

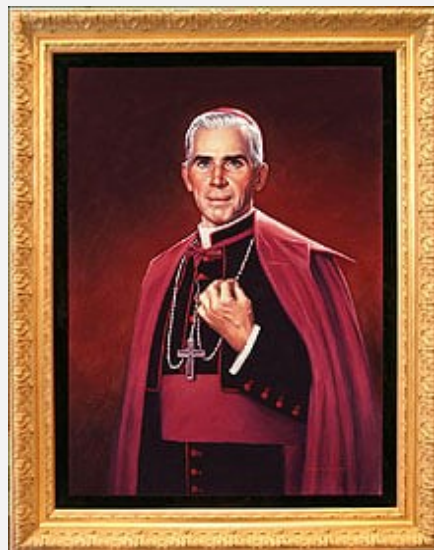
***St. Benedict's Roman Catholic Church
2969 Otis Avenue, Bronx, NY 10465
Bulletin: September 20, 2026***

**Missionary Appeal for the
Propagation of the Faith
Weekend of October 2nd and 3rd, 2026**

Each year the Archdiocesan Office for "The Society for the Propagation of the Faith" sponsors the Missionary Cooperative Appeal. This year our Parish is pleased to welcome Fr. Anthony Thanh who will speak to us on behalf of the Propagation of the Faith. Fr. Thanh will be with us at all the Masses that weekend. He will speak to us about the many challenges missionaries face daily which we might take for granted.

The second collection at each Mass will be sent to the Propagation of the Faith Office to support the needs of mission Dioceses and Religious Communities. Evangelization is at the heart of the Church's mission throughout the world, and we ask you to be as generous as your means allow in the second collection.

Thank you!



***Blessed Fulton J. Sheen
1895 - 1979
Beatified September 24, 2026***

St. Benedict's School (SBS) Registration

If you are thinking about what school to place your child for the 2026-2027 school year, please consider a catholic school education. Please feel free to contact St. Benedict School to set up a tour. SBS serves grades PK-3 & PK-4 all the way through 8th grade. **We have availability in all grades for the 2026/2027 school year.** If you are looking to apply you may do so by going online to our website at:

stbenedictschoolbx.org

and clicking APPLY NOW and filling out an informational application. PK classes are curriculum based. PK-3 must be aged 3 by 12/31/2026 and PK-4 must be aged 4 by 12/31/2026. 8th graders are prepared for the TACHS exam as well as guided through the High School application process. Financial aid for the 2026/2027 school year will be available to the families with students **FULLY REGISTERED and ENROLLED** in grades **KINDERGARTEN through 8th grade**. Financial Aid is on a first come, first served basis.

You may contact the school at **718-829-9557** for further information about our school and to set up a one-on-one tour.

**The Beatification of
Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen**

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen is going to be Beatified on Thursday, September 24, 2026. The Beatification will bring the archbishop one step closer to sainthood.

In 1951 he was appointed Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of New York and launched "Life Is Worth Living", an unscripted television show. The program ran until 1957 and drew millions of viewers. He won an Emmy Award in 1953 as Most Outstanding Television Personality. Archbishop Sheen later hosted "The Fulton Sheen Program" from 1961 to 1968. He was appointed the Bishop of Rochester, New York, in 1966 and was later named Archbishop of the Titular See of Newport Wales in 1969.

He went home to God in December 1979 at the age of 84 and he was interred at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City. In 2002, the Diocese of Peoria began its push for beatification and canonization of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen.

We thank God and we rejoice that Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen is going to be Beatified, and soon a Saint. Archbishop Sheen, please pray for us!

MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

SUNDAY, September 20th; Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 Mary C. Traina
8:00 Vergilio Domenick Masella
9:30 St. Benedict Parish
11:00 San Benedetto
5:00 Mercedes Mejia de Liza and Augusto Liza Ugaz

MONDAY, September 21st; Saint Matthew

8:30 Gaetano Gizzo

TUESDAY, September 22nd

8:30 Clifford De Angelis

WEDNESDAY, September 23rd; Saint Pius of Pietrelcina

8:30 St. Padre Pio

THURSDAY, September 24th

8:30 John Pearce

FRIDAY, September 25th

8:30 John J. O'Brien and Family

SATURDAY, September 26th; Saints Cosmas and Damian

8:30 San Michele

4:00 Theresa and Nicholas Celentano and
Anna and Joseph Marrone

SUNDAY, September 27th; Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 Teodula Nieves
"Happy Heavenly Fourth Anniversary"

8:00 Maria Boiano

9:30 Rita and Daniel O'Brien
"Happy Heavenly Fifth Anniversary"

11:00 Michael John Kosits
5:00 St. Benedict Parish

Second Collection - There will be a Second Collection the **weekend of September 26th/27th for St. Joseph's Seminary**. Please be as generous as you can. Many, many thanks!

THIS WEEK'S ALTAR BREAD, WINE, AND ALTAR CANDLES HAVE BEEN DONATED BY:
Loving Daughter-in-Law and Grandchildren
IN LOVING MEMORY OF:
Domenico and Maria Del Vecchio

THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP HAS BEEN DONATED BY:

The Lillo Family
IN LOVING MEMORY FOR:
The Conversion of Sinners

THIS WEEK'S ADORATION CHAPEL CANDLES HAVE BEEN DONATED BY:

Sandra Golia Salvatico
IN LOVING MEMORY OF:
Antonietta Golia

REGISTRATION for 2026-2027 IS OPEN
for **Religious Ed (CCD) and Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS)**

ONLINE REGISTRATION for both our Parish programs is available on our Parish website: @stbenedictchurchny.org. All information regarding program fees, class times and dates, along with the registration form and online payment option are also available on our Parish website.

IN-PERSON REGISTRATION upon request. Please email Maria Pirraglia at: reled@stbenedictsschool.com to schedule an appointment.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Registration for 2026-2027 is open
Visit the Parish website: stbenedictchurchny.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION for GRADES 1 - 8

Wednesday session 4:15pm to 5:45pm OR

Sunday session 10:30am to 11:45am

Classes meet at St. Benedict's School

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION for

Pre-K and Kindergarten

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Level 1 (ages 4-6)

Sunday session #1 10:30am to 11:30am OR

Sunday session #2 12:30pm to 1:30pm

Classes meet at the Convent

NOTE: this class is NOT offered on WEDNESDAYS.

If interested in a tour of the atrium (classroom)
email Maria Pirraglia at:
reled@stbenedictsschool.com

FIRST DAY of CLASSES:

Wed, Sept.23, 2026 and Sun, Sept 27, 2026

THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS

This is an Invitation to ALL Adults who have not received their sacraments. You are invited to attend weekly classes here at **Saint Benedict's Rectory** beginning **Thursday, September 24, 2026 at 7:00pm**. If you are interested, please come to the rectory to register. Any questions, please go to: Rectory@stbenedictchurchny.org. Or call 718-828-3403, X101. Thank you.

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekdays: Monday through Friday 8:30am

Saturdays: 8:30am and 4:00pm (Sat Evening Vigil)

Sundays: 7:00am, 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am, 5pm

Please Pray for the Recently Deceased Members of Our Parish and their Grieving Families:

Carmen Guevara, Rosaria Prisciandaro,
Manuel Rivera, Lillian Thompson

Five Steps for a Good Confession

1. Examine your conscience.
2. Be sincerely sorry for your sins.
3. Confess your sins. (*Do not confess the sins of others*)
4. Resolve to amend your life.
5. After your confession, do the penance the priest assigns.

Don't be hasty * Don't be superficial * Avoid anxiety

A More Thorough Examination Of Conscience for Adults

(The first step to a good confession is to examine your conscience. The list below is based on the Ten Commandments and the teachings of the Church. You may find this list helpful in your preparation for Sacramental Confession. If you have questions about anything listed here, please feel comfortable to speak to the priest.)

Did I deny or doubt God's existence?

Did I refuse to believe God's revelation?

Did I believe or partake in fortune telling, tarot cards, good luck charms or reincarnation?

Did I deny that I was a Catholic?

Did I leave the Catholic faith?

