



ST. BERNARD'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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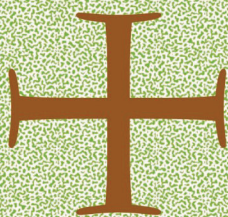
A COMMUNITY OF FAITH



HOPE



AND LOVE



One day a farmer went out sowing. Part of the seed fell on a footpath where birds picked it up. Part of the seed fell on rocky ground. Again, part of it fell among thorns which grew up and choked it. Part of it, finally, landed on good soil and yielded grain at a hundred fold. Let everyone heed what he hears!



*The seed is the Word of God
and Christ is the sower.*

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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 12, 2026

Remain in me, says the Lord!



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CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Bulletin Deadline: Friday, 5:00 pm, nine days prior to publication. You may email us at Bulletin@StBernardChurch.org or leave a printed copy in the Parish Office. Thank you for your cooperation!

MISSION STATEMENT

With faith, hope, and love the people of St. Bernard's parish family are on a mission to bring the Gospel of Jesus to the Levittown Community and beyond.

SPIRITUAL LIFE

Sunday Mass schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00am • 10:00am • 12noon.

Mass in Spanish is celebrated on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month at **7:30 p.m.** in the church.

Mass in Urdu (Pakistan) is celebrated on the second Sunday of each month at **2:00 p.m.** in the church

Weekday Mass

8am in the Church

Confessions

Reconciliation Schedule

Saturdays 3-4pm in the Church Prayer Room

Baptism of Children: We welcome families to present children for the Sacrament of Baptism! Baptisms are held on selected Sunday afternoons. The process begins with at-home reading and reflection by the parents. To start the process, please call 516-731-4220 or email parish@stbernardchurch.org. You can also access information and the preparation materials on our website Baptism page: <https://www.stbernardchurch.org/liturgy-sacraments-prayer/baptism>. If your child is age 7 or older, begin the process by registering with our Religious Education Office: at 516-731-8511 or reled@stbernardchurch.org.

Marriages: Church arrangements should be made at least **6 months before the marriage and before making any contracts with restaurants or caterers.** Please call the Rectory to set up an appointment with a priest, 731-4220.

Ministry to the Sick and Aging: If you are, or know of someone who is homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please call the rectory at 731-4220.

St. Vincent De Paul Society: 735-3218

Would you like to join our vibrant community of Faith, Hope and Love? Call us at 516-731-4220 or email us at parish@stbernardchurch.org, and request a registration packet. After you return your registration form to us, one of our friendly Welcome Ambassadors will call you to welcome you personally and answer any questions you may have



“The Seed that Falls on Good Ground will Yield a Fruitful Harvest.”

E-mail Father John: FatherJohn@stbernardchurch.org



Dear Brothers and Sisters of Saint Bernard's Faith Family,

Greetings and Peace of the Lord

be with you always!

In today's Gospel, Jesus shares a familiar image from everyday agricultural life in Palestine and draws a valuable lesson from it for our reflection. It's the story of a farmer who goes out to sow seeds in the rich soil of his field but unfortunately some seed accidentally falls on rocky ground among thorny briars and fails to take root. Seed needs good soil and water for proper growth. It also needs protection from birds, wind, and frost until it takes root and springs forth to produce plants, flowers and fruit. The harvest will depend on the quality of the soil and the care and attention the seeds receive.

Jesus compares the Word of God, which is intended to produce fruit in our lives, to seed sowed in the earth by the farmer. At the time of Baptism, the delicate and demanding seed of the God's Word is first planted in our hearts. If the Word does not get our whole-hearted attention by finding a home in our lives, it could wither and die. Often when the Lord comes knocking on our door, we might fail to make Him welcome because we are so preoccupied with the meaningless pursuits of the moment. To be a cultivator of goodness, we must dig deep within ourselves to be nourished.

