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TWENTIETH 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

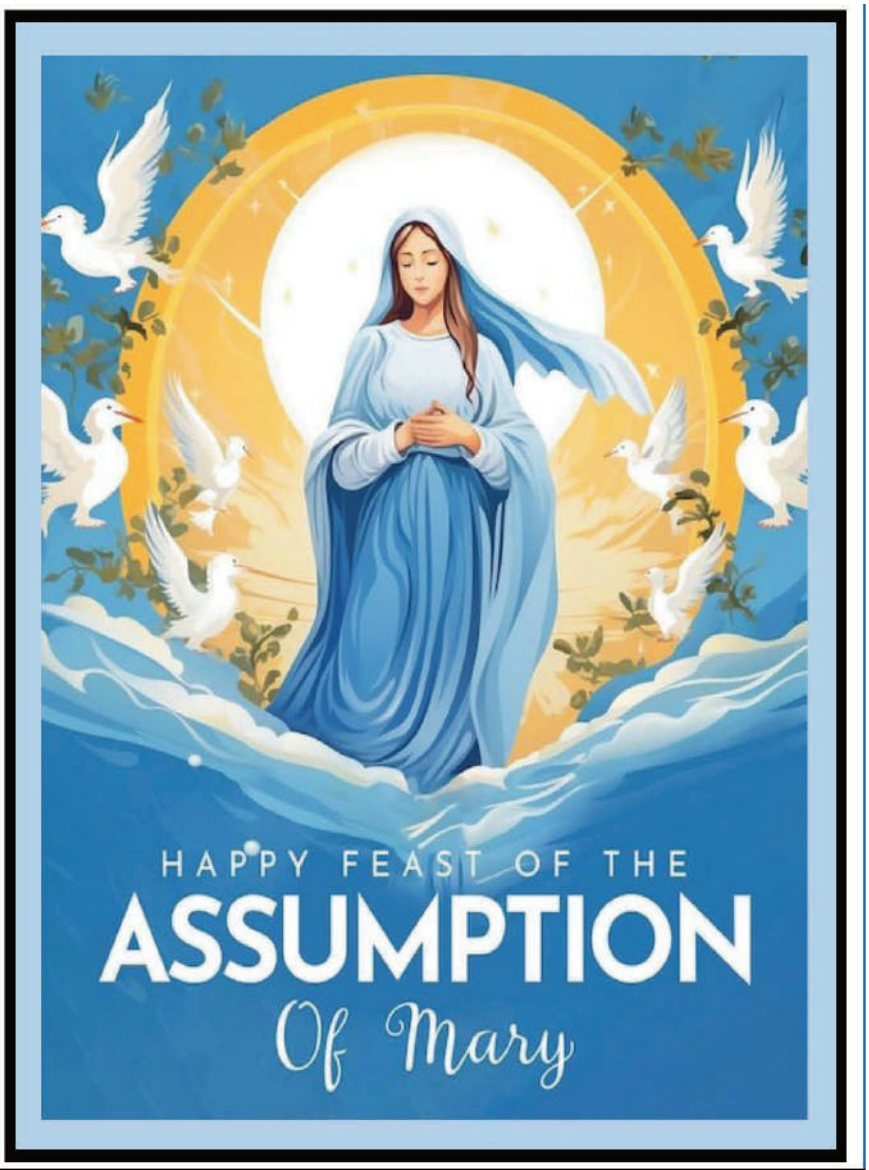
Confessions

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



August 16th, 2026 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Today's Gospel, as I have said many times before, is a most difficult Gospel to preach on, in fact it is even difficult to read. It shows us a Jesus no one wants to see. It shows us a Jesus that is completely opposite from the Jesus we usually see. Jesus is mean to this woman and makes her jump through hoops to seek a cure for her daughter. This is certainly true after a quick surface reading, however, if we study it closely, we can see much is at work here, and Jesus is not so mean as He appears.

