# THE PROPER OF THE MASS

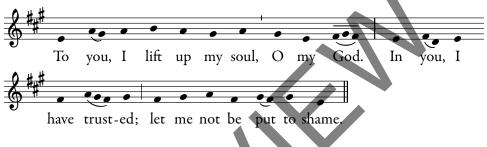
#### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

— SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2024 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Ps 25 (24): 1-3* · VIII

To you, I lift up my soul, *O* my God. \* In you, I have trusted; let me not be *put* to shame. / Nor let my enemies exult *o*ver me; \* and let none who hope in you be *put* to shame.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is not said.

#### COLLECT

Grant your faithful, we pray, almighty God, / the resolve to run forth to meet your Christ / with righteous deeds at his coming, / so that, gathered at his right hand, / they may be worthy to possess the heavenly Kingdom. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

Jer 33: 14-16

Ps 25 (24): 4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 · II

The days are coming, says the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and Judah. In those days, in that time, I will raise up for David a just shoot; he shall do what is right and just in the land. In those days Judah shall be safe and Jerusalem shall dwell secure; this is what they shall call her: "The LORD our justice."

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 

To you, O Lord, I lift my soul.

v. Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; / teach me your paths, / Guide me in your truth and teach me, / for you are God my savior, / and for you I wait all the day.

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

ŷ. All the paths of the LORD are kindness and constancy / toward those who keep his covenant and his decrees. / The friendship of the LORD is with those who fear him, / and his covenant, for their instruction.

# SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we have for you, so as to strengthen your hearts, to be blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones Amen.

Finally, brothers and sisters, we earnestly ask and exhort you in the Lord Jesus that, as you received from us how you should conduct yourselves to please God—and as you are conducting yourselves—you do so even more. For you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus.

ALLELUIA



*Ps 85 (84): 8 ·* VIII

1 Thes 3: 12–4: 2

ŷ. Show us, Lord, your love; / and grant us your salvation.

# GOSPEL

Lk 21: 25-28, 34-36

Jesus said to his disciples: "There will be signs in the sun, the moon, and the stars, and on earth nations will be in dismay, perplexed by the roaring of the sea and the waves. People will die of fright in anticipation of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.

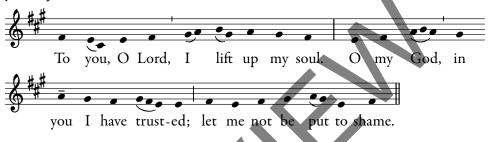
"Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life, and that day catch you by surprise like a trap. For that day will assault everyone who lives on the face of the earth. Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man."

#### The Creed is said.

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 25 (24): 1-3* · II

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. † O my God, in you *I* have trusted; \* let me not be *put* to shame. / Nor let my enemies exult *o*ver me; \* and let none who hope in you be *put* to shame.



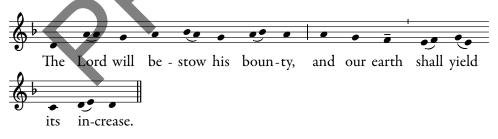
## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, we pray, O Lord, these offerings we make, / gathered from among your gifts to us, / and may what you grant us to celebrate devoutly here below / gain for us the prize of eternal redemption. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Ps 85 (84): 13 ·* 1

The Lord will bestow his bounty, \* and our earth shall yield its increase.



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May these mysteries, O Lord, / in which we have participated, / profit us, we pray, / for even now, as we walk amid passing things, / you teach us by them to love the things of heaven / and hold fast to what endures. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2 Monday of the First Week of Advent

ENTRANCE *Cf. Jer 31: 10; Is 35: 4* · IV Hear the word of the Lord, O nations; † declare it to the *dis*tant lands: \* Behold, our Savior will come; you need no *long*er fear.

FIRST READING Is 2: 1-5 The Lord will gather all nations into the eternal peace of the Kingdom of God.

RESP *Ps 122 (121): 1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9* Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 8: 5-11 Many will come from the east and the west into the Kingdom of heaven.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 106 (105): 4-5; Is 38: 3* · VI Come, O Lord, visit *us* in peace, \* that we may rejoice before you with a *blame*less heart.

> TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3 Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

– Memorial -ENTRANCE

*Ps 18 (17): 50; 22 (21): 23* · VI

I will praise you, Lord, a*mong* the nations; \* I will tell of your name *to* my kin.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Is 11: 1-10 The Spirit of the Lord God shall rest upon him.

RESP *Ps 72 (71): 1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17* Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever. GOSPEL Lk 10: 21-24 Jesus rejoices in the Holy Spirit.

COMMUNION *Mt 10: 27 · IV* What I say to you *in* the darkness \* speak in the light, *says* the Lord; / what *you* hear whispered \* proclaim *on* the housetops.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING I Cor 9: 16-19, 22-23 Woe to me if I do not preach the Gospel!

RESP *Ps 117 (116): 1bc, 2* Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

GOSPEL Mk 16: 15-20 Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4 Wednesday of the First Week of Advent

ENTRANCE Cf. Hb 2: 3; I Cor 4:  $5 \cdot I$ The Lord will come and he will not delay.  $\dagger$  He will illumine what is hid*den* in darkness \* and reveal himself to *all* the nations.

FIRST READING Is 25: 6-10A The Lord invites us to his feast and will wipe away the tears from all faces.

RESP *Ps 23 (22): 1-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6* I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

GOSPEL Mt 15: 29-37 Jesus heals many and multiplies the bread.

COMMUNION Cf. Is 40: 10; 35: 5 · VII Behold, our Lord will *come* with power \* and will enlighten the eyes *of* his servants.

Saint John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

— Optional Memorial — ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 132 (131): 9* · VI Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy.

FIRST READING 2 Tim 1: 13-14; 2: 1-3 Guard this rich trust with the help of the Holy Spirit.

RESP *Ps 19 (18): 8, 9, 10, 11* The judgments of the Lord are true, and all of them are just.

Or:

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

GOSPEL Mt 25: 14-30 or 25: 14-23 Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities.

COMMUNION Mt 24: 40, 47 · 111 Blessed *is* the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching *when* he comes. / Amen I *say* to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of *all* his property.

Or: Cf.  $Lk \ 12: 42 \cdot VII$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household, \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

#### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5** *Thursday of the First Week of Advent*

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 119 (118): 151-152 · 1* You, O *Lord*, are close, \* and all your *ways* are truth. / From of old I have known of *your* decrees, \* for you *are* eternal.

FIRST READING Is 26: 1-6 Let in a nation that is just, one that keeps faith.

RESP *Ps 118 (117): 1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a* Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mt 7: 21, 24-27 Whoever does the will of my Father will enter the Kingdom of heaven.

COMMUNION Ti 2:  $12-13 \cdot v$ Let us live justly and devoutly in this age,  $\dagger$  as we await the *bless*ed hope \* and the coming of the glory of *our* great God.

# FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

Friday of the First Week of Advent

ENTRANCE I Behold, the Lord will come † descending with splendor to visit his peo*ple* with peace, \* and he will bestow on them *eter*nal life.

FIRST READING Is 29: 17-24 On that day, the eyes of the blind shall see.

RESP Ps 27 (26): 1bcde, 4, 13-14 The Lord is my light and my salvation.

GOSPEL Mt 9: 27-31 Believing in Jesus, two who were blind are cured. COMMUNION *Cf. Phil* 3: 20-21 · VIII We await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, † who will change our *mor*tal bodies, \* to conform with his glo*ri*fied body.

#### Saint Nicholas, Bishop — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ez 34: 11, 23-24* · IV I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, † and I will appoint a shep*herd* to pasture them, \* and I, the Lord, will *be* their God.

Or: Cf. Lk 12:  $42 \cdot IV$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent,  $\dagger$  whom the Lord set over his household \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

FIRST READING Is 6: 1-8 Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?

RESP *Ps 40 (39): 2, 4ab, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11* Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

GOSPEL Lk 10: 1-9 The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few.

#### COMMUNION

*Cf. Jn 15: 16* • 1

It was not you who chose me, *says* the Lord, \* but I *who* chose you / and appointed you to go *and* bear fruit, \* fruit *that* will last.

Or: Cf. Lk 12:  $36-37 \cdot 111$ Blessed is that servant, whom his lord finds awake \* when he comes and knocks *at* the gate. SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7 Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Sir 15:  $5 \cdot VI$ In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth,  $\dagger$  and the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and *un*derstanding \* and clothed him in a *robe* of glory.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Is 30: 19-21, 23-26 The Merciful One will show you mercy when you cry out.

**RESP** *Ps* 147 (146): 1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Blessed are all who wait for the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 9: 35–10: 1, 5a, 6-8 At the sight of the crowds, Jesus' heart was moved with pity for them.

COMMUNION  $Ps : 2b, 3b \cdot III$ He who ponders the law of the Lord *day* and night \* will yield fruit *in* due season.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Eph 3: 8-12 To preach to the Gentiles the inscrutable riches of Christ.

RESP *Ps 89 (88): 2-3, 4-5, 21-22, 25, 27* For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

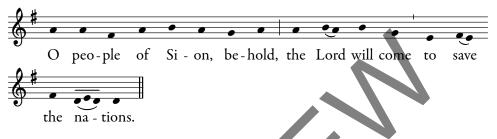
GOSPEL Jn 10: 11-16 A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT — SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Is 30: 19, 30* · VII

O people of Si*on*, behold, \* the Lord will come to *save* the nations, / and the Lord will make the glory of *his* voice heard \* in the joy *of* your heart.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is not said

## COLLECT

Almighty and merciful God, / may no earthly undertaking hinder those / who set out in haste to meet your Son, / but may our learning of heavenly wisdom / gain us admittance to his company. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

Bar 5: 1-9

Jerusalem, take off your robe of mourning and misery; / put on the splendor of glory from God forever: / wrapped in the cloak of justice from God, / bear on your head the mitre / that displays the glory of the eternal name. / For God will show all the earth your splendor: / you will be named by God forever / the peace of justice, the glory of God's worship.

Up, Jerusalem! stand upon the heights; / look to the east and see your children / gathered from the east and the west / at the word of the Holy One, / rejoicing that they are remembered by God. / Led away on foot by their enemies they left you: / but God will bring them back to you / borne aloft in glory as on royal thrones. / For God has commanded / that every lofty mountain be made low, / and that the age-old depths and gorges / be filled to level ground, / that Israel may advance secure in the glory of God. / The forests and every fragrant kind of tree / have overshadowed Israel at God's command; / for God is leading Israel in joy / by the light of his glory, / with his mercy and justice for company.



The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

ŷ. When the LORD brought back the captives of Zion, / we were like men dreaming. / Then our mouth was filled with laughter, / and our tongue with rejoicing.

ŷ. Then they said among the nations, / "The LORD has done great things for them." / The LORD has done great things for us; / we are glad indeed.

 $\hat{y}$ . Restore our fortunes, O LORD, / like the torrents in the southern desert. / Those who sow in tears / shall reap rejoicing.

v. Although they go forth weeping, / carrying the seed to be sown, / They shall come back rejoicing, / carrying their sheaves.

Phil 1: 4-6, 8-11

Lk 3: 1-6

#### SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: I pray always with joy in my every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus. God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the affection of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value, so that you may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.



v . Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: / all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

#### GOSPEL

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias was tetrarch of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the desert. John went throughout the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah: / A voice of one crying out in the desert:/ "Prepare the way of the Lord, / make straight his paths. / Every valley shall be filled / and every mountain and hill shall be made low. / The winding roads shall be made straight, / and the rough ways made smooth, / and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

The Creed is said.

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Ps 85 (84): 7-8 · 111

You will turn to us, O God, and re*store* our life, \* and your people shall re*joice* in you. / Let us see, O *Lord*, your mercy, \* and grant us *your* salvation.



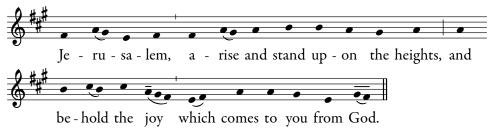
# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Be pleased, O Lord, with our humble prayers and offerings, / and, since we have no merits to plead our cause, / come, we pray, to our rescue / with the protection of your mercy. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Bar 5: 5; 4: 36 ·* 11

Jerusalem, arise and stand up*on* the heights, \* and behold the joy which comes to *you* from God,



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Replenished by the food of spiritual nourishment, / we humbly beseech you, O Lord, / that, through our partaking in this mystery, / you may teach us to judge wisely the things of earth / and hold firm to the things of heaven. / Through Christ our Lord.

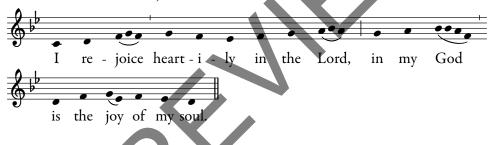
# THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

— MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2024 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*ls 61: 10 ·* 111

I rejoice heartily *in* the Lord, \* in my God is the joy *of* my soul; / for he has clothed me with a robe *of* salvation, † and wrapped me in a man*tle* of justice, \* like a bride adorned *with* her jewels.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

# COLLECT

O God, who by the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin / prepared a worthy dwelling for your Son, / grant, we pray, / that, as you preserved her from every stain / by virtue of the Death of your Son, which you foresaw, / so, through her intercession, / we, too, may be cleansed and admitted to your presence. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

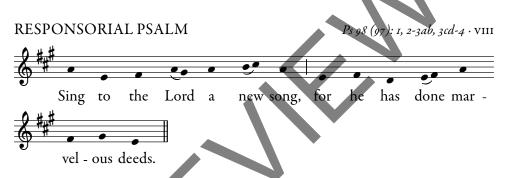
# FIRST READING

Gn 3: 9-15, 20

After the man, Adam, had eaten of the tree, the LORD God called to the man and asked him, "Where are you?" He answered, "I heard you in the garden; but I was afraid, because I was naked, so I hid myself." Then he asked, "Who told you that you were naked? You have eaten, then, from the tree of which I had forbidden you to eat!" The man replied, "The woman whom you put here with me—she gave me fruit from the tree, and so I ate it." The LORD God then asked the woman, "Why did you do such a thing?" The woman answered, "The serpent tricked me into it, so I ate it."

Then the LORD God said to the serpent: / "Because you have done this, you shall be banned / from all the animals / and from all the wild creatures; / on your belly shall you crawl, / and dirt shall you eat / all the days of your life. / I will put enmity between you and the woman, / and between your offspring and hers; / he will strike at your head, / while you strike at his heel."

The man called his wife Eve, because she became the mother of all the living.



 $\hat{v}$ . Sing to the LORD a new song, / for he has done wondrous deeds; / His right hand has won victory for him, / his holy arm.

¥. The LORD has made his salvation known: / in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice. / He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness / toward the house of Israel.

 $\hat{v}$ . All the ends of the earth have seen / the salvation by our God. / Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands; / break into song; sing praise.

#### SECOND READING

#### Eph 1: 3-6, 11-12

Brothers and sisters: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavens, as he chose us in him, before the foundation of the world, to be holy and without blemish before him. In love he destined us for adoption to himself through Jesus Christ, in accord with the favor of his will, for the praise of the glory of his grace that he granted us in the beloved. In him we were also chosen, destined in accord with the purpose of the One who accomplishes all things according to the intention of his will, so that we might exist for the praise of his glory, we who first hoped in Christ.



ŷ. Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you; / blessed are you among women.

Lk 1: 26-38

GOSPEL

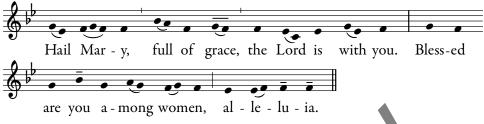
The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you." But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his Kingdom there will be no end." But Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?" And the angel said to her in reply, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God." Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

The Creed is said.

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Lk 1: 28 ·* VIII

Hail Mary, full of grace, the *Lord* is with you. \* Blessed are you among women, *al*leluia.

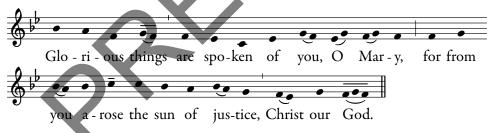


#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Graciously accept the saving sacrifice / which we offer you, O Lord, / on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception / of the Blessed Virgin Mary, / and grant that, as we profess her, / on account of your prevenient grace, / to be untouched by any stain of sin, / so, through her intercession, / we may be delivered from all our faults. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Glorious things are spoken of *you*, O Mary, \* for from you arose the sun of justice, *Christ* our God.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May the Sacrament we have received, / O Lord our God, / heal in us the wounds of that fault / from which in a singular way / you preserved Blessed Mary in her Immaculate Conception. / Through Christ our Lord.

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VIII

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 10** *Tuesday of the Second Week of Advent* 

ENTRANCE Cf. Zec 14: 5,  $7 \cdot VII$ Behold, the Lord will come, and all his holy *ones* with him; \* and on that day there will be *a* great light.

FIRST READINGIs 40: 1-11God consoles his people.

RESP *Ps 96 (95): 1-2, 3, 10ac, 11-12, 13* The Lord our God comes with power.

GOSPEL Mt 18: 12-14 God does not will that the little ones be lost.

COMMUNION *Cf. 2 Tm 4: 8 ·* VIII The Just Judge will bestow a *crown* of righteousness \* on those who eagerly a*wait* his coming.

> *Our Lady of Loreto* — Optional Memorial -

ENTRANCE Is 45;  $8 \cdot 1$ Drop down dew from above, you heavens, \* and let the clouds rain *down* the Just One; / let the *earth* be opened \* and bring *forth* a Savior.

*Or: Cf. Lk 1: 30-32* The angel *said* to Mary: \* You have found favor with God. / Behold, you will conceive and *bear* a son, \* and he will be called Son of *the* Most High.

FIRST READING Is 7: 10-14; 8: 10 Behold, the virgin shall conceive.

RESP *Lk 1: 46-47, 48-49, 50-51, 52-53, 54-55* The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name. Or:

O Blessed Virgin Mary, you carried the Son of the eternal Father.

GOSPEL *Lk 1: 26-38 Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you.* 

COMMUNION Is 7: 14  $\cdot i$ Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and *bear* a son; \* and his name will be *called* Emmanuel.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11 Wednesday of the Second Week of Advent

ENTRANCE Cf. Hb 2: 3; I Cor 4:  $5 \cdot I$ The Lord will come and he will not delay.  $\dagger$  He will illumine what is hid*den* in darkness \* and reveal himself to *all* the nations.

FIRST READING Is 40: 25-31 The Lord God is almighty and gives strength to the fainting.

RESP *Ps 103 (102): 1-2, 3-4, 8, 10* O, bless the Lord, my soul.

GOSPEL Mt 11: 28-30 Come to me, all you who labor.

COMMUNION *Cf. Is 40: 10; 35: 5* · VII Behold, our Lord will *come* with power \* and will enlighten the eyes *of* his servants.

Saint Damasus I, Pope — Optional Memorial — ENTRANCE

II

The Lord chose him for himself as high priest, † and, open*ing* his treasure house, \* made him rich in *all* good things.

Or: Cf. Sir 50:1; 44:16, 22 • VII Behold a great priest, who in his days pleased God; † therefore, in accordance with his promise, \* the Lord gave him growth for the good *of* his people.

First Reading Acts 20: 17-18a, 28-32, 36 Keep watch over yourselves and over the whole flock of which the Holy Spirit has appointed you overseers, in which you tend the Church of God.

RESP Ps 110 (109): 1, 2, 3, 4 You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

Gospel In 15: 9-17 You are my friends if you do what I command you.

COMMUNION Cf. In 10: 11 · VII The Good Shepherd has laid down \* his life for his sheep.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12 Our Lady of Guadalupe

Feast

ENTRANCE *Rev 12: 1* · VII A great sign appeared in the sky, \* a woman clothed with the sun, / with the moon under her feet, \* and on her head a crown of twelve stars.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

FIRST READING Zec 2: 14-17 Rejoice, O daughter Zion! See, I am coming. Or: Rev 11: 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab A great sign appeared in the sky.

Resp Idt 13: 18bcde, 19 You are the highest honor of our race.

GOSPEL Lk 1: 26-38 Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you. Or: Lk 1: 39-47 Blessed is she who believed.

COMMUNION *Lk 1: 52* · 11 The Lord has cast down † the mighty from their thrones, \* and has lifted up the lowly.

Or: Cf. Ps 147 (146): 20 · 11 God has not acted thus for any other nation; \* to no other people has he shown his love so clearly.

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13 Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

— Memorial —

v

Behold, now she follows the Lamb who was crucified for us, † powerful in virginity, modesty her offering, \* a sacrifice on the al*tar* of chastity.

Or:

Entrance

III Blessed *is* the virgin \* who by denying herself and taking up her cross / imitated the Lord, the spouse of virgins \* and *prince* of martyrs.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Is 48: 17-19 If only you would hearken to my commandments.

Resp Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4, 6 Those who follow you, Lord, will have the light of life.

GOSPEL Mt 11: 16-19 They listened to neither John nor to the Son of Man.

COMMUNION *Rev 7: 17* · VIII The Lamb who is at the center *of* the throne \* will lead them to the springs of the wa*ters* of life.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING 2 Cor 10: 17-11: 2 I betrothed you to one husband to present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

RESP *Ps 31 (30): 3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17* Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

GOSPEL Mt 25: 1-13 Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14

Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church — Memorial—

ENTRANCE  $Gal 6: 14 \cdot 1$ May I *never* boast, \* except in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, / through which the world has been crucified to me, \* and I to the world.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Sir 48: 1-4, 9-11 Elijah was enveloped in a whirlwind.

RESP *Ps 80 (79): 2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19* Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved. GOSPEL Mt 17: 9a, 10-13 Elijah has already come, and they did not recognize him.

COMMUNION *Cf. Mt 16: 24* Whoever wishes to come after me must de*ny* himself, \* take up his cross, and follow me, *says* the Lord.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING 1 Cor 2: 1-10a We speak God's wisdom, mysteriously hidden.

RESP *Ps 37 (36): 3-4, 5-6, 30-31* The mouth of the just murmurs wisdom.

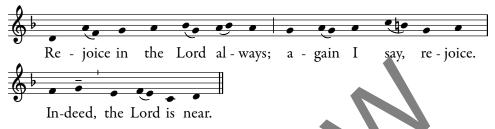
GOSPEL *Lk* 14: 25-33 Every one of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.

#### THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT — SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2024 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Phil 4: 4-5 ·* I

Rejoice in the Lord always; † again I say, rejoice. \* Indeed, the Lord is near.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is not said.

#### COLLECT

O God, who see how your people / faithfully await the feast of the Lord's Nativity, / enable us, we pray, / to attain the joys of so great a salvation / and to celebrate them always / with solemn worship and glad rejoicing. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### FIRST READING

Shout for joy, O daughter Zion! / Sing joyfully, O Israel! / Be glad and exult with all your heart, / O daughter Jerusalem! / The LORD has removed the judgment against you / he has turned away your enemies; / the King of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst, / you have no further misfortune to fear. / On that day, it shall be said to Jerusalem: / Fear not, O Zion, be not discouraged! / The LORD, your God, is in your midst, / a mighty savior; / he will rejoice over you with gladness, / and renew you in his love, / he will sing joyfully because of you, / as one sings at festivals.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 

Cry out with joy and gladness: for a - mong you is the great and Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

Is 12: 2-3, 4, 5-6 · VII

Zeph 3: 14-18a

v. God indeed is my savior; / I am confident and unafraid. / My strength and my courage is the LORD, / and he has been my savior. / With joy you will draw water / at the fountain of salvation.

v. Give thanks to the LORD, acclaim his name; / among the nations make known his deeds, / proclaim how exalted is his name.

v. Sing praise to the LORD for his glorious achievement; / let this be known throughout all the earth. / Shout with exultation, O city of Zion, / for great in your midst / is the Holy One of Israel!

#### SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: Rejoice in the Lord always. I shall say it again: rejoice! Your kindness should be known to all. The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

ALLELUIA

Is 61: 1 (cited in Lk 4: 18)

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v. The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, / because he has anointed me / to bring glad tidings to the poor.

#### GOSPEL

Lk 3: 10-18

Phil 4: 4-7

The crowds asked John the Baptist, "What should we do?" He said to them in reply, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise." Even tax collectors came to be baptized and they said to him, "Teacher, what should we do?" He answered them, "Stop collecting more than what is prescribed." Soldiers also asked him, "And what is it that we should do?" He told them, "Do not practice extortion, do not falsely accuse anyone, and be satisfied with your wages."

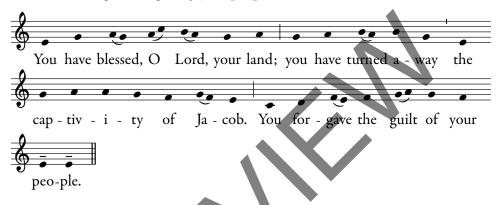
Now the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Exhorting them in many other ways, he preached good news to the people.

#### The Creed is said.

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 85 (84): 2-3a* · IV

You have blessed, O Lord, your land; † you have turned away the captivi*ty* of Jacob. \* You forgave the guilt *of* your people.



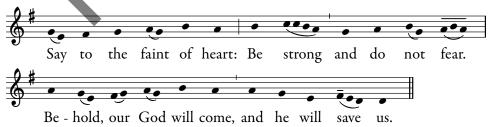
## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May the sacrifice of our worship, Lord, we pray, / be offered to you unceasingly, / to complete what was begun in sacred mystery / and powerfully accomplish for us your saving work. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Cf. Is 35: 4* · VII

Say to the *faint* of heart:\* Be strong and *do* not fear. / Behold, our *God* will come, \* and *he* will save us.



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We implore your mercy, Lord, / that this divine sustenance may cleanse us of our faults / and prepare us for the coming feasts. / Through Christ our Lord.

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 16 Monday of the Third Week of Advent

ENTRANCE *Cf. Jer 31: 10; Is 35: 4* · IV Hear the word of the Lord, O nations; † declare it to the *dis*tant lands: \* Behold, our Savior will come; you need no *long*er fear.

FIRST READING Num 24: 2-7, 15-17a A star shall advance from Jacob.

RESP *Ps 25 (24): 4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9* Teach me your ways, O Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 21: 23-27 John's baptism: where did it come from?

#### Communion

*Cf. Ps 106 (105): 4-5; Is 38: 3* · VI Come, O Lord, visit *us* in peace, \* that we may rejoice before you with a *blame*less heart.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17 Tuesday of the Third Week of Advent

ENTRANCE *Cf. Is 49: 13 · 11* Rejoice, O heavens, and *exult*, O earth, \* for our Lord will come to show mercy *to* his poor.

FIRST READING Gn 49: 2, 8-10 The scepter shall not depart from Judah.

RESP *Ps 71 (70): 3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17* Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

GOSPEL Mt 1: 1-17 The genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David. COMMUNION Cf.  $Hg_{2:7} \cdot VII$ Behold, the Desired of all the nations will come, \* and the house of the Lord will be *filled* with glory.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18 Wednesday of the Third Week of Advent ENTRANCE IV Christ our King is coming, \* he is the Lamb foretold by John.

FIRST READING Jer 23: 5-8 I will raise up a righteous shoot to David.

RESP *Ps* 72 (71): 1-2, 12-13, 18-19 Justice shall flourish in his time, and fullness of peace for ever.

GOSPEL Mt 1: 18-25 Jesus was born of Mary, the betrothed of Joseph, a son of David.

COMMUNIONMt 1: 23 · IIHis name will be called Emmanuel, \*which means God-with-us.

#### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19

Thursday of the Third Week of AdventENTRANCECf. Heb 10: 37 · VIIIHe who is to come will come and willnot delay,  $\dagger$  and now there will be nofear with *in* our land, \* for he *is* ourSavior.

FIRST READING Judg 13: 2-7, 24-25a The birth of Samson is announced by an angel.

