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VOLUME 4 · ISSUE 1 **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2026** 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.

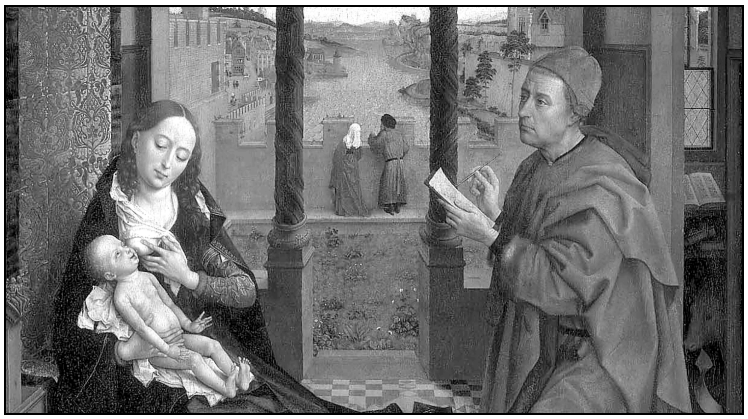
St. Luke, Evangelist, wrote the third Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles. He was the only Gentile among the Gospel writers. St. Paul called him "our beloved physician." Luke traveled with Paul and was his faithful companion on the dangerous journey to Rome. His Gospel is called the Gospel of Mercy,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

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).



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

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

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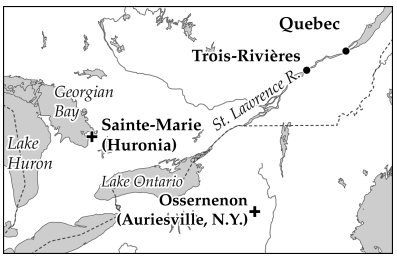
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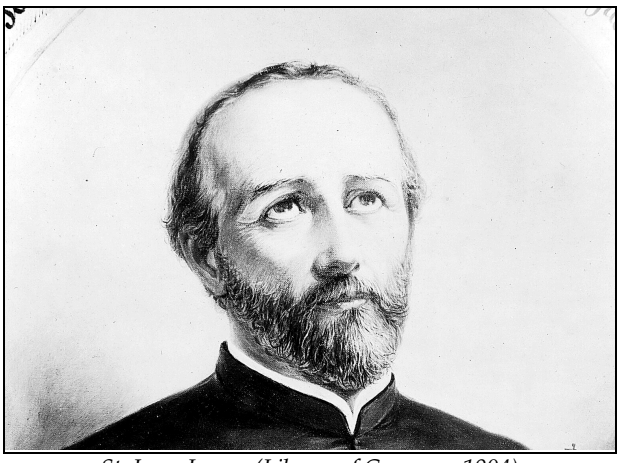
VOLUME 4 · ISSUE 2 **MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2026** MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

FEATURED SAINTS FEAST DAY

October 19: Sts. Isaac Jogues, John de Brébeuf and Companions were the first martyrs of North America recognized by the Church. St. John de Brébeuf worked among the Huron people and wrote a catechism and a dictionary in their language. In 1642 St. Isaac Jogues set out from Trois-Rivières and was captured on the St. Lawrence River. He was held captive for more than a year by the Mohawks at Ossernenon, now Auriesville, New York, and was killed there on October 18, 1646. St. René Goupil and St. John de Lalande also died at Ossernenon. St. John de Brébeuf died near Georgian Bay in 1649. These eight martyrs were canonized in 1930.



Rough map of the martyrs' mission lands. ✚ = Sainte-Marie among the Hurons (mission) and Ossernenon (martyrdom site).



St. Isaac Jogues (Library of Congress, 1904)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"I shall go, and shall not return."