Many of the Biblical Commentators, point out that this reading is a foreshadowing of the Church reaching out to non-Jews, and looking at some of the problems that this may carry. At first many believe that Matthew's Disciples were reluctant to embrace gentile converts, but that idea changed as they better understood Jesus' universal call. We see this reluctance as we read Matthew's account and how the Apostles wanted Jesus to give her what she wants so she will go away. At first, it looks like Jesus does not know what to do, as the Apostles did not care about this woman, they just wanted her to go. However, Jesus is profoundly moved with compassion for this woman and her daughter. But if He gave into her request as she is a gentile and to top it off a Canaanite (the ancient enemies of the Jews), He would lose all credibility among the Jews. This would be evidence to use against Him by those who denounce Him. At least that is how it seems on the surface. Jesus comes back at the woman's call by stating that He came for the lost sheep of Israel, but she persisted and said "Lord, help me." Jesus' reply was certainly surprising when He tells her. "It is not right to take the food of children and throw it to the dogs." How can the Son of God refer to a person as a dog? Yet it was common in Jesus' day for the Jews to refer to non-Jews as dogs. While this is bad enough, by today's standards, the word used commonly was that of defining a street dog. A dog that was savage and a scavenger (a word that later would be used to refer to Christians). Again, why would Jesus use this expression? Well, the truth is Jesus used another word for dog when He addressed her. Jesus used the word which denotes a pet or a beloved dog. In fact, in older translations the words pet dog are written. This is a different matter; Jesus is truly looking at her with compassion. While the others may not have noticed the use of the word, the woman did, which is why she was bold enough to reply to Jesus, "Please Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." She made the connection with Jesus and understood how His approach was different from the crowd and even His disciples.

This account also tells us other reasons why Jesus came to her aid. He answers her request because of her great faith and her great love. She is a model for us to follow as she believed that He had the power to cast out the demon, which is why she addresses Him as Lord. She was persistence in her faith and in her prayer that she would not allow even Jesus to stand in her way. How often in our prayers do we get weary, or think that God is not listening to us? We must be like this woman and not allow anything to stop us. The other reason she is a model for us is her capacity to love. She loved her daughter so much, that she would continue crying out until Jesus stopped. God who is love, responded in kind and rewarded her love for her child as He showed His love for her. Compassion, love, prayer and faith all come together in this Gospel Message. Let us have the ears to hear, the eyes to see and to realize that God is always at work in our world and in our lives.

God bless you always.
Fr. Mike

WEEKLY MASSES

Sunday, August 16th, *2026*

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Focus - *O God, let all the nations praise you!* In the first reading, the Lord calls his people to do what is right. He promises that all who do what is right and just, including foreigners, will be brought to his *holy mountain*. In the epistle, Paul says that he glories in his ministry to the Gentiles to make his race jealous *and thus save some of them*. In the Gospel, Jesus heals the daughter of the Canaanite woman, a Gentile.

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Saturday-8/15/26-The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Joseph Mario Reali
Sandy Peros (Living)
Susan Provost (Living)
Janet Moore (Living)
Lisa & Michael Reali (Living)

Sunday-8/16/26-20th Sunday in Ordinary Time People of the Parish
Joseph Mario Reali
Anne & Joseph Goetz
Celia Perez
Tara Moynihan (Living)

Monday-8/17/26-Weekday

Fr. Sean Davidson (Living)

Tuesday-8/18/26-Weekday

James Fitzsimmons

Wednesday-8/19/26-Weekday-St. John Eudes, Priest

Blanche Baj

Thursday-8/20/26-St. Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church

Grace Tyranski (Living)

Friday-8/21/26-St. Pius X, Pope

Fr. Ed & Sister Eileen Shanahan

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

Saturday, 8/15/26
Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab
1 Corinthians 15:20-27
Luke 1:39-56