Growth in the life of Christ is not always a smooth, gradual, and straightforward process. The different types of soil can very well be the varied responses we make to His Word, depending on the twists and turns our fortunes may take on our journey. When we are met with setbacks and disappointments, obstacles may stack up against our good intentions and weaken our firm resolve. Moments like this call for deep faith. The Word of

God has an immense and mysterious power to change and transform us. The hard thorny patch that our lives may experience from time to time, could be Christ's way of calling us to deeper union with Him. Experience tells us that we must work hard for anything that is worth having in our lives. Reaping the rich harvest of God's goodness depends on our openness to receive His Word with an open and sincere heart.

The good news is that God, our Divine Sower, is not passive. He sows the seed Himself—personally, directly, and abundantly. God always takes the initiative. He goes forth like the Sower, casting His seed upon us even before we ask for it. The seed comes to us in two essential ways: truth and grace. As truth, God's Word enlightens our intellect to know His eternal mysteries. As grace, God's Word strengthens the will to embrace and live those truths with faith and charity. There is good soil in every human heart and given time and effort, the Spirit of the living God will put down deep roots in our lives, assuring us of salvation.

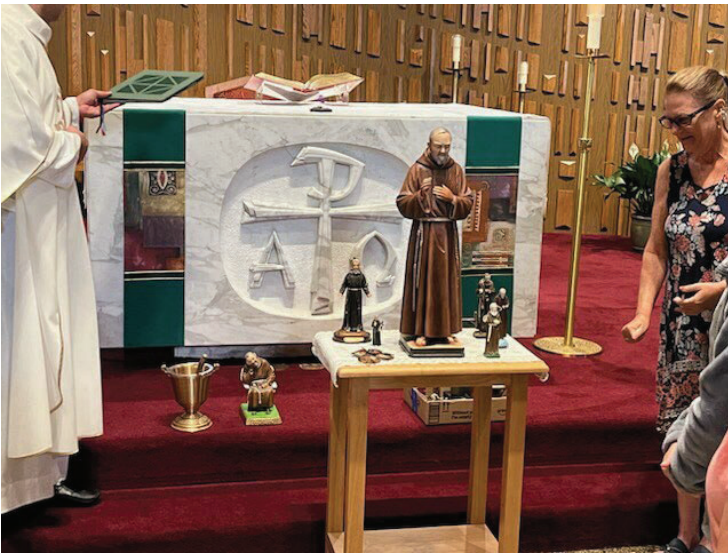
May the Good Lord continue to bless us abundantly and unite all nations on earth to His greater glory and honor. Last Saturday we commemorated once again the adoption of the Declaration of Independence and celebrated the milestone 250th Birthday of our great Nation. Let us take a few moments in prayer this week to thank God for everything we have in our lives, and for those who came before us who fought and sacrificed so much so that we may live in an independent and free Country. May Our Blessed Mother Mary, the Mother of the Americas, keep our parish family always under the mantle of her love, care, and protection.

With my sincere prayers, I remain truly yours in Christ,

Father John McCarthy



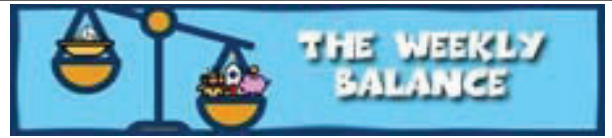
Father Nasir Gulfam, an immigrant from Pakistan who is now an American citizen, stands proudly with the American flag.



Many thanks to the O'Rourke family for donating the statue of Padre Pio which is being displayed in the prayer room.



SUNDAY COLLECTIONS



As in every household, families strive to balance their income and expenses, so too it is with our parish family.

Weekend of July 5, 2026

In-Church collection: \$ 8,708.50

On-line Giving: \$ 3,089.51

Collection Total: \$ 11,798.01

2026 Budget: \$14,711.53

Weekend of June 28, 2026

In-Church collection: \$ 8,068.00

On-line Giving: \$ 3,230.67

Collection Total: \$ 11,299.27

2026 Budget: \$14,711.53

GIFTS OF BREAD & WINE

Sacrificial Offerings of Altar Bread & Wine, Altar Candles or Altar Sanctuary Lamp are available to be offered in memory or in honor of your loved ones, living or deceased. Their names will appear here in the bulletin. For more information, please contact the Rectory Office.