RESP *Ps 71 (70): 3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17* My mouth shall be filled with your praise, and I will sing your glory! GOSPEL *Lk 1: 5-25* The birth of John the Baptist is announced by Gabriel.

COMMUNION *Lk 1: 78-79* · VI The Dawn from on *high* will visit us, \* guiding our feet in the *way* of peace.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20 Friday of the Third Week of Advent

ENTRANCE *Cf. Is II: 1; 40: 5; Lk 3: 6 \cdot 1* A branch shall sprout from the root of Jesse,  $\dagger$  and the glory of the Lord will fill *the* whole earth, \* and all flesh will see the salva*tion* of God.

FIRST READING Is 7: 10-14 Behold, the virgin shall be with child.

RESP Ps 24 (23): 1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Let the Lord enter; he is the king of glory.

GOSPEL *Lk 1: 26-38* You will conceive in your womb and bear a son.

COMMUNION *Lk 1: 31 · 11* The Angel said to Mary: † Behold, you will conceive and *bear* a son, \* and you shall *name* him Jesus.

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21** *Saturday of the Third Week of Advent* 

ENTRANCE *Cf. Is 7: 14; 8: 10 · V* The Lord and Ruler will be coming soon, † and his name will be *called* Emmanuel, \* because he will be God-*with*-us. FIRST READING Song 2: 8-14 Hark! my lover comes, springing across the mountains.

Or: Zeph 3: 14-18a The King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst.

 RESP
 Ps 33 (32): 2-3, 11-12, 20-21

 Exult, you just, in the Lord! Sing to him a new song.

GOSPEL Lk 1: 39-45 And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?

COMMUNION  $Lk_{I: 45} \cdot VIII$ Blessed are you who *have* believed, \* that what was spoken to you by the Lord would *be* fulfilled.

> Saint Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $_{I32}(_{I31}): g \cdot vI$ Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy.

FIRST READING 2 Tim 4: 1-5 Perform the work of an evangelist; fulfill your ministry.

RESP *Ps 40 (39): 2, 4ab, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11* Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

GOSPEL Mt 5: 13-19 You are the light of the world. COMMUNION Mt 24: 46, 47 • III Blessed *is* the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching *when* he comes. / Amen I *say* to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of *all* his property. *Or: Cf. Lk 12: 42* • VII This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household, \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT — Sunday, december 22, 2024 — ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Drop down dew from a*bove*, you heavens, \* and let the clouds rain *down* the Just One; / let the *earth* be opened \* and bring *forth* a Savior.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is not said.

#### COLLECT

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, / your grace into our hearts, / that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son / was made known by the message of an Angel, / may by his Passion and Cross / be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### FIRST READING

Mic 5: 1-4a

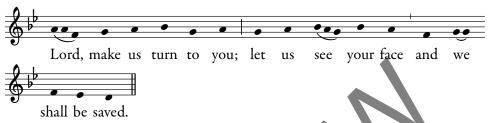
Is 45: 8 · I

Thus says the LORD: / You, Bethlehem-Ephrathah, / too small to be among the clans of Judah, / from you shall come forth for me / one who is to be ruler in Israel; / whose origin is from of old, / from ancient times. / Therefore the Lord will give them up, until the time / when she who is to give birth has borne, / and

the rest of his kindred shall return / to the children of Israel. / He shall stand firm and shepherd his flock / by the strength of the LORD, / in the majestic name of the LORD, his God; / and they shall remain, for now his greatness / shall reach to the ends of the earth; / he shall be peace.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 

*Ps 80 (79): 2-3, 15-16, 18-19* · III



v. O shepherd of Israel, hearken, / from your throne upon the cherubim, shine forth. / Rouse your power, / and come to save us.

℣. Once again, O LORD of hosts, / look down from heaven, and see; / take care of this vine, / and protect what your right hand has planted, / the son of man whom you yourself made strong.

v. May your help be with the man of your right hand, / with the son of man whom you yourself made strong. / Then we will no more withdraw from you; / give us new life, and we will call upon your name.

#### SECOND READING

Heb 10: 5-10

Brothers and sisters: When Christ came into the world, he said: / "Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, / but a body you prepared for me; / in holocausts and sin offerings you took no delight. / Then I said, 'As is written of me in the scroll, / behold, I come to do your will, O God.'"

First he says, "Sacrifices and offerings, holocausts and sin offerings, you neither desired nor delighted in." These are offered according to the law. Then he says, "Behold, I come to do your will." He takes away the first to establish the second. By this "will, we have been consecrated through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

ALLELUIA

*Lk 1: 38 ·* VIII

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 ${\bf \hat{y}}.$  Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. / May it be done to me according to your word.

## GOSPEL

Lk 1: 39-45

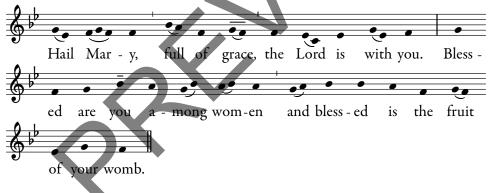
Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."

The Creed is said.

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Lk 1: 28, 42 ·* VIII

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. † Blessed are you *a*mong women \* and blessed is the fruit *of* your womb.



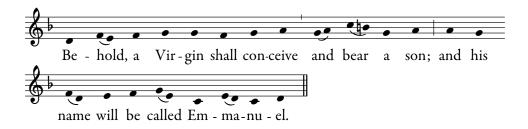
# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May the Holy Spirit, O Lord, / sanctify these gifts laid upon your altar, / just as he filled with his power the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Is 7: 14* · 1

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and *bear* a son; \* and his name will be *called* Emmanuel.



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having received this pledge of eternal redemption, / we pray, almighty God, / that, as the feast day of our salvation draws ever nearer, / so we may press forward all the more eagerly / to the worthy celebration of the mystery of your Son's Nativity. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23 Monday of the Fourth Week of Advent

ENTRANCE *Cf. Is 9: 5; Ps 72 (71): 17* VII A child shall be born for us, † and he will be called God, *the* Almighty; \* every tribe of the earth shall be *blest* in him.

FIRST READING Mal 3: 1-4, 23-24 I will send you Elijah, the prophet, before the day of the Lord comes.

RESP *Ps 25 (24): 4-5ab, 8-9, 10, 14* Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand.

GOSPEL *Lk 1: 57-66* The birth of John the Baptist.

COMMUNION *Rev 3: 20 ·*I Behold, I stand at the door and knock: † if anyone hears my voice and opens the *door* to me, \* I will enter his house and dine with him, and *he* with me. Saint John of Kanty, Priest — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $_{132}(_{131}): g \cdot vI$ Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy.

FIRST READING Jas 2: 14-17 Faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead.

RESP *Ps 112 (111): 1bc-2, 3-4, 5-7, 6-8, 9* Blessed the man who fears the Lord. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Lk 6: 27-38 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

COMMUNION Mt 24: 46, 47 · III Blessed *is* the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching *when* he comes. / Amen I *say* to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of *all* his property. Or: Cf.  $Lk \ 12: 42 \cdot VII$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household, \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24

Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Advent

ENTRANCE Cf. Gal  $4: 4 \cdot IV$ Behold, when the fullness of *time* had come, \* God sent his Son in*to* the world.

FIRST READING 2 Sam 7: 1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 The Kingdom of David shall endure forever in the sight of the Lord. RESP *Ps 89 (88): 2-3, 4-5, 27, 29* For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL *Lk 1: 67-79* The daybreak from on high has visited us.

COMMUNION *Lk 1: 68* · VII Blessed be the Lord, the *God* of Israel! \* He has visited his people *and* redeemed them.



THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD [CHRISTMAS]

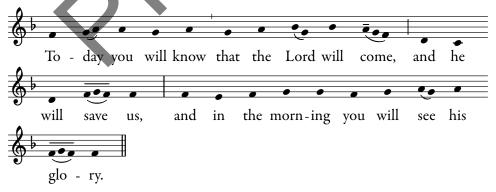
- TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2024 —

Solemnity

# ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Сf. Ex 16: 6, 7* VI

Today you will know that the Lord will come, † and *he* will save us, \* and in the morning you will *see* his glory.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

## COLLECT

O God, who gladden us year by year / as we wait in hope for our redemption, / grant that, just as we joyfully welcome / your Only Begotten Son as our Redeemer, / we may also merit to face him confidently / when he comes again as our Judge. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### FIRST READING

For Zion's sake I will not be silent, / for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, / until her vindication shines forth like the dawn / and her victory like a burning torch.

Nations shall behold your vindication, / and all the kings your glory; / you shall be called by a new name / pronounced by the mouth of the LORD. / You shall be a glorious crown in the hand of the LORD, / a royal diadem held by your God. / No more shall people call you "Forsaken," / or your land "Desolate," / but you shall be called "My Delight," / and your land "Espoused." / For the LORD delights in you / and makes your land his spouse. / As a young man marries a virgin, / your Builder shall marry you; / and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride / so shall your God rejoice in you.



v. I have made a covenant with my chosen one, / I have sworn to David my servant: / Forever will I confirm your posterity / and establish your throne for all generations.

ŷ. Blessed the people who know the joyful shout; / in the light of your countenance, O LORD, they walk. / At your name they rejoice all the day, / and through your justice they are exalted.

ŷ. He shall say of me, "You are my father, / my God, the rock, my savior." / Forever I will maintain my kindness toward him, / and my covenant with him stands firm.

#### SECOND READING

When Paul reached Antioch in Pisidia and entered the synagogue, he stood up, motioned with his hand, and said, "Fellow Israelites and you others who are

Acts 13: 16-17, 22-25

Is 62: 1-5

#### DECEMBER 24

God-fearing, listen. The God of this people Israel chose our ancestors and exalted the people during their sojourn in the land of Egypt. With uplifted arm he led them out of it. Then he removed Saul and raised up David as king; of him he testified, 'I have found David, son of Jesse, a man after my own heart; he will carry out my every wish.' From this man's descendants God, according to his promise, has brought to Israel a savior, Jesus. John heralded his coming by proclaiming a baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel; and as John was completing his course, he would say, 'What do you suppose that I am? I am not he. Behold, one is coming after me; I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet.'"

ALLELUIA



v. Tomorrow the wickedness of the earth will be destroyed: / the Savior of the world will reign over us.

#### GOSPEL

Mt 1: 1-25 or 18-25

VII

For the short form, omit the text in brackets.

[The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.

Abraham became the father of Isaac, Isaac the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers. Judah became the father of Perez and Zerah, whose mother was Tamar. Perez became the father of Hezron, Hezron the father of Ram, Ram the father of Amminadab. Amminadab became the father of Nahshon, Nahshon the father of Salmon, Salmon the father of Boaz, whose mother was Rahab. Boaz became the father of Obed, whose mother was Ruth. Obed became the father of Jesse, Jesse the father of David the king.

David became the father of Solomon, whose mother had been the wife of Uriah. Solomon became the father of Rehoboam, Rehoboam the father of Abijah, Abijah the father of Asaph. Asaph became the father of Jehoshaphat, Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, Joram the father of Uzziah. Uzziah became the father of Jotham, Jotham the father of Ahaz, Ahaz the father of Hezekiah. Hezekiah became the father of Manasseh, Manasseh the father of Amos, Amos the father of Josiah. Josiah became the father of Jechoniah and his brothers at the time of the Babylonian exile. After the Babylonian exile, Jechoniah became the father of Shealtiel, Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel, Zerubbabel the father of Abiud. Abiud became the father of Eliakim, Eliakim the father of Azor, Azor the father of Zadok. Zadok became the father of Achim, Achim the father of Eliud, Eliud the father of Eleazar. Eleazar became the father of Matthan, Matthan the father of Jacob, Jacob the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary. Of her was born Jesus who is called the Christ.

Thus the total number of generations from Abraham to David is fourteen generations; from David to the Babylonian exile, fourteen generations; from the Babylonian exile to the Christ, fourteen generations.

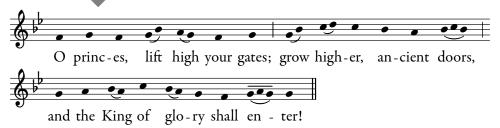
Now] this is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about. When his mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found with child through the Holy Spirit. Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly. Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: / *Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, / and they shall name him Emmanuel, /* which means "God is with us." When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home. He had no relations with her until she bore a son, and he named him Jesus.

The Creed is said. All kneel at the words and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate.

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 24 (23): 7* • 11

O princes, lift high your gates; † grow higher, *an*cient doors, \* and the King of glo*ry* shall enter!



#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

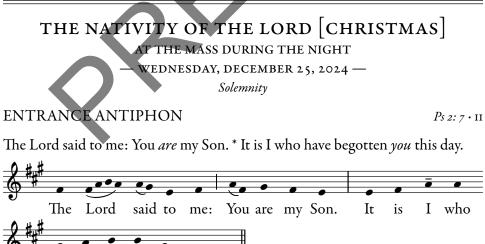
As we look forward, O Lord, / to the coming festivities, / may we serve you all the more eagerly / for knowing that in them / you make manifest the beginnings of our redemption. / Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The glory of the Lord will be revealed, \* and all flesh will see the salvation of our God.



Nativity of your Only Begotten Son, / by whose heavenly mystery we receive both food and drink. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

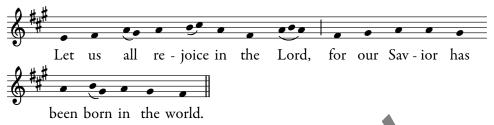


have be-got-ten you this day.

Cf. Is 40: 5 · 1

Or:

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, † for our Savior has been born *in* the world. \* Today true peace has come down to *us* from heaven.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

#### COLLECT

O God, who have made this most sacred night / radiant with the splendor of the true light, / grant, we pray, that we, who have known the mysteries of his light on earth, / may also delight in his gladness in heaven. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### FIRST READING

The people who walked in darkness / have seen a great light; / upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom / a light has shone. / You have brought them abundant joy / and great rejoicing, / as they rejoice before you as at the harvest, / as people make merry when dividing spoils. / For the yoke that burdened them, / the pole on their shoulder, / and the rod of their taskmaster / you have smashed, as on the day of Midian. / For every boot that tramped in battle, / every cloak rolled in blood, / will be burned as fuel for flames. / For a child is born to us, a son is given us; / upon his shoulder dominion rests. / They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, / Father-Forever, Prince of Peace. / His dominion is vast / and forever peaceful, / from David's throne, and over his kingdom, / which he confirms and sustains / by judgment and justice, / both now and forever. / The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this!

Or:

Is 62: 11-12

Is 9: 1-6

ΤT

See, the LORD proclaims / to the ends of the earth: / say to daughter Zion, / your savior comes! / Here is his reward with him, / his recompense before him. / They shall be called the holy people, / the redeemed of the LORD, / and you shall be called "Frequented," / a city that is not forsaken.

*Ps 96 (95): 1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13* · VII



Sing to the LORD a new song; / sing to the LORD, all you lands. / Sing to the LORD; bless his name.

ŷ. Announce his salvation, day after day. / Tell his glory among the nations; / among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.

v. Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice; / let the sea and what fills it resound; / let the plains be joyful and all that is in them! / Then shall all the trees of the forest exult.

v. They shall exult before the LORD, for he comes; / for he comes to rule the earth. / He shall rule the world with justice / and the peoples with his constancy.

## SECOND READING

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 

Beloved: The grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age, as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good.

Ti 3: 4-7

*Lk 2: 10-11* • VII

Ti 2: 11-14

Beloved: / When the kindness and generous love / of God our savior appeared, / not because of any righteous deeds we had done / but because of his mercy, / He saved us through the bath of rebirth / and renewal by the Holy Spirit, / whom he richly poured out on us / through Jesus Christ our savior, / so that we might be justified by his grace / and become heirs in hope of eternal life.

ALLELUIA

Or:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

v. I proclaim to you good news of great joy: / today a Savior is born for us, / Christ the Lord.

#### GOSPEL

Lk 2: 15-20

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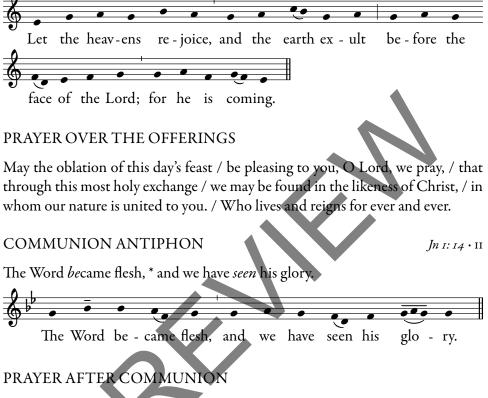
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The Creed is said. All kneel at the words and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate.

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#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Let the heavens rejoice, and the *earth* exult \* before the face of the Lord; for *he* is coming.



Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, / that we, who are gladdened by participation / in the feast of our Redeemer's Nativity, / may through an honorable way of life become worthy of union with him. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

# THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD [CHRISTMAS] AT THE MASS AT DAWN

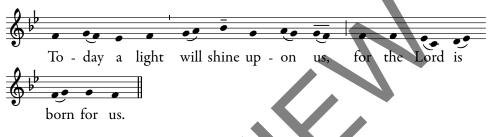
– WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2024 —

Solemnity

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Is 9: 2, 6; Lk 1: 33* • VIII

Today a light will shine *up*on us, \* for the Lord is *born* for us; / and he will be called *Won*drous God, † Prince of peace, Father of *future* ages: \* and his reign will be *with*out end.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

#### COLLECT

Grant, we pray, almighty God, / that, as we are bathed in the new radiance of your incarnate Word, / the light of faith, which illumines our minds, / may also shine through in our deeds. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### FIRST READING

Is 62: 11-12

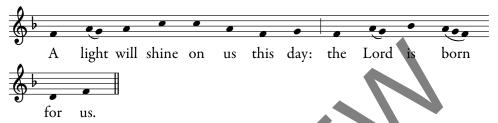
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Or:

Is 9: 1-6

The people who walked in darkness / have seen a great light; / upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom / a light has shone. / You have brought them abundant joy / and great rejoicing, / as they rejoice before you as at the harvest, / as people make merry when dividing spoils. / For the yoke that burdened them, / the pole on their shoulder, / and the rod of their taskmaster / you have smashed, as on the day of Midian. / For every boot that tramped in battle, / every cloak rolled in blood, / will be burned as fuel for flames. / For a child is born to us, a son is given us; / upon his shoulder dominion rests. / They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, / Father-Forever, Prince of Peace. / His dominion is vast / and forever peaceful, / from David's throne, and over his kingdom, / which he confirms and sustains / by judgment and justice, / both now and forever. / The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this!

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM



 $\hat{v}$ . The LORD is king; let the earth rejoice; / let the many isles be glad. / The heavens proclaim his justice, / and all peoples see his glory.

v. Light dawns for the just; / and gladness, for the upright of heart. / Be glad in the LORD, you just, / and give thanks to his holy name.

#### SECOND READING

Beloved: / When the kindness and generous love / of God our savior appeared, / not because of any righteous deeds we had done / but because of his mercy, / he saved us through the bath of rebirth / and renewal by the Holy Spirit, / whom he richly poured out on us / through Jesus Christ our savior, / so that we might be justified by his grace / and become heirs in hope of eternal life.

#### Or:

Ti 2: 11-14

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ALLELUIA

*Lk 2: 14* · VII



*Ps 97 (96): 1, 6, 11-12* · VI

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#### GOSPEL

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Now there were shepherds in that region living in the fields and keeping the night watch over their flock. The angel of the Lord appeared to them and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: / "Glory to God in the highest / and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

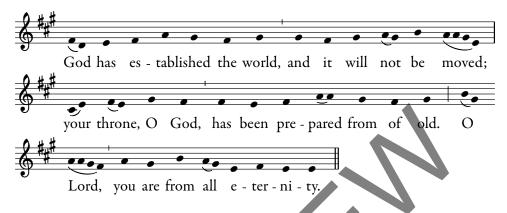
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Lk 2: 1-14

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#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

God has estab*lished* the world, \* and it will *not* be moved; / your throne, O God, has been prepared *from* of old. \* O Lord, you are from *all* eternity.



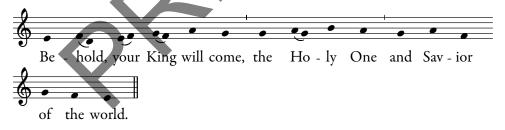
## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May our offerings be worthy, we pray, O Lord, / of the mysteries of the Nativity this day, / that, just as Christ was born a man and also shone forth as God, / so these earthly gifts may confer on us what is divine. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Zech 9: 9* • IV

Rejoice, O *Daugh*ter Sion; \* lift up praise, Daugh*ter* Jerusalem: / Behold, your *King* will come, \* the Holy One and Savior *of* the world.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

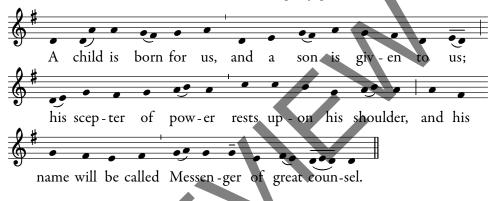
Grant us, Lord, as we honor with joyful devotion / the Nativity of your Son, / that we may come to know with fullness of faith / the hidden depths of this mystery / and to love them ever more and more. / Through Christ our Lord.

# THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD [CHRISTMAS] AT THE MASS DURING THE DAY — WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2024 — Solemnity

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Is 9: 5* • VII

A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; † his scepter of power rests up*on* his shoulder, \* and his name will be called Messenger *of* great counsel.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

#### COLLECT

O God, who wonderfully created the dignity of human nature / and still more wonderfully restored it, / grant, we pray, / that we may share in the divinity of Christ, / who humbled himself to share in our humanity. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

Is 52: 7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains / are the feet of him who brings glad tidings, / announcing peace, bearing good news, / announcing salvation, and saying to Zion, / "Your God is King!"

Hark! Your sentinels raise a cry, / together they shout for joy, / for they see directly, before their eyes, / the LORD restoring Zion. / Break out together in song, / O ruins of Jerusalem! / For the LORD comforts his people, / he redeems Jerusalem. / The LORD has bared his holy arm / in the sight of all the nations; / all the ends of the earth will behold / the salvation of our God.

s 98 (97): 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 · I

The people who walked in darkness / have seen a great light; / upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom / a light has shone. / You have brought them abundant joy / and great rejoicing, / as they rejoice before you as at the harvest, / as people make merry when dividing spoils. / For the yoke that burdened them, / the pole on their shoulder, / and the rod of their taskmaster / you have smashed, as on the day of Midian. / For every boot that tramped in battle, / every cloak rolled in blood, / will be burned as fuel for flames. / For a child is born to us, a son is given us; / upon his shoulder dominion rests. / They name him Wonder-Counselor, God-Hero, / Father-Forever, Prince of Peace. / His dominion is vast / and forever peaceful, / from David's throne, and over his kingdom, / which he confirms and sustains / by judgment and justice, / both now and forever. / The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this!

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 

Or:



All the ends of the earth have seen the sav-ing pow-er of God.

 $\hat{v}$ . Sing to the LORD a new song, / for he has done wondrous deeds; / his right hand has won victory for him, / his holy arm.

Y. The LORD has made his salvation known: / in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice. / He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness / toward the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen / the salvation by our God. / Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands; / break into song; sing praise.

 $\hat{y}$ . Sing praise to the LORD with the harp, / with the harp and melodious song. / With trumpets and the sound of the horn / sing joyfully before the King, the LORD.

# SECOND READING

Heb 1: 1-6

Brothers and sisters: In times past, God spoke in partial and various ways to our ancestors through the prophets; in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son, whom he made heir of all things and through whom he created the universe, / who is the refulgence of his glory, / the very imprint of his being, / and who sustains all things by his mighty word. / When he had accomplished purification from sins, / he took his seat at the right hand of the Majesty on high, / as far superior to the angels / as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

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For to which of the angels did God ever say: / You are my son; this day I have begotten you? / Or again: / I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me? / And again, when he leads the firstborn into the world, he says: / Let all the angels of God worship him.

#### Or:

Beloved: The grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age, as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good.

). A holy day has dawned upon us. / Come, you nations, and adore the Lord. / For today a great light has come upon the earth.

## GOSPEL

In 1: 1-18 or 1-5, 9-14

For the short form, omit the text in brackets.

In the beginning was the Word, / and the Word was with God, / and the Word was God. / He was in the beginning with God. / All things came to be through him, / and without him nothing came to be. / What came to be through him was life, / and this life was the light of the human race; / the light shines in the darkness, / and the darkness has not overcome it. / [A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to testify to the light.] The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. / He was in the world, / and the world came to be through him, / but the world did not know him. / He came to what was his own, / but his own people did not accept him.

But to those who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to those who believe in his name, who were born not by natural generation nor by human choice nor by a man's decision but of God. / And the Word became flesh / and made his dwelling among us, / and we saw his glory, / the glory as of the Father's only Son, / full of grace and truth. / [John testified to him and cried out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'The one who is coming after me ranks ahead

Ti 2: 11-14

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of me because he existed before me." From his fullness we have all received, grace in place of grace, because while the law was given through Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God. The only Son, God, who is at the Father's side, has revealed him.]

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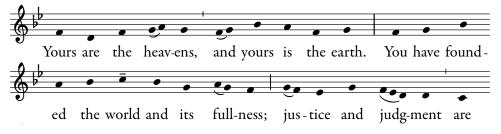
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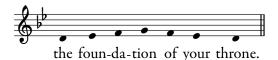
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## OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 89 (88): 12, 15a* • IV

Yours are the heavens, and yours is the earth. † You have founded the world and its fullness; \* justice and judgment are the foundation of your throne.





# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Make acceptable, O Lord, our oblation on this solemn day, / when you manifested the reconciliation / that makes us wholly pleasing in your sight / and inaugurated for us the fullness of divine worship. / Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 98 (97): 3 · 1

All the ends of the *earth* have seen \* the salvation of our God.

All the ends of the earth have seen the sal-va-tion of our God.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, O merciful God, / that, just as the Savior of the world, born this day, / is the author of divine generation for us, / so he may be the giver even of immortality. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26 Saint Stephen, the First Martyr

Feast

#### ENTRANCE

The gates of heaven were opened for blessed Stephen, † who was found to be first among the number *of* the Martyrs \* and therefore is crowned trium*phant* in heaven.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

FIRST READING Acts 6: 8-10; 7: 54-59 I see the heavens opened.

RESP *Ps 31 (30): 3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17* Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit. GOSPEL Mt 10: 17-22 For it will not be you who speak but the Spirit of your Father.

COMMUNION Acts 7: 58 · 11 As they were stoning Stephen, *he* called out: \* Lord Jesus, re*ceive* my spirit.

#### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27

Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist — Feast —

ENTRANCE

This is John, who reclined on the Lord's breast at supper, † the blessed Apostle, to whom celestial secrets *were* revealed \* and who spread the words of life through *all* the world. Or: Cf. Sir 15:  $5 \cdot VI$ In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth,  $\dagger$  and the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and *un*derstanding<sup>\*</sup> and clothed him in a *robe* of glory.

*The* Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) *is said.* 

FIRST READING 1 Jn 1: 1-4 What we have seen and heard we proclaim now to you.

RESP *Ps 97 (96): 1-2, 5-6, 11-12* Rejoice in the Lord, you just!

GOSPEL Jn 20: 14 and 2-8 The other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first.

COMMUNION Jn 1: 14, 16 · 11 The Word became flesh and made his dwell*ing* among us, \* and from his fullness we have *all* received.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28 The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

Feast -

Entrance

III

The innocents were slaughtered as infants for Christ; † spotless, they fol*low* the Lamb \* and sing for ever: Glory to *you*, O Lord.

