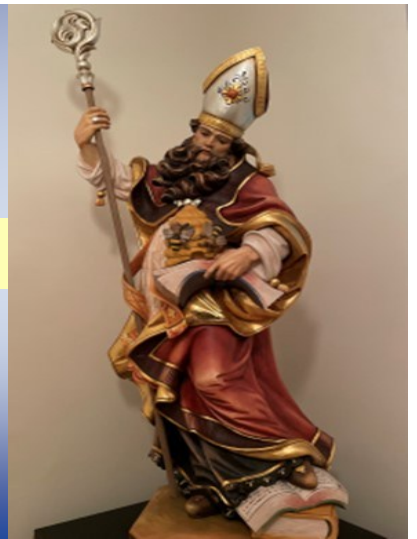


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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 26, 2026

Scripture Insights

For several weeks, the Sunday Gospel readings have come from the parables of Jesus. In each one, Jesus has tried to find some concrete illustration for the reign of God. God's direct rule over all things might be the ultimate reality, but it is a subtle process. Recognizing it requires discernment and the ability to identify God's presence and action. The parables Jesus shares this week each emphasize that process of search and discovery.

Spiritual discernment is a type of wisdom. Solomon recognizes the difficulty of making good decisions on behalf of God and Israel and begs God for the grace to do so. The wisdom he receives is a special treasure, because not only does it help him judge things rightly, it also offers him insight into God's mind, which made all things. The psalm reinforces this belief, adding a need for commitment. Those careful to follow the will of God will discover things

that only God can reveal.

Those exercising discernment in today's Gospel had already trained themselves to find what they sought. The fortune hunter knew how to discover treasure; the pearl merchant recognized an especially valuable pearl; the fishermen knew what to keep and what to discard. Likewise, those who seek God's kingdom must first train themselves to recognize it. Prayer, works of mercy, and study of God's Word are the training that opens the heart to recognize God's constant presence and action.

This Sunday's second reading reveals the result of an open heart. "All things work for good for those who love God." The person whose mind is trained to seek the kingdom encounters divine gifts at every turn. Loving God and living out Christ's commands will attune the mind to the treasures hidden in open view all around us

SOURCEBOOK 2026

MASS TIMES:

Sunday 10:00 a.m. (Livestreamed)
& 5:00 p.m.

Monday-Friday: 6:00 p.m.

ADORATION: Every
Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.



CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

BAPTISMS

By Appointment

MARRIAGE

Arrangements 6 months in
advance

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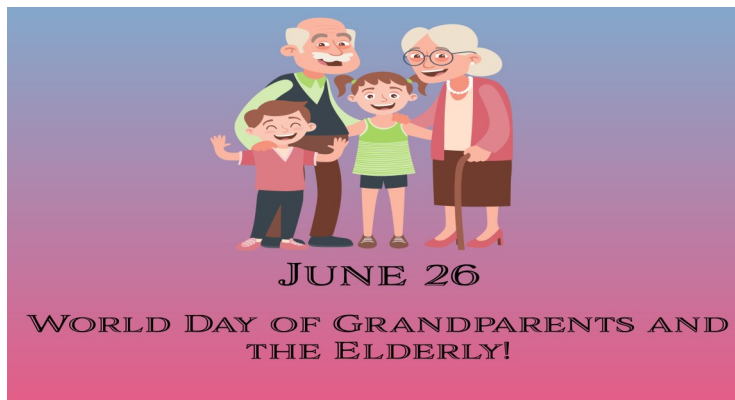


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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: First Kings 3: 5, 7-12**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalms 119: 57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130**Second Reading:** Romans 8: 28-30**Alleluia:** Matthew 11: 25**Gospel:** Matthew 13: 44-52**DID YOU KNOW? Safety on the road this summer**

Summer means more children are using paths and roads for biking, walking, and rolling. That is why the state of California started the "Protect Our Pedestrians. Protect Our Cyclists" education campaign. The campaign calls on drivers to slow down, look out for people of all ages who are biking and walking. One important way to stay safe is to teach children to put phones, headphones and devices down when crossing the street. For more information visit: <https://gosafelyca.org/share-the-road/>.



After the 10:00 a.m. Mass, coffee and donuts are provided by the Hospitality Ministry and served on the church patio. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet fellow parishioners and build new friendships.

Have You Remembered Your Parish or School in Your WILL or TRUST? For information, please contact the Planned Giving Office 213-637-7504 PlannedGiving@LA-Archdiocese.org

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OFFERTORY

07/19/26 Offertory	\$ 878.00
07/19/26 Online	\$ 2,513.00

Total: \$3,391.00**Thank You!**

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Our parish remains alive because of your generosity of time, talent and treasure.

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?**

Consider joining our Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) program, the process for initiation into the Catholic Church

Who is the OCIA for?

- Those who are not baptized.
- Those who were baptized into another Christian denomination and wish to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church.
- Baptized Catholics who were not fully formed in the Catholic faith and have not completed their initiation, who have not received either the Sacrament of Holy Communion or Confirmation.

WE WILL BE STARTING A NEW CLASS IN THE FALL.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AT 323-656-4433.

