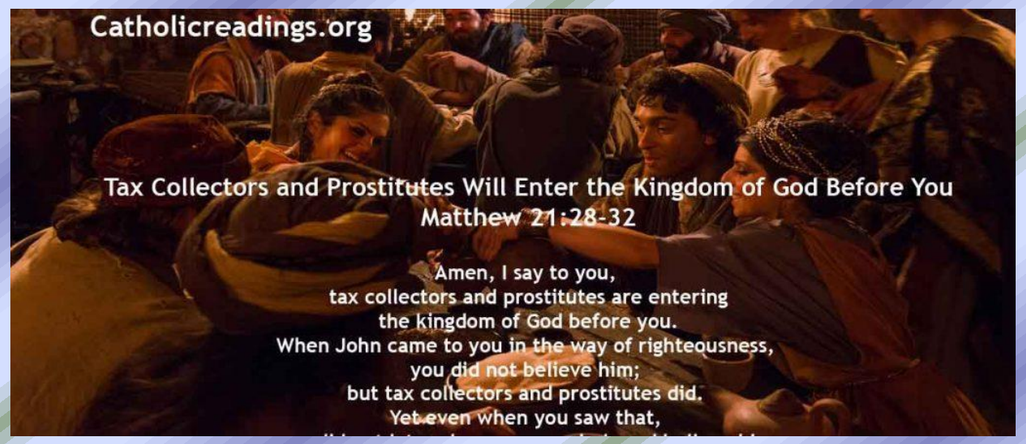


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27th Of September, Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
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27th Of September 2026, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A	
1st Reading	Ezekiel 18:25-28
Responsorial Psalm	Psalms 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
2nd Reading	Philippians 2:1-11 Or Philippians 2:1-5
Alleluia	John 10:27
Gospel	Matthew 21:28-32

1st Reading – Ezekiel 18:25-28

Thus says the LORD:
25 You say, "The way of the Lord is not fair.' Therefore, listen, O house of Israel. How could it be that my way is not fair? And is it not instead your ways that are perverse?

26 For when the just man turns himself away from his justice, and commits iniquity, he shall die by this; by the injustice that he has worked, he shall die.

27 And when the impious man turns himself away from his impiety, which he has done, and accomplishes judgment and justice, he shall cause his own soul to live.

28 For by considering and turning himself away from all his iniquities, which he has worked, he shall certainly live, and he shall not die.

Responsorial Psalm – Psalms 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

R. (6a) Remember your mercies, O Lord.

4 Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths,
5 guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my savior.

R. Remember your mercies, O Lord.

6 Remember that your compassion, O LORD, and your love are from of old.
7 The sins of my youth and my frailties remember not; in your kindness remember me, because of your goodness, O LORD.

R. Remember your mercies, O Lord.

8 Good and upright is the LORD; thus he shows sinners the way.
9 He guides the humble to justice, and teaches the humble his way.

R. Remember your mercies, O Lord.

2nd Reading – Philippians 2:1-11

Brothers and sisters:
1 If there is any consolation in Christ, any solace of charity, any fellowship of the Spirit, any feelings of commiseration:
2 complete my joy by having the same understanding, holding to the same charity, being of one mind, with the same sentiment.
3 Let nothing be done by contention, nor in vain glory. Instead, in humility, let each of you esteem others to be better than himself.
4 Let each of you not consider anything to be your own, but rather to belong to others.
5 For this understanding in you was also in Christ Jesus:
6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not consider equality with God something to be seized.
7 Instead, he emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being made in the likeness of men, and accepting the state of a man.
8 He humbled himself, becoming obedient even unto death, even the death of the Cross.
9 Because of this, God has also exalted him and has given him a name which is above every name,
10 so that, at the name of Jesus, every knee would bend, of those in heaven, of those on earth, and of those in hell,
11 and so that every tongue would confess that the Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father.

Or Philippians 2:1-5

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Alleluia – John 10:27

R. Alleluia, alleluia.
27 My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.
R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel – Matthew 21:28-32

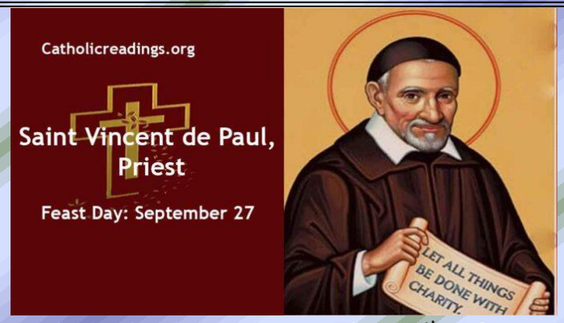
Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people:
28 "What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He came to the first and said, 'Son, go out and work in the vineyard today.'
29 He said in reply, 'I will not, ' but afterwards changed his mind and went.
30 The man came to the other son and gave the same order. He said in reply, 'Yes, sir, 'but did not go.
31 Which of the two did his father's will?" They answered, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you.
32 When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him."