*The* Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) *is said.* 

FIRST READING 1 Jn 1: 5–2: 2 The Blood of his Son Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin. RESP *Ps 124 (123): 2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8* Our soul has been rescued like a bird from the fowler's snare.

GOSPEL Mt 2: 13-18 He ordered the massacre of all boys in Bethlehem.

COMMUNION *Cf. Rev 14: 4* · v Behold those redeemed as the first fruits † of the human race for God *and* the Lamb, \* and who follow the Lamb wherever he goes.

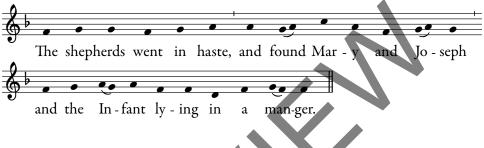
# THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH — SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2024 —

Feast

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Lk 2: 16* • VI

The shepherds went in haste, † and found Mary and Joseph \* and the Infant lying *in* a manger.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

# COLLECT

O God, who were pleased to give us / the shining example of the Holy Family, / graciously grant that we may imitate them / in practicing the virtues of family life and in the bonds of charity, / and so, in the joy of your house, / delight one day in eternal rewards. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

Sir 3: 2-6, 12-14

God sets a father in honor over his children; / a mother's authority he confirms over her sons. / Whoever honors his father atones for sins, / and preserves himself from them. / When he prays, he is heard; / he stores up riches who reveres his mother. / Whoever honors his father is gladdened by children, / and, when he prays, is heard. / Whoever reveres his father will live a long life; / he who obeys his father brings comfort to his mother.

My son, take care of your father when he is old; / grieve him not as long as he lives. / Even if his mind fail, be considerate of him; / revile him not all the days of his life; / kindness to a father will not be forgotten, / firmly planted against the debt of your sins /—a house raised in justice to you.

#### Or:

#### 1 Sm 1: 20-22, 24-28

In those days Hannah conceived, and at the end of her term bore a son whom she called Samuel, since she had asked the LORD for him. The next time her husband Elkanah was going up with the rest of his household to offer the customary sacrifice to the LORD and to fulfill his vows, Hannah did not go, explaining to her husband, "Once the child is weaned, I will take him to appear before the LORD and to remain there forever; I will offer him as a perpetual nazirite."

Once Samuel was weaned, Hannah brought him up with her, along with a threeyear-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine, and presented him at the temple of the LORD in Shiloh. After the boy's father had sacrificed the young bull, Hannah, his mother, approached Eli and said: "Pardon, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who stood near you here, praying to the LORD. I prayed for this child, and the LORD granted my request. Now I, in turn, give him to the LORD; as long as he lives, he shall be dedicated to the LORD." Hannah left Samuel there.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM						Ps 128 (127): 1-2, 3, 4-5 · 11				
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Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

 $\hat{y}$ . Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD, / who walks in his ways! / For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork; / blessed shall you be, and favored.

v. Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine / in the recesses of your home; / your children like olive plants / around your table.

 $\hat{y}$ . Behold, thus is the man blessed / who fears the LORD. / The LORD bless you from Zion: / may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem / all the days of your life.

# SECOND READING

Col 3: 12-21 or 3: 12-17

#### For the short form, omit the text in brackets.

Brothers and sisters: Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection. And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

[Wives, be subordinate to your husbands, as is proper in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and avoid any bitterness toward them. Children, obey your parents in everything, for this is pleasing to the Lord. Fathers, do not provoke your children, so they may not become discouraged.]

Or:

1 In 3: 1-2, 21-24

Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. And so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have confidence in God and receive from him whatever we ask, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And his commandment is this: we should believe in the name of his Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us. Those who keep his commandments remain in him, and he in them, and the way we know that he remains in us is from the Spirit he gave us.

ALLELUIA



). Let the peace of Christ control your hearts; / let the word of Christ dwell in you richly. Or:

Cf. Acts 16: 14b

ŷ. Open our hearts, O Lord, / to listen to the words of your Son.

# GOSPEL

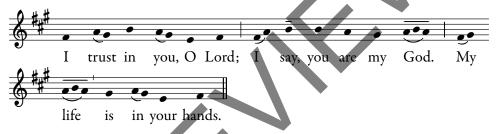
Lk 2: 41-52

Each year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom. After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Thinking that he was in the caravan, they journeyed for a day and looked for him among their relatives and acquaintances, but not finding him, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man.

When this Feast is celebrated on Sunday, the Creed is said.

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

I trust in you, O Lord; † I say, you are my God. \* My life is in your hands.



# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

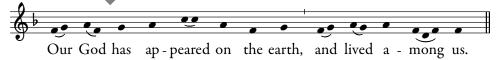
We offer you, Lord, the sacrifice of conciliation, / humbly asking that, / through the intercession of the Virgin Mother of God and Saint Joseph, / you may establish our families firmly in your grace and your peace. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Bar 3: 38* • VI

(30): 15, 16 • II

Our God has appeared *on* the earth, \* and *lived* among us.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Bring those you refresh with this heavenly Sacrament, / most merciful Father, / to imitate constantly the example of the Holy Family, / so that, after the trials of this world, / we may share their company for ever. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### MONDAY, DECEMBER 30 Sixth Day within the Octave of the *Nativity of the Lord [Christmas]*

ENTRANCE Wis 18: 14-15 · VIII When a profound silence covered all things \* and night was in the middle of its course, / your all-powerful Word, O Lord,\* bounded from heaven's royal throne.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

FIRST READING 1 Jn 2: 12-17 Those who do the will of God remain forever.

Resp Ps 96 (95): 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!

Gospel Lk 2: 36-40 She spoke about the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem.

COMMUNION n 1: 16 · 1 From his fullness we have *all* received,\* grace upon grace.

## **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31**

Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord [Christmas]

ENTRANCE Is 9: 6 · VII A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; † his scepter of power rests upon his shoulder, \* and his name will be called Messenger of great counsel.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

FIRST READING 1 Jn 2: 18-21 You have the anointing that comes from the Holy One, and you have all knowledge.

Resp Ps 96 (95): 1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 Let the heavens be glad and the earth rejoice!

#### Gospel [n 1: 1-18 The Word became flesh.

COMMUNION 1 Jn 4:9 • VIII God sent his Only Begotten Son into the world, \* so that we might have *life* through him.

> Saint Sylvester I, Pope - Optional Memorial -

> > II

ENTRANCE The Lord chose him for himself as high priest, † and, opening his treasure house, \* made him rich in all good things.

Or: Cf. Sir 50: 1; 44: 16, 22 · VII Behold a great priest, who in his days pleased God; † therefore, in accordance with his promise, \* the Lord gave him growth for the good *of* his people.

FIRST READING Ezek 34: 11-16 As a shepherd tends his flock so will I tend my sheep.

RESP Ps 23 (22): 1b-3a, 4, 5, 6 The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

GOSPEL Mt 16: 13-19 You are Peter. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven.

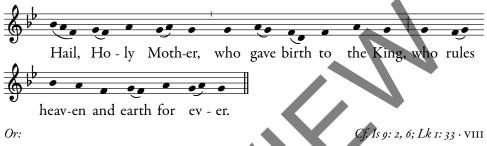
COMMUNION *Cf. In 10:11* · VII The Good Shepherd has laid down \* his life *for* his sheep.

# SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

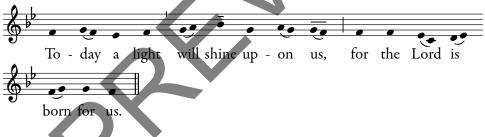
— WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2025 — Solemnity

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth *to* the King, \* who rules heaven and *earth* for ever.



Today a light will shine *up*on us, \* for the Lord is *born* for us; / and he will be called Wondrous God, † Prince of peace, Father of *future* ages: \* and his reign will be *with*out end.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

# COLLECT

O God, who through the fruitful virginity of Blessed Mary / bestowed on the human race / the grace of eternal salvation, / grant, we pray, / that we may experience the intercession of her, / through whom we were found worthy / to receive the author of life, / our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

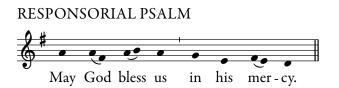
## FIRST READING

The LORD said to Moses: "Speak to Aaron and his sons and tell them: This is how you shall bless the Israelites. Say to them: / The LORD bless you and keep you! /

Sedulius • 11

Num 6: 22-27

The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you! / The LORD look upon you kindly and give you peace! / So shall they invoke my name upon the Israelites, and I will bless them."



ŷ. May God have pity on us and bless us; / may he let his face shine upon us. / So may your way be known upon earth; / among all nations, your salvation.

 $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ . May the nations be glad and exult / because you rule the peoples in equity; / the nations on the earth you guide.

ŷ. May the peoples praise you, O God; / may all the peoples praise you! / May God bless us, / and may all the ends of the earth fear him!

#### SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to ransom those under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. As proof that you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then also an heir, through God.



ŷ. In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; ∕ in these last days, he has spoken to us through the Son.

#### GOSPEL

The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph, and the infant lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child. All who heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds. And Mary kept all these things, reflecting

*Ps 67 (66): 2-3, 5, 6, 8* · VII

Gal 4: 4-7

Lk 2: 16-21

Heb 1: 1-2 · VII

on them in her heart. Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as it had been told to them.

When eight days were completed for his circumcision, he was named Jesus, the name given him by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

The Creed is said.

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Happy are you, holy Virgin Mary, † and most worthy *of* all praise, \* for from you arose the sun of justice, *Christ* our God.



#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

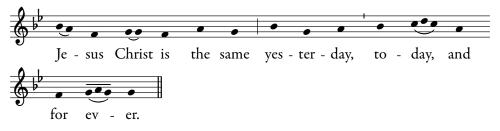
O God, who in your kindness begin all good things / and bring them to fulfillment, / grant to us, who find joy in the Solemnity of the holy Mother of God, / that, just as we glory in the beginnings of your grace, / so one day we may rejoice in its completion. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Heb 13: 8* • 11

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Jesus Christ *is* the same \* yesterday, today, *and* for ever.



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We have received this heavenly Sacrament with joy, O Lord: / grant, we pray, / that it may lead us to eternal life, / for we rejoice to proclaim the blessed ever-Virgin Mary / Mother of your Son and Mother of the Church. / Through Christ our Lord.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2 Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Sir  $44: 15, 14 \cdot 1$ Let the peoples recount the wisdom of the Saints,  $\dagger$  and let the Church pro*claim* their praise. \* Their names will live *on* and on.

Readings of the day:

FIRST READING 1 Jn 2: 22-28 Let what you heard from the beginning remain in you.

**RESP** *Ps 98 (97): 1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4* All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

GOSPEL Jn 1: 19-28 There is one who is coming after me.

COMMUNION *Cf. 1 Cor 1: 23-24 · 1* We proclaim Christ crucified; † Christ, the pow*er* of God \* and the wis*dom* of God.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Eph 4: 1-7, 11-13 For the work of the ministry, for building up the Body of Christ. RESP *Ps 23 (22): 1b-3a, 4, 5, 6* The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

GOSPEL Mt 23: 8-12 The greatest among you must be your servant.

> **FRIDAY, JANUARY 3** *Friday of Christmas Time*

ENTRANCE *Ps II2 (III): 4* · I A light has risen in the darkness for the up*right* of heart; \* the Lord is generous, merci*ful* and just.

FIRST READING 1 Jn 2: 29–3: 6 No one who remains in him sins.

RESP *Ps 98 (97): 1, 3cd-4, 5-6* All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

GOSPEL Jn 1: 29-34 Behold the Lamb of God.

COMMUNION I Jn 4: 9 · VIII By this the love of God was revealed to us: † God sent his Only Begotten Son into the world, \* so that we might have *life* through him. The Most Holy Name of Jesus — Optional Memorial — ENTRANCE Phil 2: 10-11 · 111 At the name of Jesus, every knee should bend, \* of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, / and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, \* to the glory of God the Father.

FIRST READING Phil 2:1-11 or 2: 1-5 Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus.

RESP *Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9* O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

GOSPEL Lk 2: 21-24 When the eight days were completed, he was named Jesus.

COMMUNION *Ps 8: 2* · 11 O Lord, our Lord, how majestic *is* your name \* through *all* the earth!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4 Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious — Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Prv 14: 1-2* · VIII Behold a wise woman who has *built* her house. \* She feared the Lord and walked in *the* right path.

Or: Cf. Ps 24 (23):  $6 \cdot \text{VIII}$ This is the generation \* which seeks the face of the God of Jacob.

Readings of the day:

FIRST READING 1 Jn 3: 7-10 Those who are begotten by God commit no sin. RESP *Ps g8 (g7): 1, 7-8, 9* All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

GOSPEL Jn 1: 35-42 We have found the Messiah.

COMMUNION Jn 6: 51 · 1 I am the living bread from heaven, says the Lord. † Whoever eats this bread will *live* for ever; \* the bread I shall give is my flesh for the life *of* the world.

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

— SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 2025 —

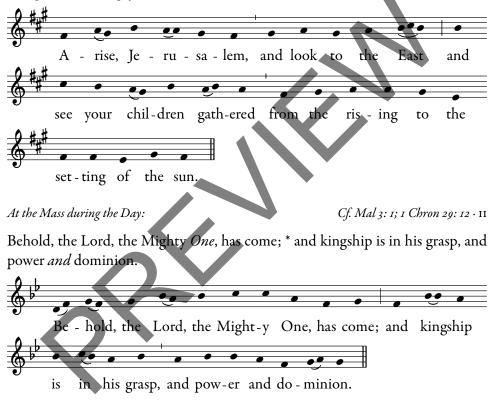
Solemnity

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

#### At the Vigil Mass:

*Cf. Bar 5: 5* · 11

Arise, Jerusalem, and look to the East † and see your *chil*dren gathered \* from the rising to the setting *of* the sun.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

## COLLECT

At the Vigil Mass:

May the splendor of your majesty, O Lord, we pray, / shed its light upon our hearts, / that we may pass through the shadows of this world / and reach the brightness of our eternal home. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### At the Mass during the Day:

O God, who on this day / revealed your Only Begotten Son to the nations / by the guidance of a star, / grant in your mercy / that we, who know you already by faith, / may be brought to behold the beauty of your sublime glory. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! Your light has come, / the glory of the Lord shines upon you. / See, darkness covers the earth, / and thick clouds cover the peoples; / but upon you the LORD shines, / and over you appears his glory. / Nations shall walk by your light, / and kings by your shining radiance. / Raise your eyes and look about; / they all gather and come to you: / your sons come from afar, / and your daughters in the arms of their nurses.

Then you shall be radiant at what you see, / your heart shall throb and overflow, / for the riches of the sea shall be emptied out before you, / the wealth of nations shall be brought to you. / Caravans of camels shall fill you, / dromedaries from Midian and Ephah; / all from Sheba shall come / bearing gold and frankincense, / and proclaiming the praises of the LORD.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps* 72 (71): 1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 · I

Lord, eve-ry na-tion on earth will a - dore you.

v. O God, with your judgment endow the king, / and with your justice, the king's son; / he shall govern your people with justice / and your afflicted ones with judgment.

. Justice shall flower in his days, / and profound peace, till the moon be no more. / May he rule from sea to sea, / and from the River to the ends of the earth.

v. The kings of Tarshish and the Isles shall offer gifts; / the kings of Arabia and Seba shall bring tribute. / All kings shall pay him homage, / all nations shall serve him.

v. For he shall rescue the poor when he cries out, / and the afflicted when he has no one to help him. / He shall have pity for the lowly and the poor; / the lives of the poor he shall save.

#### SECOND READING

Mt 2: 1-12

Brothers and sisters: You have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for your benefit, namely, that the mystery was made known to me by revelation. It was not made known to people in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that the Gentiles are coheirs, members of the same body, and copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.



v. We saw his star at its rising / and have come to do him homage

#### GOSPEL

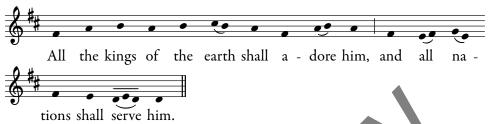
When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet: / And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah, I are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; / since from you shall come a ruler, I who is to shepherd my people Israel." / Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

The Creed is said.

#### JANUARY 5

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

The kings of Tarshish and the islands shall *pay* him tribute. \* The kings of Arabia and Seba shall *bring* him gifts. / All the kings of the earth *shall* adore him, \* and all na*tions* shall serve him.



## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

At the Vigil Mass:

Accept we pray, O Lord, our offerings, / in honor of the appearing of your Only Begotten Son / and the first fruits of the nations, / that to you praise may be rendered / and eternal salvation be ours. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### At the Mass during the Day:

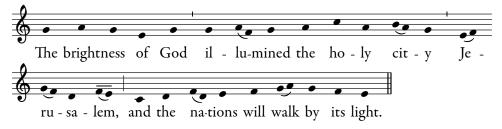
Look with favor, Lord, we pray, / on these gifts of your Church, / in which are offered now not gold or frankincense or myrrh, / but he who by them is proclaimed, / sacrificed and received, Jesus Christ. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

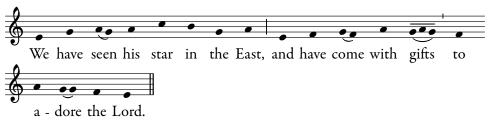
#### At the Vigil Mass:

*Cf. Rev 21: 23* · IV

The brightness of God illumined the holy city Jerusalem, \* and the nations will walk *by* its light.



We have seen his star *in* the East, \* and have come with gifts to a*dore* the Lord.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

At the Vigil Mass:

Renewed by sacred nourishment, / we implore your mercy, O Lord, / that the star of your justice / may shine always bright in our minds / and that our true treasure may ever consist in our confession of you. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### At the Mass during the Day:

Go before us with heavenly light, O Lord, / always and everywhere, / that we may perceive with clear sight / and revere with true affection / the mystery in which you have willed us to participate. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, JANUARY 6 Monday of Christmas Time

ENTRANCE VII A holy day has dawned upon us: † Come, you nations, and a*dore* the Lord, \* for a great light has come down up*on* the earth.

FIRST READING 1 Jn 3: 22-4: 6 Test the spirits to see whether they belong to God.

RESP *Ps 2: 7bc-8, 10-12a* I will give you all the nations for an inheritance.

GOSPEL Mt 4: 12-17, 23-25 The Kingdom of heaven is at hand. COMMUNION $Jn : 14 \cdot 1V$ We have seen his glory,  $\dagger$  the glory of<br/>an only Son coming *from* the Father, \*<br/>filled with *grace* and truth.

Saint André Bessette, Religious — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 16 (15): 5* · VI O Lord, it is you who are my por*tion* and cup; \* you yourself who se*cure* my portion.

*Or: Cf. Hos 2: 21-22* The Lord has taken her as his *bride* for ever \* in faithful*ness* and mercy.

Any reading from the Holy Men and Women: For Religious, may be used. COMMUNIONCf. Mt 19: 27-29 · 1Amen, I say to you: \* That you who haveleft all and followed me / will receive ahundredfold \* and possess eternal life.Or:Cf. Lam 3: 24-25The Lord is my portion: \* he is good tothe soul that seeks him.

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 7 Tuesday of Christmas Time

ENTRANCE *Ps 118 (117): 26-27* · VIII Blessed is he who comes in the name *of* the Lord: \* The Lord is God and has giv*en* us light.

FIRST READING *God is love*.

1 Jn 4: 7-10

RESP *Ps 72 (71): 1-2, 3-4, 7-8* Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

GOSPEL Mk 6: 34-44 Multiplying the loaves, Jesus shows himself as a prophet.

COMMUNION *Eph 2: 4; Rom 8: 3* · VIII Because of that great love of his † with which *God* loved us, \* he sent his Son in the likeness of *sin*ful flesh.

Saint Raymond of Penyafort, Priest — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $_{132}(_{131}): g \cdot vI$ Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy.

FIRST READING 2 Cor 5: 14-20 He has given us the ministry of reconciliation. RESP *Ps 103 (102): 1bc-2, 3-4, 8-9, 13-14, 17-18* O, bless the Lord, my soul.

GOSPELLk 12: 35-40You must also be prepared.

COMMUNION Cf. Mt 24: 46,  $47 \cdot III$ Blessed *is* the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching *when* he comes. / Amen, I *say* to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of *all* his property.

Or:  $Lk_{12: 42 \cdot VII}$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent,  $\uparrow$  whom the Lord set over his household \* to give them their allowance of food at the proper time.

#### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8** *Wednesday of Christmas Time*

ENTRANCE Is  $g: t \cdot VII$ A people who walked in darkness has seen *a* great light; \* for those dwelling in a land of deep gloom, a *light* has shone.

FIRST READING 1 Jn 4: 11-18 If we love one another, God remains in us.

RESP *Ps 72 (71): 1-2, 10, 12-13* Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

GOSPEL Mk 6: 45-52 They saw Jesus walking on the sea.

COMMUNION *I Jn 1: 2 · 11* That life which was with the Father *be*came visible, \* and has ap*peared* to us.

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 9 Thursday of Christmas Time

ENTRANCE *Cf. Jn 1: 1* · IV In the beginning and before all ages, the Word was God \* and he humbled himself to be born the Savior of the world.

FIRST READING 1 In 4: 19-5: 4 Those who love God must also love their brother and sister.

Resp Ps 72 (71): 1-2, 14, 15bc, 17 Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

Gospel Lk 4: 14-22 Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled.

COMMUNION Jn 3: 16 · VI God so loved the world \* that he gave his Only Begotten Son, / so that all who believe in him may not perish, \* but may have e*ter*nal life.

> FRIDAY, JANUARY 10 Friday of Christmas Time

> > *Ps 112 (111): 4 ·* I

ENTRANCE A light has risen in the darkness for the upright of heart; \* the Lord is generous, merci*ful* and just.

FIRST READING 1 Jn 5: 5-13 The Spirit, the water, and the Blood.

RESP Ps 147: 12-13, 14-15, 19-20 Praise the Lord, Jerusalem. Or: Alleluia.

Gospel Lk 5: 12-16 The leprosy left him immediately.

COMMUNION 1 In 4: 9 · VIII By this the love of God was revealed to us: † God sent his Only Begotten Son into the world, \* so that we might have *life* through him.

> SATURDAY, JANUARY 11 Saturday of Christmas Time

ENTRANCE Gal 4: 4-5 · 11 God sent his Son, born of a woman, \* so that we might receive adoption as children.

FIRST READING 1 In 5: 14-21 God hears us in regard to whatever we ask.

Resp Ps 149: 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b The Lord takes delight in his people. Or:

Alleluia.

Gospel In 3: 22-30 The friend of the bridegroom rejoices at the bridegroom's voice.

COMMUNION *In 1: 16 ·* 1 From his fullness we have all received, \* grace upon grace.

# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

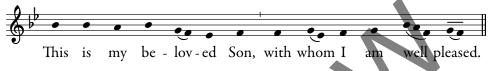
— SUNDAY, JANUARY 12, 2025 —

Feast

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Mt 3: 16-17* • VIII

After the Lord was baptized, the heav*ens* were opened, \* and the Spirit descended upon him *like* a dove, / and the voice of the *Fa*ther thundered: \* This is my beloved Son, with whom I *am* well pleased.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

# COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, / who, when Christ had been baptized in the River Jordan / and as the Holy Spirit descended upon him, / solemnly declared him your beloved Son, / grant that your children by adoption, / reborn of water and the Holy Spirit, / may always be well pleasing to you. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

Or:

O God, whose Only Begotten Son / has appeared in our very flesh, / grant, we pray, that we may be inwardly transformed / through him whom we recognize as outwardly like ourselves. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

Is 42: 1-4, 6-7

Thus says the LORD: / Here is my servant whom I uphold, / my chosen one with whom I am pleased, / upon whom I have put my spirit; / he shall bring forth justice to the nations, / not crying out, not shouting, / not making his voice heard in the street. / a bruised reed he shall not break, / and a smoldering wick he shall not quench, / until he establishes justice on the earth; / the coastlands will wait for his teaching.

I, the LORD, have called you for the victory of justice, / I have grasped you by the hand; / I formed you, and set you / as a covenant of the people, / a light for the

nations, / to open the eyes of the blind, / to bring out prisoners from confinement, / and from the dungeon, those who live in darkness.

Or:

Is 40: 1-5, 9-11

Comfort, give comfort to my people, / says your God. / Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her / that her service is at an end, / her guilt is expiated; / indeed, she has received from the hand of the LORD / double for all her sins.

A voice cries out: / In the desert prepare the way of the LORD! / Make straight in the wasteland a highway for our God! / Every valley shall be filled in, / every mountain and hill shall be made low; / the rugged land shall be made a plain, / the rough country, a broad valley. / Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, / and all people shall see it together; / for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Go up on to a high mountain, / Zion, herald of glad tidings; / cry out at the top of your voice, / Jerusalem, herald of good news! / Fear not to cry out / and say to the cities of Judah: / Here is your God! / Here comes with power / the Lord GOD, / who rules by a strong arm; / here is his reward with him, / his recompense before him. / Like a shepherd he feeds his flock; / in his arms he gathers the lambs, / carrying them in his bosom, / and leading the ewes with care.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 

*Ps 29 (28): 1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10* · VIII

Acts 10: 34-38

The Lord will bless his peo-ple with peace.

v. Give to the LORD, you sons of God, / give to the LORD glory and praise, / Give to the LORD the glory due his name; / adore the LORD in holy attire.

v. The voice of the LORD is over the waters, / the LORD, over vast waters. / The voice of the LORD is mighty; / the voice of the LORD is majestic.

v. The God of glory thunders, / and in his temple all say, "Glory!" / The LORD is enthroned above the flood; / the LORD is enthroned as king forever.

## SECOND READING

Peter proceeded to speak to those gathered in the house of Cornelius, saying: "In truth, I see that God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him. You know the word that he sent to the Israelites as he proclaimed peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all,

what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him."

#### Or:

Beloved: The grace of God has appeared, saving all and training us to reject godless ways and worldly desires and to live temperately, justly, and devoutly in this age, as we await the blessed hope, the appearance of the glory of our great God and savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to deliver us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for himself a people as his own, eager to do what is good.

When the kindness and generous love / of God our savior appeared, / not because of any righteous deeds we had done / but because of his mercy, / He saved us through the bath of rebirth / and renewal by the Holy Spirit, / whom he richly poured out on us / through Jesus Christ our savior, / so that we might be justified by his grace / and become heirs in hope of eternal life.



 ${\bf \hat{y}}.$  The heavens were opened and the voice of the Father thundered: / This is my beloved Son, listen to him.

Cf. Lk 3: 16

Lk 3: 15-16, 21-22

 $\style j$  . John said: One mightier than I is coming; / he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

# GOSPEL

Or:

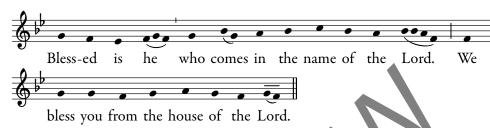
The people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ. John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

After all the people had been baptized and Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

Ti 2: 11-14; 3: 4-7

## OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. \* We bless you from the house of the Lord; / the Lord is God, and has given us light, \* alleluia, *al*leluia.



# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

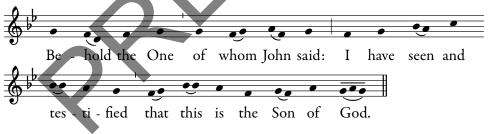
Accept, O Lord, the offerings / we have brought to honor the revealing of your beloved Son, / so that the oblation of your faithful / may be transformed into the sacrifice of him / who willed in his compassion / to wash away the sins of the world. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Jn 1: 32, 34* • 11

*Ps 118 (117): 26, 27* • VIII

Behold the One of whom John said: † I have *seen* and testified \* that this is the *Son* of God.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished with these sacred gifts, / we humbly entreat your mercy, O Lord, / that, faithfully listening to your Only Begotten Son, / we may be your children in name and in truth. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 13 Monday of the First Week

#### ENTRANCE

*Cf. Dan 7, 9-10, 13-14; Is 6, 1-3* · VIII Upon a lofty throne, I saw a man seated, † whom a host of angels adore, sing*ing* in unison: \* Behold him, the name of whose empire *is* eternal.