Sunday, 8/16/26
Isaiah 56:1, 6-7
Romans 11:13-15, 29-32
Matthew 15:21-28

Monday, 8/17/26
Ezekiel 24:15-23
Matthew 19:16-22

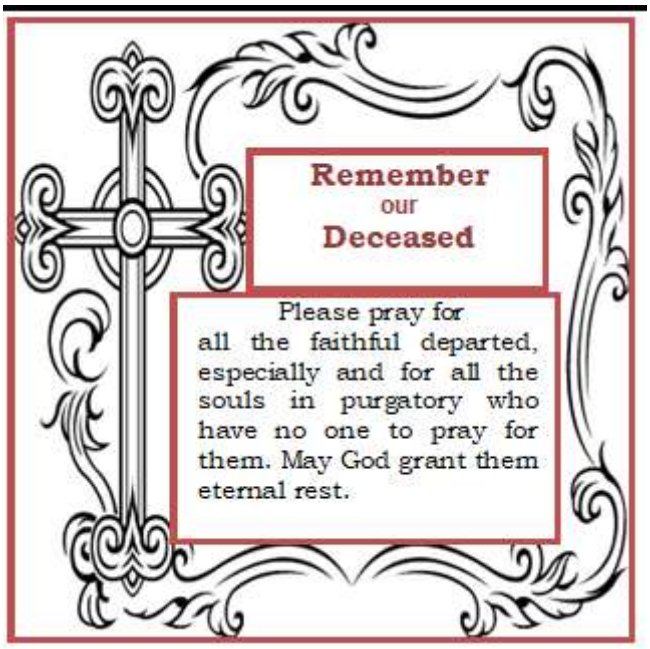
Tuesday, 8/18/26
Ezekiel 28:1-10
Matthew 19:23-30

Wednesday, 8/19/26
Ezekiel 34:1-11
Matthew 20:1-16

Thursday, 8/20/26
Ezekiel 36:23-28
Matthew 22:1-14

Friday, 8/21/26
Ezekiel 37:1-14
Matthew 22:34-40

Jace, Audrina and Dylan McCartney



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

8/15/2026
5:15pm Mass

Celebrant	Fr. Michael T. Maffeo, Pastor
EMHC	Wildemann
Readers	N. Uckar
Altar Server	A. Uckar
Sacristan	Gregorio
Music & Cantor	Al Barbarino

8/16/26
10:15am Mass

Celebrant	Msgr. Richard Bauhoff
EMHC	Santana/Femia
Readers	Antonucci
Sacristan	Gregorio
Music & Cantor	Tom Stallone Tara Moynihan

Songs of Praise

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURY
Of August 9, 2026

Saturday Collection $621
Sunday $1,016
Mail-in $2,265
On line $767.91

Use our QR Code to donate to Holy Name of Jesus Church

Thank you!

HNJ is looking for donations of dry cat food for our strays. Any donation will be accepted and appreciated.

Thank you for helping us.

Holy Name of Jesus is preparing for an event on October 25th, 2026 which will be celebrating Fr. Mike and Msgr. Bauhoff along with other milestones for our Church.

Please contact the rectory if you are able to assist in preparing for this occasion. 516-921-2334

Thank you and God Bless

AUGUST HYMN

Hymnn Corner

Story of "Be Not Afraid"

***Be Not Afraid* was written in 1975 by Fr. Bob Dufford, SJ, one of the original St. Louis Jesuits whose music shaped Catholic worship in the 1970s and 80s. Dufford was a young Jesuit in formation at the time, working with students and retreatants who were struggling with fear, grief, and uncertainty. While praying with Isaiah 43 ("Do not fear, for I am with you") and the Gospel story of Jesus calling Peter across the water, he began shaping a song that would speak God's reassurance directly to the heart.**

Dufford has said that the hymn grew out of his own prayer life — a desire to remind people that God walks with them through deserts, storms, and moments of doubt. The verses reflect the real struggles he saw in the people he ministered to, while the refrain is written in God's own voice: a promise of presence, courage, and love.

The song spread quickly through parishes, retreats, and healing services, becoming one of the most beloved modern Catholic hymns. Today it remains a favorite at funerals and times of transition because its message is simple and deeply human: you are not alone, and God is with you in every step

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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)

Holy Name of Jesus Church

Donations: $30.00 for Adults, $10.00 for Children (7 to 12 yrs. old)
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(includes food, beer, wine and soda)