—St. Isaac Jogues, 1646

PRAYER TO ST. ISAAC JOGUES

Saint Isaac Jogues! By thy preaching and by thy blood, the eternal Word did consecrate the first-fruits of the faith in the vast regions of North America. Pray for us, O martyr of Christ, that by the example of our lives, we may bring others to follow Christ and so assist in increasing the harvest of souls, sown by thee in America. Amen.

(Mothers for Priests brochure NM2)

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: Why did St. Isaac Jogues need a pope's permission to say Mass?

A: His captors had cut and chewed off parts of his fingers; Pope Urban VIII gave him a special dispensation.

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Mary, Queen of martyrs, *Pray for us.*

Recommended Prayer Brochure: NM2 Litany of North American Martyrs

Daily Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Luke 12:13-21, October 19, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

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

Someone in the **CROWD** said to Jesus,
"**TEACHER**, tell my **BROTHER** to share the **INHERITANCE** with me."
He replied to him,
"**FRIEND**, who appointed me as your **JUDGE** and **ARBITRATOR**?"
Then he said to the crowd,
"Take care to guard against all **GREED**,
for though one may be **RICH**,
one's life does not consist of **POSSESSIONS**."
Then he told them a **PARABLE**.
"There was a rich man whose land produced a bountiful **HARVEST**.
He asked himself, 'What shall I do,
for I do not have space to store my harvest?'
And he said, 'This is what I shall do:
I shall tear down my **BARNS** and build larger ones.
There I shall store all my **GRAIN** and other **GOODS**
and I shall say to myself, "Now as for you,
you have so many good things stored up for many years,
rest, eat, drink, be **MERRY**!"'
But **GOD** said to him,
'You **FOOL**, this night your life will be demanded of you;
and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?'
Thus will it be for the one who stores up **TREASURE** for himself
but is not rich in what matters to God."

Gospel text: Lectionary for Mass (USCCB), Monday of the Twenty-ninth Week in Ordinary Time.

From the Catechism

522. How does one bear witness to the truth?

A Christian must bear witness to the truth of the Gospel in every field of his activity, both public and private, and also if necessary, with the sacrifice of his very life. Martyrdom is the supreme witness given to the truth of the faith.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 522

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VOLUME 4 · ISSUE 3 **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2026** MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

FEATURED SAINT FEAST DAY

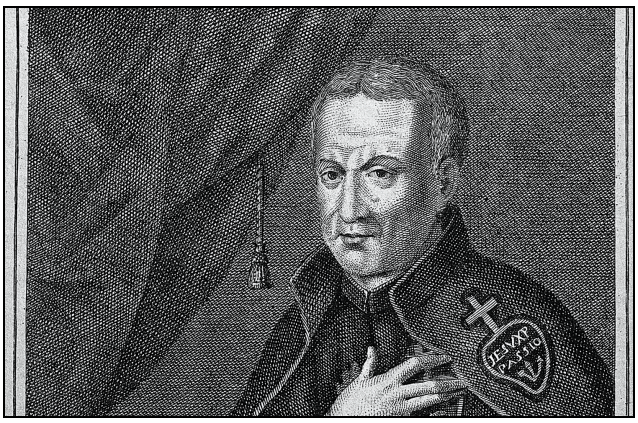
October 20: St. Paul of the Cross was born in northern Italy in 1694. After a short time as a soldier, he gave himself to prayer and to devotion to the Passion of Christ. In 1720 he founded the Congregation of the Passion, known as the Passionists. He was one of the most popular preachers of his day, known for his words and his generous acts of mercy. He died in 1775 and was canonized in 1867.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: Passionists add a fourth vow to poverty, chastity and obedience. What is it?
A: To spread the memory of Christ's Passion among the faithful.

ON THIS DATE IN CATHOLIC CHURCH HISTORY

October 20, 1939: Pope Pius XII issued his encyclical Summi Pontificatus, "On the Unity of Human Society," in the first year of his pontificate.



St. Paul of the Cross, engraving. Wellcome Collection, CC BY 4.0

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The Passion of Jesus Christ is the greatest and most overwhelming work of God's love."

