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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2026 MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

TODAY'S SAINT

October 27: no saint on the U.S. calendar. From the Roman Martyrology:

Pope St. Evaristus was the fourth successor of St. Peter as Bishop of Rome, after St. Clement. He led the Church of Rome under the Emperor Trajan, for about eight years at the end of the first century and the beginning of the second. He was laid to rest on the Vatican Hill, near the tomb of St. Peter. He died about the year 107.

Legend: A later book, the Liber Pontificalis, says he was the son of a Jewish father from Bethlehem, and that he gave the churches of Rome to its priests. His martyrdom is a tradition that history cannot prove.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: St. Otteran of Iona, named in today's Martyrology, is patron of which Irish city?

A: Waterford, chosen by its Viking settlers in 1096.



Pope St. Evaristus, Sandro Botticelli, Sistine Chapel (1481)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I am the wheat of God, and let me be ground by the teeth of the wild beasts, that I may be found the pure bread of Christ."

—*St. Ignatius of Antioch (October 17), martyred under Trajan*

PRAYER BY ST. CLEMENT OF ROME

We beseech You, Master, to be our helper and protector. Save the afflicted among us; Have mercy on the lowly; Raise up the fallen; Appear to the needy; Heal the ungodly; Restore the wanderers of Your people; Feed the hungry; Ransom our prisoners; Raise up the sick; Comfort the faint-hearted.

(St. Lucy Prayer Book)

Mary, Mother of Divine Grace, Pray for us.

Recommended Prayer Brochure: HR8 Rosary of Intercession-20 Decade



Daily Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Luke 13:18-21, October 27, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

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

Jesus said, "What is the **KINGDOM** of God like?

To what can I **COMPARE** it?

It is like a **MUSTARD SEED** that a man took and **PLANTED** in the **GARDEN**.

When it was fully **GROWN**, it became a **LARGE BUSH**

and the **BIRDS** of the **SKY** dwelt in its **BRANCHES**."

Again he said, "To what shall I compare the Kingdom of God?

It is like **YEAST** that a **WOMAN** took and mixed in with three **MEASURES** of **WHEAT FLOUR**

until the whole **BATCH** of **DOUGH** was **LEAVENED**."

Gospel text: Lectionary for Mass (USCCB), Tuesday of the Thirtieth Week in Ordinary Time.

FROM THE ROMAN MARTYROLOGY

✚ **St. Thraseas**, Bishop of Eumenia in Phrygia, martyred at Smyrna.

✚ **St. Gaudiosus**, African bishop who fled the Vandals and died in a monastery at Naples.

✚ **St. Otteran**, monk of Iona, one of the first disciples of St. Columba.

FROM THE CATECHISM

182. What is the mission of the Pope?

The Pope, Bishop of Rome and the Successor of Saint Peter, is the perpetual, visible source and foundation of the unity of the Church. He is the vicar of Christ, the head of the College of bishops and pastor of the universal Church over which he has by divine institution full, supreme, immediate, and universal power.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 182