516-731-4220

Email: Parish@StBernardChurch.org



Holy Hour

There is exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on the First Friday of every month from 12:30 to 1:30.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 11, 2026, Memorial of Saint Benedict, Abbot

8:00 am Gerardina Vita,
Lena Poidomani,
Cristina Colineri-Living,
Patricia Dougan

5:00 pm Anthony Nuzzi

7:30 pm Spanish Mass

Sunday, July 12, 2026, 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Jimmy O'Connell & Cliff Pereira

10:00 am For all parishioners

12:00 pm Ed French
Denise Anthony
Richard Criscuola
Lorraine Giovi

2:00 pm Urdu Mass

Monday, July 13, 2026

8:00 am Helena Lacey-Gannon-Living

Tuesday, July 14, 2026, Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

8:00 am Jeanne McHale

Wednesday, July 15, 2026, St. Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

8:00 am Heide Hlawaty-Birthday Remembrance

Thursday, July 16, 2026

8:00 am Robert G. Alvino

Friday, July 17, 2026

8:00 am Dolores Huddleston

Saturday, July 18, 2026

8:00 am Mary Donato,
Robert Alvino,
Peter Clores-Living,
David Juilano-8 Year Anniversary

5:00 pm Richard Burnett

Sunday, July 19, 2026, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Edward DeRidder

10:00 am Carol & Russ Bollinger-Birthday
Remembrances

12:00 pm For all parishioners,
Grace Marie McCarty,
Margaret Ford,
Ed French



PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Arlene Barsch
Catherine Young

Scott Gilman

Michael Mazzara

All names will remain on the list for 4 weeks after you call in. After that time we ask, if necessary, to call again.

Thank you for cooperating and God bless all.

Please pray for all those on our Long-term Sick List

Susan Arena	Karen Austin	Arlene Barsch
Ken Bausert	Samantha Biggs	George Bode
Rudie Braithwaite	Jeanne Bremer	Kristie Brito
Marie Byrnes	Almira Cabrera	Eddie Cannon
Rosemary Clark	Mason Francis Combs	Joseph Connico Sr.
Joseph Dalton	Justin Dawson	Monica DeLaRosa
May Ann Dima	Debra Dowdell	Margaret Dowdell
Evangeline Duckworth Filomena Fernandez		
Michelle Finnan	Gerry Finlan	Jim Finlan
Linda Fitz	Kathleen Flaherty	Rich Fulek
Bobby Gallagher	Joseph Gallagher	Teresita Gallego
Keith Gargan	Geer Family	Colleen Grasing
Rosemary Guirrerri	Maureen Guarino	John Guiffre
Mike Hach	Sean Hagen	Carolyn Hakim
Cynthia Hansen	Donna Hare	Kirsten Ingersoll
Vicki Jacona	Jerome W. Kalkhof	Katherine Anne Kwestel
Violet Kwestel	Rosemarie LaFrance	Joseph Lan
Florence Lellis	Tony LoMastro	Tia Mabanta
Jaime Macias	Andrew Mahoney	Rosemary Marcian
John Matlock	Paul Mattei	Nancy Neal Mauersberger
Anthony & Peggy Mayles	Rudy Mazurczak	William McDonagh
Teresa McDonald	Mary McLean	Lorraine Mele
Doug Merkle	Eileen Merkle	Mary Messina
Lydia Nazzaro	Jack Willam Norris	Kerri Orlando
Rebecca Palumbo	Hank Quatro	Laureen Quinn-Sturge
Charlene Ragus	Ruth Ramos	Deanne Reilly
William "Billy" Ricafort	Bricia Rivas	Carol Rockwell
Vinny Rosa	John Rotondo, Jr.	Salvatore Rotondo
Flore Rowe	Beatriz Rojas	Eve Saint
Thomas Saint	Carol Santangelo	Mark Santangelo
Terry Sherwood	James Anthony Shields	Katie-Ellen Spinell
Danielle Stallone	Marie P. Sweeney	Liberty Tabag
David Testa	Estela Valdez	Dorothy Villa
Patricia Ward	Maureen Wicelinski	Amanda Widro

Help Us Keep the Sick List Up-to-date

When your loved one's health improves, please call the rectory at 516-731-4220 to let us know so their name can be removed from the sick list. It is important that the list remain current. Thank you for your cooperation.



PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED DECEASED
AND THOSE WHO MOURN FOR THEM
Louise Munz Alice Schmidt Linda Taff



A Special Gathering of Friends

Saturday, August 1, 2026

9:30 am to 11:30 am

Mother Josepha Hall

Amityville Dominicans

Facilitators: Suzanne Richards, Rob Cammarata and
WMFT Team

Send an email with your name, email address and cell
phone number (to plan for refreshments, and just in case
we must cancel at the last minute)

to: reservations@WMFT.org.

Coffee fruit and pastries will be served.



The members of the Holy Family
Chapter of Lay Carmelites
invite 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

Chaminade High School



We congratulate the following St. Bernard
parishioners who achieved honor roll status
during the final trimester at
Chaminade High School

Freshman: Anthony A. Bencivenga

Sophomore: Gavn C. Lucatorto

Senior: James M DeLillo

Be the reason
summer sparkles.



The Ernie Meditz Memorial Blood Drive

Sunday, July 12

8:30am – 2:30pm

St. Bernard's Catholic Church

Parish Center

3100 Hempstead Tpke. Levittown NY 11756

Prepare to donate



Eat well
and hydrate



Bring a
photo ID



Feel good and
symptom free



Meet minimum
weight requirements

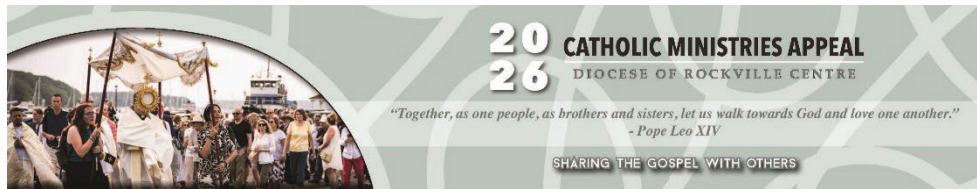


Must be 17-75
- 16 with parental
permission form
- 76+ with written
physician consent

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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,

Most Reverend John O. Barres



Estimados amigos,

Al comenzar a disfrutar de las alegrías que nos ofrece el verano aquí en Long Island, les escribo para pedirles que, con espíritu de oración, consideren hacer un donativo a la Campaña de Apoyo a los Ministerios Católicos de este año, para que así podamos llevar esa misma alegría a quienes acuden a nosotros en busca de ayuda en estos tiempos tan inciertos.

Si bien más de 20,000 personas en nuestra diócesis han respondido generosamente con sus donativos y oraciones, aún hay muchos ministerios que necesitan nuestro apoyo.

El Papa León XIV nos ha exhortado a reflexionar sobre cómo invertimos el “tesoro” que es nuestra propia vida, desafiando a los católicos a compartir no sólo nuestros bienes materiales, sino también nuestras destrezas, talentos, tiempo y compasión por el bien de los demás.

Aquí, en Long Island, la Campaña de Ministerios Católicos es el mejor medio local que tenemos para tender la mano y mostrar misericordia, compasión y caridad a los demás. Sus donativos no solamente ayudan a que nuestros propios Programas Parroquiales de Alcance Social puedan alimentar, servir y atender a los más desvalidos, sino también sostienen los programas y servicios que Caridades Católicas ofrece en toda la Diócesis. Estos esfuerzos aseguran que quienes reciben ayuda tengan el consuelo y la certeza de que Dios los ama y está con ellos, incluso en los momentos más difíciles de sus vidas.