Did I despair of or presume on God's mercy?

Did I neglect prayer for a long time?

Did I blaspheme God or take God's name in vain, curse, or break an oath or vow?

Did I miss Mass on Sunday or Holy Day of Obligation through my own fault?

Was I inattentive at Mass?

Did I come to Mass late or leave early?

Did I observe the Lord's Day by prayer and rest?

Did I disobey or disrespect my parents or legitimate superiors?

Did I neglect my duties to my husband, wife, children, or parents?

Did I fail to actively take an interest in the religious education and formation of my children?

Have they received Baptism, Communion, and Confirmation at the appropriate age?

Have I failed to educate myself on the true teachings of the Church?

Did I give a full day's work in return for my full day's pay?

Did I give a fair wage to my employee?

Did I give scandal by what I said or did, especially to the young?

Was I the cause of anyone leaving the faith?

Was I impatient, angry, envious, unkind, proud, jealous, revengeful, hateful towards other, lazy?

Did I give a bad example, abuse drugs, drink alcohol to excess, fight or quarrel?

Did I physically injure or kill anyone?

Did I attempt suicide?

Did I have an abortion?

Have I seen to it that my dying loved one received the Sacraments of the Church especially Anointing of the Sick?

Have I respected the rules of the Church to honor the dead?

Have I given Christian burial with Mass for the dead when it was my responsibility to do so?

Have I made provision for the proper burial of cremated remains?

Did I willfully entertain impure thoughts and desires?

Did I dress immodestly?

Did I use impure or suggestive words? Tell impure stories? Or listen to them?

Did I deliberately look at impure images by TV, internet or movies?

Did I perform impure acts by myself or with another, i.e. did I engage in masturbation, pre-marital sex or homosexual acts?

Did I receive Holy Communion when I was living with someone outside of the Sacrament of Marriage?

Did I marry or advise another to marry outside the church?

Did I abuse my marriage rights? Was I faithful to my wedding vows?

Have I kept company with someone else's spouse?

Did I practice artificial birth control or was I or my spouse sterilized?

Did I attempt in vitro fertilization?

Did I steal, cheat, help or encourage others to steal, or keep stolen goods? have I made restitution for stolen goods?

Did I fulfill my contracts: give or accept bribes; pay my bills and my taxes: rashly gamble or speculate; deprive my family of necessities of life?

Did I tell lies? Deliberately to deceive; or injure others by lies?

Did I commit perjury? Was I uncharitable in word or deed, gossip or reveal others' faults and sins? Fail to keep secrets I should have?

Did I eat meat on the Fridays of Lent or Ash Wednesday?

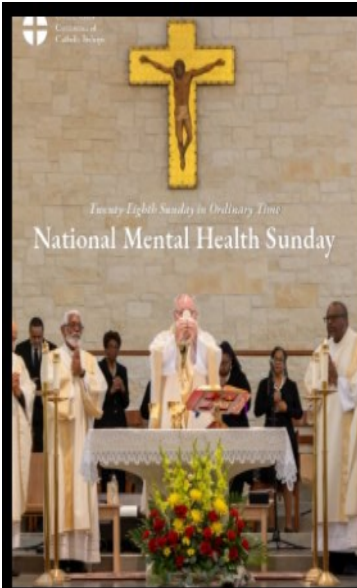
Did I fulfill my Easter duty? Fail to confess at least once a year?

Did I go to the Holy Communion in the state of mortal sin?

Did I fast for one hour from food and drink?

Did I make a bad confession?

Did I fail to contribute to the support of the Church?



SAVE THE DATE
October 11, 2026

(the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

**National Catholic
Mental Health Campaign
& Mental Health Sunday**

Recommended by the USCCB
to break the stigma around mental
illness, offer spiritual accompaniment
to those who struggle, and to highlight
mental health awareness and healing.

Catholics are invited to pray the
National Mental Health Novena From October 10 to 18

Digital resource links:

USCCB Campaign & Reflections: usccb.org/healing-and-hope

Daily Novena : usccb.org/mental-health-novena

Catholic Mental Health Ministers: catholicmhm.org

Catholic Charities Wellness Resource: catholiccharitiesusa.org/publications/whole-hearted/

If you or a loved one are carrying the silent weight of anxiety,
depression, or grief, please know that you are a beloved child of God,
and you are never alone.