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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
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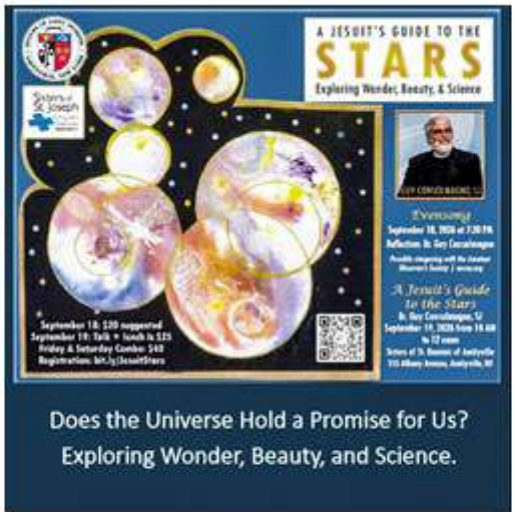

Exploring Wonder, Beauty and Science,
A Jesuit's Guide to the Stars

Join the Sisters of St. Dominic of Amityville and the Sisters of St. Joseph of Brentwood in welcoming Jesuit Brother Guy Consolmagno, astronomer and former director of the Vatican Observatory. He will guide us in exploring the question: *Does the Universe Hold a Promise for Us? Exploring Wonder, Beauty, and Science.*

We begin with Evensong on Friday, September 18 at 7:30 pm, at which he will offer a reflection. This will be followed by a reception and, weather permitting, stargazing with the help of the Amateur Observers' Society. We gather again on Saturday morning, September 19th at 10 am for a public lecture followed by a simple lunch.

Dates & Times: Friday, September 18, 7:30 pm
Saturday, September 19, 10 am
Place: All events will be held at the Sisters of St. Dominic Motherhouse, 555 Albany Avenue, Amityville, NY. Friday evening: St. Albert's Chapel, use main entrance; Saturday morning: Mother Josepha Hall, use side entrance by parking lot.
Presenter: Brother Guy Consolmagno, SJ
Registration: Friday evening $20; Saturday lecture and lunch $25; Combo: $40. Click here to register: https://bit.ly/JesuitStars. (Registration is essential!)

If you are not familiar with us, check out our website at **WMFT.org** and learn more about this event at https://wemoveforwardtogether.org/moves/295-bro-guy.

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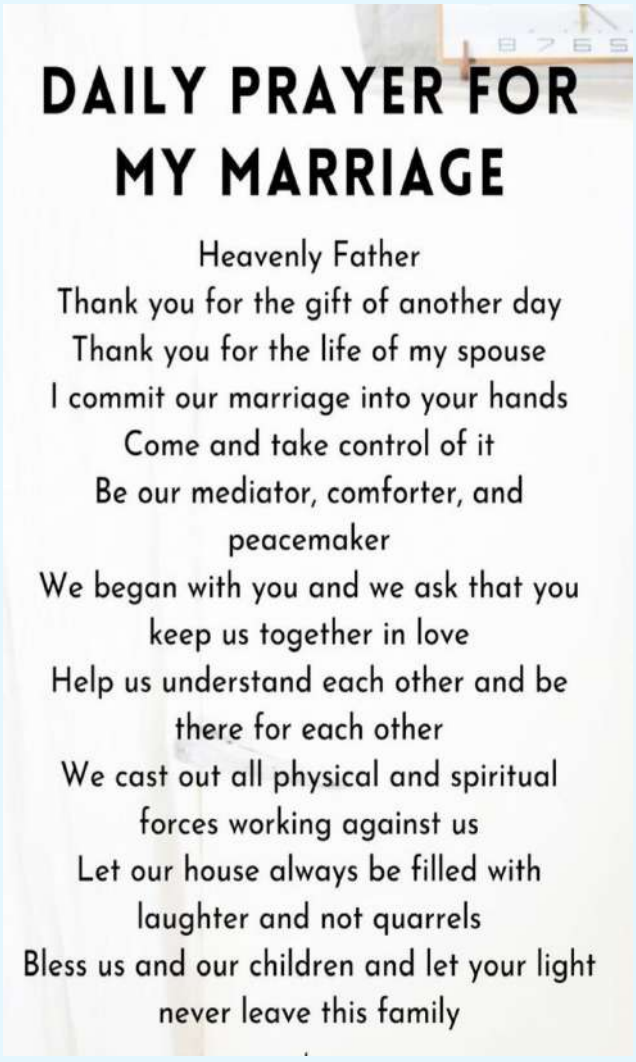
worldwide marriage encounter