FIRST READING Heb 1: 1-6 God spoke to us through the Son.

RESP Ps g7 (g6): 1, 2b, 6, 7c, g Let all his angels worship him.

GOSPEL Mk 1: 14-20 Repent, and believe in the Gospel.

COMMUNIONCf. Ps  $36(35): 10 \cdot VI$ With you, O Lord, is the fountain oflife, \* and in your light we see light.Or: $Jn 10: 10 \cdot I$ 

I have come that they *may* have life, \* and have it more abundantly, *says* the Lord.

Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ez*  $_{34: II, 23-24} \cdot IV$ I will look after my sheep, says the Lord,  $\dagger$  and I will appoint a shep*herd* to pasture them, \* and I, the Lord, will *be* their God.

Or: Cf.  $Lk \ 12: 42 \cdot IV$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time. FIRST READING 1 Jn 2: 18-25 Whoever confesses the Son has the Father as well.

RESP *Ps II0 (109): 1, 2, 3, 4* You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

GOSPEL Mt 5: 13-19 You are the light of the world.

COMMUNION Cf. Jn 15: 16 · 1 It was not you who chose me, says the Lord, \* but I who chose you / and appointed you to go and bear fruit, \* fruit that will last.

Or: Cf. Lk 12: 36-37 • III Blessed is that servant, whom his lord finds awake \* when he comes and knocks at the gate.

#### TUESDAY, JANUARY 14 Tuesday of the First Week

#### ENTRANCE

Cf. Dan 7, 9-10, 13-14; Is 6, 1-3 · VIII

Upon a lofty throne, I saw a man seated, † whom a host of angels adore, singing in unison: \* Behold him, the name of whose empire *is* eternal.

FIRST READING Heb 2: 5-12 He made the one who leads them to their salvation perfect through suffering.

RESP *Ps 8: 2ab, 5, 6-7, 8-9* You have given your Son rule over the works of your hands.

GOSPEL Mk 1: 21-28 Jesus taught them as one having authority. COMMUNIONCf. Ps  $_{36}(_{35}): 10 \cdot VI$ With you, O Lord, is the fountain oflife, \* and in your light we see light.Or:Jn 10: 10 \cdot II have come that they may have life, \*and have it more abundantly, says theLord.

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15 Wednesday of the First Week

#### ENTRANCE

Cf. Dan 7, 9-10, 13-14; Is 6, 1-3 · VIII

Upon a lofty throne, I saw a man seated, † whom a host of angels adore, singing in unison: \* Behold him, the name of whose empire *is* eternal.

FIRST READING Heb 2: 14-18 He had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way, that he might be merciful.

RESP *Ps 105 (104): 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9* The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mk 1: 29-39 Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 36 (35): 10* · VI With you, O Lord, is the foun*tain* of life, \* and in your light *we* see light.

*Or:* Jn 10: 10 · 1 I have come that they *may* have life, \* and have it more abundantly, *says* the Lord.

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 16 Thursday of the First Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Dan 7, 9-10, 13-14; Is 6, 1-3 · VIII

Upon a lofty throne, I saw a man seated, † whom a host of angels adore, sing*ing* in unison: \* Behold him, the name of whose empire *is* eternal.

FIRST READING Heb 3: 7-14 Encourage yourselves daily while it is still today.

RESP *Ps os (94): 6-7c, 8-9, 10-11* If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

GOSPEL Mk 1: 40-45 The leprosy left him, and he was made clean.

COMMUNION $Cf. Ps \ 36 \ (35): 10 \cdot VI$ With you, O Lord, is the fountain oflife, \* and in your light we see light.Or: $Jn \ 10: 10 \cdot I$ I have come that they may have life, \*and have it more abundantly, says theLord.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17 Saint Anthony, Abbot — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $g_2(g_1)$ :  $I_3$ - $I_4 \cdot I$ The just will flourish *like* the palm tree, \* and grow like a Leb*a*non cedar, / planted in the house *of* the Lord, \* in the courts of the house *of* our God.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Heb 4: 1-5, 11 Let us strive to enter into that rest. RESP *Ps 78 (77): 3, 4bc, 6c-7, 8* Do not forget the works of the Lord!

GOSPEL Mk 2: 1-12 The Son of Man has authority to forgive sins on earth.

COMMUNION Cf. Mt 19:  $21 \cdot IV$ If you would be perfect,  $\dagger$  go, sell what you have, give *to* the poor,  $\ast$  and follow me, *says* the Lord.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READINGEph 6: 10-13, 18Put on the armor of God.

RESP *Ps 16 (15): 1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11* You are my inheritance, O Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 19: 16-26 If you wish to be perfect, go, sell what you have.

> SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 Saturday of the First Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Dan 7, 9-10, 13-14; Is 0, 1-3 · VIII

Upon a lofty throne, I saw a man seated, † whom a host of angels adore, singing in unison: \* Behold him, the name of whose empire *is* eternal.

FIRST READING Heb 4: 12-16 Let us confidently approach the throne of grace.

RESP *Ps 19 (18): 8, 9, 10, 15* Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

GOSPEL Mk 2: 13-17 I did not come to call the righteous but sinners. COMMUNIONCf. Ps  $_{36}(_{35}): 10 \cdot VI$ With you, O Lord, is the fountain oflife, \* and in your light we see light.Or:Jn 10: 10 \cdot II have come that they may have life, \*and have it more abundantly, says theLord.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

— Optional Memorial —

See page 581 for the antiphons for this Memorial.

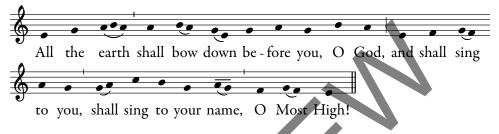
# SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — Sunday, January 19, 2025 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 66 (65): 4* • IV

Is 62: 1-5

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, † and shall *sing* to you, \* shall sing to your name, *O* Most High!



# COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, / who govern all things, / both in heaven and on earth, / mercifully hear the pleading of your people / and bestow your peace on our times. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

For Zion's sake I will not be silent, / for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, / until her vindication shines forth like the dawn / and her victory like a burning torch.

Nations shall behold your vindication, / and all the kings your glory; / you shall be called by a new name / pronounced by the mouth of the LORD. / You shall be a glorious crown in the hand of the LORD, / a royal diadem held by your God. / No more shall people call you "Forsaken," / or your land "Desolate," / but you shall be called "My Delight," / and your land "Espoused." / For the LORD delights in you / and makes your land his spouse. / As a young man marries a virgin, / your Builder shall marry you; / and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride / so shall your God rejoice in you.



Pro - claim his mar-vel-ous deeds to all the na-tions.

ŷ. Sing to the LORD a new song; / sing to the LORD, all you lands. / Sing to the LORD; bless his name.

v. Announce his salvation, day after day. / Tell his glory among the nations; / among all peoples, his wondrous deeds.

ŷ. Give to the LORD, you families of nations, / give to the LORD glory and praise; / give to the LORD the glory due his name!

v. Worship the LORD in holy attire. / Tremble before him, all the earth; / Say among the nations: The LORD is king. / He governs the peoples with equity.

#### SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: There are different kinds of spititual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. To one is given through the Spirit the expression of wisdom; to another, the expression of knowledge according to the same Spirit; to another, faith by the same Spirit; to another, gifts of healing by the one Spirit; to another, mighty deeds; to another, prophecy; to another, discernment of spirits; to another, varieties of tongues; to another, interpretation of tongues. But one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes.

 ${\bf \hat{y}}.$  God has called us through the Gospel / to possess the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## GOSPEL

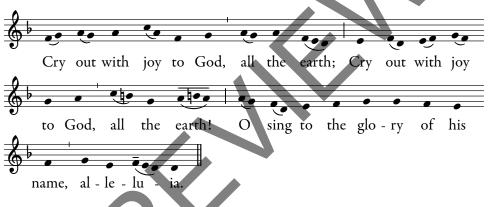
Jn 2: 1-11

Cor 12: 4-11

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." Now there were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus told them, "Fill the jars with water." So they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." So they took it. And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from—although the servers who had drawn the water knew—, the headwaiter called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves good wine first, and then when people have drunk freely, an inferior one; but you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him.

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Cry out with joy to God, *all* the earth; \* Cry out with joy to God, *all* the earth! / O sing to the glory *of* his name. † Come and hear, all *who* fear God; \* I will tell what the Lord did for my soul, *al*leluia.



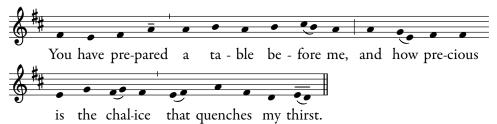
# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, / that we may participate worthily in these mysteries, / for whenever the memorial of this sacrifice is celebrated / the work of our redemption is accomplished. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

#### Cf. Ps 23 (22): 5 · V

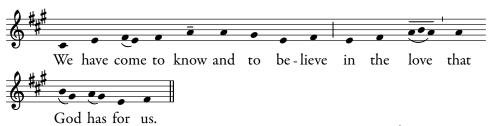
You have prepared a table before me, † and how precious *is* the chalice \* that quench*es* my thirst.



*Ps 66 (65): 1, 2, 16* • 1

Or:

We have come to know and *to* believe \* in the love that God *has* for us.



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pour on us, O Lord, the Spirit of your love, / and in your kindness / make those you have nourished / by this one heavenly Bread / one in mind and heart. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, JANUARY 20	Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr			
Monday of the Second Week	— Optional Memorial —			
ENTRANCE $Ps \ 66 \ (65): 4 \cdot IV$	ENTRANCE VI			
All the earth shall bow down before	This holy man fought <i>to</i> the death * for			
you, O God, † and shall <i>sing</i> to you, *	the law of his God / and did not fear			
shall sing to your name, OMost High!	the words of the godless, * for he was			
	built on <i>sol</i> id rock.			
FIRST READING Heb 5: 1-10	<i>Or: Cf. Wis 10: 12</i> • III			
Son though he was, he learned obedience	The Lord granted him <i>a</i> stern struggle,*			
from what he suffered.	that he might know that wisdom is			
RESP <i>Ps 110 (109): 1, 2, 3, 4</i>	mightier <i>than</i> all else.			
You are a priest for ever, in the line of				
Melchizedek.	FIRST READING I Pt 5: 1-4			
	Tend the flock of God in your midst.			
GOSPEL <i>Mk</i> 2: 18-22	RESP <i>Ps 40 (39): 2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10</i>			
The bridegroom is with them.	Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.			
Communion <i>Cf. Ps 23 (22): 5</i> · v				
You have prepared a table before me, †	GOSPEL Jn 21: 15-17			
and how precious <i>is</i> the chalice * that	Feed my lambs, feed my sheep.			
quench <i>es</i> my thirst.	Communion <i>Cf. Mt 16: 24</i> • 1			
О <i>r:</i> I <i>Jn 4: 16</i> · II	Whoever wishes to come after me,			
We have come to know and <i>to</i> believe *	must de <i>ny</i> himself, * take up his cross,			
in the love that God <i>has</i> for us.	and follow me, <i>says</i> the Lord.			
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*Mt 10: 39* · 11

Whoever loses his life *for* my sake, \* will find it in eternity, *says* the Lord.

Saint Sebastian, Martyr — Optional Memorial —

Entrance

Or:

VI

This holy man fought *to* the death \* for the law *of* his God / and did not fear the words *of* the godless, \* for he was built on *sol*id rock.

*Or: Cf. Wis 10: 12* • III The Lord granted him *a* stern struggle, \* that he might know that wisdom is mightier *than* all else.

FIRST READING *I Pt 3: 14-17* Do not be afraid or terrified with fear of them.

RESP *Ps 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9* The Lord delivered me from all my fears.

GOSPEL Mt 10: 28-33 Do not be afraid of those who kill the body.

COMMUNION Cf. Mt 16: 24 · 1 Whoever wishes to come after me, must deny himself, \* take up his cross, and follow me, *says* the Lord.

*Or: Mt 10: 39 · 11* Whoever loses his life *for* my sake, \* will find it in eternity, *says* the Lord.

# TUESDAY, JANUARY 21

Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr — Memorial —

ENTRANCE v Behold, now she follows the Lamb who was crucified for us, † powerful in virginity, modes*ty* her offering, \* a sacrifice on the al*tar* of chastity.

*Or:* v Blessed *is* the virgin \* who by denying herself and taking *up* her cross / imitated the Lord, the *spouse* of virgins \* and *prince* of martyrs.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Heb 6: 10-20 This hope we have as an anchor sure and firm.

RESP *Ps in (110): 1-2, 4-5, 9, 10c* The Lord will remember his covenant for ever.

## Alleluia

Or:

GOSPEL Mk 2: 23-28 The sabbath was made for people, not people for the sabbath.

COMMUNION *Rev 7: 17* · VIII The Lamb who is at the center *of* the throne \* will lead them to the springs of the waters of life, *al*leluia.

#### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING 1 Cor 1: 26-31 God chose the weak of the world.

RESP *Ps 23 (22): 1b-3a, 4, 5, 6* The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

GOSPEL Mt 13: 44-46 He sells all he has and buys that field.

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22 Wednesday of the Second Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps \ 66 \ (65): 4 \cdot IV$ All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, † and shall *sing* to you, \* shall sing to your name, *O* Most High!

FIRST READING Heb 7: 1-3, 15-17 You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

RESP *Ps II0 (109): 1, 2, 3, 4* You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

GOSPEL Mk 3: 1-6 Is it lawful on the sabbath to save life rather than to destroy it?

COMMUNIONCf. Ps 23 (22):  $5 \cdot V$ You have prepared a table before me, 1and how precious *is* the chalice \* thatquenches my thirst.

1 Jn 4: 16 • 11

Or:

We have come to know and *to* believe in the love that God *has* for us.

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 143 (142): 11* · VIII For the sake *of* your name, \* O Lord, *give* me life.

*Or: Cf. Sir 36: 18, 19* • 1 Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you; † hear the prayers *of* your servants \* and guide us in the *way* of justice.

Any reading from the "Mass for Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life," (Lectionary for Mass Supplement, nos. 947A-947E), or any reading from the "Mass for Peace and Justice" (Lectionary for Mass, vol. IV, nos. 887-891), may be used.

COMMUNIONCf. Ps  $36(35): 10 \cdot VI$ With you, O Lord, is the fountain oflife, \* and in your light, we see light.Or: $Mt 5: 9 \cdot I$ Blessed are the peacemakers, \* for theyshall be called children of God.Or: $In 14: 27 \cdot VIII$ Peace I leave with you, \* my peace I giveyou, says the Lord.

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 23 Thursday of the Second Week

ENTRANCE Ps  $66 (65): 4 \cdot IV$ All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, † and shall *sing* to you, \* shall sing to your name, O Most High!

FIRST READING Heb 7: 25–8: 6 He offered sacrifice once for all when he offered himself.

RESP *Ps 40 (39): 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17* Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

GOSPEL Mk 3: 7-12 The unclean spirits shouted, "You are the Son of God," but Jesus warned them sternly not to make him known.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps 23 (22):  $5 \cdot v$ You have prepared a table before me,  $\dagger$ and how precious *is* the chalice \* that quench*es* my thirst.

*Or: I Jn 4: 16* · II We have come to know and *to* believe \* in the love that God *has* for us. Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE

VI

This holy man fought *to* the death \* for the law *of* his God / and did not fear the words *of* the godless, \* for he was built on *sol*id rock.

Or: Cf. Wis 10:  $12 \cdot 111$ The Lord granted him *a* stern struggle, \* that he might know that wisdom is mightier *than* all else.

FIRST READING 2 Cor 4: 7-15 Always carrying about in the body the dying of Jesus.

RESP *Ps 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9* The Lord delivered me from all my fears.

Gospel

You will be led before governors and kings for my sake as a witness before them and the pagans.

Communion

*Cf. Mt 16: 24* • 1

Mt 10: 17-22

Whoever wishes to come after me, must deny himself, \* take up his cross, and follow me, *says* the Lord.

*Or: Mt 10: 39* · II Whoever loses his life for my sake, \* will find it in eternity, *says* the Lord.

> Saint Marianne Cope, Virgin — Optional Memorial —

Entrance

VI

Here is a wise virgin, from among the number *of* the prudent, \* who went forth with lighted lamp *to* meet Christ.

Or:

How beautiful you are, O virgin of Christ, † who were worthy to receive *the* Lord's crown, \* the crown of perpetu*al* virginity.

v

Any reading from the Common of Virgins: For One Virgin, or from the Common of Holy Men and Women: For Those Who Practiced Works of Mercy, may be used.

COMMUNION *Cf. Mt 25: 6* · VI Behold, the Bride*groom* is coming; \* come out to meet *Christ* the Lord.

Or: Cf. Ps 27 (26):  $4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing Lask of the Lord, \* only this do I seek: / to live in the house of the Lord \* all the days of my life.

> FRIDAY, JANUARY 2.4 Saint Francis De Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

> > — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ez  $_{34: II, 23-24} \cdot IV$ I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, † and I will appoint a shep*herd* to pasture them, \* and I, the Lord, will *be* their God.

Or: Cf. Lk 12:  $42 \cdot IV$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent,  $\dagger$  whom the Lord set over his household \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Heb 8: 6-13 He is mediator of a better covenant.

RESP *Ps 85 (84): 8, 10, 11-12, 13-14* Kindness and truth shall meet. GOSPEL Mk 3: 13-19 Jesus summoned those whom he wanted and they came to him.

COMMUNION Cf. Jn 15: 16 · 1 It was not you who chose me, says the Lord, \* but I who chose you / and appointed you to go and bear fruit, \* fruit that will last.

Or: Cf. Lk 12:  $36-37 \cdot 111$ Blessed is that servant, whom his lord finds awake \* when he comes and knocks *at* the gate.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READINGEph 3: 8-12To preach to the Gentiles the inscrutableriches of Christ.

RESP *Ps 37 (36): 3-4, 5-6, 30-31* The mouth of the just murmurs wisdom.

Gospel

You are my friends if you do what command you.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25 The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle — Feast —

Entrance

2 *Tm 1: 12; 4: 8* • I

Jn 15: 9-1

I know the one in whom I have believed † and I am sure that he, the just *judge*, the mighty, \* will keep safe what is my due un*til* that day.

*The* Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) *is said.* 

FIRST READING Acts 22: 3-16 Get up and have yourself baptized and your sins washed away, calling upon the name of Jesus.

Or: Acts 9: 1-22 You will be told what you must do.

RESP *Ps 117 (116): 1bc, 2* Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mk 16: 15-18 Go out to all the world and tell the Good News,

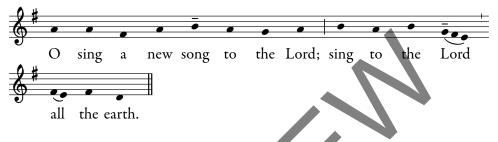
COMMUNION Cf. Gal 2:  $20 \cdot VI$ I live by faith in the Son of God, \* who has loved me and given himself upfor me.

#### THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2025 —

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

*Cf. Ps 96 (95): 1, 6* • VII

O sing a new song *to* the Lord; \* sing to the Lord, *all* the earth. / In his presence are majes*ty* and splendor, \* strength and honor in his *ho*ly place.



#### COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, / direct our actions according to your good pleasure, / that in the name of your beloved Son / we may abound in good works. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### FIRST READING

#### Neh 8: 2-4a, 5-6, 8-10

Ezra the priest brought the law before the assembly, which consisted of men, women, and those children old enough to understand. Standing at one end of the open place that was before the Water Gate, he read out of the book from daybreak till midday, in the presence of the men, the women, and those children old enough to understand; and all the people listened attentively to the book of the law. Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden platform that had been made for the occasion. He opened the scroll so that all the people might see it-for he was standing higher up than any of the people-; and, as he opened it, all the people rose. Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people, their hands raised high, answered, "Amen, amen!" Then they bowed down and prostrated themselves before the LORD, their faces to the ground. Ezra read plainly from the book of the law of God, interpreting it so that all could understand what was read. Then Nehemiah, that is, His Excellency, and Ezra the priest-scribe and the Levites who were instructing the people said to all the people: "Today is holy to the LORD your God. Do not be sad, and do not weep"-for all the people were weeping as they heard the words of the law. He said further: "Go, eat rich foods

and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared; for today is holy to our LORD. Do not be saddened this day, for rejoicing in the LORD must be your strength!"

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

v. The law of the LORD is perfect, / refreshing the soul; / The decree of the LORD is trustworthy, / giving wisdom to the simple.

 $\hat{v}$ . The precepts of the LORD are right, / rejoicing the heart; / The command of the LORD is clear, / enlightening the eye.

v. The fear of the LORD is pure, / enduring forever; / The ordinances of the LORD are true, / all of them just.

v. Let the words of my mouth and the thought of my heart / find favor before you, / O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

## SECOND READING

1 Cor 12: 12-30 or 12: 12-14, 27

Ps 19 (18): 8, 9, 10, 15 · 11

For the short form, omit the text in brackets.

Brothers and sisters: As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.

Now the body is not a single part, but many. [If a foot should say, "Because I am not a hand I do not belong to the body," it does not for this reason belong any less to the body. Or if an ear should say, "Because I am not an eye I do not belong to the body," it does not for this reason belong any less to the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God placed the parts, each one of them, in the body as he intended. If they were all one part, where would the body be? But as it is, there are many parts, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I do not need you," nor again the head to the feet, "I do not need you." Indeed, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are all the more necessary, and those parts of the body that we consider less honorable we surround with greater honor, and our less presentable parts are treated with greater propriety,

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whereas our more presentable parts do not need this. But God has so constructed the body as to give greater honor to a part that is without it, so that there may be no division in the body, but that the parts may have the same concern for one another. If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share its joy.

Now] you are Christ's body, and individually parts of it. [Some people God has designated in the church to be, first, apostles; second, prophets; third, teachers; then, mighty deeds; then gifts of healing, assistance, administration, and varieties of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work mighty deeds? Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret?]

ALLELUIA  

$$Cf. Lk 4: 18 \cdot 11$$
  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
 $Cf. Lk 4: 18 \cdot 11$ 

v . The Lord sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor, / and to proclaim liberty to captives.

#### GOSPEL

#### Lk 1: 1-4; 4: 14-21

Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning and ministers of the word have handed them down to us, I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received.

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region. He taught in their synagogues and was praised by all.

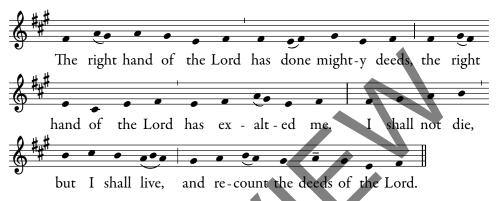
He came to Nazareth, where he had grown up, and went according to his custom into the synagogue on the sabbath day. He stood up to read and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: / *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, / because he has anointed me/ to bring glad tidings to the poor. / He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives / and recovery of sight to the blind, / to let the oppressed go free, / and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord. /* Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant

and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

## OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 118 (117): 16, 17* • 11

The right hand of the Lord has done *mighty* deeds, \* the right hand of the Lord *has* exalted me. / I shall not die, but *I* shall live, \* and recount the deeds *of* the Lord.



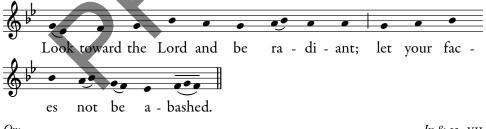
## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept our offerings, O Lord, we pray, / and in sanctifying them / grant that they may profit us for salvation. / Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Cf. Ps* 34 (33): 6 • VIII

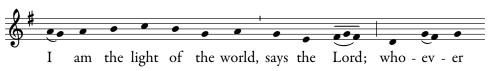
Look toward the Lord *and* be radiant; \* let your faces not *be* abashed.

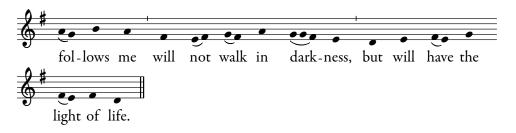


Or:

*Jn 8: 12* · VII

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; † whoever follows me will not *walk* in darkness, \* but will have the *light* of life.





#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, almighty God, / that, receiving the grace / by which you bring us to new life, / we may always glory in your gift. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### MONDAY, JANUARY 27 Monday of the Third Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 96 (95): 1, 6 • VII O sing a new song *to* the Lord; \* sing to the Lord, *all* the earth. / In his presence are majesty and splendor, \* strength and honor in his *ho*ly place.

FIRST READING Heb 9: 15, 24-28 Christ who offered once to take away the sins of many, will appear a second time to those who eagerly await him.

Resp Ps 98 (97): 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous deeds.

Gospel Mk 3: 22-30 It is the end of Satan.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps 34 (33): 6 • VIII Look toward the Lord *and* be radiant; \* let your faces not *be* abashed.

Or: Jn 8: 12 · VII I am the light of the world, says the Lord; † whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, \* but will have the light of life.

Saint Angela Merici, Virgin – Optional Memorial —

VI

ENTRANCE Here is a wise virgin, from among the number of the prudent, \* who went forth with lighted lamp to meet Christ. Or: How beautiful you are, O virgin of Christ, † who were worthy to receive the Lord's crown, \* the crown of perpetual virginity.

FIRST READING 1 Pt 4: 7b-11 Each one has received a special gift; use it to serve one another.

Resp Ps 148: 1bc-2, 11-13a, 13c-14 Young men and women, praise the name of the Lord.

Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mk 9: 34b-37 Whoever receives one child such as this, receives me.

COMMUNION Cf. Mt 25: 6 • VI Behold, the Bridegroom is coming; \* come out to meet *Christ* the Lord.

Or: Cf. Ps 27 (26):  $4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, \* only this do I seek: / to live in the house of the Lord \* all the days of my life.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28

Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Sir  $15: 5 \cdot VI$ In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth,  $\dagger$  and the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and *un*derstanding \* and clothed him in a *robe* of glory.

Or:  $Ps_{37}(36): 30-31 \cdot VI$ The mouth of the just man utters wisdom, † and his tongue tells forth *what* is just; \* the law of his God is *in* his heart.

Readings of the day:

FIRST READING Heb 10: 1-10 Behold, I come to do your will, O God.

RESP *Ps 40 (30): 2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11* Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

GOSPEL Mk 3: 31-35 Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.

COMMUNION Cf. Lk 12: 42 · IV Behold a faithful and prudent steward \* to give them their allowance of food at the proper time.

Or: Ps 1: 2b,  $3b \cdot III$ He who ponders the law of the Lord day and night \* will yield his fruit *in* due season. Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Wis 7: 7-10, 15-16 Beyond health and comeliness I loved her.

RESP *Ps 119 (118): 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14* Lord, teach me your statutes.

GOSPEL Mt 23: 8-12 The greatest among you must be your servant.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29 Wednesday of the Ihird Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $g6 (g_5)$ : 1,  $6 \cdot VII$ O sing a new song to the Lord; \* sing to the Lord, all the earth. / In his presence are majesty and splendor, \* strength and honor in his holy place

FIRST READING Heb 10: 11-18 He has made perfect forever those who are being consecrated.

RESP *Ps II0 (109): 1, 2, 3, 4* You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

Gospel

Mk 4: 1-20

A sower went out to sow.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps  $_{34}$  (33):  $6 \cdot \text{viii}$ Look toward the Lord *and* be radiant; \* let your faces not *be* abashed.

