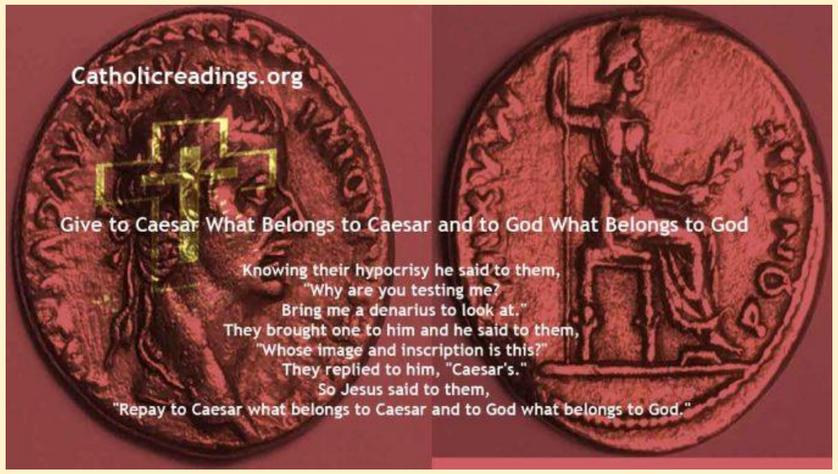


Saint Joseph's, Saint Anne's & Holy Family And Saint Patrick's
October 18 2026, Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
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Mass Readings for The 18th Of October 2026, Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A	
1st Reading	Isaiah 45:1, 4-6
Responsorial Psalm	Psalms 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10
2nd Reading	1 Thessalonians 1:1-5B
Alleluia	Philippians 2:15D, 16A
Gospel	Matthew 22:15-21

1st Reading – Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

1 Thus says the Lord to my anointed Cyrus, whose right hand I hold, so that I may subjugate the nations before his face, and I may turn the backs of kings, and I may open the doors before him, and so that the gates will not be shut.
4 For the sake of Jacob, my servant, and Israel, my elect, I have even called you by your name. I have taken you up, and you have not known me.
5 I am the Lord, and there is no one else. There is no god beside me. I girded you, and you have not known me.
6 So may those who are from the rising of the sun, and those who are from its setting, know that there is no one beside me. I am the Lord, and there is no other.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalms 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10

R. (7b) Give the Lord glory and honour.

1 Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all you lands.
3 Tell his glory among the nations; among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.

R. Give the Lord glory and honour.

4 For great is the LORD and highly to be praised; awesome is he, beyond all gods.
5 For all the gods of the nations are things of nought, but the LORD made the heavens.

R. Give the Lord glory and honour.

7 Give to the LORD, you families of nations, give to the LORD glory and praise;
8 give to the LORD the glory due his name! Bring gifts, and enter his courts.

R. Give the Lord glory and honour.

9 Worship the LORD, in holy attire; tremble before him, all the earth;
10 say among the nations: The LORD is king, he governs the peoples with equity.

R. Give the Lord glory and honour.

2nd Reading – 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5B

1 Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians in God the
Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: grace to you and peace.
2 We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our
prayers, unceasingly
3 calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love and endurance in hope
of our Lord Jesus Christ, before our God and Father,
4 knowing, brothers and sisters loved by God, how you were chosen.
5AB For our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in
the Holy Spirit and with much conviction.

Alleluia – Philippians 2:15D, 16A

R. Alleluia, alleluia.
15D Shine like lights in the world
16A as you hold on to the word of life.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel – Matthew 22:15-21