Worldwide Marriage Encounter:

Matthew 13:31-32 "Just as a small mustard seed can become a large and elaborate bush, discover how a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend can encourage our marriage to blossom and provide a lifetime of joy. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience dates are 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
October 6-27 (Virtual), Coastal New England- 2 nights a week

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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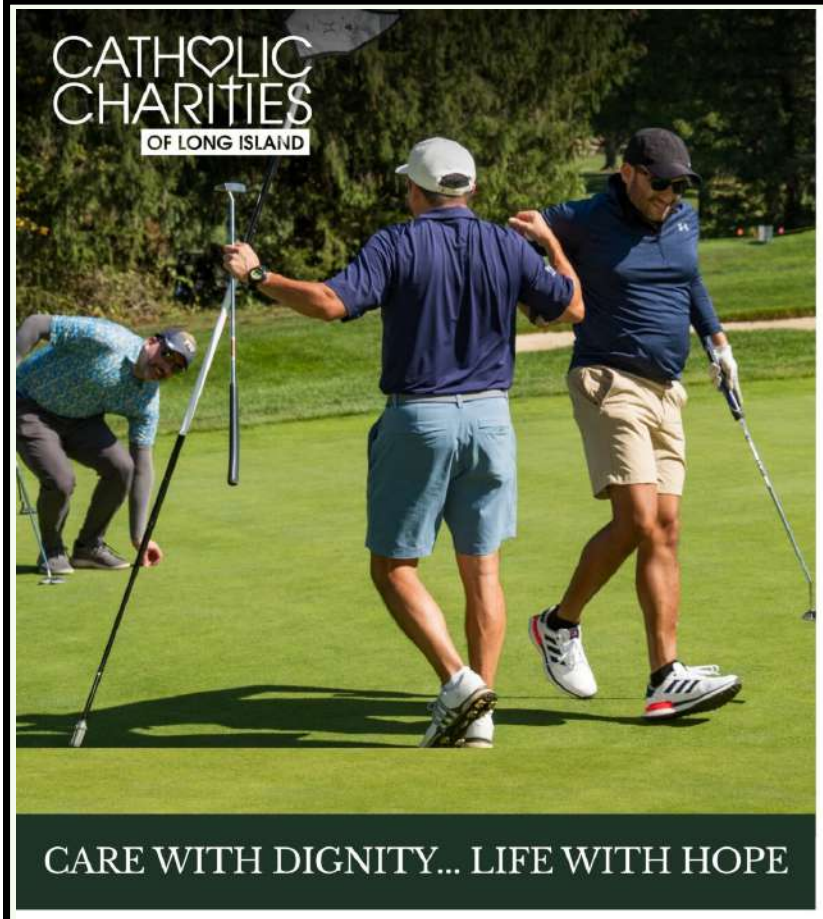

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Monday, October 5th, 2026
The Muttontown Club, East Norwich, NY

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9:00 am Registration & Breakfast
11:00 am Shotgun Start
4:30 pm Cocktail Hour
5:30 pm Reception

Pickleball Tournament

9:00 am Registration & Breakfast
10:30 am Instruction & Workshop
12:00 pm Lunch at Clubhouse
1:00 - 4:00 pm Tournament Play
4:30 pm Cocktail Hour
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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The Muttontown Club | 5933 Northern Blvd, East Norwich, NY 11732

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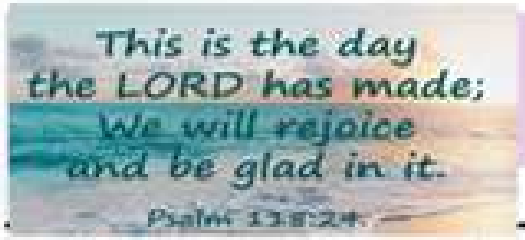

AUGUST 2026

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2	3	4	5	6	7 PADRE PIO 7PM	8
9	10	11	12 DMII MEETING 6:30PM	13	14	15 ASSUMPTION OF MARY KOC BBQ
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 / 30	24	25 KOC MEETING 7PM	26	27	28	29