Or: Jn 8:  $12 \cdot VII$ I am the light of the world, says the Lord; † whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, \* but will have the light of life.

#### THURSDAY, JANUARY 30 Thursday of the Third Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps gb (gs): 1,  $b \cdot VII$ O sing a new song to the Lord; \* sing to the Lord, *all* the earth. / In his presence are majesty and splendor, \* strength and honor in his *ho*ly place

FIRST READING Heb 10: 19-25 Let us hold unwaveringly to our confession that gives us hope and consider how to raise one another to love.

RESP *Ps 24 (23): 1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6* Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

GOSPEL Mk 4: 21-25 A lamp is to be placed on a lampstand. The measure with which you measure will be measured out to you.

COMMUNION $Cf. Ps _{34} (_{33}): o \cdot viii$ Look toward the Lord and be radiant; \*let your faces not be abashed.Or: $Jn \, 8: 12 \cdot vii$ I am the light of the world, says theLord;  $\ddagger$  whoever follows me will notwalk in darkness, \* but will have thelight of life.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31 Saint John Bosco, Priest —Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $132(131): g \cdot vI$ Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Heb 10: 32-39 Do not throw away your confidence. It will have a great reward.

RESP *Ps* 37 (36): 3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 The salvation of the just comes from the Lord.

GOSPEL Mk 4: 26-34 A man scatters seed on the land and would sleep and the seed would sprout and grow, he knows not how.

COMMUNION Mt 24: 46, 47 · III Blessed is the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching when he comes. / Amen, I say to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of all his property.

*Or: Cf. Lk 12: 42* · VII This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Phil 4: 4-9 Think about whatever is worthy of praise.

Resp

*Ps 103 (102): 1bc-2, 3-4, 8-9, 13-14, 17-18* O, bless the Lord, my soul.

GOSPEL Mt 18: 1-5 Unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the Kingdom of heaven.

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY I Saturday of the Third Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps gb (g5): 1,  $b \cdot VII$ O sing a new song to the Lord; \* sing to the Lord, *all* the earth. / In his presence are majesty and splendor, \* strength and honor in his *ho*ly place.

FIRST READING Heb 11: 1-2, 8-19 He was looking forward to the city whose architect and maker is God.

RESP *Lk 1: 69-70, 71-72, 73-75* Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel; he has come to his people.

GOSPEL Mk 4: 35-41 Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey? COMMUNION Cf. Ps  $_{34}$  (33):  $6 \cdot VIII$ Look toward the Lord *and* be radiant; \* let your faces not *be* abashed.

Or: Jn 8:  $12 \cdot VII$ I am the light of the world, says the Lord; † whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, \* but will have the light of life.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday — Optional Memorial

See page 581 for the antiphons for this Memorial.

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2025 —

Feast

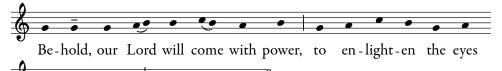
The Blessing of Candles and the Procession

The faithful hold in their hands unlighted candles. While the candles are being lit, the following antiphon or another appropriate chant is sung.

## ANTIPHON

Is 35: 4, 5 • III

Behold, our Lord will *come* with power, \* to enlighten the eyes of his servants, *al*leluia.



of his servants, al - le - lu - ia.

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Then, after the greeting and address, the Priest blesses the candles. He sprinkles the candles with holy water and the procession begins, with the Priest or Deacon announcing:

Let us go in peace to meet the Lord. *Or:* Let us go forth in peace.

All reply:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

All carry lighted candles. As the procession moves forward, one or other of the antiphons that follow is sung or another appropriate chant.

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VI

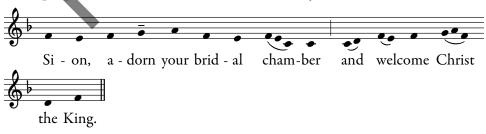
#### ANTIPHON 1

A light for revelation to the Gentiles \* and the glory of your people Israel.



#### ANTIPHON 2

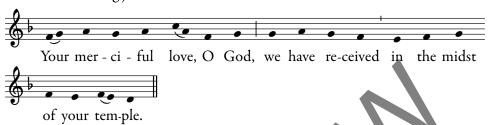
Sion, adorn your bridal chamber and welcome Christ the King; † take Mary in your arms, who is the *gate* of heaven, \* for she herself is carrying the King of glory *and* new light. / A Virgin she remains, though bringing in her hands the Son before the morning *star* begotten, \* whom Simeon, taking in his arms announced to the peoples as Lord of life and death and Savior *of* the world.



#### At the Mass

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Your merciful *love*, O God, \* we have received in the midst *of* your temple. / Your praise, O God, like your name, † reaches the ends *of* the earth; \* your right hand is filled with *sav*ing justice.



When the Priest has arrived at the altar, he venerates it and, if appropriate, incenses it. After the singing of the hymn Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest), the Mass continues in the usual manner.

## COLLECT

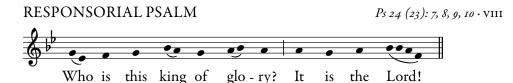
Almighty ever-living God, / we humbly implore your majesty / that, just as your Only Begotten Son / was presented on this day in the Temple / in the substance of our flesh, / so, by your grace, / we may be presented to you with minds made pure. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

Mal 3: 1-4

Thus says the Lord GOD: / Lo, I am sending my messenger / to prepare the way before me; / And suddenly there will come to the temple / the LORD whom you seek, / And the messenger of the covenant whom you desire. / Yes, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts. / But who will endure the day of his coming? / And who can stand when he appears? / For he is like the refiner's fire, / or like the fuller's lye. / He will sit refining and purifying silver, / and he will purify the sons of Levi, / Refining them like gold or like silver / that they may offer due sacrifice to the LORD. / Then the sacrifice of Judah and Jerusalem / will please the LORD, / as in the days of old, as in years gone by.

*Ps 48 (47): 10, 11* • 1



v. Lift up, O gates, your lintels; / reach up, you ancient portals, / that the king of glory may come in!

ŷ. Who is this king of glory? / The LORD, strong and mighty, / the LORD, mighty in battle.

ŷ. Lift up, O gates, your lintels; / reach up, you ancient portals, / that the king of glory may come in!

V. Who is this king of glory? / The LORD of hosts; he is the king of glory.

#### SECOND READING

Since the children share in blood and flesh, Jesus likewise shared in them, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the Devil, and free those who through fear of death had been subject to slavery all their life. Surely he did not help angels but rather the descendants of Abraham; therefore, he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every way, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest before God to expiate the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested through what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.



ŷ. A light of revelation to the Gentiles, / and glory for your people Israel.

#### GOSPEL

Lk 2: 22-40 or 22-32

Heb 2: 14-18

*Lk 2: 32* • III

#### For the short form, omit the text in brackets.

When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph took Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, just as it is written in the law of the Lord, *Every male that opens the womb shall* 

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*be consecrated to the Lord*, and to offer the sacrifice of *a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons*, in accordance with the dictate in the law of the Lord.

Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout, awaiting the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord. He came in the Spirit into the temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to perform the custom of the law in regard to him, he took him into his arms and blessed God, saying:

"Now, Master, you may let your servant go / in peace, according to your word, / for my eyes have seen your salvation, / which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples: / a light for revelation to the Gentiles, / and glory for your people Israel."

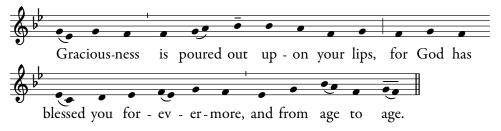
[The child's father and mother were amazed at what was said about him; and Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be contradicted and you yourself a sword will pierce—so that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed." There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived seven years with her husband after her marriage, and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple, but worshiped night and day with fasting and prayer. And coming forward at that very time, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were awaiting the redemption of Jerusalem.

When they had fulfilled all the prescriptions of the law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him.]

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 44: 3* • VIII

Graciousness is poured out upon your lips, † for God has blessed you for*ever*more, \* and from *age* to age.



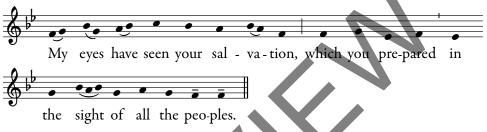
#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May the offering made with exultation by your Church / be pleasing to you, O Lord, we pray, / for you willed that your Only Begotten Son / be offered to you for the life of the world / as the Lamb without blemish. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Lk 2: 30-31* • VIII

My eyes have seen *your* salvation, \* which you prepared in the sight of *all* the peoples.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

By these holy gifts which we have received. O Lord, / bring your grace to perfection within us, / and, as you fulfilled Simeon's expectation / that he would not see death / until he had been privileged to welcome the Christ, / so may we, going forth to meet the Lord, / obtain the gift of eternal life. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3	Gospel <i>Mk</i> 5: 1-20
Monday of the Fourth Week	Unclean spirit, come out of the man!
ENTRANCE Ps 106 (105): $47 \cdot 11$ Save us, O Lord our God! * And gather us from the nations, / to give thanks to your holy name * and make it our glory to praise you.	COMMUNION <i>Ps 31 (30): 17, 18</i> · 1 Let your face shine <i>on</i> your servant. * Save me in your mer <i>ci</i> ful love. / O Lord, let me never be <i>put</i> to shame, * for I <i>call</i> on you.
FIRST READING Heb 11: 32-40	<i>Or: Mt 5: 3-4</i> · I
By faith they conquered kingdoms. God	Blessed are the <i>poor</i> in spirit, * for theirs
had foreseen something better for us.	is the Kingdom of Heaven. / Blessed
RESP <i>Ps 31 (30): 20, 21, 22, 23, 24</i> Let your hearts take comfort, all who hope in the Lord.	<i>are</i> the meek, * for they shall possess the land.
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Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE

VI

This holy man fought *to* the death \* for the law *of* his God / and did not fear the words *of* the godless, \* for he was built on *sol*id rock.

Or: Cf.  $Wis 10: 12 \cdot 111$ The Lord granted him *a* stern struggle, \* that he might know that wisdom is mightier *than* all else.

FIRST READING Rom 5: 1-5 We boast of our afflictions.

RESP *Ps 117 (116): 1bc, 2* Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Or:

Alleluia.

Gospel

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Mk 16: 15-20

COMMUNION Cf. Mt 16; 24 · 1 Whoever wishes to come after me, must deny himself, \* take up his cross, and follow me, says the Lord.

*Or: Mt 10: 39 · 11* Whoever loses his life *for* my sake, \* will find it in eternity, *says* the Lord.

*Saint Ansgar, Bishop* — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. 1 Pt 2:  $g \cdot VII$ O chosen people, proclaim the mighty *works* of him \* who called you out of darkness into his won*der*ful light. Or: Cf. Ps 18 (17): 50; 22 (21): 23  $\cdot$  VI I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; \* I will tell of your name to my kin.

FIRST READING Is 52: 7-10 All the ends of the earth will behold the salvation of our God.

RESP *Ps 96 (95): 1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8, 10* Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.

GOSPEL Mk 1: 14-20 Repent, and believe in the Gospel.

COMMUNION $Ez_{34:15} \cdot VI$ I will pasture my sheep; \* I myself willgive them rest, says the Lord.

Or: Mt 10: 27 · IV What I say to you *in* the darkness \* speak in the light, *says* the Lord; / what *you* hear whispered \* proclaim *on* the housetops.

#### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4 Tuesday of the Fourth Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps \ 106 \ (105): 47 \cdot 11$ Save us, O *Lord* our God! \* And gather us *from* the nations, / to give thanks to your *ho*ly name \* and make it our glory to praise you.

FIRST READING Heb 12: 1-4 Let us persevere in running the race that lies before us.

RESP *Ps 22 (21): 26b-27, 28, 30, 31-32* They will praise you, Lord, who long for you.

GOSPEL Mk 5: 21-43 Little girl, I say to you, arise! COMMUNION Ps 31 (30): 17, 18 · 1 Let your face shine on your servant. \* Save me in your merciful love. / O Lord, let me never be put to shame, \* for I call on you.

Or:  $Mt 5: 3-4 \cdot I$ Blessed are the *poor* in spirit, \* for theirs is the King*dom* of Heaven. / Blessed *are* the meek, \* for they shall possess the land.

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr — Memorial —

ENTRANCE

Behold, now she follows the Lamb who was crucified for us, † powerful in virginity, modes*ty* her offering, \* a sacrifice on the al*tar* of chastity. *Or:* 

Blessed *is* the virgin \* who by denying herself and taking *up* her cross / imitated the Lord, the *spouse* of virgins \* and *prince* of martyrs.

Readings of the Day.

FIRST READING Heb 12: 4-7, 11-15 The Lord disciplines those he loves.

RESP *Ps 103 (102): 1-2, 13-14, 17-18a* The Lord's kindness is everlasting to those who fear him.

GOSPEL Mk 6: 1-6a A prophet is not without honor except in his native place.

COMMUNION *Rev 7: 17* · VIII The Lamb who is at the center *of* the throne \* will lead them to the springs of the waters of life.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING *I Cor 1: 26-31* God chose the weak of the world.

RESP *Ps 31 (30): 3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17* Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

GOSPEL Lk 9: 23-26 Whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs — Memorial —

ENTRANCE

The souls of the Saints are rejoic*ing* in heaven, \* the Saints who followed the foot*steps* of Christ, / and since for love of him they *shed* their blood, \* they now exult with *Christ* for ever.

*Or:* IV Holy men shed their glorious blood *for* the Lord; \* they loved Christ *in* their life, / they imitated him *in* their death, \* and therefore were *crowned* in triumph.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Heb 12: 18-19, 21-24 You have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God.

RESP *Ps 48 (47): 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11* O God, we ponder your mercy within your temple.

GOSPEL Mk 6: 7-13 Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out. COMMUNION  $Lk \ 22: \ 28-30 \cdot \text{VIII}$ It is you who have stood by me in my trials; † and I confer a kingdom on you, *says* the Lord, \* that you may eat and drink at my table *in* my kingdom.

VIII

See how rich is the Saints' re*ward* from God; \* they died for Christ and will *live* for ever.

Readings for the Memorial:

Or:

FIRST READINGGal 2: 19-20I live, no longer I, but Christ lives in me.

RESP *Ps 126 (125): 1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6* Those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

GOSPEL Mt 28: 16-20 All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY Friday of the Fourth Week

ENTRANCE *Ps tob (to5): 47* · II Save us, O *Lord* our God! \* And gather us *from* the nations, / to give thanks to your *ho*ly name \* and make it our glory to praise you.

FIRST READING Heb 13: 1-8 Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

RESP Ps 27 (26): 1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc The Lord is my light and my salvation.

GOSPEL Mk 6: 14-29 It is John whom I beheaded. He has been raised up. COMMUNION Ps 31 (30): 17, 18 · 1 Let your face shine on your servant. \* Save me in your merciful love. / O Lord, let me never be *put* to shame, \* for I *call* on you.

Or:  $Mt 5: 3-4 \cdot I$ Blessed are the *poor* in spirit, \* for theirs is the King*dom* of Heaven. / Blessed *are* the meek, \* for they shall possess the land.

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 Saturday of the Fourth Week

ENTRANCE  $P_{S \ Iob} (Ios): 47 \cdot II$ Save us, O Lord our God! \* And gather us from the nations, / to give thanks to your holy name \* and make it our glory to praise you.

FIRST READING Heb 13: 15-17, 20-21 May the God of peace, who brought up from the dead the great shepherd, furnish you with all that is good.

RESP *Ps 23 (22): 1b-3a, 3bc-4, 5, 6* The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

GOSPEL Mk 6: 30-34 They were like sheep without a shepherd.

COMMUNION *Ps 31 (30): 17, 18* • I Let your face shine *on* your servant. \* Save me in your mer*ci*ful love. / O Lord, let me never be *put* to shame, \* for I *call* on you.

Or:  $Mt 5: 3-4 \cdot I$ Blessed are the *poor* in spirit, \* for theirs is the King*dom* of Heaven. / Blessed *are* the meek, \* for they shall possess the land.

#### Saint Jerome Emiliani — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Mk 10: 14 · VIII Let the children come to me; do *not* prevent them, \* for the kingdom of God belongs to *such* as these.

Or: Cf.  $Mt \ 5: Ig \cdot IV$ Whoever obeys and teaches  $\dagger$  the commandments of the Lord \* will be called great in the Kingdom of Heaven, says the Lord.

FIRST READING To 12: 6-13 Prayer and fasting are good: but better than either is almsgiving accompanied by righteousness.

RESP *Ps* 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 I will bless the Lord at all times. *Or:* 

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL Mk 10, 17-30 or 10: 17-27 Go, sell what you have and give to the poor; then come, follow me.

COMMUNION $Mt \ 18: 3 \cdot II$ Unless you turn and become likechildren, \* you will not enter theKingdom of Heaven, says the Lord.Or:In  $8: 12 \cdot VII$ 

Whoever follows me will not *walk* in darkness, \* but will have the light of life, *says* the Lord.

Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin — Optional Memorial —

Entrance

VI

Here is a wise virgin, from among the number *of* the prudent, \* who went forth with lighted lamp *to* meet Christ.

Or:

How beautiful you are, O virgin of Christ, † who were worthy to receive *the* Lord's crown, \* the crown of perpetu*al* virginity.

v

FIRST READING *I Cor 7: 25-35* A virgin is anxious about the things of the Lord.

RESP Ps 45 (44): 11-12, 14-15, 16-17 Listen to me, daughter; see and bend your ear.

Or:

The bridegroom is here; let us go out to meer Christ the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 25: 1-13 Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!

COMMUNION $Cf. Mt 25: 6 \cdot VI$ Behold, the Bridegroom is coming; \*come out to meet Christ the Lord.Or: $Cf. Ps 27 (26): 4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, \*only this do I seek: / to live in the houseof the Lord \* all the days of my life.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

— Optional Memorial —

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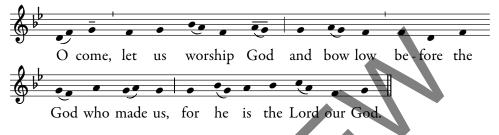
## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — sunday, february 9, 2025 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 95 (94): 6-7* • 11

Is 6: 1-2a, 3-8

O come, let us worship God † and bow low before the *God* who made us, \* for he is the *Lord* our God.



## COLLECT

Keep your family safe, O Lord, with unfailing care, / that, relying solely on the hope of heavenly grace, / they may be defended always by your protection. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### FIRST READING

In the year King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord seated on a high and lofty throne, with the train of his garment filling the temple. Seraphim were stationed above.

They cried one to the other, "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts! All the earth is filled with his glory!" At the sound of that cry, the frame of the door shook and the house was filled with smoke.

Then I said, "We is me, I am doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips, living among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!" Then one of the seraphim flew to me, holding an ember that he had taken with tongs from the altar.

He touched my mouth with it, and said, "See, now that this has touched your lips, your wickedness is removed, your sin purged."

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" "Here I am," I said; "send me!"

# RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 138 (137): 1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 · VI* In the sight of the an-gels I will sing your prais-es, Lord.

℣. I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with all my heart, / for you have heard the words of my mouth; / in the presence of the angels I will sing your praise; / I will worship at your holy temple / and give thanks to your name.

v. Because of your kindness and your truth; / for you have made great above all things / your name and your promise. / When I called, you answered me; / you built up strength within me.

v. All the kings of the earth shall give thanks to you, O LORD, / when they hear the words of your mouth; / and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD: / "Great is the glory of the LORD."

ŷ. Your right hand saves me. / The LORD will complete what he has done for me; / your kindness, O LORD, endures forever; / forsake not the work of your hands.

## SECOND READING

1 Cor 15: 1-11 or 15: 3-8, 11

# For the short form, omit the text in brackets.

[I am reminding you,] brothers and sisters, [of the gospel I preached to you, which you indeed received and in which you also stand. Through it you are also being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. For] I handed on to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures; that he was buried; that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures; that he appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve. After that, Christ appeared to more than five hundred brothers at once, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. After that he appeared to me. [For I am the least of the apostles, not fit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me has not been ineffective. Indeed, I have toiled harder than all of them; not I, however, but the grace of God that is with me.] Therefore, whether it be I or they, so we preach and so you believed.



ŷ. Come after me / and I will make you fishers of men.

#### GOSPEL

Lk 5: 1-11

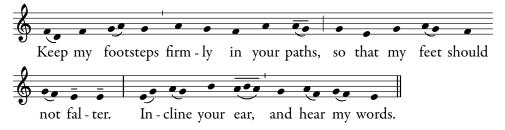
Mt 4: 19 · V

While the crowd was pressing in on Jesus and listening to the word of God, he was standing by the Lake of Gennesaret. He saw two boats there alongside the lake; the fishermen had disembarked and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, he asked him to put out a short distance from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. After he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch." Simon said in reply, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." When they had done this, they caught a great number of fish and their nets were tearing. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come to help them. They came and filled both boats so that the boats were in danger of sinking. When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at the knees of Jesus and said, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." For astonishment at the catch of fish they had made seized him and all those with him, and likewise James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners of Simon. Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him.

OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 17 (16): 5, 6, 7* • IV

Keep my footsteps firmly *in* your paths, \* so that my feet *should* not falter. / Incline your ear, and *hear* my words. † Show forth your won*der*ful mercies, \* O Lord, savior of those who *hope* in you.



#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O Lord our God, / who once established these created things / to sustain us in our frailty, / grant, we pray, / that they may become for us now / the Sacrament of eternal life. / Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Cf. Ps 107 (106): 8-9* • VIII

Let them thank the Lord *for* his mercy, \* his wonders for the chil*dren* of men, / for he satisfies the *thirsty* soul, \* and the hungry he fills *with* good things.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, who have willed that we be partakers / in the one Bread and the one Chalice, / grant us, we pray, so to live / that, made one in Christ, / we may joyfully bear fruit / for the salvation of the world. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10 Saint Scholastica, Virgin — Memorial —

Entrance

VI

Here is a wise virgin, from among the number *of* the prudent, \* who went forth with lighted lamp *to* meet Christ. *Or:* v How beautiful you are, O virgin of Christ, † who were worthy to receive *the* Lord's crown, \* the crown of

perpetual virginity. *Readings of the Day:* 

FIRST READINGGn 1: 1-19God spoke, and it was done.

RESP *Ps 104 (103): 1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c* May the Lord be glad in his works.

Gospel

As many as touched it were healed.

COMMUNIONCf. Mt 25:  $6 \cdot VI$ Behold, the Bridegroom is coming; \*come out to meet Christ the Lord.Or:Cf. Ps 27 (26):  $4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, \*only this do I seek: / to live in the houseof the Lord \* all the days of my life.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Stern as death is love. Song 8: 6-7

Mk 6: 5<u>3</u>-56

RESP *Ps 148: 1bc-2, 11-13a, 13c-14* Young men and women, praise the name of the Lord.

*Or:* Alleluia. GOSPEL Lk 10: 38-42 Martha welcomed him. Mary has chosen the better part.

> TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11 Tuesday of the Fifth Week

ENTRANCE  $P_{S g_5}(g_4): 6-7 \cdot II$ O come, let us worship God † and bow low before the *God* who made us, \* for he is the *Lord* our God.

FIRST READING Gn 1: 20–2: 4a Let us make man in our own image, after our likeness.

RESP *Ps 8: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9* O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

GOSPEL Mk 7: 1-13 You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 107 (106): 8-9* · VIII Let them thank the Lord *for* his mercy, \* his wonders for the chil*dren* of men, / for he satisfies the *thirsty* soul, \* and the hungry he fills *with* good things.

Or:  $Mt _{5: 5-6 \cdot I}$ Blessed are *those* who mourn, \* for they shall *be* consoled. / Blessed are those who hunger and *thirst* for righteousness, \* for they shall *have* their fill.

> *Our Lady of Lourdes* — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Sedulius* · 11 Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth *to* the King, \* who rules heaven and *earth* for ever. FIRST READING Is 66: 10-14c I will send peace to her like a river.

RESP *Jdt 13: 18bcde, 19* You are the highest honor of our race.

GOSPEL Jn 2: 1-11 And the mother of Jesus was there.

COMMUNION *Lk 11: 27* · I Blessed is the womb of the *Vir*gin Mary, \* which bore the Son of the *eter*nal Father.

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12 Wednesday of the Fifth Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps g_5(g_4): 6-7 \cdot II$ O come, let us worship God † and bow low before the *God* who made us, \* for he is the *Lord* our God.

FIRST READING Gn 2: 4b-9, 15-17 The Lord God planted a garden in Eden and placed there the man whom he had formed.

RESP *Ps 104 (103): 1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30* O, bless the Lord, my soul.

GOSPEL Mk 7: 14-23 What comes out of the man, that is what defiles him.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 107 (106): 8-9* · VIII Let them thank the Lord *for* his mercy, \* his wonders for the chil*dren* of men, / for he satisfies the *thirsty* soul, \* and the hungry he fills *with* good things.

Or:  $Mt 5: 5-6 \cdot I$ Blessed are *those* who mourn, \* for they shall *be* consoled. / Blessed are those who hunger and *thirst* for righteousness, \* for they shall *have* their fill.

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13 Thursday of the Fifth Week

ENTRANCE  $P_{S \ 95} (94): 6-7 \cdot II$ O come, let us worship God † and bow low before the *God* who made us, \* for he is the *Lord* our God

FIRST READING Gn 2: 18-25 The Lord God brought her to Adam, and the two of them became one flesh.

RESP *Ps128 (127): 1-2, 3, 4-5* Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

GOSPEL Mk 7: 24-30 The dogs under the table eat the children's scraps.

**COMMUNION** *Cf. Ps 107 (106): 8-9* · VIII Let them thank the Lord *for* his mercy, \* his wonders for the chil*dren* of men, / for he satisfies the *thirsty* soul, \* and the hungry he fills *with* good things.

Or:  $Mt 5: 5-6 \cdot I$ Blessed are *those* who mourn, \* for they shall *be* consoled. / Blessed are those who hunger and *thirst* for righteousness, \* for they shall *have* their fill.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14 Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop — Memorial —

#### Entrance

These are holy men who became *friends* of God, \* glorious heralds of *di*vine truth.

IV

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Gn 3: 1-8 You will be like gods, knowing what is good and what is evil.

RESP Ps 32 (31): 1-2, 5, 6, 7 Blessed are those whose sins are forgiven.

GOSPEL Mk 7: 31-37 He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.

COMMUNION Cf. Mk 16: 20 The disciples went forth and preached the Gospel, † while the Lord *worked* with them, \* confirming the word through accompanying signs.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READINGActs 13: 46-49We now turn to the Gentiles.

RESP *Ps 117 (116): 1bc, 2* Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Lk 10: 1-9* The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few.

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15 Saturday of the Fifth Week

ENTRANCE  $P_{S g_5}(g_4): 6-7 \cdot II$ O come, let us worship God † and bow low before the *God* who made us, \* for he is the *Lord* our God. FIRST READING Gn 3: 9-24 God banished him from the garden of Eden, to till the ground.

RESP *Ps 90 (89): 2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13* In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

GOSPEL Mk 8: 1-10 They ate and were satisfied.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 107 (106): 8-9* · VIII Let them thank the Lord *for* his mercy,\* his wonders for the chil*dren* of men, / for he satisfies the *thirsty* soul, \* and the hungry he fills *with* good things.

Or:  $Mt 5: 5-6 \cdot I$ Blessed are *those* who mourn, \* for they shall *be* consoled. / Blessed are those who hunger and *thirst* for righteousness, \* for they shall *have* their fill.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday — Optional Memorial —

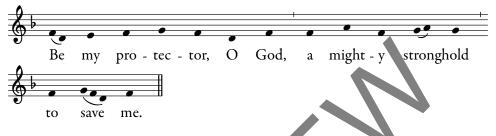
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## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — Sunday, february 16, 2025 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 31 (30): 3, 4* • VI

Be my protec*tor*, O God, \* a mighty strong*hold* to save me. / For you are my *rock*, my stronghold! \* Lead me, guide me, for the sake *of* your name.