—St. Paul of the Cross

LITANY OF THE PASSION

Jesus, unknown and despised, Have mercy on me. … O Good Jesus, Who has suffered an infinity of insults and humiliations for love of me, imprint deeply on my heart a great love and appreciation for them, and the desire to endure them willingly for Thee. Amen.

(by St. Margaret Mary; St. Lucy Prayer Book)

FROM THE ROMAN MARTYROLOGY

- **St. Cornelius the Centurion,** baptized by St. Peter, first of the Gentiles.
- **St. Maria Bertilla Boscardin,** nursing sister at Treviso, Italy.

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Mary, Comforter of the afflicted, *Pray for us.*

Recommended Prayer Brochure: Rosary brochure Joyful Mysteries

Daily Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Luke 12:35-38, October 20, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

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

JESUS said to his **DISCIPLES**:
"**GIRD** your **LOINS** and **LIGHT** your **LAMPS**
and be like **SERVANTS** who await their **MASTER**'s **RETURN** from a **WEDDING**,
ready to open immediately when he comes and **KNOCKS**.
BLESSED are those servants
whom the master finds **VIGILANT** on his **ARRIVAL**.
Amen, I say to you, he will gird himself,
have them **RECLINE** at **TABLE**, and proceed to wait on them.
And should he come in the second or third **WATCH**
and find them **PREPARED** in this way,
blessed are those servants."

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

From the Catechism

122. What are the results of the sacrifice of Christ on the cross?

Jesus freely offered his life as an expiatory sacrifice, that is, he made reparation for our sins with the full obedience of his love unto death. This love "to the end" (John 13:1) of the Son of God reconciled all of humanity with the Father. The paschal sacrifice of Christ, therefore, redeems humanity in a way that is unique, perfect, and definitive; and it opens up for them communion with God.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 122

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VOLUME 4 · ISSUE 4 **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2026** MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

TODAY'S SAINT

October 21: a weekday with no saint on the U.S. calendar. The Roman Martyrology remembers St. Hilarion.

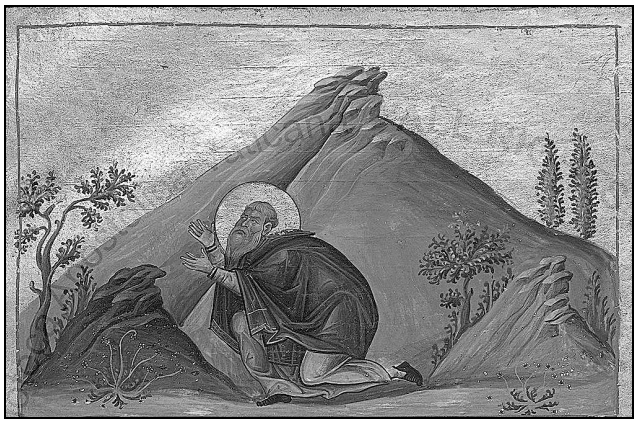
St. Hilarion, Abbot, born of pagan parents near Gaza, became a Christian at Alexandria. At fifteen he visited St. Anthony in the desert, gave away his goods and became a hermit near Gaza. Crowds followed him to Egypt, Sicily, Dalmatia and Cyprus, where he died at eighty.

Legend: St. Jerome tells that when an earthquake drove the sea toward Epidaurus, Hilarion traced three crosses on the sand, and the sea stood like a wall, then sank back.

FROM THE CATECHISM

568. What are the expressions of the life of prayer?
Christian tradition has preserved three forms for expressing and living prayer: vocal prayer, meditation, and contemplative prayer. The feature common to all of them is the recollection of the heart.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 568



St. Hilarion, Menologion of Basil II (c. 985)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Go forth, what do you fear? Go forth, my soul, why do you hesitate? You have served Christ nearly seventy years, and do you fear death?"