Además, la Campaña de los Ministerios Católicos sostiene los servicios que brindan educación religiosa a nuestros niños, apoya la formación de nuestros futuros sacerdotes y diáconos, hace posibles los programas de pastoral juvenil y universitaria, y realiza muchas otras importantes labores que nos ayudan a compartir el mensaje del Evangelio en nuestra Diócesis y más allá.

Agradecido por su oración y su consideración a hacer un donativo a la Campaña de Apoyo a los Ministerios Católicos 2026, tengan la seguridad de mi profunda convicción de que, juntos, podemos llevar el mensaje de santidad de Cristo a cada persona, a las familias y a toda nuestra comunidad.

Gracias por acoger la misión de la Iglesia. Los tendré muy presentes a ustedes y a sus familias en la Santa Misa y en mis oraciones.

Si ustedes ya han hecho un donativo a la Campaña de Apoyo a los Ministerios Católicos 2026, ¡muchas gracias por su generosidad!

Sinceramente suyo en Cristo,

Reverendísimo John O. Barres

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- Does talking make it worse?
- Thought of leaving or divorce?
- Is your marriage heading in the wrong direction?

No Marriage is Beyond Hope.



PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

Carmen Torre (516) 731-6074



St. Vincent de Paul: (516) 735-3218

We are always grateful for the kind generosity of our parishioners and friends for the many food and monetary donations which we receive on a regular basis and that we share with our neighbors.

This week our pantry needs include:

- ❖ Coffee (ground and whole bean)
- ❖ Swiss Miss hot chocolate mix
- ❖ Instant oatmeal
- ❖ Pasta boxes and jars of sauce
- ❖ Chef Boy-ar-dee pasta
- ❖ Toothbrushes and toothpaste
- ❖ Small water bottles
- ❖ Paper towels and toilet tissue
- ❖ Laundry detergent

*As always, thank you! And please remember
the poor boxes as you leave church!*

Questions of the Week

Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

July 12, 2026

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23

Adults: How do you provide “good soil” for the faith of others to grow?

Children: What are you doing to help the seeds of your faith grow each day?

Island Harvest Workforce Skills Development Institute:

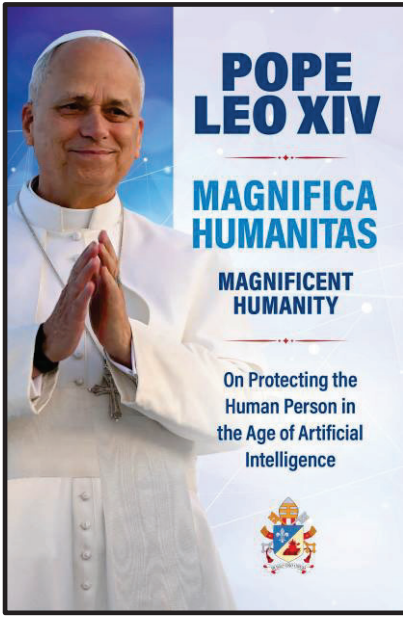
Island Harvest is offering free training in Warehousing and Logistics. It is a 10-week program which begins on September 9, 2026 in Melville (631) 873-4775. A variety of certifications is offered and there are program requirements but it appears to be a tremendous opportunity for high school (GED) graduates and those over 18!

For further information, stop by our office for a flier, or visit www.islandharvest.org. We have worked with Island Harvest for many years and they are a wonderful organization. Check it out!

THE POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS FOR 2026

**July: For respect for
human life**

**Let us pray for the respect and
protection of human life in all
its stages, recognizing it
as a gift from God.**



Pope Leo seeks dialogue and collaboration with all people to build a just world.