The Bible Study Group meets on **Tuesdays at 7:00pm in the Convent downstairs**. We will discuss the Book of Genesis. We hope to see you!

BUS TRIP TO PADRE PIO
Monday, September 21, 2026

If you reserved your seat and it's paid for, we will see you on the bus.

The bus will leave at 8:00am SHARP!

It's important we leave on time!

Don't forget to bring your lunch!

**REMEMBER, THERE ARE NO MORE SEATS!
AVAILABLE!!!**

Please Remember to Pray for the Sick!
May they find healing and comfort in Jesus Christ!

Sr. Claire Regan, Stacey Addario, Joseph Abbate, Louis Amend, Donna Antonacci, Yselsa Arroyo, Gustavo Bardana, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Jack Bonacorso, Kathleen Bowers, Joseph Brenner, Wendelin Brenner, Walter Buddington, Peter Burnett, Amy Buscamonte, Caceres Family, Diane, Georgina Cales, Rosa Carino, Frankie Carpenter, Fay Carter, Jay and Patricia Cepero, Carolyn Chiappetta, Patricia Coughlin, Tom Curran, Maryann Cuttita, Lillian Cuttler, Frank Dailey, Vinny D'Amico, Louis D'Annucci, Debbie, Carla DeCicco, Anton Deski, Darielle Deviccaro, Angela Diaz, Lali Dilone, Anthony DiNardi, Emily DiNardi, John DiNardi, Margaret Dionisio, Dorothy DiPierro, Pat Eaccirano, Sandra Edwards, Sean Fagan, Barbara Farrell, Melissa Fonseca, Francisco Fernandez, Isabelle Mercedes Fernandez, John Fernandez, Filomena Fidanza, Christopher Filardi, David Fisher, Anthony Fortunato, Roseann Frattini, Debra Ann Garcia, Richard Garcia, Sr., Richard Garcia, Jr., Rose Gettenberg, Ralph Giorgio, Hope Mercedes Fernandez, Nereida Ferrer, Gordon, Marion Gruber, Frank Hinz, Jr., Sharon Holzapfel, Donna Inzano, Eileen Jeninngs, Edward Kennedy, Paul Korngold, Stephanie (Tyko) Krepes, Daniel Kundig, Josephine Lambell, Manuel Larino, Elise Lawle, Luis Gabriel Leal, Geraldine Lee, Mary Alexandra Lee, Virginia Lee, Frankie Lettera, Jessica Lettera, Francine Lettley, Katharina Listner, Frank Lomangino, LauMei Sheung Louie, Tiffany MacKnight, Ernie Magnotta, Julia Magnotta, Adrienne Malave, Elizabeth Mandile, Ann Marro, Olga Martinez, Robert McCarthy, Margo McGinty, Annette Matranga, Denise McPadden, Sue McVey, Carolyn Morello, Christie Madonna Muccino, Paula Mullane, Rosa Munoz, Lisa Murphy, Oyola Family, Maylee Roman Overman, Angelo Palumbo, Sr., Juana Perez, Aida Perez, Pasquale Preziosa, Paolo Principe, Michael and Robert Prokop, Linda Ranallo, Kim Rappold, Richard Reale, Joshua Reaser, Philip Rebia, William F. Reilly, Maritza Resto, Frank Riegel, Phillip Rivera, Joanne and Walter Robinson, Mario and Nelson Roman, Antonette Roublick, Sylvia Russo, Angela Dello Russo, John Russo, Carl Saglimbeni, Ann & Dave Samhammer, Peter Samoylo, Ashley Saucedo, Ada Scanga, Margaret Geddis Schmidt, Nicolai Soriano, Maria Soto, Edward Spar, Lois Stabile, Virginia Strasser, Theresa Stanton, Ramon Surita, Pasquale Tartaglione, Jennifer Tully, Stefanie Ural, Teresa Bosquez Valdez, Fran Walsh, Loretta White