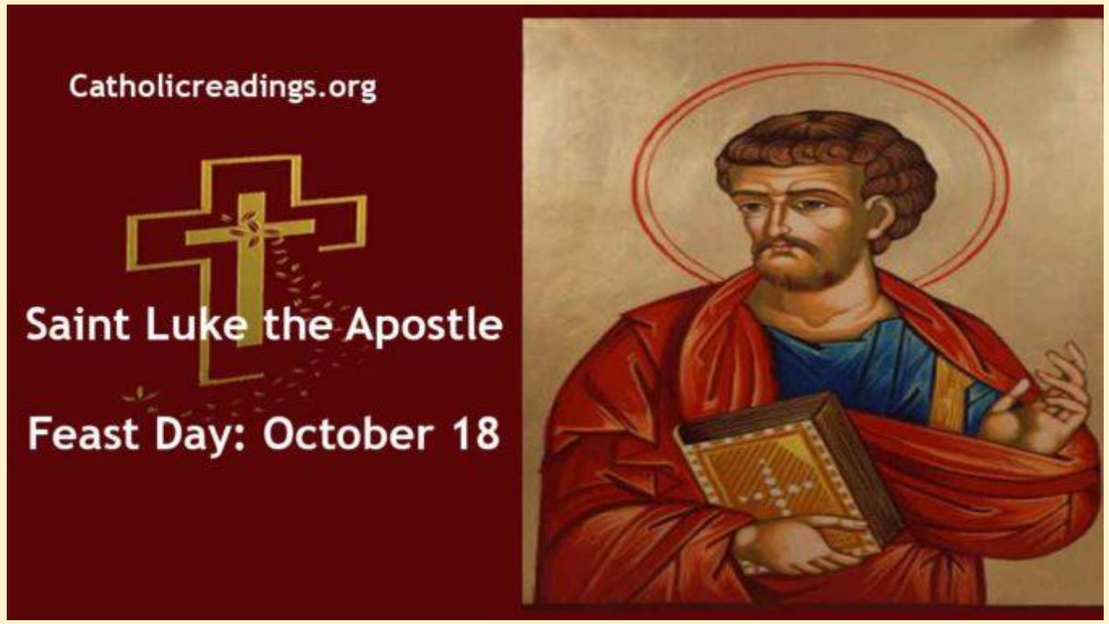
15 The Pharisees went off and plotted how they might entrap Jesus in
speech.
16 They sent their disciples to him, with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we
know that you are a truthful man and that you teach the way of God in
accordance with the truth. And you are not concerned with anyone's opinion,
for you do not regard a person's status.
17 Tell us, then, what is your opinion: Is it lawful to pay the census tax to
Caesar or not?"
18 Knowing their malice, Jesus said, "Why are you testing me, you
hypocrites?
19 Show me the coin that pays the census tax." Then they handed him the
Roman coin.
20 He said to them, "Whose image is this and whose inscription?"
21 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."

Catholic Sunday Mass Readings Homily For the 18th Of October 2026, Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Today's 18th Of October 2026 Catholic Sunday Readings Homily Theme: Give to Caesar What Belongs to Caesar and to God What Belongs to God – Mark 12:13-17, Matthew 22:15-21

Saint Of The Day

St Luke the Evangelist Biography



St Luke the Evangelist – Feast Day – October 18 2026

Date of Birth	1st century AD
Place of Birth	Antioch, Syria
Profession	Physician and a disciple of St. Paul
Place of Work	Roman Empire
Date of Death	Late 1st Century AD

St Luke the Evangelist Biography	
Place of Death	Thebes, Boeotia, Greece
Feast Day	The 18th Of **October**
Canonization	Pre-Congregation
Patron Saint of	▪ Bachelors ▪ Physicians ▪ Surgeons ▪ Farmers

St Luke the Evangelist Life History

St Luke was born in Antioch, Syria in the Roman Empire to pagan and Greek parents. He was converted by St Paul the Apostle and was his disciple. He was present in all the Pauline missions as Paul's personal physician and, in effect, as a kind of biographer. He uses the word "we" to signify that he was present when most of the things he wrote about happened during the Pauline missions. In the Acts of Apostles, Luke tells us about the beginning and deeds of the very early Church. It is through this work of Luke that we come to know about Pentecost and the workings of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles. Luke is present in Rome with the Apostle Paul near the end of Paul's life. This is found in The second letter of St Paul to Timothy. Luke is one of the companions of Paul who did not abandon him in Rome during his imprisonment and martyrdom.

11 Luke is the only one with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is helpful to me in the ministry. – 2 Timothy 4:11

St Luke's Nationality and Ethnicity

St Luke was considered a Gentile though some sources say he was a Hellenic Jew; a form of Judaism that combined Jewish religious culture with some elements of Greek culture. This can be found in the Letter of St Paul to the Colossians.

10 Aristarchus, my fellow prisoner, sends you greetings, as does Mark the cousin of Barnabas
11 and Jesus, who is called Justus, who are of the circumcision; these alone are my co-workers for the kingdom of God …
*14 Luke the beloved physician sends greetings, as does Demas. – **Colossians 4:10-11,14***

St Luke wrote for an audience that was not Jewish. There are words that the other Gospels leave in their original language that St Luke translates into Greek. This means his target audience could not understand Aramaic or Hebrew.

It is only in the Gospel of Luke that we find the

1. Story of Lazarus and the rich man
2. Virgin's Magnificat
3. The scriptural basis for the "Hail Mary"

St Luke's Education

He was a disciple and an apprentice of Saint Paul the Apostle as it was evident that he traveled with him to all the Pauline missions. He was said to have been a physician, an artist, and a rhetorician; someone who speaks words primarily to impress or to persuade.

Death

St Luke was believed to have been murdered as a martyr after he was said to have been hung from an olive tree though other sources say that he may have died a natural death. He died at the age of 84 in Thiva, the ancient Greek name for Thebes, Boetia (Central Greece), in the Roman province of Achaia. His tomb is located in Thebes.

Relics

His Relics are situated in the following areas;

1. His body is at The Abbey of Santa Gustina in Padua
2. His head is at Saint Vitus Cathedral in Prague
3. His rib is at his Tomb in Thebes

Canonization

St. Luke was canonized pre-congregation; that is before the set up of modern investigations by the congregation for the Causes of Saints.