—St. Hilarion's last words

A PRAYER BY ST. BENEDICT

Gracious and holy Father, please give me: … a heart to meditate upon You; … patience to wait for You; and perseverance to look for You. Grant me: a perfect end, Your holy presence. A blessed resurrection, And life everlasting.

(St. Lucy Prayer Book)

FROM THE ROMAN MARTYROLOGY

✚ **Sts. Ursula and Companions,** virgin martyrs of Cologne.

✚ **St. Laura Montoya,** missionary to Colombia's native peoples.

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Mary, Virgin most faithful, *Pray for us.*

Recommended Prayer Brochure: Supplication of Our Lady of the Rosary of Pompeii

Daily Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Luke 12:39-48, October 21, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

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

Jesus said to his disciples:
"Be sure of this:
if the **MASTER** of the **HOUSE** had known the hour
when the **THIEF** was coming,
he would not have let his house be broken into.
You also must be **PREPARED**,
for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."
Then Peter said,
"Lord, is this **PARABLE** meant for us or for everyone?"
And the Lord replied,
"Who, then, is the **FAITHFUL** and **PRUDENT STEWARD**
whom the master will put in charge of his servants
to distribute the food **ALLOWANCE** at the proper time?
BLESSED is that **SERVANT** whom his master on arrival finds doing so.
Truly, I say to you, he will put him
in charge of all his **PROPERTY**.
But if that servant says to himself,
'My master is **DELAYED** in coming,'
and begins to beat the menservants and the maidservants,
to eat and drink and get drunk,
then that servant's master will come
on an **UNEXPECTED** day and at an unknown hour
and will punish the servant severely
and assign him a place with the unfaithful.
That servant who knew his master's will
but did not make preparations nor act in accord with his will
shall be beaten severely;
and the servant who was ignorant of his master's will
but acted in a way deserving of a severe beating
shall be beaten only lightly.
Much will be required of the person **ENTRUSTED** with much,
and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more."

Gospel text: Lectionary for Mass (USCCB), Wednesday of the Twenty-ninth Week in Ordinary Time.

Catholic Trivia

Q: Who wrote the Life of St. Hilarion?
A: St. Jerome, about the year 390.

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VOLUME 4 · ISSUE 5 **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2026** MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

FEATURED SAINT FEAST DAY

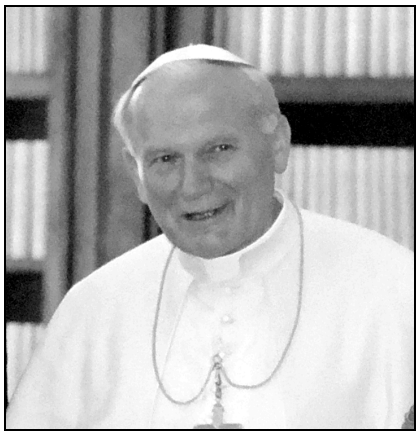
October 22: Pope St. John Paul II was born in Wadowice, Poland, in 1920. He lost his mother, father and older brother before he was 21. During World War II he worked in a quarry and a chemical factory and studied in a secret seminary. Elected pope in October 1978, he was the first non-Italian pope in 455 years. He visited 124 countries. Pope Francis canonized him in 2014.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: How many saints did Pope St. John Paul II canonize?
A: 482 saints, and he beatified 1,338 people.

FROM THE ROMAN MARTYROLOGY

- ✚ **St. Abercius,** bishop in Phrygia, pilgrim of the faith.
- ✚ **Sts. Philip and Hermes,** bishop and deacon, burned under Diocletian.
- ✚ **Sts. Nunilo and Alodia,** sister martyrs of Huesca, Spain.



Pope John Paul II in 1987 (White House photo)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The Rosary is my favourite prayer. A marvellous prayer! Marvellous in its simplicity and its depth."