#### COLLECT

O God, who teach us that you abide / in hearts that are just and true, / grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace / as to become a dwelling pleasing to you. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### FIRST READING

Thus says the LORD: / Cursed is the one who trusts in human beings, / who seeks his strength in flesh, / whose heart turns away from the LORD. / He is like a barren bush in the desert / that enjoys no change of season, / but stands in a lava waste, / a salt and empty earth. / Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD, / whose hope is the LORD. / He is like a tree planted beside the waters / that stretches out its roots to the stream: / it fears not the heat when it comes; / its leaves stay green; / in the year of drought it shows no distress, / but still bears fruit.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 



Bless-ed are they who hope in the Lord.

v. Blessed the man who follows not / the counsel of the wicked / nor walks in the way of sinners, / nor sits in the company of the insolent, / but delights in the law of the LORD / and meditates on his law day and night.

*Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4, 6* · VIII

Jer 17: 5-8

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℣. He is like a tree / planted near running water, / That yields its fruit in due season, / and whose leaves never fade. / Whatever he does, prospers.

℣. Not so the wicked, not so; / they are like chaff which the wind drives away. / For the LORD watches over the way of the just, / but the way of the wicked vanishes.

## SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: If Christ is preached as raised from the dead, how can some among you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If the dead are not raised, neither has Christ been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, your faith is vain; you are still in your sins. Then those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are the most pitiable people of all.

But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

 $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ . Rejoice and be glad; / your reward will be great in heaven.

## GOSPEL

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stood on a stretch of level ground with a great crowd of his disciples and a large number of the people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon. And raising his eyes toward his disciples he said: / "Blessed are you who are poor, / for the kingdom of God is yours. / Blessed are you who are now hungry, / for you will be satisfied. / Blessed are you who are now weeping, / for you will laugh. / Blessed are you when people hate you, / and when they exclude and insult you, / and denounce your name as evil / on account of the Son of Man. / Rejoice and leap for joy on that day! Behold, your reward will be great in heaven. For their ancestors treated the prophets in the same way. / But woe to you who are rich, / for you have received your consolation. / Woe to you who are filled now, / for you will be hungry. / Woe to you who laugh now, / for you will grieve and weep. / Woe to you when all speak well of you, / for their ancestors treated the false / prophets in this way."

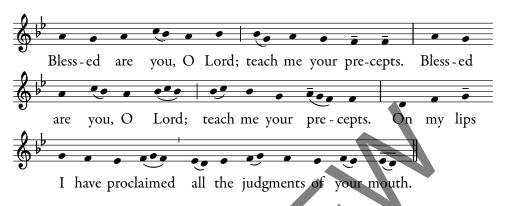


Mt 5: 12a · I

Lk 6: 17, 20-26

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Blessed are you, O Lord; teach me your precepts. † Blessed are you, O Lord; teach *me* your precepts. \* On my lips I have proclaimed all the judgments *of* your mouth.



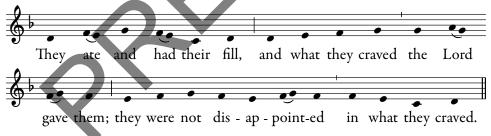
## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May this oblation, O Lord, we pray, / cleanse and renew us / and may it become for those who do your will / the source of eternal reward. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Cf. Ps 78 (77): 29-30* • I

They ate and had their fill, *†* and what they craved *the* Lord gave them; \* they were not disappointed in *what* they craved.



Or:

God so *loved* the world \* that he gave his Only Be*got*ten Son, / so that all who believe in him *may* not perish, \* but may have *eternal* life.



COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 78 (77): 29-30* · I I They ate and had their fill, † and what *L* they craved *the* Lord gave them; / they *l* 

Why does this generation seek a sign?

FIRST READING Rom 8: 26-30 All things work to the good for those who love God.

portion.

RESP *Ps 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11* I will bless the Lord at all times. *Or:* 

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 19: 27-29 You who have followed me will receive a hundred times more.

COMMUNION *Cf. Mt 19: 27-29* · I Amen I *say* to you: \* That you who have left all and *fol*lowed me / will receive a *hun*dredfold \* and possess *eter*nal life.

#### **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18** *Tuesday of the Sixth Week*

ENTRANCE  $Ps_{3I}(3o): 3, 4 \cdot VI$ Be my protector, O God, \* a mighty stronghold to save me. / For you are my rock, my stronghold! \* Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

FIRST READING Gn 6: 5-8; 7: 1-5, 10 I will wipe out from the earth the men whom I have created.

 RESP
 Ps 29 (28): 1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10

 The Lord will bless his people with peace.

GOSPEL Mk 8: 14-21 Watch out, guard against the leaven of the Pharisees and the leaven of Herod.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 78 (77): 29-30 •* 1 They ate and had their fill, † and what they craved *the* Lord gave them; / they were not disappointed in *what* they craved.

Or: Jn 3: 16 · VI God so *loved* the world \* that he gave his Only Begotten Son, / so that all who believe in him *may* not perish, \* but may have e*ter*nal life.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19 Wednesday of the Sixth Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps_{3I}$  (30): 3, 4 · VI Be my protector, O God, \* a mighty stronghold to save me. / For you are my rock, my stronghold! \* Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

FIRST READING Gn 8: 6-13, 20-22 Noah saw that the surface of the ground was drying up.

RESP *Ps 116 (115): 12-13, 14-15, 18-19* To you, Lord, I will offer a sacrifice of praise.

#### *Or:* Alleluia.

**GOSPEL** Mk 8: 22-26 His sight was restored and he could see everything distinctly

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps* 78 (77): 29-30 · 1 They ate and had their fill, † and what they craved *the* Lord gave them; / they were not disappointed in *what* they craved.

Or:  $Jn_3: 16 \cdot VI$ God so *loved* the world \* that he gave his Only Begotten Son, / so that all who believe in him *may* not perish, \* but may have *eternal* life.

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20 Thursday of the Sixth Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps_{3I}(3o): 3, 4 \cdot VI$ Be my protector, O God, \* a mighty strong*hold* to save me. / For you are my *rock*, my stronghold! \* Lead me, guide me, for the sake *of* your name.

FIRST READING Gn 9: 1-13 I set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth.

RESP *Ps 102 (101): 16-18, 19-21, 29, 22-23* From heaven the Lord looks down on the earth.

GOSPEL Mk 8: 27-33 You are the Christ. The Son of Man must suffer much.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 78 (77): 29-30 •* 1 They ate and had their fill, † and what they craved *the* Lord gave them; / they were not disappointed in *what* they craved.

Or:

God so *loved* the world \* that he gave his Only Begotten Son, 4 so that all who believe in him *may* not perish, \* but may have *eternal* life.

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21 Friday of the Sixth Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps \, _{31} (_{30}): _{3, 4} \cdot v_I$ Be my protector, O God, \* a mighty stronghold to save me. / For you are my rock, my stronghold! \* Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

FIRST READING Gn 11: 1-9 Let us go down and there confuse their language.

RESP *Ps 33 (32): 10-11, 12-13, 14-15* Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own. GOSPEL Mk 8: 34–9: 1 Those who lose their lives for my sake and that of the Gospel, will save them.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 78 (77): 29-30* · 1 They ate and had their fill, † and what they craved *the* Lord gave them; / they were not disappointed in *what* they craved.

Or: Jn 3:  $16 \cdot VI$ God so *loved* the world \* that he gave his Only Begotten Son,  $\land$  so that all who believe in him *may* not perish, \* but may have *eternal* life.

Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church — Optional Memorial —

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{In $\mathfrak{J}_{12}:10$ \cdot VI}\\ \text{at he gave}\\ \text{io that all}\\ \text{t perish, }^{*}\end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{ENTRANCE} \qquad Cf. Sir 15:5 \cdot VI\\ \text{In the midst of the Church he opened}\\ \text{his mouth, }^{\dagger} \text{ and the Lord filled}\\ \text{him with the spirit of wisdom and}\\ understanding * and clothed him in a\\ robe \text{ of glory.}\end{array}$ 

Or:  $Ps_{37}(36): 30-31 \cdot VI$ The mouth of the just man utters wisdom, † and his tongue tells forth *what* is just; \* the law of his God is *in* his heart.

FIRST READING 2 Tim 4: 1-5 Perform the work of an evangelist; fulfill your ministry.

RESP *Ps 16 (15): 1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11* You are my inheritance, O Lord.

GOSPEL Jn 15: 1-8 Whoever remains in me, and I in them, will bear much fruit. COMMUNION Cf. Lk 12:  $42 \cdot IV$ Behold a faithful and prudent steward \* to give them their allowance of food at the proper time.

Or:  $Ps \ i: 2b, 3b \cdot III$ He who ponders the law of the Lord *day* and night \* will yield his fruit *in* due season.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22 The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle — Feast —

ENTRANCE *Lk 22: 32* · VIII The Lord says to Simon Peter: † I have prayed for you that your faith *may* not fail, \* and, once you have turned back, strength*en* your brothers. *The* Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) *is said.* 

FIRST READING I Pt 5: 1-4 As a fellow presbyter and witness to the sufferings of Christ.

RESP *Ps 23 (22): 1b-3a, 4, 5, 6* The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

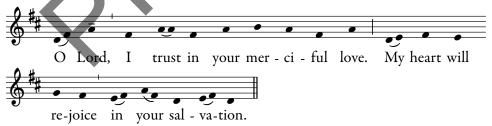
GOSPEL Mt 16: 13-19 You are Peter. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven.

COMMUNION *Cf. Mt 16: 16, 18 ·* VI Peter *said* to Jesus: \* You are the Christ, the Son of the *liv*ing God. / And Jesus replied. *You* are Peter, \* and upon this rock I will *build* my Church.

# **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

*Ps 13 (12): 6* · v

O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. † My heart will rejoice in *your* salvation. \* I will sing to the Lord who has been bounti*ful* with me.



## COLLECT

Grant, we pray, almighty God, / that, always pondering spiritual things, / we may carry out in both word and deed / that which is pleasing to you. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### FIRST READING

#### 1 Sm 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

In those days, Saul went down to the desert of Ziph with three thousand picked men of Israel, to search for David in the desert of Ziph. So David and Abishai went among Saul's soldiers by night and found Saul lying asleep within the barricade, with his spear thrust into the ground at his head and Abner and his men sleeping around him.

Abishai whispered to David: "God has delivered your enemy into your grasp this day. Let me nail him to the ground with one thrust of the spear; I will not need a second thrust!" But David said to Abishai, "Do not harm him, for who can lay hands on the LORD's anointed and remain unpunished?" So David took the spear and the water jug from their place at Saul's head, and they got away without anyone's seeing or knowing or awakening. All remained asleep, because the LORD had put them into a deep slumber.

Going across to an opposite slope, David stood on a remote hilltop at a great distance from Abner, son of Ner, and the troops. He said: "Here is the king's spear. Let an attendant come over to get it. The LORD will reward each man for his justice and faithfulness. Today, though the LORD delivered you into my grasp, I would not harm the LORD's anointed."

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*Ps 103 (102): 1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13* · V



 $\hat{y}$ . Bless the LORD, O my soul; / and all my being, bless his holy name. / Bless the LORD, O my soul, / and forget not all his benefits.

v. He pardons all your iniquities, / heals all your ills. / He redeems your life from destruction, / crowns you with kindness and compassion.

℣. Merciful and gracious is the LORD, / slow to anger and abounding in kindness. / Not according to our sins does he deal with us, / nor does he requite us according to our crimes.

ŷ. As far as the east is from the west, / so far has he put our transgressions from us. / As a father has compassion on his children, / so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him.

# SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: It is written, *The first man, Adam, became a living being,* the last Adam a life-giving spirit. But the spiritual was not first; rather the natural and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, earthly; the second man, from heaven. As was the earthly one, so also are the earthly, and as is the heavenly one, so also are the heavenly. Just as we have borne the image of the earthly one, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly one.



v . I give you a new commandment, says the Lord  $\prime/$  love one another as I have loved you.

#### GOSPEL

Jesus said to his disciples: "To you who hear I say, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. To the person who strikes you on one cheek, offer the other one as well, and from the person who takes your cloak, do not withhold even your tunic. Give to everyone who asks of you, and from the one who takes what is yours do not demand it back. Do to others as you would have them do to you. For if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do the same. If you lend money to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners, and get back the same amount. But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

"Stop judging and you will not be judged. Stop condemning and you will not be condemned. Forgive and you will be forgiven. Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you."

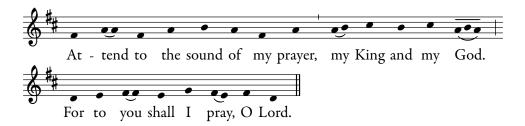
# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Attend to the sound of my prayer, † my King *and* my God. \* For to you shall I *pray*, O Lord.

1 Cor 15: 45-49

Lk 6: 27-38

*Ps 5: 3, 4 ·* V



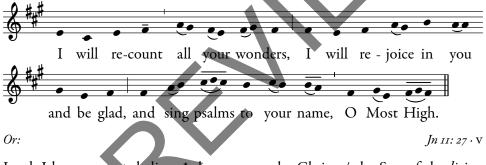
#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

As we celebrate your mysteries, O Lord, / with the observance that is your due, / we humbly ask you, / that what we offer to the honor of your majesty / may profit us for salvation. / Through Christ our Lord.

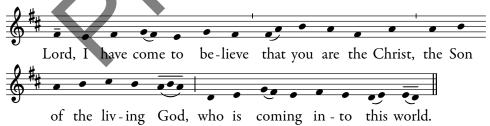
### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I will recount all your wonders, † I will rejoice in you *and* be glad, \* and sing psalms to your name, *O* Most High.

°s g: 2-3 · II



Lord, I have come *to* believe \* that you *are* the Christ, / the Son of the *liv*ing God, \* who is coming in*to* this world.



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, almighty God, / that we may experience the effects of the salvation / which is pledged to us by these mysteries. / Through Christ our Lord.

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24 Monday of the Seventh Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps I3 (I2): 6 \cdot V$ O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. † My heart will rejoice in *your* salvation. \* I will sing to the Lord who has been bounti*ful* with me.

FIRST READING Sir 1: 1-10 Before all things else wisdom was created.

RESP *Ps 93 (92): 1ab, 1cd-2, 5* The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

GOSPEL Mk 9: 14-29 I do believe, help my unbelief!

COMMUNION $Ps g: 2, 3 \cdot II$ I will recount all your wonders,  $\dagger I$  willrejoice in you and be glad, \* and singpsalms to your name, O Most High.Or: $Jn II: 27 \cdot V$ Lord, I have come to believe \* that youare the Christ, / the Son of the livingGod, \* who is coming into this world.

# TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25 Tuesday of the Seventh Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps I_3(I_2): 6 \cdot v$ O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. † My heart will rejoice in *your* salvation. \* I will sing to the Lord who has been bounti*ful* with me.

FIRST READINGSir 2: 1-11Prepare yourself for trials.

RESP *Ps* 37 (36): 3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 Commit your life to the Lord, and he will help you. GOSPEL Mk 9: 30-37 The Son of Man is to be handed over. Whoever wishes to be first, shall be last of all.

COMMUNION $Ps g: 2, 3 \cdot II$ I will recount all your wonders,  $\dagger$  I willrejoice in you and be glad, \* and singpsalms to your name, O Most High.Or: $Jn II: 27 \cdot V$ Lord, I have come to believe \* that youare the Christ, / the Son of the *liv*ingGod, \* who is coming into this world.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26 Wednesday of the Seventh Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps I3 (12): \delta \cdot v$ O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. † My heart will rejoice in *your* salvation. \* I will sing to the Lord who has been bounti*ful* with me.

FIRST READINGSir 4: 11-19Those who love her the Lord loves.

RESP *Ps 119 (118): 165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175* O Lord, great peace have they who love your law.

GOSPEL Mk 9: 38-40 Whoever is not against us is for us.

COMMUNION $Ps g: 2, 3 \cdot II$ I will recount all your wonders,  $\dagger$  I willrejoice in you and be glad, \* and singpsalms to your name, O Most High.Or: $Jn II: 27 \cdot V$ Lord, I have come to believe \* that youare the Christ, / the Son of the *liv*ingGod, \* who is coming into this world.

Or:

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 27 Thursday of the Seventh Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps I3 (I2): 6 \cdot V$ O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. † My heart will rejoice in *your* salvation. \* I will sing to the Lord who has been bounti*ful* with me.

FIRST READINGSir 5: 1-8Delay not your conversion to the Lord.

RESP *Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4, 6* Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.

GOSPEL Mk 9: 41-50 It is better for you to enter into life with one hand, than with two hands to go into Gehenna.

COMMUNIONPs g: 2, 3 · III will recount all your wonders, † I willrejoice in you and be glad, \* and singpsalms to your name, O Most High.Or:In II: 27 · Y

Lord, I have come *to* believe \* that you *are* the Christ, / the Son of the *liv*ing God, \* who is coming in*to* this world.

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ENTRANCE Cf. Sir  $15: 5 \cdot VI$ In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth, † and the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and *un*derstanding \* and clothed him in a *robe* of glory. Or:  $Ps_{37}(36): 30-31 \cdot VI$ The mouth of the just man utters wisdom, † and his tongue tells forth *what* is just; \* the law of his God is *in* his heart.

FIRST READING Wis 7: 7-10, 15-16 Beyond health and comeliness I loved her.

RESP Ps 37 (36): 3-4, 5-6, 30-31 The mouth of the just murmurs wisdom.

GOSPEL Mt 7: 21-29 The house built on rock and the house built on sand.

COMMUNION Cf. Lk 12:  $42 \cdot IV$ Behold a faithful and prudent steward \* to give them their allowance of food at the proper time.

*Ps 1: 2b, 3b* · 111

He who ponders the law of the Lord *day* and night \* will yield his fruit *in* due season.

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28 Friday of the Seventh Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps I3 (I2): \delta \cdot v$ O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. † My heart will rejoice in *your* salvation. \* I will sing to the Lord who has been bounti*ful* with me.

FIRST READING Sir 6: 5-17 Faithful friends are beyond price.

RESP *Ps 119 (118): 12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35* Guide me, Lord, in the way of your commands. GOSPEL Mk 10: 1-12 What God has joined together, no human being must separate.

COMMUNIONPs g: 2, 3 · III will recount all your wonders, † I will<br/>rejoice in you and be glad, \* and sing<br/>psalms to your name, O Most High.Or:Jn II: 27 · VLord, I have come to believe \* that you<br/>are the Christ, / the Son of the living<br/>God, \* who is coming into this world.

SATURDAY, MARCH I Saturday of the Seventh Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps i3 (i2): 6 \cdot v$ O Lord, I trust in your merciful love. † My heart will rejoice in *your* salvation. \* I will sing to the Lord who has been bounti*ful* with me.

FIRST READING Sir 17: 1-15 In his own image the Lord made them. RESP *Ps 103 (102): 13-14, 15-16, 17-18* The Lord's kindness is everlasting to those who fear him.

GOSPEL Mk 10: 13-16 Whoever does not accept the Kingdom of God like a child will not enter it.

COMMUNION $Ps g: 2, 3 \cdot II$ I will recount all your wonders,  $\dagger$  I willrejoice in you and be glad, \* and singpsalms to your name, O Most High.Or: $Jn II: 27 \cdot V$ Lord, I have come to believe \* that youare the Christ, / the Son of the livingGod, \* who is coming into this world.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday — Optional Memorial —

See page 581 for the antiphons for this Memorial.

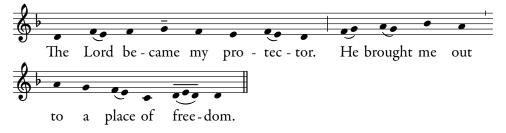
# EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

— SUNDAY, MARCH 2, 2025 —

# ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Ps 18 (17): 19-20* I

The Lord became my protector. † He brought me out to a *place* of freedom; \* he saved me because he delight*ed* in me.



# COLLECT

Grant us, O Lord, we pray, / that the course of our world / may be directed by your peaceful rule / and that your Church may rejoice, / untroubled in her devotion. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

#### Sir 27: 4-7

When a sieve is shaken, the husks appear; / so do one's faults when one speaks. / As the test of what the potter molds is in the furnace, / so in tribulation is the test of the just. / The fruit of a tree shows the care it has had; / so too does one's speech disclose the bent of one's mind. / Praise no one before he speaks, / for it is then that people are tested.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

92 *(91): 2-3, 13-14, 15-16 ·* VI

# Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

v. It is good to give thanks to the LORD, / to sing praise to your name, Most High, / To proclaim your kindness at dawn / and your faithfulness throughout the night.

Y. The just one shall flourish like the palm tree, / like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow. / They that are planted in the house of the LORD / shall flourish in the courts of our God.

v. They shall bear fruit even in old age; / vigorous and sturdy shall they be, / Declaring how just is the LORD, / my rock, in whom there is no wrong.

# SECOND READING

1 Cor 15: 54-58

Brothers and sisters: When this which is corruptible clothes itself with incorruptibility and this which is mortal clothes itself with immortality, then the word that is written shall come about: / *Death is swallowed up in victory*. / *Where, O death, is your victory*? / *Where, O death, is your sting*? / The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.



Y. Shine like lights in the world / as you hold on to the word of life.

#### GOSPEL

Lk 6: 39-45

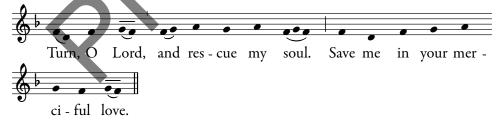
Jesus told his disciples a parable, "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? No disciple is superior to the teacher; but when fully trained, every disciple will be like his teacher. Why do you notice the splinter in your brother's eye, but do not perceive the wooden beam in your own? How can you say to your brother, 'Brother, let me remove that splinter in your eye,' when you do not even notice the wooden beam in your own eye? You hypocrite! Remove the wooden beam from your eye first; then you will see clearly to remove the splinter in your brother's eye.

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. For every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks."

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 6: 5 ·* VI

Turn, O Lord, and rescue my soul. \* Save me in your merciful love.



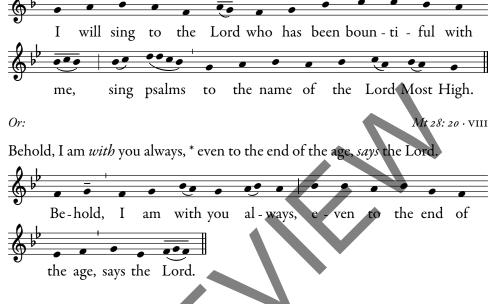
#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who provide gifts to be offered to your name / and count our oblations as signs / of our desire to serve you with devotion, / we ask of your mercy / that what you grant as the source of merit / may also help us to attain merit's reward. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### MARCH 3

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I will sing to the Lord who has been bounti*ful* with me, \* sing psalms to the name of the *Lord* Most High.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished by your saving gifts, / we beseech your mercy, Lord, / that by this same Sacrament / with which you feed us in the present age, / you may make us partakers of life eternal. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, MARCH 3 GOSPEL Mk 10: 17-27 Monday of the Eighth Week Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor. ENTRANCE Ps 18(17): 19-20 · I COMMUNION Cf. Ps 13(12): 6 · 11 The Lord became my protector. † He I will sing to the Lord who has been brought me out to a *place* of freedom; \* bountiful with me, \* sing psalms to the he saved me because he delight*ed* in me. name of the Lord Most High. FIRST READING Sir 17: 20-24 Turn again to the Most High, and learn Or: Mt 28: 20 • VIII the judgments of God. Behold, I am *with* you always, \* even to the end of the age, says the Lord. RESP Ps 32 (31): 1-2, 5, 6, 7 Let the just exult and rejoice in the Lord.

#### Cf. Ps 13 (12): 6 · 11

Saint Katharine Drexel, Virgin — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE

VI

Here is a wise virgin, from among the number *of* the prudent, \* who went forth with lighted lamp *to* meet Christ. *Or:* v How beautiful you are, O virgin of

Christ, † who were worthy to receive *the* Lord's crown, \* the crown of perpetu*al* virginity.

Any reading from the Common of Virgins: For One Virgin, may be used.

COMMUNION $Cf. Mt 25: 6 \cdot VI$ Behold, the Bridegroom is coming; \*come out to meet Christ the Lord.Or: $Cf. Ps 27 (26): 4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, \*only this do I seek: / to live in the houseof the Lord \* all the days of my life.

### TUESDAY, MARCH 4 Tuesday of the Eighth Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps I8(17): I9-20 \cdot I$ The Lord became my protector. † He brought me out to a *place* of freedom; \* he saved me because he delight*ed* in me.

FIRST READINGSir 35: 1-12To keep the law is a great oblation.

RESPPs 50 (49): 5-6, 7-8, 14, 23To the upright I will show the saving<br/>power of God.

GOSPEL Mk 10: 28-31 You will receive a hundred times as much persecution in this present age, and eternal life in the age to come.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps  $I_3(I2)$ :  $6 \cdot II$ I will sing to the Lord who has been bounti*ful* with me, \* sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High.

*Or: Mt 28: 20* · VIII Behold, I am *with* you always, \* even to the end of the age, *says* the Lord.



ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 21 (20): 2-3 · VI In your strength, O Lord, the just one rejoices; † how greatly your salvation *makes* him glad! \* You have granted him his *soul's* desire.

FIRST READING Phil 3: 8-14 Because of Christ, I consider everything as a loss, being conformed to his death.

RESP *Ps 15 (14): 2-3ab, 3cd-4ab, 5* The just one shall live on your holy mountain, O Lord.

GOSPEL Jn 15: 9-17 You are my friends if you do what I command you.

COMMUNION Cf. Mt 16: 24 · I Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, \* take up his cross, and follow me, says the Lord.

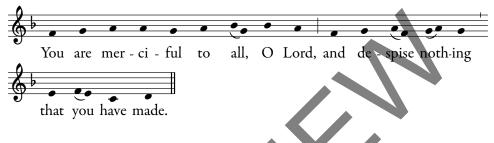
*Or: Mt 6: 33* · VIII Seek first the kingdom of God, *and* his righteousness, \* and all these things will be given you besides, *says* the Lord.

# ASH WEDNESDAY — wednesday, march 5, 2025 —

# ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Wis 11: 24-25, 27 • I

You are merciful to *all*, O Lord, \* and despise nothing that *you* have made. / You overlook people's sins, to bring them *to* repentance, \* and you spare them, for you are the *Lord* our God.



# COLLECT

Grant, O Lord, that we may begin with holy fasting / this campaign of Christian service, / so that, as we take up battle against spiritual evils, / we may be armed with weapons of self-restraint. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

#### Jl 2: 12-18

Even now, says the LORD, / return to me with your whole heart, / with fasting, and weeping, and mourning; / Rend your hearts, not your garments, / and return to the LORD, your God. / For gracious and merciful is he, / slow to anger, rich in kindness, / and relenting in punishment. / Perhaps he will again relent / and leave behind him a blessing, / Offerings and libations / for the LORD, your God.

Blow the trumpet in Zion! / proclaim a fast, / call an assembly; / Gather the people, / notify the congregation; / Assemble the elders, / gather the children / and the infants at the breast; / Let the bridegroom quit his room / and the bride her chamber. / Between the porch and the altar / let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep, / And say, "Spare, O LORD, your people, / and make not your heritage a reproach, / with the nations ruling over them! / Why should they say among the peoples, / 'Where is their God?'"

Then the LORD was stirred to concern for his land / and took pity on his people.