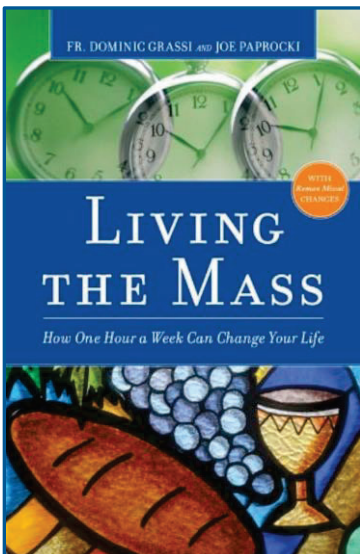
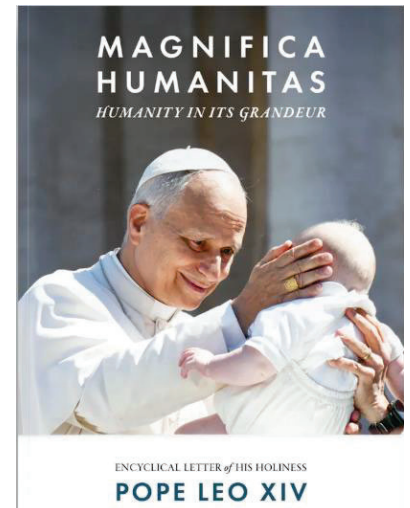
....“We [the Church] can diligently contribute to every initiative that builds a more just world, and we can call others to collaborate.... We wish to engage in dialogue with all men and women of our time, with whom we share in the events, questions and aspirations of humanity. Together with them, we seek to identify new paths for the common good and for promoting a dignified life for all. Indeed, openness to dialogue is an integral part of the Church’s vocation....

Magnificent Humanity, n. 2.

40-Day Spiritual Summer Read!

Read just a little each day of Pope Leo’s amazing letter, note your own reflections, and, if you’d like, join with others on **Sunday, August 23, after the 10 am Mass** for bagels and conversation!

The letter is available for **free** on many websites, including <https://www.ewtnnews.com/vatican/full-text-of-magnaifica-humanitas-read-pope-leo-xiv-s-first-encyclical>, or available for purchase in book form from most online booksellers, or by calling Ascension Press at 800-376-0520.



Does coming to Mass help you LIVE the Mass and change your life for the better??

Whether you answer “yes” or “no” or “I don’t get it”, this summer read is for you! It’s an easy and engaging read, and it truly can change your attitude about coming to Mass – and your life! Read it this summer and join others on **Sunday, August 2 after the 10 am Mass** for bagels and conversation!

You can get the book from most online booksellers – e.g. https://www.amazon.com/Living-Mass-Hour-Week-Change-dp-0829436146/dp/0829436146/ref=dp_ob_image_bk or by calling the publisher, Loyola Press, at 800-621-1008.

Join St. Bernard's Audio-Visual Team!

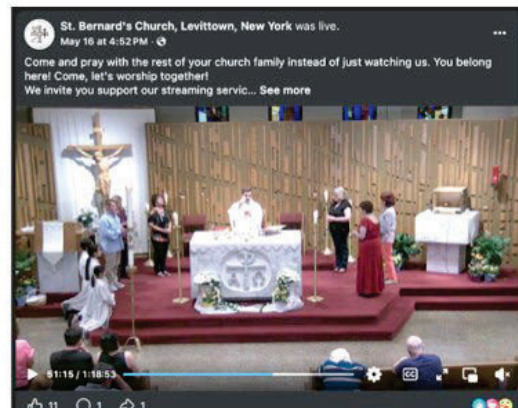
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PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY



Michael Agunzo, Jr.
 Joseph Albertini, US Army
 Edward Alexander, USAF
 PFC John Amon, USMC
 Andrew Anton
 Corp. Cullen Patrick Boyd, US Army
 Sgt. Eric R. Brouillet, USMC
 Carlos Rosado, Airman 1st Class
 LCPL Brendan Ryan Casey, USMC
 Nicholas Catalano
 LCpl Steven Churchill, USMC
 Meaghann Clark, US Army
 Sgt Robert Michael Cracchiolo, MP-USArmy
 Sgt. William Curtin, US Army
 Maj. Christopher DarConte, USAF
 Michael J. DiDomenico, Jr., USMC
 Jonathan DiNoto MSgt, USAF
 Seaman Jack Doupe, USN
 Captain Carey Eden
 Pvt. Erick Elkowitz, USMC
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 Master Sgt - Eric Fienman – USAF
 Albert Giovanniello, USAF