—Pope St. John Paul II

THE MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that any one who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy intercession, was left unaided.
Inspired by this confidence, We fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins my Mother; to thee do we come, before thee we stand, sinful and sorrowful; O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not our petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer them. Amen.

(St. Lucy Prayer Book)

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Mary, Mother of the Church, *Pray for us.*

Recommended Prayer Brochure: HR8 Rosary of Intercession-20 Decade

Daily Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Luke 12:49-53, October 22, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

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

Jesus said to his **DISCIPLES**:
"I have come to set the **EARTH** on **FIRE**,
and how I wish it were already **BLAZING**!
There is a **BAPTISM** with which I must be **BAPTIZED**,
and how great is my **ANGUISH** until it is **ACCOMPLISHED**!
Do you think that I have come to establish **PEACE** on the earth?
No, I tell you, but rather **DIVISION**.
From now on a **HOUSEHOLD** of five will be **DIVIDED**,
three against two and two against three;
a **FATHER** will be divided against his **SON**
and a son against his father,
a **MOTHER** against her **DAUGHTER**
and a daughter against her mother,
a mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law."

Gospel text: Lectionary for Mass (USCCB), Thursday of the Twenty-ninth Week in Ordinary Time.

From the Catechism

198. What kind of devotion is directed to the holy Virgin?

It is a singular kind of devotion which differs essentially from the cult of adoration given only to the Most Holy Trinity. This special veneration directed to Mary finds particular expression in the liturgical feasts dedicated to the Mother of God and in Marian prayers such as the holy Rosary which is a compendium of the whole Gospel.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 198

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VOLUME 4 · ISSUE 6 **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2026** MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

FEATURED SAINT FEAST DAY

October 23: St. John of Capistrano was born in Italy in 1386. As a young man he became governor of Perugia. After he was imprisoned following a battle, he changed his life completely and became a Franciscan priest. His preaching drew great crowds all over central Europe. In 1456 he helped lead the army that lifted the siege of Belgrade. He died soon after, on October 23, 1456.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: St. John of Capistrano is the patron saint of which profession?
A: Judges.

FROM THE ROMAN MARTYROLOGY

- ✚ **St. Severinus Boethius,** wrote The Consolation of Philosophy in prison.
- ✚ **St. Ignatius,** Bishop of Constantinople, exiled, then restored.
- ✚ **Bl. John Angelo Porro,** Servite in Milan who taught children the faith.



St. John of Capistrano, Italian panel painting (c. 1480)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Those who are called to the table of the Lord must glow with the brightness that comes from the good example of a praiseworthy and blameless life."

—St. John of Capistrano

PRAYER FOR THE POOR SOULS IN PURGATORY

Eternal Father, I offer You the most Precious Blood of Your Son, Jesus Christ, in union with all the Masses said around the world today, for all the Poor Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, in the Universal Church, in my home and in my family. Amen.

(St. Lucy Prayer Book)

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Mary, Help of Christians, *Pray for us.*

Recommended Prayer Brochure: GR1 Our Lady of Good Remedy

Daily Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Luke 12:54-59, October 23, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

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

Jesus said to the **CROWDS**,
"When you see a **CLOUD RISING** in the **WEST**
you say immediately that it is going to **RAIN**–and so it does;
and when you notice that the **WIND** is blowing from the **SOUTH**
you say that it is going to be **HOT**–and so it is.
You **HYPOCRITES**!
You know how to interpret the appearance of the **EARTH** and the **SKY**;
why do you not know how to interpret the **PRESENT** time?
"Why do you not **JUDGE** for yourselves what is right?
If you are to go with your **OPPONENT** before a **MAGISTRATE**,
make an effort to settle the matter on the way;
otherwise your opponent will turn you over to the judge,
and the judge hand you over to the **CONSTABLE**,
and the constable throw you into **PRISON**.
I say to you, you will not be released
until you have paid the last **PENNY**."