℣. Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; / in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my offense. / Thoroughly wash me from my guilt / and of my sin cleanse me.

v. For I acknowledge my offense, / and my sin is before me always: / "Against you only have I sinned, / and done what is evil in your sight."

ŷ. A clean heart create for me, O God, / and a steadfast spirit renew within me. / Cast me not out from your presence, / and your Holy Spirit take not from me.

v. Give me back the joy of your salvation, / and a willing spirit sustain in me. / O Lord, open my lips, / and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

# SECOND READING

2 Cor 5: 20-6: 2

Brothers and sisters: We are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him.

Working together, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For he says:

In an acceptable time I heard you, / and on the day of salvation I helped you.

Behold, now is a very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

# VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL



Glo-ry and praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

 $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{Y}}.$  If today you hear his voice, / harden not your hearts.

# GOSPEL

Jesus said to his disciples: "Take care not to perform righteous deeds in order that people may see them; otherwise, you will have no recompense from your

*Cf. Ps 95 (94): 8* • v

Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18

heavenly Father. When you give alms, do not blow a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets to win the praise of others. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right is doing, so that your almsgiving may be secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you.

"When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites, who love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on street corners so that others may see them. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you.

"When you fast, do not look gloomy like the hypocrites. They neglect their appearance, so that they may appear to others to be fasting. Amen, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you may not appear to be fasting, except to your Father who is hidden. And your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you."

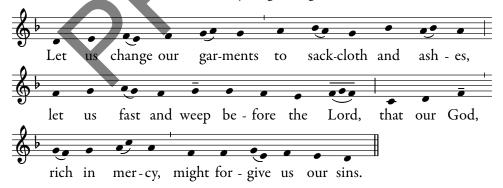
# The Blessing and Distribution of Ashes

After the blessing of ashes, the Priest begins placing the ashes on the head of all those present who come to him. Meanwhile, the following are sung:

#### ANTIPHON 1

Let us change our garments to sackcloth and ashes, † let us fast and weep be*fore* the Lord, \* that our God, rich in mercy, might forgive *us* our sins.

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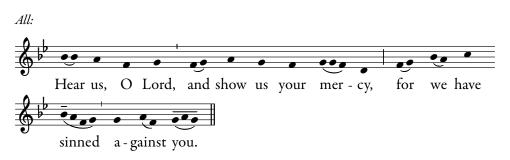


#### ANTIPHON 2

Let the priests, the ministers *of* the Lord, \* stand between the porch and the altar and weep *and* cry out: / Spare, O Lord, *spare* your people; \* do not close the mouths of those who sing your *praise*, O Lord.



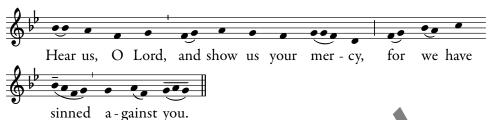
Let us correct our faults / which we have committed in ignorance, / let us not be taken unawares / by the day of our death, / looking in vain for leisure to repent.



Cantor:

Help us, O God our Savior; / for the sake of your name, O Lord, set us free.

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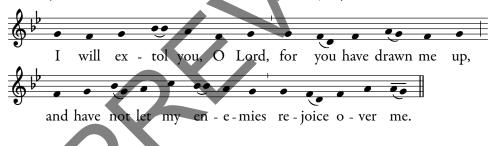
Another appropriate chant may also be sung. After the distribution of ashes, the Priest proceeds to the Universal Prayer.

The Creed is not said.

OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 30 (29): 2, 3, 4* • 11

I will extol you, O Lord † for you have *drawn* me up, \* and have not let my enemies rejoice *o*ver me. / O Lord, I cried *out* to you, \* *and* you healed me.

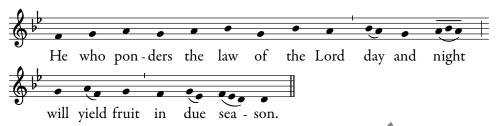


# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

As we solemnly offer / the annual sacrifice for the beginning of Lent, / we entreat you, O Lord, / that, through works of penance and charity, / we may turn away from harmful pleasures / and, cleansed from our sins, may become worthy / to celebrate devoutly the Passion of your Son. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

He who ponders the law of the Lord *day* and night \* will yield fruit *in* due season.



### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May the Sacrament we have received sustain us, O Lord, / that our Lenten fast may be pleasing to you / and be for us a healing remedy. / Through Christ our Lord.

# THURSDAY, MARCH 6 Thursday After Ash Wednesday

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps* 55 (54), 17-20, 23 · II When I cried to the Lord, he *heard* my voice; \* he rescued me from those *who* attack me. / Entrust your cares *to* the Lord, \* and he *will* support you.

FIRST READING Dt 30: 15-20 Behold, I set before you the blessing and the curse (Deuteronomy 11:26).

RESP *Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4, 6* Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.

GOSPEL Lk 9: 22-25 Whoever loses his life for my sake will save it.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 51 (50): 12* · 111 Create a pure heart for *me*, O God; \* renew a steadfast spir*it* within me. FRIDAY, MARCH 7 Friday After Ash Wednesday

**ENTRANCE** *Ps 30 (29): 11 · IV* The Lord heard and had mer*cy* on me; \* the Lord be*came* my helper.

FIRST READING Is 58: 1-9a Is this the manner of fasting I wish?

RESP *Ps 51 (50): 3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19* A heart contrite and humbled, O God, you will not spurn.

GOSPEL Mt 9: 14-15 When the bridegroom is taken from them, then they will fast.

COMMUNION Ps 25 (24):  $4 \cdot IV$ O Lord, make me *know* your ways, \* teach *me* your paths. Saints Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE

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The souls of the Saints are rejoicing in heaven, \* the Saints who followed the footsteps of Christ, / and since for love of him they *shed* their blood, \* they now exult with *Christ* for ever.

FIRST READING Rom 8: 31b-39 Neither death nor life will be able to separate us from the love of God.

RESP *Ps 124 (123): 2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8* Our soul has escaped like a bird from the fowler's snare.

GOSPEL Mt 10: 34-39 I have come to bring not peace but the sword.

COMMUNION *2 Cor 4: 11* · 111 For the sake of Jesus we are given *up* to death, \* that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our *mor*tal flesh.

> SATURDAY, MARCH 8 Saturday After Ash Wednesday

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 69 (68):  $17 \cdot VI$ Answer us, Lord, for your mercy is kind; \* in the abundance of your mercies, look *up*on us.

FIRST READING Is 58: 9b-14 If you bestow your bread on the hungry, then light shall rise for you in the darkness.

RESP *Ps 86 (85): 1-2, 3-4, 5-6* Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your truth. GOSPEL Lk 5: 27-32 I have not come to call righteous to repentance but sinners.

COMMUNION  $Mt g: I3 \cdot II$ I desire mercy, not sacrifice, *says* the Lord, \* for I did not come to call the *just* but sinners.

> Saint John of God, Religious — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps to (15): 5* · VI O Lord, it is you who are my por*tion* and cup; \* you yourself who secure my portion.

FIRST READING 1 Jn 3: 14-18 We ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.

**RESP** *Ps 112 (111): 1bc-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7b-8, 9* Blessed the man who fears the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 25: 31-40 Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.

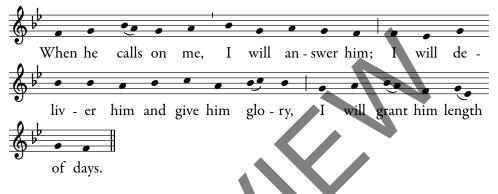
COMMUNION *Cf. Mt 19: 27-29* · I Amen I *say* to you: \* That you who have left all and *fol*lowed me / will receive a *hun*dredfold \* and possess *eter*nal life.

### FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT — SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2025 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 91 (90): 15-16* • VIII

When he calls on me, I will answer him; † I will deliver him and *give* him glory, \* I will grant him *length* of days.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is not said.

## COLLECT

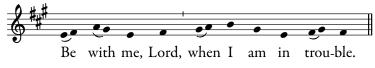
Grant, almighty God, / through the yearly observances of holy Lent, / that we may grow in understanding / of the riches hidden in Christ / and by worthy conduct pursue their effects. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

Dt 26: 4-10

Moses spoke to the people, saying: "The priest shall receive the basket from you and shall set it in front of the altar of the LORD, your God. Then you shall declare before the LORD, your God, 'My father was a wandering Aramean who went down to Egypt with a small household and lived there as an alien. But there he became a nation great, strong, and numerous. When the Egyptians maltreated and oppressed us, imposing hard labor upon us, we cried to the LORD, the God of our fathers, and he heard our cry and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. He brought us out of Egypt with his strong hand and outstretched arm, with terrifying power, with signs and wonders; and bringing us into this country, he gave us this land flowing with milk and honey. Therefore, I have now brought you the firstfruits of the products of the soil which you, O LORD, have given me.' And having set them before the LORD, your God, you shall bow down in his presence."

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**



ŷ. You who dwell in the shelter of the Most High, / who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, / say to the LORD, "My refuge and fortress, / my God in whom I trust."

 $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ . No evil shall befall you, / nor shall affliction come near your tent, / For to his angels he has given command about you, / that they guard you in all your ways.

v. Upon their hands they shall bear you up, / lest you dash your foot against a stone. / You shall tread upon the asp and the viper; / you shall trample down the lion and the dragon.

v. Because he clings to me, I will deliver him; / I will set him on high because he acknowledges my name. / He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; / I will be with him in distress; / I will deliver him and glorify him.

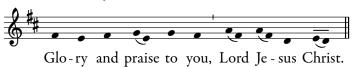
# SECOND READING

Rom 10: 8-13

Brothers and sisters: What does Scripture say? / The word is near you, / in your mouth and in your heart / — that is, the word of faith that we preach —, for, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. For the Scripture says, No one who believes in him will be put to shame. For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, enriching all who call upon him. For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL

*Mt 4: 4b* • v



v . One does not live on bread alone, / but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

# GOSPEL

Lk 4: 1-13

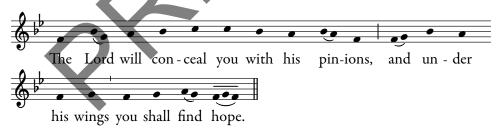
Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil. He ate nothing during those days, and when they were over he was hungry. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, One does not live on bread alone." Then he took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a single instant. The devil said to him, "I shall give to you all this power and glory; for it has been handed over to me, and I may give it to whomever I wish. All this will be yours, if you worship me." Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written: / You shall worship the Lord, your God, / and him alone shall you serve." / Then he led him to Jerusalem, made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written: / He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you, / and: / With their hands they will support you, / lest you dash your foot against a stone." / Jesus said to him in reply, "It also says, You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test." When the devil had finished every temptation, he departed from him for a time.

The Creed is said.

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 91 (90): 4* • VIII

The Lord will conceal you with his pinions, † and under his wings you *shall* find hope. \* His faithfulness shall encompass you *as* a shield.

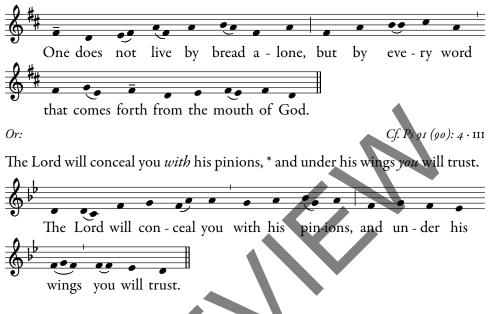


# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Give us the right dispositions, O Lord, we pray, / to make these offerings, / for with them we celebrate the beginning / of this venerable and sacred time. / Through Christ our Lord.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

One does not live by bread alone, † but by *every* word \* that comes forth from the *mouth* of God.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Renewed now with heavenly bread, / by which faith is nourished, hope increased, / and charity strengthened, / we pray, O Lord, / that we may learn to hunger for Christ, / the true and living Bread, / and strive to live by every word / which proceeds from your mouth. / Through Christ our Lord.



ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 123 (122):  $2-3 \cdot 11$ Like the eyes of slaves on the hand of their lords, † so our eyes are on the Lord our God, till he show *us* his mercy. \* Have mercy on us, *Lord*, have mercy.

FIRST READING Lev 19: 1-2, 11-18 Judge your fellow man justly.

RESP *Ps 19 (18): 8, 9, 10, 15* Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. GOSPEL Mt 25: 31-46 Whatever you have done to the very least of my brothers, you have done to me.

COMMUNION  $Mt 25: 40, 34 \cdot IV$ Amen, I say to you: † Whatever you did for one of the least of my brethren, \* you did it for me, says the Lord. / Come, you blessed of my Father, † receive the kingdom prepared for you \* from the foundation of the world.

#### TUESDAY, MARCH II

Tuesday of the First Week of LentENTRANCE $Cf. Ps go (8g): 1-2 \cdot 1$ O Lord, you have been our refuge, †from generation to generation; \* fromage to age, you are.

FIRST READING Is 55: 10-11 My word will do whatever I will.

RESP *Ps 34 (33): 4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19* From all their distress God rescues the just.

GOSPEL Mt 6: 7-15 This is how you are to pray.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 4: 2 · v* When I called, the God of justice gave me answer; † from anguish *you* released me; \* have mercy, O Lord, and *hear* my prayer!

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12 Wednesday of the First Week of Lent

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps* 25 (24): 6, 2, 22 · IV Remember your compassion, O Lord, \* and your merciful love, for they are *from* of old. / Let not our enemies exult over us. \* Redeem us, O God of Israel, from all *our* distress.

FIRST READINGJon 3: 1-10The Ninevites turned from their evil way.

RESP *Ps 51 (50): 3-4, 12-13, 18-19* A heart contrite and humbled, O God, you will not spurn.

GOSPEL Lk 11: 29-32 No sign will be given to this generation except the sign of Jonah. COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 5: 12* · VI All who take refuge in you shall be glad, O Lord, † and ever cry *out* their joy, \* and you shall *dwell* among them.

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 13

Thursday of the First Week of Lent ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 5: 2-3 I To my words give ear, O Lord; \* give heed to my sighs. / Attend to the sound of my cry, \* my King and my God.

FIRST READING Est C: 12, 14-16, 23-25 I have no protector other than you, Lord.

RESP *Ps 138 (137): 1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8* Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

Mt 7: 7-12

Everyone who asks, receives.

GOSPEL

**COMMUNION** *Mt* 7: 8 · 1 Everyone who *asks*, receives; \* and the one *who* seeks, finds; / and to the *one* who knocks, \* the door *will* be opened.

> FRIDAY, MARCH 14 Friday of the First Week of Lent

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 25 (24): 17-18* · 11 Set me free from my distress, O Lord. † See my lowli*ness* and suffering, \* and take away *all* my sins.

FIRST READING Ezek 18: 21-28 Do I derive any pleasure from the death of the wicked and not rejoice when he turns from his evil way that he may live?

RESP *Ps 130 (129): 1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8* If you, O Lord, mark iniquities, who can stand? GOSPEL Mt 5: 20-26 Go first and be reconciled with your brother.

COMMUNION  $Ez_{33}: II \cdot II$ As I live, says the Lord, † I do not desire the death of the sinner, \* but rather that he turn back and live.

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 15 Saturday of the First Week of Lent

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $Ig (18): 8 \cdot I$ The law of the Lord *is* perfect; \* it revives the soul. / The decrees of the Lord are steadfast; \* they give wisdom to the simple. FIRST READING Dt 26: 16-19 You will be a people sacred to the Lord God.

RESP *Ps IIg (II8): 1-2, 4-5, 7-8* Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

GOSPEL Mt 5: 43-48 Be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect.

COMMUNION  $Mt 5: 48 \cdot IV$ Be perfect, as your heavenly Father \* is perfect, *says* the Lord.

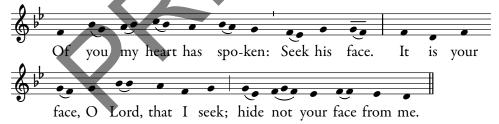
# SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

— SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 2025 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 27 (26): 8, 9* • III

Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. † It is your face, O Lord, *that* I seek; \* hide not your *face* from me.



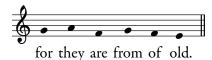
Or:

*Cf. Ps 25 (24): 6, 2, 22* · IV

Remember your compassion, O Lord, \* and your merciful love, for they are *from* of old. / Let not our enemies exult over us. \* Redeem us, O God of Israel, from all *our* distress.



Re-member your com-pas-sion, O Lord, and your mer - ci - ful love,



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is not said.

# COLLECT

O God, who have commanded us / to listen to your beloved Son, / be pleased, we pray, / to nourish us inwardly by your word, / that, with spiritual sight made pure, / we may rejoice to behold your glory. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING

Gn 15: 5-12, 17-18

The Lord God took Abram outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can. Just so," he added, "shall your descendants be." Abram put his faith in the LORD, who credited it to him as an act of righteousness.

He then said to him, "I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession." "O Lord GOD," he asked, "how am I to know that I shall possess it?" He answered him, "Bring me a three-year-old heifer, a three-year-old she-goat, a three-year-old ram, a turtledove, and a young pigeon." Abram brought him all these, split them in two, and placed each half opposite the other; but the birds he did not cut up. Birds of prey swooped down on the carcasses, but Abram stayed with them. As the sun was about to set, a trance fell upon Abram, and a deep, terrifying darkness enveloped him.

When the sun had set and it was dark, there appeared a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch, which passed between those pieces. It was on that occasion that the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying: "To your descendants I give this land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the Great River, the Euphrates."

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 

The Lord is my light and my sal - va-tion.

ŷ. The LORD is my light and my salvation; / whom should I fear? / The LORD is my life's refuge; / of whom should I be afraid?

*Ps 27 (26): 1, 7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14* · II

ŷ. Hear, O LORD, the sound of my call; / have pity on me, and answer me. / Of you my heart speaks; you my glance seeks.

ŷ. Your presence, O LORD, I seek. / Hide not your face from me; / do not in anger repel your servant. / You are my helper: cast me not off.

ŷ. I believe that I shall see the bounty of the LORD / in the land of the living. / Wait for the LORD with courage; / be stouthearted, and wait for the LORD.

#### SECOND READING

Phil 3: 17-4: 1 or 3: 20-4: 1

#### For the short form, omit the text in brackets.

[Join with others in being imitators of me,] brothers and sisters, [and observe those who thus conduct themselves according to the model you have in us. For many, as I have often told you and now tell you even in tears, conduct themselves as enemies of the cross of Christ. Their end is destruction. Their God is their stomach; their glory is in their "shame." Their minds are occupied with earthly things. But] our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we also await a savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will change our lowly body to conform with his glorified body by the power that enables him also to bring all things into subjection to himself.

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, in this way stand firm in the Lord, (beloved).

VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL



v. From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: / This is my beloved Son, hear him.

#### GOSPEL

Lk 9: 28b-36

Cf. Mt 17: 5 · V

Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As they were

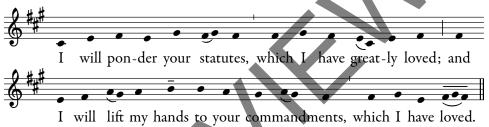
about to part from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." But he did not know what he was saying. While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.

The Creed is said.

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 119 (118): 47, 48* • 11

I will pon*der* your statutes, \* which I have *great*ly loved; / and I will lift my hands to *your* commandments, \* which *I* have loved.



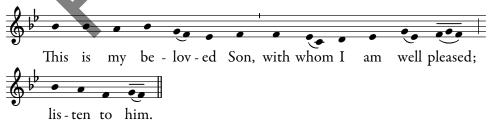
# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May this sacrifice, O Lord, we pray, / cleanse us of our faults / and sanctify your faithful in body and mind / for the celebration of the paschal festivities. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Mt 17: 5* • VIII

This is my beloved Son, † with whom I am well pleased; \* listen to him.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As we receive these glorious mysteries, / we make thanksgiving to you, O Lord, / for allowing us while still on earth / to be partakers even now of the things of heaven. / Through Christ our Lord.

## MONDAY, MARCH 17 Monday of the Second Week of Lent

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 26 (25): 11-12* · 11 Redeem *me*, O Lord, \* and have mer*cy* on me. / My foot stands on *level* ground; \* I will bless the Lord in *the* assembly.

FIRST READING Dn 9: 4b-10 We have sinned, been wicked and done evil.

RESP *Ps 79 (78): 8, 9, 11 and 13* Lord, do not deal with us according to our sins.

GOSPEL Lk 6: 36-38 Forgive and you will be forgiven.

COMMUNION $Lk \ 6: \ 36 \cdot v$ Be merciful, as your Father \* is merciful,<br/>says the Lord.

Saint Patrick, Bishop — Optional Memorial -

ENTRANCE  $Cf. 1 Pt a: g \cdot VII$ O chosen people, proclaim the mighty *works* of him \* who called you out of darkness into his won*der*ful light.

*Or: Cf. Ps 18 (17): 50; 22 (21): 23* VI I will praise you, Lord, a*mong* the nations; \* I will tell of your name *to* my kin.

FIRST READING I Pt 4: 7b-11 Each one has received a special gift; use it to serve one another.

RESP Ps 96 (95): 1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8c, 10 Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations. GOSPEL *Lk 5: 1-11 At your command I will lower the nets.* 

COMMUNION Ez 34: 15 · VI I will pas*ture* my sheep; \* I myself will give them rest, *says* the Lord.

Or:  $Mt \ 10: \ 27 \cdot IV$ What I say to you *in* the darkness \* speak in the light, *says* the Lord; / what *you* hear whispered, \* proclaim *on* the housetops.

# TUESDAY, MARCH 18 Tuesday of the Second Week of Lent

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 13 (12):  $4-5 \cdot I$ Give light to my eyes lest I fall asleep in death, \* lest my enemy say: I have avercome him.

FIRST READING Is 1: 10, 16-20 Learn to do good; make justice your aim.

RESP *Ps 50 (49): 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23* To the upright I will show the saving power of God.

GOSPEL Mt 23: 1-12 They preach but they do not practice.

COMMUNION  $Ps g: 2, 3 \cdot II$ I will recount all your wonders,  $\dagger I$  will rejoice in you *and* be glad, \* and sing psalms to your name, *O* Most High.

Saint Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ez 34: 11, 23-24* • 1 I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, † and I will appoint a shep*herd*  to pasture them, \* and I, the Lord, will *be* their God.

Or: Cf.  $Lk \ 12: 42 \cdot IV$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

FIRST READING I Jn 5: 1-5 The victory that conquers the world is our faith.

RESP *Ps 19 (18): 8, 9, 10, 11* The judgments of the Lord are true, and all of them are just.

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** 

*Or:* Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

GOSPEL Jn 15: 1-8 Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit.

COMMUNION *Cf. Jn 15: 16* · 1 It was not you who chose me, *says* the Lord, \* but I *who* chose you / and appointed you to go *and* bear fruit, \* fruit *that* will last.

Or: Cf.  $Lk_{12:36-37} \cdot III$ Blessed is that servant, whom his lord *finds* awake \* when he comes and knocks *at* the gate.

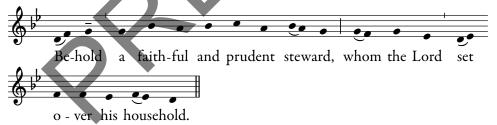
# SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

— WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2025 —

Solemnity

*Cf. Lk 12: 42* • IV

Behold a faithful and *pru*dent steward, \* whom the Lord set over his household.



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# COLLECT

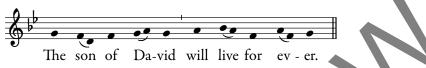
Grant, we pray, almighty God, / that by Saint Joseph's intercession / your Church may constantly watch over / the unfolding of the mysteries of human salvation, / whose beginnings you entrusted to his faithful care. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING

The LORD spoke to Nathan and said: "Go, tell my servant David, 'When your time comes and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your heir after you, sprung from your loins, and I will make his kingdom firm. It is he who shall build a house for my name. And I will make his royal throne firm forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. Your house and your kingdom shall endure forever before me; your throne shall stand firm forever."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 89 (88): 2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 · 11



*v*. The promises of the LORD I will sing forever; / through all generations my mouth shall proclaim your faithfulness, / For you have said, "My kindness is established forever"; / in heaven you have confirmed your faithfulness.

v. "I have made a covenant with my chosen one, / I have sworn to David my servant: / Forever will I confirm your posterity / and establish your throne for all generations."

ŷ. "He shall say of me, 'You are my father, / my God, the Rock, my savior.' / Forever I will maintain my kindness toward him, / and my covenant with him stands firm."

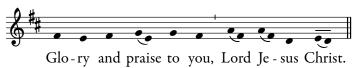
# SECOND READING

Rom 4: 13, 16-18, 22

Brothers and sisters: It was not through the law that the promise was made to Abraham and his descendants that he would inherit the world, but through the righteousness that comes from faith. For this reason, it depends on faith, so that it may be a gift, and the promise may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not to those who only adhere to the law but to those who follow the faith of Abraham, who is the father of all of us, as it is written, *I have made you father of many nations*. He is our father in the sight of God, in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into being what does not exist. He believed, hoping against hope, that he would become *the father of many nations*, according to what was said, *Thus shall your descendants be*. That is why *it was credited to him as righteousness*.

#### VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL

*Psalm 84:5* • v



ŷ. Blessed are those who dwell in your house, O Lord; / they never cease to praise you.

#### GOSPEL

Mt 1: 16, 18-21, 24a

Jacob was the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary. Of her was born Jesus who is called the Christ.

Now this is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about. When his mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found with child through the Holy Spirit. Joseph her husband, since he was a righteous man, yet unwilling to expose her to shame, decided to divorce her quietly. Such was his intention when, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins." When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home.

Or:

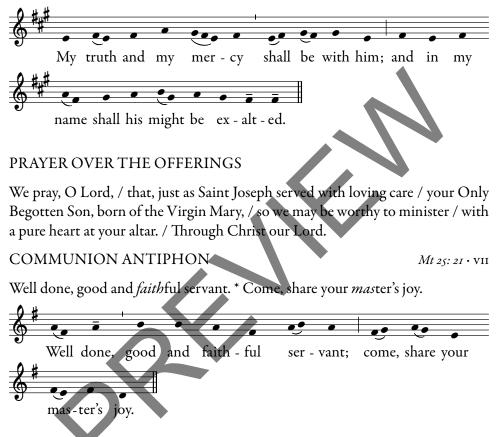
Lk 2: 41-51a

Each year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom. After they had completed its days, as they were returning, the boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Thinking that he was in the caravan, they journeyed for a day and looked for him among their relatives and acquaintances, but not finding him, they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." And he said to them, "Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. The Creed is said.

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 89 (88): 25* • 11

My truth and my mercy shall *be* with him; \* and in my name shall his might *be* exalted.



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Defend with unfailing protection, / O Lord, we pray, / the family you have nourished / with food from this altar, / as they rejoice at the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, / and graciously keep safe your gifts among them. / Through Christ our Lord.

# THURSDAY, MARCH 20 Thursday of the Second Week of Lent

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 139 (138): 23-24* · VI Test me, O God, and know my thoughts. † See that my path *is* not wicked, \* and lead me in the way *ever*lasting.

FIRST READING Jer 17: 5-10 A curse on those who trust in mortals; a blessing on those who trust in the Lord God.

RESP *Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4 and 6* Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.

GOSPEL Lk 16: 19-31 Good things came to you and bad things to Lazarus; now he is comforted while you are in agony.

COMMUNION *Ps 119 (118): 1* · IV Blessed are those whose *way* is blameless, \* who walk in the law *of* the Lord.

> FRIDAY, MARCH 21 Friday of the Second Week of Lent

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $_{3T}$  (30): 2,  $_{5}$  · IV In you, O Lord, I put my trust, \* let me never be put to shame; / release me from the snare they have hid*den* for me, \* for you indeed *are* my refuge.