+ Babies/Children +

Amber, Baby Amari, Baby Rose, Brayden, Brinley, Mia Carolla, Daniella Grace Comblo, Charli Mary Carozza, Crosslyn, Declynn, Sebastian DeLuca, Caleb DeJesus, Erma, Marco Garcia, Joseph Gentile, Ella Grazia Delli Carpini, Eli, Blake Salvatore Haddock, Harry, Jr., Hayden, Noelle Jablonka, Katherin, Savannah Longo, Sophia Lopez, Emi Lun, Aubrey Madden, Maizy, Giulia Sofia McCullough, Mila, Natalie, Noah, Lucas Ortiz, Sihanna, Anastassia Savov, Tiffany Toro, Summer Rose Vachna

GOD BLESS AMERICA!

In Loving Memory of John Myers

Our family wants to express our deepest gratitude to everyone who has reached out with messages of love, prayers, and support during this incredibly painful time. Your kindness has brought us immense comfort.

We invite family and friends to join us as we honor and celebrate John's remarkable life and legacy.

Service Details:

Date: Friday, September 25th

Time: 3:00 PM

Location: St. Benedict Church

This loss is profound and we continue to pray for strength during this difficult time. Thank you for keeping us in your hearts.

With love, Anne Myers

Join Our Choirs!

When you sing, you pray twice

Our first practice is Wednesday, Sept. 23rd

Youth Choir - Weekly Rehearsals:
Wednesdays from 2:45pm until 4:00pm
Mass Schedule: Sundays at 9:30am

Adult Choir - Weekly Rehearsals
Wednesdays from 7:15pm until 8:30pm
Mass Schedule: Sundays at 11:00am

**OCTOBER 4th will be the
FIRST SUNDAY CHOIR MASS**

Meet in the Choir Room:

Youth Choir at 9:00am & Adult Choir at 10:30am

Anyone interested in joining, please see Anne Myers for details.

Looking forward to a great Choir Season!

Prayer for The United States of America!

Father, I come before you, lifting up the United States of America. I pray for unity among its people, that love may bridge the divides, and that grace may guide our interactions. Grant wisdom and discernment to our leaders, so that they may govern with integrity and seek the well-being of all.

May Your peace reign in our land, and may Your purposes prevail.

In Your mercy, heal our nation, restore hope, and let righteousness and justice flow like a mighty river.

Amen!

**St. Benedict's Women's Cornerstone
Retreat will be October 2nd and 3rd 2026**

Cornerstone is a 27-hour retreat that provides you with the opportunity to reflect, renew, and strengthen your faith while meeting other women in our Christian community. All meals (including dinner on Friday night) will be provided. Applications with more details are now available in the back of the Church, and in the rectory. **The retreat is free but registration is required** — No walk-ins. For more information, please call or email Women's Cornerstone at: 862-236-4074 or email: sbcornerstoneny@gmail.com

**St. Benedict's Men's Cornerstone Retreat
will be October 23rd and 24th, 2026**

Cornerstone is a 27-hour retreat that provides you with the opportunity to reflect, renew, and strengthen your faith while meeting other men in our Christian community. All meals (including dinner on Friday night) will be provided. **The retreat is free but registration is required** — No walk-ins. For more information, please email the Men's Cornerstone at: Daniel.Chahbazian@gmail.com or call 516-383-6630

God Bless America!

Please pray for Police Officers, Firefighters, EMT's, Military, Armed Forces and all those who risk their lives to protect us; that God will bless them and keep them!



50/50 WINNER

**Ms. Elizabeth Feeley August 9, 2026
\$165.00**

The Federal Education Freedom Tax Credit

We want to bring your attention to an exciting new opportunity launching next year: the federal Education Freedom Tax Credit. This program allows taxpayers to support K-12 tuition and education scholarships at zero net cost. There are extra flyers at the rectory and the back of the church.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Eucharistic Adoration Chapel is **OPEN** Monday through Saturday from 9:00am until 1:00pm. The **NEXT Overnight Eucharistic Adoration will be Friday, October 2, 2026** from 8:00pm until 8:00am. We are always in need of volunteers especially our male parishioners for overnight. You can volunteer for 1 hour, 2 hours, 3 hours, etc. It's up to you. Many, many thanks! **God Bless you!**

*Happy Moments, Praise God
Difficult Moments, Seek God
Quiet Moments, Worship God
Painful Moments, Trust God*

Quotes from the Fathers of the Church, the Saints, and the Great Teachers!

