to the 2026 Catholic Ministries Appeal, thank you for your gift!

Sincerely in Christ,

+John O. Barres

Most Reverend John O. Barres

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SUNDAY GOSPEL ACTIVITIES

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a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold.
Matthew 13: 8

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