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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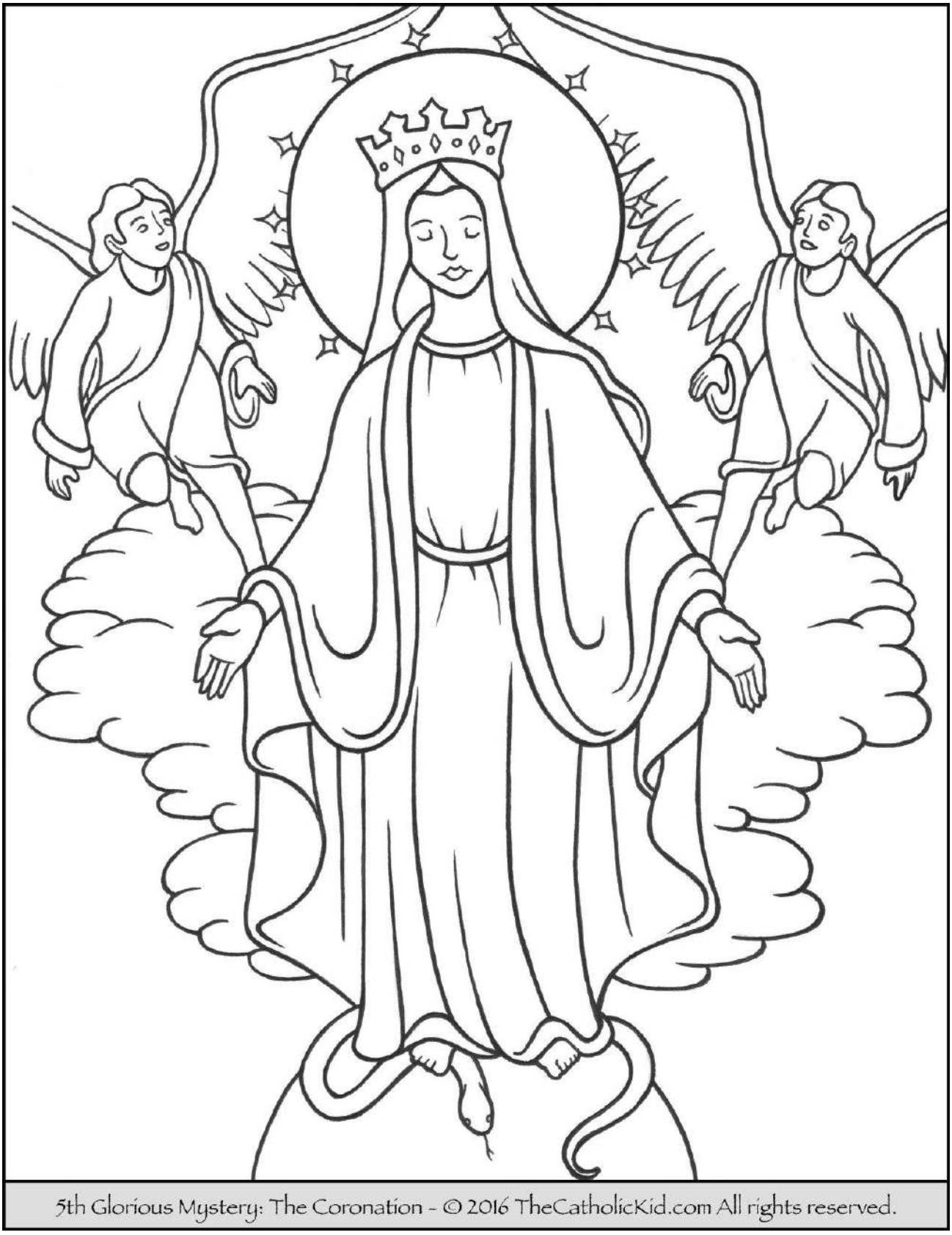
Sunday Gospel Activities



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SUNDAY GOSPEL ACTIVITIES

She said, "Please, Lord, for even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's daughter was healed from that hour.?” *Matthew 15: 27-28*

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