St. Luke's Feast day
We celebrate his feast day on October 18 every year in the Catholic Church.
Saint Luke the Evangelist is Venerated in
He is venerated in all the Churches worldwide that venerate and celebrate saints.
St Luke the Evangelist Legacy and Major works

St.Luke's major works are;

1. The authorship of the Gospel according to Luke and also the Acts of the Apostles. Together they account for 27.5% of the New Testament, the largest contribution by a single author.
2. He also contributed in the Pauline missionary work as it is stated that he travelled with the Apostle from Troas to Macedonia, stayed behind evidently for seven years at Philippi and lastly, shared the shipwreck and dangers of the memorable journey to Rome.

St Luke's Attributes
St. Luke is represented in various ways, including the following;

- Physician
- Evangelist
- A man with a book, a pen or a brush
- A man painting an icon of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- A man accompanied by a winged ox
- A bishop

St Luke is the Patron Saint of

1. Physicians
2. Artists
3. Rhetoricians
4. Surgeons
5. Farmers

Saint Luke's Prayer

O holy apostle, St. Luke, I ask your intercession on behalf of all doctors, especially (name person). Humbly lay them at the Divine Physician's feet asking that they have: the wisdom and knowledge necessary to treat their patients effectively and restore them to physical and mental health; the compassion and empathy necessary to be of comfort to those who are suffering; and the strength and grace to fulfill their duties as doctors. I also ask that you pray that they are kept safe from all harm and that they never succumb to the illnesses they are treating. O blessed St. Luke, we thank you for your prayers and assistance. **Amen.**

Quotes
"Remember the past, plan for the future but live for today, for yesterday is gone and tomorrow may never come."

Other Saint Of The Day

- Saint Peter of Alcantara
- Saint Justus of Beauvais
- Blessed Burchard I of Halberstadt
- Blessed Theobald of Narbonne
- Saint Amabilis of Auvergne
- Saint Proculus of Pozzuoli
- Saint Eutychius of Pozzuoli
- Blessed Domenico of Perpignano
- Blessed Alfredo Almunia López-Teruel
- Saint Acutius of Pozzuoli

Saint Monon of Nassogne
St Monon of Nassogne was also known as Mono, Muno, or Monone. He was a Scottish hermit in the Ardennes region of France who was stoned to death in 645 AD in Nassogne, Belgium by a pack of local thugs who were offended by his personal holiness and died as a martyr.

Saint Gwen of Tagarth
St Gwen of Tagarth was also known as Blanche, Candida, Genuissa, Wenn, or Wenna. She was the daughter of Saint Brychan of Brycheiniog born in 463 AD. She was a married lay woman but after she became a widow, she

evangelized in Northern Wales. She was killed in 492 AD by pagan Saxons and died as a martyr in Talgarth, Wales.

Saint Cadwaladr of Brittany
St Cadwaladr of Brittany was the spiritual student of Saint Cadoc of Llancarvan. He helped found the monastery on the island of Morbihan, now modern-day Ile de Saint-Cado in Armorica, Brittany, France. He served as its abbot.

Saint Tryphonia of Rome
St. Tryphonia of Rome was also known as Tryfonia. She was a widow and the mother of Saint Cyrilla of Rome in the third century AD. She died as a martyr in Rome, Italy. Her relics were enshrined by Pope Paul I.

Saint Asclepiades of Antioch
St. Asclepiades was the Bishop of Antioch in 211 AD. Due to the trials he underwent as a bishop, he is sometimes listed as a martyr. In 217 AD, he died of natural causes.

Blessed Margherita Tornielli
Blessed Margherita Tornielli was a Poor Clare nun born in Novara, Italy. In 1491, he died of natural causes in Novara, Italy.

Saint Julian the Hermit
St. Julian was a hermit in the fourth century AD with a cell near Edessa, Mesopotamia. He was also a hermit on Mount Sinai.

Saint Gwen
St Gwen was a widow who was the mother of Saint Cyby and Saint Cadfan, the sister of Saint Nonna and Aunt of Saint David of Wales.

Saint Brothen
St Brothen was born in the sixth century. He is the patron saint of Llanbrothen, Wales.

Saint Gwendoline
St Gwendoline was also known as Gwendolen, Gwynnin

Martyrs of Africa
The Martyrs of Africa are a group of Christians martyred together in 300 AD in Africa.

Their names are;

- Beresus
- Dasius
- Faustinus
- Leucius
- Lucius
- Martialis
- Victoricus
- Victrix
- Viktor
- Other Saints of the Day for October 18 2026
- Servatius of Lairvelz
- Raso Goetghebue
- Lupus of Soissons
- Illogan of Cornwall
- Francis of Boullonay
- Amabile of Rium

Weekend Mass Times:

Saturday Night Mass Times	
Saint Josephs	5:30pm

Sunday Mass Times	
Saint Joseph's	9:30am
Saint Anne's & Holy Family	11:00 am
Saint Patrick's Ryhope	9:30 am

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