"The secret of happiness is to live moment by moment and to thank GOD for all that HE, in HIS goodness, sends to us day after day."

~~~**St. Gianna Molla**



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Bronx, NY  
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**Prayer List For Our**

**United States Servicemen and Women**

**U.S. Air Force:**

1<sup>st</sup> Class Airman Eric Bosco, General Thomas D. Crimmins, Ismael Guiles, Major Roger Illari, 1st Airman Darren Morello, Stephanie Mendez, Air Force Airman, Msgt. Daniel Rivera, Lieutenant Colonel Alicia Stumpf, Lieutenant Colonel Sean Stumpf.

**U.S. Army/U.S. National Guard:**

SPC, Army National Guard, Middle East, Marcus Cassin, Pvt. Matthew Dooley, Sgt. Scott Douglas, Jason Engeldrum, Sgt. Pedro Flores, Pvt. Anthony Grieco, Jr., 2nd Lt. Christopher Hackett, Johnny Jiminez, 82<sup>nd</sup> Airborne, Corporal Jenna Kuhl, Sergeant First Class Javier Mendoza, PV2 James McCarthy, Private Patrick W. Mooney, Major Peter Anthony Orlando, Pvt. Anthony Ottaviano, Reverend (Captain) Peter Pompisello, Major Lori Robinson, Thomas Robinson, Jr., Pvt. Sidney Antonio Kearns Rodriguez, Pvt. Justin Roman, Ryan Shank, Timothy S. Valentine, S.J., Capt. Javi San Juan, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Renee San Juan, Colonel Raymond Van Pelt, Franky Perez, Sgt. Andrew Santander, Staff Sgt. Matthew Wickes, SPC Albert Zapata, Staff Sgt. William Ziegler.

**U.S. Coast Guard:**

Jayke Hooks, Seaman Apprentice, Thomas J. Hooks, Brandon A. Moreno, YN3, Ryan T. Moreno, CS3; Seaman Apprentice, PO3 Eberlee Santander.

**U.S. Marine Corps:**

Corporal Michael John Canzone, III, Liam Deenihan, Parris Island Boot Camp; 1st Lieutenant Ryan E. Dengler, Master Sgt. Mark S. Lynch, Corporal Kevin S. Major, LCpl Erik Mango, Lieutenant Colonel Frank Parisi, Reserves, In Basic Training Daniel Smith Peters; Sgt. Benjamin Rodriguez, Staff Sgt. Randy Vaccaro, Reserves; Pvt. 1st Class, Jason R. Wager

**U.S. Navy:**

Chief Petty Officer Laurence Bueno, Lieutenant Commander Diplomat John Brunetti, Lieutenant JG Bethany Lee Champlin; Petty Officer Gillen, LCDR Jennifer Groger Widman, ABH3 (AW) Christopher Hough, Ensign Brandon McGaughan, Jordan McKay, Active Reservist, Naval Airman E-3, Sea Bee Sammy Pizzano, Petty Officer William F. Ramos, Ralph Romero Sanchez, Richard Torrens, Lieutenant Commander Victor Schaefer, E-4 Edwin Vargas, Pvt. Nicholas Zayas.

**Spiritual Readings for the Wk of Sept. 20, 2026:**

**20 SUN TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

**21 Mon Feast** Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13 (643)

**22 Tue** Weekday Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Lk 8:19-21

**23 Wed** Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest Memorial Prv 30:5-9/Lk 9:1-6

**24 Thu** Weekday Eccl 1:2-11/Lk 9:7-9

**25 Fri** Weekday Eccl 3:1-11/Lk 9:18-22

**26 Sat** Weekday [Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs; BVM] Eccl 11:9—12:8/Lk 9:43b-45

**27 SUN TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**