Saint Of The Day

St Vincent de Paul was a Catholic priest who served the poor.
He was born on 24th Of April 1581 in the village of Pouy, in Guyenne and Gascony, France.

He died on The 27th Of September 1660 in Paris, France.

We celebrate his feast day on the 27th Of September every year in the Catholic Church.

St Vincent de Paul, Priest Biography	
	
St Vincent de Paul – Feast Day – The 27th Of September 2026	
Date of Birth	The 24th Of April 1581
Place of Birth	Guyenne and Gascony, France
Profession	French Catholic Priest
Place of Work	France
Date of Death	The 27th Of September 1660
Place of Death	Paris, France
Feast Day	The 27th Of September
Beatification	By Pope Benedict XIII on The 13th Of August 1729 in Rome, Papal States
Canonization	By Pope Clement XII on The 16th Of June 1737 in Rome, Papal States
Patron Saint of	• Volunteers • Vincentian Service Corps • Spiritual help • Saint Vincent de Paul Societies • Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory Catholic School, San Francisco, California • Richmond, Virginia • Prisoners • Madagascar • Lost articles • Leprosy • Hospitals • Horses • Charities

St Vincent de Paul Life History

St Vincent de Paul's father was Jean and his mother was Bertrande de Moras de Paul and were peasant farmers. He was the third born of six children – three brothers and two sisters. He joined the seminary when he was fifteen years old and received his education at a college in Dax, France. Later on, he studied theology at the University of Toulouse. At the age of nineteen years, on The 13th Of September 1600, he was ordained as a priest but because he was still not yet 24 years, he declined to take the role of a parish priest and Continued with his theology studies. After graduating with a Bachelor of Theology Degree from the University of Toulouse on the 12th Of October 1604, the following year, he was captured and enslaved for two years in Tunis, Tunisia. After being sold to several masters, his last master helped him escape back to France in 1607. After landing in France, Vincent went to Rome to study for nearly two years and then came back to France. He became friends with Cardinal Pierre de Bérulle who became his spiritual advisor. Cardinal Pierre made Vincent the Chaplain and tutor to the Florentine banking family of the Gondi. The initial life of leisure that St Vincent de Paul had yearned for was changed after he heard the confession of a dying peasant and he experienced a change of heart. After King Louis XIII died, his wife Queen Anne took over the rule of France as a regent and nominated Vincent de Paul as her spiritual adviser. Vincent was introduced to many poor families by the daughters of CharityHe tended to the poor by bringing them food and other essential supplies Just to at least make their lives bearable and comfortable. He mobilized the rich women of Paris to solicit funds for various uses like founding hospitals, missionary projects, relief funds for war victims, and ransom of 1200 galley slaves from North Africa. From these mobilizations, Vincent, with the help of Louise de Marillac started the daughters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul which was associated with the Catholic Church. After working briefly for the imprisoned galley slaves in Paris he became the superior of the Vincentians whose priests take the vows of chastity, stability, obedience, and poverty. He organized retreats and training for priests and aided a lot in the establishment of seminaries and became a spiritual director of St. Mary of Angels Convent for twenty-eight years.

Death and Relics

St Vincent de Paul died on September 27 1660. His bones are preserved in a glass reliquary in Saint Vincent de Paul Chapel, Paris (The headquarters of the Vincentian fathers). His incorrupt heart is displayed at the chapel of the motherhouse of the daughters of Charity in Paris.

Beatification

Saint Vincent de Paul was beatified by Pope Benedict XIII on August 13 1729 in Rome, Papal States

Canonization

Saint Vincent de Paul was canonized by Pope Clement XII on June 16 1737 in Rome, Papal States

Saint Vincent de Paul Feast Day

From 1737 till 1969, the feast day was celebrated on the 19th Of July but it was transferred to The 27th Of September after the 1969 revision of the General Roman Calendar.

Saint Vincent de Paul is the Patron Saint of

- Volunteers
- Vincentian Service Corps
- Spiritual help
- Saint Vincent de Paul Societies
- Sacred Heart Cathedral Preparatory Catholic School, San Francisco, California
- Richmond, Virginia
- Prisoners
- Madagascar
- Lost articles
- Leprosy
- Hospitals
- Horses
- Charities

Other Saints Of The Day

- Blessed Lorenzo of Ripafratta
- Blessed Delphine
- Saint Elzear
- Blessed Jean-Baptiste Laborie du Vivier
- Saint Bonfilius of Foligno

Saint Adolphus and Saint John of Cordoba

St Adolphus and St John of Cordoba were brothers, born in Seville, Spain to a Moorish father and a Christian mother. They were killed in 850 AD and died as a martyr in Corboba, Spain during the persecutions of Abderrahman II.