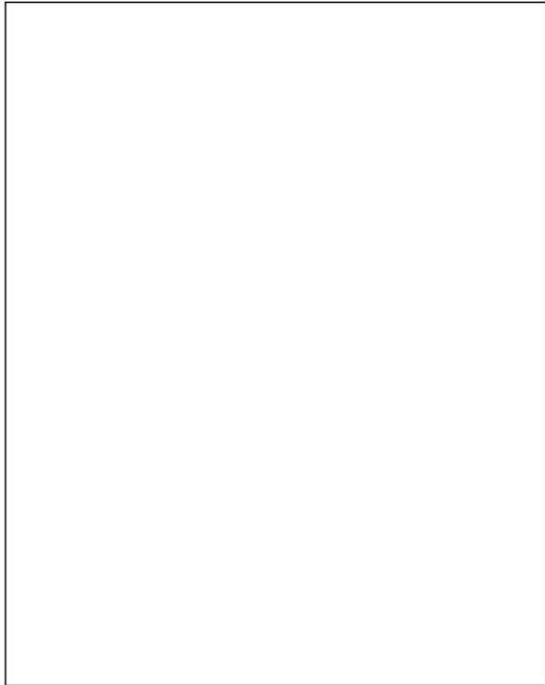
Zachary Gunusen, USN
 Matthew F. Hong, USN Aviator
 Frank Iadevia, USAF
 Sgt. Jonathan Iliev, US Army
 Colonel John P. Kilbride, US Army
 Colonel Thomas J. Kilbride, US Army
 Michael Kruszewski, USN
 Pvt. Jack Ryan Labrador, USMC
 Pvt. Nicholas Lane, US Army
 Sergeant Kevin Leshinsky – USMC
 PFC Ryan Francis Mazza, US Army
 Captain Brendan Maher, US Army
 Airman 1st Class Maritza R. Mazzara, USAF
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 Cpl Kieran McCaughey, USMC
 Major Kyle McDermott
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 LCPL Joseph Menetti, USMC
 Seaman Mike Mercado, USN
 Robert S. Meyers
 PFC Ryan Mitchell, US Army
 LCpl Nicholas Montalvo, USMC
 Pvt. William Munn, US Army

Matthew P O'Neill, US Army
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 LCPL. Christopher Piccolo, USMC
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 SSgt Joseph A. Squillace, USAF
 Sgt. Michael Stinnett, US Army
 Thomas Sullivan
 Dante Martone Wallace - USMC

Jesus also said,
"Whoever has ears, let them hear."



Draw a picture of yourself listening
to God's words.
Don't forget to draw your ears.



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Ages 3+

July 12, 2026 • Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

The Parable of the Sower

A farmer spread seeds.

Find and **circle** these hidden objects in the picture.



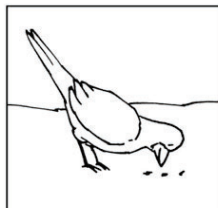
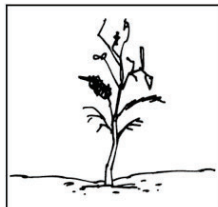
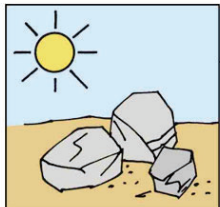
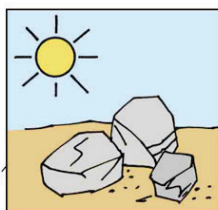
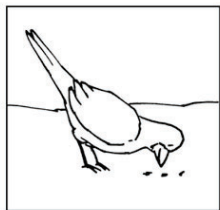
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