Gospel text: Lectionary for Mass (USCCB), Friday of the Twenty-ninth Week in Ordinary Time.

From the Catechism

210. What is purgatory?

Purgatory is the state of those who die in God's friendship, assured of their eternal salvation, but who still have need of purification to enter into the happiness of heaven.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 210

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J.M.J.

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VOLUME 4 · ISSUE 7 **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2026** MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

FEATURED SAINT FEAST DAY

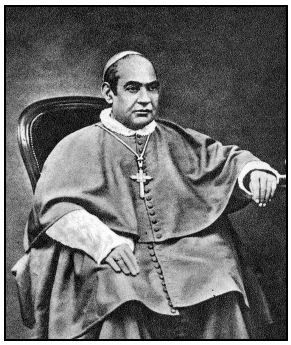
October 24: St. Anthony Mary Claret was born in Spain in 1807. He worked as a weaver and designer in the textile mills of Barcelona before he became a priest. He preached missions all over Spain and founded the Claretian missionaries. As Archbishop of Santiago in Cuba he survived an assassin's attack. It was said that his rosary was never out of his hand. He died in exile in 1870.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Q: St. Anthony Mary Claret was confessor to which queen?
A: Queen Isabella II of Spain, from 1857.

FROM THE ROMAN MARTYROLOGY

- ✚ **St. Proclus,** bishop who proclaimed Mary Mother of God.
- ✚ **St. Arethas and 340 Companions,** martyrs at Najran in Arabia.
- ✚ **St. Luigi Guanella,** founder of the Servants of Charity.



St. Anthony Mary Claret, photograph (c. 1860)

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"A Son of the Immaculate Heart of Mary is a man on fire with love, who spreads its flames wherever he goes."

—St. Anthony Mary Claret

CONSECRATION TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, BY ST. ANTHONY MARY CLARET

O Virgin and Mother of God, I surrender myself to you as your child, and in honor and glory of your purity I offer you my soul and body, my mind and senses, and ask that you obtain me the grace to avoid all sin. Amen.

Mother, behold your son!
Mother, behold your son!
Mother, behold your son! I have placed my trust in you, good Mother, and I shall never be confounded. Amen.

(St. Lucy Prayer Book)

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Mary, Refuge of sinners, *Pray for us.*

Recommended Prayer Brochure: AC8 Prayers of Saint Anthony Mary Claret

Daily Gospel Word Find Puzzle

(Luke 13:1-9, October 24, 2026)

Find the all-capitalized words in bold print.

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

Some people told Jesus about the **GALILEANS**
whose **BLOOD PILATE** had mingled with the blood of their **SACRIFICES**.
He said to them in reply,
"Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way
they were greater **SINNERS** than all other Galileans?
By no means!
But I tell you, if you do not **REPENT**,
you will all **PERISH** as they did!
Or those eighteen people who were killed
when the **TOWER** at **SILOAM** fell on them–
do you think they were more guilty
than everyone else who lived in **JERUSALEM**?
By no means!
But I tell you, if you do not repent,
you will all perish as they did!"
And he told them this **PARABLE**:
"There once was a person who had a **FIG TREE** planted in his **ORCHARD**,
and when he came in search of **FRUIT** on it but found none,
he said to the **GARDENER**,
'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree
but have found none.
So cut it down.
Why should it exhaust the **SOIL**?'
He said to him in reply,
'Sir, leave it for this year also,
and I shall **CULTIVATE** the ground around it and **FERTILIZE** it;
it may bear fruit in the future.
If not you can cut it down.'"

Gospel text: Lectionary for Mass (USCCB), Saturday of the Twenty-ninth Week in Ordinary Time.

From the Catechism

299. Do the baptized have need of conversion?

The call of Christ to conversion continues to resound in the lives of the baptized. Conversion is a continuing obligation for the whole Church. She is holy but includes sinners in her midst.

Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, Q. 299