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MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

TODAY'S FEAST

Sunday is the Lord's Day, so this year it takes the place of the Feast of St. Luke.

St. Luke, Evangelist, wrote the third Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles. He was the only Gentile among the Gospel writers. St. Paul called him "our beloved physician." Luke traveled with Paul and was his faithful companion on the dangerous journey to Rome. His Gospel is called the Gospel of Mercy, of Prayer and of Joy.



St. Luke Drawing the Virgin, Rogier van der Weyden (c. 1435)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"For nothing will be impossible for God."

—Gospel of St. Luke 1:37

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

St. Luke wrote more of the New Testament than any other sacred author: his Gospel and Acts make up over a quarter of it by word count, more than all of St. Paul's letters.

FROM THE ROMAN MARTYROLOGY

- ✚ **St. Peter of Alcántara**, Franciscan reformer in Spain, adviser to St. Teresa.
- ✚ **St. Asclepiades**, Bishop of Antioch, confessor in persecution.
- ✚ **St. Isaac Jogues**: martyred today at Ossernenon (honored tomorrow).

A PRAYER OF SAINT JEROME FOR CHRIST'S MERCY

O Lord, show Your mercy to me and gladden my heart. I am like the man on the way to Jericho who was overtaken by robbers, wounded and left for dead. O Good Samaritan, come to my aid. I am like the sheep that went astray. O Good Shepherd, seek me out and bring me home in accord with Your will. Let me dwell in Your house all the days of my life and praise You for ever and ever with those who are there. Amen.

(St. Lucy Prayer Book)

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Mary, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, Pray for us.

Recommended Prayer Brochure: RG4 Holy Rosary Guide



Sunday Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Matthew 22:15-21, October 18, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

U T T T M G K I M A G E U A Y
H E R O D I A N S C O C D D D
U A U P C A E S A R D C I W L
C C T H Y P O C R I T E S L R
P H H C P H U R L V I N C A E
R E F P H A R I S E E S I W P
O R U F K G E P F F S U P F A
M A L I C E N T R A P S L U Y
A H W O P I N I O N N K E L H
N G W T Y P L O T T E D S C I
D K M N C O I N W P J E S U S

The **PHARISEES** went off
and **PLOTTED** how they might **ENTRAP**
JESUS in speech.
They sent their **DISCIPLES** to him, with the
HERODIANS, saying,
“**TEACHER**, we know that you are a
TRUTHFUL man
and that you teach the way of **GOD** in
accordance with the truth.
And you are not concerned with anyone’s
OPINION,
for you do not regard a person’s status.
Tell us, then, what is your opinion:
Is it **LAWFUL** to pay the **CENSUS** tax to
CAESAR or not?”

Knowing their **MALICE**, Jesus said,
“Why are you testing me, you **HYPOCRITES**?
Show me the **COIN** that pays the census tax.”
Then they handed him the **ROMAN** coin.
He said to them, “Whose **IMAGE** is this and
whose **INSCRIPTION**?”
They replied, “Caesar’s.”
At that he said to them,
“Then **REPAY** to Caesar what belongs to
Caesar
and to God what belongs to God.”

Gospel text: Lectionary for Mass (USCCB), Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

FROM THE CATECHISM

464. What are the duties of citizens in regard to civil authorities?

Those subject to authority should regard those in authority as representatives of God and offer their loyal collaboration for the right functioning of public and social life. This collaboration includes love and service of one’s homeland, the right and duty to vote, payment of taxes, the defense of one’s country, and the right to exercise constructive criticism.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 464