Saint Gaius of Milan

St Gaius of Milan was also known as Caius of Milan. He was the spiritual student of St Barnabas the Apostle and became the first century bishop of Milan, Italy for 24 years. He baptized St Vitalis, St Gervase and St Protase. He died in 85 AD and his relics were enshrined by St Charles Borromeo at the church of St Francis in Milan, Italy in 1571.

Blessed Lorenzo della Pieta

Blessed Lorenzo della Pieta was a Mercedarian assigned to North Africa. He was beaten and abused by Muslims repeatedly but managed to free 121 Christians who had been enslaved.

Saint Hiltrude of Liessies

St Hiltrude of Liessies lived secluded and in solitude near Liessies, France. He was under the spiritual direction of her brother Gundrad who was an abbot of the nearby monastery. In 790 AD, he died of natural causes.

Blessed Antonio de Torres

Blessed Antonio de Torres was a Mercedarian friar. He was known as a man devoted to God wholly. He ransomed and freed 80 Christians in Algiers, North Africa, who had been enslaved by Muslims.

Saint Barrog the Hermit
St Barrog the Hermit was also known as Barrwg, Barnoch, Barruc, Barry, Barroq, or Barnoc. He was a spiritual student of Saint Cadoc of Wales in the seventh century. He became a hermit on a piece of land now known as Barry Island in his honour. That land was an island off the coast of Glamorgan.

Saint Adheritus
St Adheritus was also known as Adhentus, Abderitus, or Adery. He was a Greek-born priest and later the Bishop of Ravenna, Italy. He died of natural causes in Ravenna, Italy in the 2nd century and his relics were preserved in the Benedictine Basilica of Classe, Ravenna, Italy.

Saint Ceraunus of Paris
St Ceraunus of Paris was also known as Ceran of Paris. He was the Bishop of Paris, France. In 614 AD, he died of natural causes and his relics are enshrined in the church of Saint Genevieve, Paris, France.

Saint Fidentius of Todi
St Fidentius of Todi was also known as Fidenzio of Todi. He died as a martyr and his relics were discovered in the 12th century in Todi, Italy. He is the patron saint of Bassano in Teverina, Italy.
Saint Florentinus the Hermit, St Florentinus the Hermit was also known as Florentino. He was a hermit who died as a martyr. He was beheaded in 5th century by Vandals in Sedunum, Gaul now modern-day Brémur, France.

Saint Terence of Todi
St Terence of Todi was also known as Terenzio or Terentius. He died as a martyr and his relics were discovered in the 12th century in Todi, Italy. He is the patron saint of Bassano in Teverina, Italy.

Saint Deodatus of Sora
Saint Deodatus of Sora died as a martyr in Sora, Italy. His relics were enshrined in 1621 AD in the cathedral in Sora.

Saint Marcellus of Saint Gall

St Marcellus was an Irish monk at Saint Gall Abbey in Switzerland. He died in 869 AD.

Saint Epicharis
St Epicharis was martyred in Byzantium during the persecutions of Diocletian.

Saint Hilary the Hermit
St Hilary was a hermit who died as a martyr in France.

Martyrs of Aegea
The Martyrs of Aegea were three Christians who were in 303 AD, tortured, beheaded, and ultimately martyred together with Saints Damian and Cosmas in Aegea, Cilicia, now modern-day Ayas, Turkey during the persecutions of Diocletian.

Their names are;
- Anthimus
- Euprepius
- Leontius

Martyrs of the Spanish Civil War
These are the names of some of the thousands of people who were murdered from 1934 to 1939, during the anti-Catholic persecutions of the Spanish Civil War.

Their names are;
- Blessed Mariano Climent Sanchis
- Blessed Maria Rosa Fradera Ferragutcasas
- Blessed Maria Magdalena Fradera Ferragutcasas
- Blessed Maria Carme Fradera Ferragutcasas
- Blessed José Fenollosa Alcaina
- Blessed Herminia Martínez Amigó de Martínez
- Blessed Crescencia Valls Espí

Other Saints of the Day for The 27th Of September 2026

- Sigebert II of East Anglia
- Paul Sanson
- Mary of the Purification
- Chiara of the Resurrection

Catholic Sunday Mass Readings Homily – For The 27th Of September 2026, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Theme: Tax Collectors and Prostitutes Will Enter the Kingdom of God Before You – Matthew 21:28-32

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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