#### First Reading

Gn 37: 3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a

*Here comes the man of dreams; let us kill him.* 

RESP *Ps 105 (104): 16-17, 18-19, 20-21* Remember the marvels the Lord has done. GOSPEL Mt 21: 33-43, 45-46 This is the heir; let us kill him.

COMMUNION I Jn 4: 10 · VI God loved us, and sent his Son \* as expiation for our sins.

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 22

Saturday of the Second Week of Lent

ENTRANCE  $P_{$145 (144): 8-9 \cdot IV}$ The Lord is kind and full of compassion, \* slow to anger, abound*ing* in mercy. / How good is the *Lord* to all, \* compassionate to *all* his creatures.

FIRST READING Mic 7: 14-15, 18-20 God will cast our sins into the depths of the sea.

RESP *Ps 103 (102): 1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12* The Lord is kind and merciful.

GOSPEL *Lk* 15: 1-3, 11-32 Your brother was dead and has come to life.

COMMUNION *Lk* 15: 32 · VIII You must rejoice, my son, † for your brother was dead and has *come* to life; \* he was lost *and* is found.

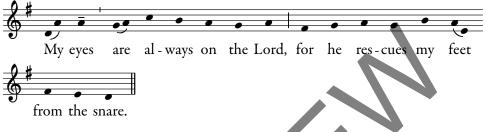
### THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT — SUNDAY, MARCH 23, 2025 —

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Ps 25 (24): 15-16* • VII

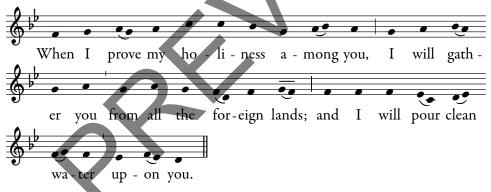
Ezek 36: 23, 24, 25, 26 · III

My eyes are always *on* the Lord, \* for he rescues my feet *from* the snare. / Turn to me and have mer*cy* on me, \* for I am *alone* and poor.



Or:

When I prove my holi*ness* among you, \* I will gather you from all the *for*eign lands; / and I will pour clean water upon you † and cleanse you from all *your* impurities, \* and I will give you a new spirit, *says* the Lord.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is not said.

#### COLLECT

O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, / who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving / have shown us a remedy for sin, / look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, / that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, / may always be lifted up by your mercy. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING

#### For the short form, omit the text in brackets.

Moses was tending the flock of his father-in-law Jethro, the priest of Midian. Leading the flock across the desert, he came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There an angel of the LORD appeared to Moses in fire flaming out of a bush. As he looked on, he was surprised to see that the bush, though on fire, was not consumed. So Moses decided, "I must go over to look at this remarkable sight, and see why the bush is not burned."

When the LORD saw him coming over to look at it more closely, God called out to him from the bush, "Moses! Moses!" He answered, "Here I am." God said, "Come no nearer! Remove the sandals from your feet, for the place where you stand is holy ground. I am the God of your fathers," he continued, "the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob." Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. But the LORD said, "I have witnessed the affliction of my people in Egypt and have heard their cry of complaint against their slave drivers, so I know well what they are suffering. Therefore I have come down to rescue them from the hands of the Egyptians and lead them out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey."

Moses said to God, "But when I go to the Israelites and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' if they ask me, 'What is his name?' what am I to tell them?" God replied, "I am who am." Then he added, "This is what you shall tell the Israelites: I AM sent me to you."

God spoke further to Moses, "Thus shall you say to the Israelites: The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.

"This is my name forever; / thus am I to be remembered through all generations."



ŷ. Bless the LORD, O my soul; / and all my being, bless his holy name. / Bless the LORD, O my soul, / and forget not all his benefits.

v. He pardons all your iniquities, / heals all your ills, / He redeems your life from destruction, / crowns you with kindness and compassion.

 $\mathcal{Y}$ . The LORD secures justice / and the rights of all the oppressed. / He has made known his ways to Moses, / and his deeds to the children of Israel.

Y. Merciful and gracious is the LORD, / slow to anger and abounding in kindness. / For as the heavens are high above the earth, / so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him.

# SECOND READING

I do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, that our ancestors were all under the cloud and all passed through the sea, and all of them were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea. All ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink, for they drank from a spiritual rock that followed them, and the rock was the Christ. Yet God was not pleased with most of them, for they were struck down in the desert.

These things happened as examples for us, so that we might not desire evil things, as they did. Do not grumble as some of them did, and suffered death by the destroyer. These things happened to them as an example, and they have been written down as a warning to us, upon whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore, whoever thinks he is standing secure should take care not to fall.

# GOSPEL

Some people told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with the blood of their sacrifices. Jesus 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,

*Mt 4: 17* · V

Lk 13: 1-9

1 Cor 10: 1-6, 10-12

ŷ. Repent, says the Lord; ∕ the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

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.'"

#### Scrutiny Year A Readings

#### FIRST READING

In those days, in their thirst for water, the people grumbled against Moses, saying, "Why did you ever make us leave Egypt? Was it just to have us die here of thirst with our children and our livestock?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? A little more and they will stone me!" The LORD answered Moses, "Go over there in front of the people, along with some of the elders of Israel, holding in your hand, as you go, the staff with which you struck the river. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock in Horeb. Strike the rock, and the water will flow from it for the people to drink." This Moses did, in the presence of the elders of Israel. The place was called Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled there and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD in our midst or not?"

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 

*Ps 95 (94): 1-2, 6-7, 8-9* · II

Ex 17: 3-7

If to - day you hear his voice, hard-en not your hearts.

v. Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD; / let us acclaim the Rock of our salvation. / Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; / let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

Y. Come, let us bow down in worship; / let us kneel before the LORD who made us. / For he is our God, / and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides.

℣. Oh, that today you would hear his voice: / "Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, / as in the day of Massah in the desert, / where your fathers tempted me; / they tested me though they had seen my works."

### SECOND READING

Rom 5: 1-2, 5-8

In 4: 5-42 or 4: 5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Brothers and sisters: Since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in hope of the glory of God.

And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For Christ, while we were still helpless, died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL Cf. Jn. 4; 42, 15 · V

Glo-ry and praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

ŷ. Lord, you are truly the Savior of the world; ∕ give me living water, that I may never thirst again.

#### GOSPEL

For the short form, omit the text in brackets.

Jesus came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of land that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there. Jesus, tired from his journey, sat down there at the well. It was about noon.

A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?"—For Jews use nothing in common with Samaritans.—Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you do not even have a bucket and the cistern is deep; where then can you get this living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us this cistern and drank from it himself with his children and his flocks?" Jesus answered and said to her, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir,

give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

[Jesus said to her, "Go call your husband and come back." The woman answered and said to him, "I do not have a husband." Jesus answered her, "You are right in saying, 'I do not have a husband.' For you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true." The woman said to him, "Sir,] I can see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain; but you people say that the place to worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You people worship what you do not understand; we worship what we understand, because salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and truth; and indeed the Father seeks such people to worship him. God is Spirit, and those who worship him must worship in Spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called the Christ; when he comes, he will tell us everything." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one speaking with you."

[At that moment his disciples returned, and were amazed that he was talking with a woman, but still no one said, "What are you looking for?" or "Why are you talking with her?" The woman left her water jar and went into the town and said to the people, "Come see a man who told me everything I have done. Could he possibly be the Christ?" They went out of the town and came to him. Meanwhile, the disciples urged him, "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Could someone have brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of the one who sent me and to finish his work. Do you not say, 'In four months the harvest will be here'? I tell you, look up and see the fields ripe for the harvest. The reaper is already receiving payment and gathering crops for eternal life, so that the sower and reaper can rejoice together. For here the saying is verified that 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap what you have not worked for; others have done the work, and you are sharing the fruits of their work."]

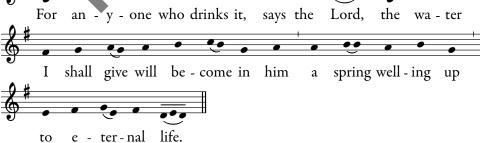
Many of the Samaritans of that town began to believe in him [because of the word of the woman who testified, "He told me everything I have done."] When the Samaritans came to him, they invited him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. Many more began to believe in him because of his word, and they said to the woman, "We no longer believe because of your word; for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the savior of the world."

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 19 (18): 9, 10, 11, 12* • IV

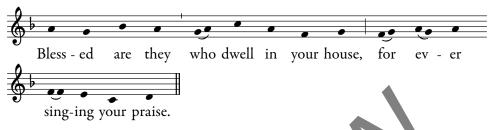
The judgments of the *Lord* are right; \* they glad*den* the heart, / and are sweeter than honey *and* the honeycomb. \* And so, your ser*vant* shall keep them.





#### When another Gospel is read:

The sparrow *finds* a home, \* and the swallow a nest *for* her young: / by your altars, O *Lord* of hosts, \* my King *and* my God. / Blessed are they who dwell *in* your house, \* for ever sing*ing* your praise.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As we receive the pledge / of things yet hidden in heaven / and are nourished while still on earth / with the Bread that comes from on high, / we humbly entreat you, O Lord, / that what is being brought about in us in mystery / may come to true completion. / Through Christ our Lord,

### MONDAY, MARCH 24 Monday of the Third Week of Lent

ENTRANCE  $P_{s \, 84}(8_3): 3 \cdot r$ My soul is longing and yearning  $\uparrow$  for the courts *of* the Lord. \* My heart and my flesh cry out to the *liv*ing God.

FIRST READING 2 Kgs 5: 1-15ab There were many people with leprosy in Israel, but none were made clean, except Naaman the Syrian (Luke 4:27).

RESP *Ps 42 (41): 2, 3; Ps 43 (42): 3, 4* Athirst is my soul for the living God. When shall I go and behold the face of God?

GOSPEL Lk 4: 24-30 Like Elijah and Elisha, Jesus was sent not only to the Jews. **COMMUNION** *Ps 117 (116): 1, 2* · VII O praise the Lord, *all* you nations, \* for his merciful love towards *us* is great.

### Optional Mass of the Third Week of Lent

FIRST READING Ex 17: 1-7 The Lord showed Moses water, that the people might drink.

RESP *Ps 95 (94): 1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9* If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

GOSPEL Jn 4: 5-42 The water that I shall give will become a spring of eternal life.

## THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

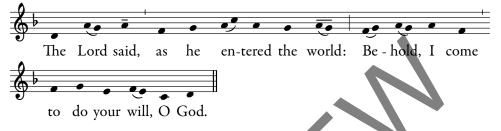
— TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2025 —

Solemnity

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Heb 10: 5, 7* • I

The Lord said, as he en*tered* the world: \* Behold, I come to do your *will*, O God.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

### COLLECT

O God, who willed that your Word / should take on the reality of human flesh / in the womb of the Virgin Mary, / grant, we pray, / that we, who confess our Redeemer to be God and man, / may merit to become partakers even in his divine nature. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING

Is 7: 10-14; 8: 10

Ps 40 (39): 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11 · I

The LORD spoke to Ahaz, saying: Ask for a sign from the LORD, your God; let it be deep as the nether world, or high as the sky! But Ahaz answered, "I will not ask! I will not tempt the LORD!" Then Isaiah said: Listen, O house of David! Is it not enough for you to weary people, must you also weary my God? Therefore the Lord himself will give you this sign: the virgin shall be with child, and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel, which means "God is with us!"

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 



ŷ. Sacrifice or oblation you wished not, / but ears open to obedience you gave me. / Holocausts or sin-offerings you sought not; / then said I, "Behold I come."

v. "In the written scroll it is prescribed for me, / To do your will, O my God, is my delight, / and your law is within my heart!"

ŷ. I announced your justice in the vast assembly; / I did not restrain my lips, as you, O LORD, know.

Y. Your justice I kept not hid within my heart; / your faithfulness and your salvation I have spoken of; / I have made no secret of your kindness and your truth / in the vast assembly.

#### SECOND READING

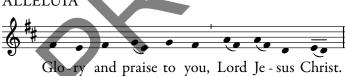
Brothers and sisters:

It is impossible that the blood of bulls and goats take away sins. For this reason, when Christ came into the world, he said:

"Sacrifice and offering you did not desire, / but a body you prepared for me; / in holocausts and sin offerings you took no delight. / Then I said, 'As is written of me in the scroll, / behold, I come to do your will, O God.""

First he says, "Sacrifices and offerings, holocausts and sin offerings, you neither desired nor delighted in." These are offered according to the law. Then he says, "Behold, I come to do your will." He takes away the first to establish the second. By this "will," we have been consecrated through the offering of the Body of Jesus Christ once for all.

ALLELUIA



ŷ. The Word of God became flesh and made his dwelling among us; ∕ and we saw his glory.

### GOSPEL

The angel Gabriel was sent from God to a town of Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the house of David, and the virgin's name was Mary. And coming to her, he said, "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you." But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and

Lk 1: 26-38

*In 1: 14ab* • v

Heb 10: 4-10

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bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his Kingdom there will be no end." But Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I have no relations with a man?" And the angel said to her in reply, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, Elizabeth, your relative, has also conceived a son in her old age, and this is the sixth month for her who was called barren; for nothing will be impossible for God." Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Then the angel departed from her.

The Creed is said. At the words and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate all genuflect.

### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Lk 1: 28, 42 •* VIII

Is 7: 14 • I

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. † Blessed are you among women \* and blessed is the fruit *of* your womb.

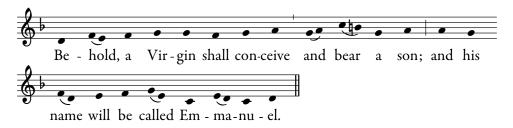


# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Be pleased, almighty God, / to accept your Church's offering, / so that she, who is aware that her beginnings / lie in the Incarnation of your Only Begotten Son, / may rejoice to celebrate his mysteries on this Solemnity. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and *bear* a son; \* and his name will be *called* Emmanuel.



### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Confirm in our minds the mysteries of the true faith, / we pray, Q Lord, / so that, confessing that he who was conceived of the Virgin Mary / is true God and true man, / we may, through the saving power of his Resurrection, / merit to attain eternal joy. / Through Christ our Lord.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26 Wednesday of the Third Week of Lent ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 119 (118): 133 · IV Let my steps be guided by your promise; \* may evil never rule me. RESP FIRST READING Dt 4: 1, 5-9 Keep the commandments and your work will be complete. RESP Ps 147: 12-13, 15-16, 19-20 Gospel Praise the Lord, Jerusalem. Gospel Mt 5: 17-19 Whoever keeps and teaches the law will be called great. COMMUNION Cf. Ps 16 (15): 11 · VII You will show me the *path* of life, \* the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord. **THURSDAY, MARCH 27** Thursday of the Third Week of Lent

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps*  $_{37}$  ( $_{36}$ ):  $_{38}$ ,  $_{40}$ ,  $_{28}$  · IV I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.  $\dagger$  Should they cry to me in

any distress, \* I will hear them, and I will be their *Lord* for ever.

FIRST READING Jer 7: 23-28 This is the nation that will not listen to the voice of the Lord God.

**RESP** *Ps 95 (94): 1-2, 6-7, 8-9* If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

GOSPEL *Lk 11: 14-23* Whoever is not with me is against me.

COMMUNION Ps IIg (II8): 4,  $5 \cdot v$ You have laid down your precepts \* to be carefully kept; / may my ways be firm \* in keeping your statutes.

> FRIDAY, MARCH 28 Friday of the Third Week of Lent

ENTRANCE  $Ps \ 86 \ (85): 8, 10 \cdot 111$ Among the gods there is none like *you*, O Lord, \* for you are great and do marvelous deeds; you a*lone* are God. FIRST READING Hos 14: 2-10 We will not say to the work of our hands: our god.

RESP *Ps 81 (80): 6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14, 17* I am the Lord your God: hear my voice.

GOSPEL Mk 12: 28-34 The Lord our God is one Lord, and you shall love the Lord your God.

COMMUNION Cf. Mk 12: 33  $\cdot$  IV To love God with all your heart, † and your neighbor *as* yourself, \* is worth more than *any* sacrifice.

SATURDAY, MARCH 29 Saturday of the Third Week of Lent

ENTRANCE *Ps 103 (102): 2-3* · I Bless the Lord, O my soul, † and never forget *all* his benefits; \* it is he who forgives *all* your sins.

FIRST READING Hos 6: 1-6 What I want is love, not sacrifice.

RESP *Ps 51 (50): 3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab* It is mercy I desire, and not sacrifice.

GOSPEL Lk 18: 9-14 The tax collector went home justified, not the Pharisee.

COMMUNION  $Lk \ 13 \cdot 13 \cdot 11$ The tax collector stood at a distance, † beating his *breast* and saying: \* O God, be merciful to *me*, a sinner.

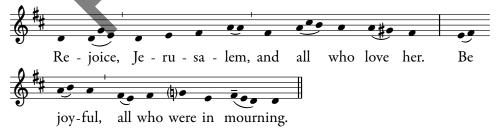
# FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

— SUNDAY, MARCH 30, 2025 —

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Is 66: 10, 11* • V

Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. † Be joyful, all who *were* in mourning; \* exult and be satisfied at her con*sol*ing breast.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is not said.

# COLLECT

O God, who through your Word / reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, / grant, we pray, / that with prompt devotion and eager faith / the Christian people may hasten / toward the solemn celebrations to come. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I have removed the reproach of Egypt from you."

While the Israelites were encamped at Gilgal on the plains of Jericho, they celebrated the Passover on the evening of the fourteenth of the month. On the day after the Passover, they ate of the produce of the land in the form of unleavened cakes and parched grain. On that same day after the Passover, on which they ate of the produce of the land, the manna ceased. No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

 $\hat{y}$ . I will bless the LORD at all times; / his praise shall be ever in my mouth. / Let my soul glory in the LORD; / the lowly will hear me and be glad.

 $\hat{y}$ . Glorify the LORD with me, / let us together extol his name. / I sought the LORD, and he answered me / and delivered me from all my fears.

ŷ. Look to him that you may be radiant with joy, / and your faces may not blush with shame. / When the poor one called out, the LORD heard, / and from all his distress he saved him.

## SECOND READING

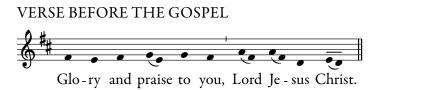
Brothers and sisters: Whoever is in Christ is a new creation: the old things have passed away; behold, new things have come. And all this is from God, who has reconciled us to himself through Christ and given us the ministry of reconciliation, namely, God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting their trespasses against them and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. So

Ps 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7 · III

Josh 5: 9a, 10-12

2 Cor 5: 17-21

we are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who did not know sin, so that we might become the righteousness of God in him.



v. I will get up and go to my Father and shall say to him: / Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.

#### GOSPEL

Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." So to them Jesus addressed this parable: "A man had two sons, and the younger son said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of your estate that should come to me.' So the father divided the property between them. After a few days, the younger son collected all his belongings and set off to a distant country where he squandered his inheritance on a life of dissipation. When he had freely spent everything, a severe famine struck that country, and he found himself in dire need. So he hired himself out to one of the local citizens who sent him to his farm to tend the swine. And he longed to eat his fill of the pods on which the swine fed, but nobody gave him any. Coming to his senses he thought, 'How many of my father's hired workers have more than enough food to eat, but here am I, dying from hunger. I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers." So he got up and went back to his father. While he was still a long way off, his father caught sight of him, and was filled with compassion. He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed him. His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Quickly, bring the finest robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Take the fattened calf and slaughter it. Then let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again; he was lost, and has been found.' Then the celebration began. Now the older son had been out in the field and, on his way back, as he neared the house, he heard the sound of music and dancing. He called one of the servants and asked what this might mean. The servant said to him, 'Your brother has returned and your

Lk 15; 1-3, 11-32

*Lk 15: 18*• v

father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' He became angry, and when he refused to enter the house, his father came out and pleaded with him. He said to his father in reply, 'Look, all these years I served you and not once did I disobey your orders; yet you never gave me even a young goat to feast on with my friends. But when your son returns who swallowed up your property with prostitutes, for him you slaughter the fattened calf.' He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.''

Scrutiny Year A Readings

#### FIRST READING

The LORD said to Samuel: "Fill your horn with oil, and be on your way. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen my king from among his sons."

Sm 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a

As Jesse and his sons came to the sacrifice, Samuel looked at Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is here before him." But the LORD said to Samuel: "Do not judge from his appearance or from his lofty stature, because I have rejected him. Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the LORD looks into the heart." In the same way Jesse presented seven sons before Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen any one of these." Then Samuel asked Jesse, "Are these all the sons you have?" Jesse replied, "There is still the youngest, who is tending the sheep." Samuel said to Jesse, "Send for him; we will not begin the sacrificial banquet until he arrives here." Jesse sent and had the young man brought to them. He was ruddy, a youth handsome to behold and making a splendid appearance. The LORD said, "There—anoint him, for this is the one!" Then Samuel, with the horn of oil in hand, anointed David in the presence of his brothers; and from that day on, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David.



The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

ŷ. The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. / In verdant pastures he gives me repose; / beside restful waters he leads me; / he refreshes my soul.

v. He guides me in right paths / for his name's sake. / Even though I walk in the dark valley / I fear no evil; for you are at my side / with your rod and your staff / that give me courage.

v . You spread the table before me / in the sight of my foes; / you anoint my head with oil; / my cup overflows.

v. Only goodness and kindness follow me / all the days of my life; / and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD / for years to come.

### SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: You were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light, for light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth. Try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the fruitless works of darkness; rather expose them, for it is shameful even to mention the things done by them in secret; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore, it says:

"Awake, O sleeper, / and arise from the dead, / and Christ will give you light."

v. I am the light of the world, says the Lord; / whoever follows me will have the light of life.

# GOSPEL

Jn 9: 1-41 or 1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

Eph 5: 8-14

In 8: 12 · V

For the short form, omit the text in brackets.

As Jesus passed by he saw a man blind from birth. [His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him. We have to do the works of the one who sent me while it is day. Night is coming when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this,] he spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva, and smeared the clay on his eyes, and said to him, "Go wash in the Pool of Siloam"—which means Sent—. So he went and washed, and came back able to see.

His neighbors and those who had seen him earlier as a beggar said, "Isn't this the one who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is," but others said, "No, he just looks like him." He said, "I am." [So they said to him, "How were your eyes opened?" He replied, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and told me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' So I went there and washed and was able to see." And they said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I don't know."]

They brought the one who was once blind to the Pharisees. Now Jesus had made clay and opened his eyes on a sabbath. So then the Pharisees also asked him how he was able to see. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and now I can see." So some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, because he does not keep the sabbath." But others said, "How can a sinful man do such signs?" And there was a division among them. So they said to the blind man again, "What do you have to say about him, since he opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet."

[Now the Jews did not believe that he had been blind and gained his sight until they summoned the parents of the one who had gained his sight. They asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How does he now see?" His parents answered and said, "We know that this is our son and that he was born blind. We do not know how he sees now, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him, he is of age; he can speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone acknowledged him as the Christ, he would be expelled from the synagogue. For this reason his parents said, "He is of age; question him."

So a second time they called the man who had been blind and said to him, "Give God the praise! We know that this man is a sinner." He replied, "If he is a sinner, I do not know. One thing I do know is that I was blind and now I see." So they said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I told you already and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become his disciples, too?" They ridiculed him and said, "You are that man's disciple; we are disciples of Moses! We know that God spoke to Moses, but we do not know where this one is from." The man answered and said to them, "This is what is so amazing, that you do not know where he is from, yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if one is devout and does his will, he listens to him. It is unheard of that anyone ever opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he would not be able to do anything."] They answered and said to him, "You were born totally in sin, and are you trying to teach us?" Then they threw him out.

When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered and said, "Who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "I do believe, Lord," and he worshiped him. [Then Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment, so that those who do not see might see, and those who do see might become blind."

Some of the Pharisees who were with him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not also blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no sin; but now you are saying, 'We see,' so your sin remains."]

The Creed is said.

### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

<sup>P</sup>\$ *135 (134): 3, 6* ⋅ 11

Praise the Lord, for he is good. † Sing a psalm to his name, for he *is* delightful. \* The Lord does whatever he wills, in heaven *and* on earth.



# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

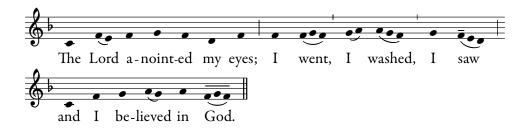
We place before you with joy these offerings, / which bring eternal remedy, O Lord, / praying that we may both faithfully revere them / and present them to you, as is fitting, / for the salvation of all the world. / Through Christ our Lord.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

When the Gospel of the Man Born Blind is read:

*Cf. Jn 9: 11, 38* · VI

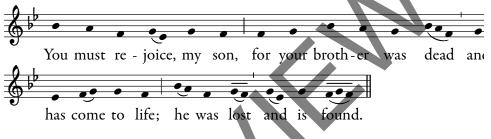
The Lord anointed my eyes; † I went, I *washed*, I saw \* and I be*lieved* in God.



When the Gospel of the Prodigal Son is read:

*Lk 15: 32* · VIII

You must rejoice, my son, † for your brother was dead and has *come* to life; \* he was lost *and* is found.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, who enlighten everyone who comes into this world, / illuminate our hearts, we pray, / with the splendor of your grace, / that we may always ponder / what is worthy and pleasing to your majesty / and love you in all sincerity. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, MARCH 31	Gospel <i>Jn 4: 43-54</i>
Monday of the Fourth Week of Lent	Go, your son will live.
ENTRANCE <i>Cf. Ps 31 (30): 7-8</i> · 1	Communion <i>Ez 36: 27 ·</i> 1
As for me, I trust in the Lord. † Let	I will place my spirit within you †
me be glad and rejoice <i>in</i> your mercy, * for you have seen <i>my</i> affliction.	and make you walk according <i>to</i> my laws; * and my judgments you shall
FIRST READINGIs 65: 17-21No longer shall the sound of weeping or	keep and observe, <i>says</i> the Lord.
the sound of crying be heard.	Optional Mass of the Fourth Week of Lent
RESP <i>Ps 30 (29): 2, 4, 5-6, 11-12a, 13b</i>	FIRST READING Mic 7: 7-9
I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.	I will arise; though I sit in darkness, the Lord is my light.

RESP *Ps 27 (26): 1, 7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14* The Lord is my light and my salvation.

GOSPEL Jn 9: 1-41 He went, washed and came back able to see.

TUESDAY, APRIL I Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE *Cf. Is 55: 1* · 11 All *who* are thirsty, \* come to the waters, *says* the Lord. / Though you *have* no money, \* come and *drink* with joy.

FIRST READING Ezek 47: 1-9, 12 I saw water flowing from the temple, and all who were touched by it were saved (see Roman Missal).

RESP Ps 46 (45): 2-3, 5-6, 8-9 The Lord of hosts is with us; our stronghold is the God of Jacob.

GOSPEL Jn 5: 1-16 Immediately the man became well.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps 23 (22):  $I-2 \cdot II$ The Lord *is* my shepherd; \* there is nothing *I* shall want. / Fresh and green are the pastures † where he gives *me* repose, \* near restful wa*ters* he leads me.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2 Wednesday of the Fourth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE  $Ps \ 6g \ (68): 14 \cdot VIII$ I pray to you, O Lord, for a time of your favor. † In your great mercy, answer *me*, O God, \* with your salvation that *never* fails. FIRST READING Is 49: 8-15 I have given you as a covenant to the people, to restore the land.

RESP *Ps 145 (144): 8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18* The Lord is gracious and merciful.

GOSPEL Jn 5: 17-30 As the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also does the Son give life to those whom he chooses.

COMMUNION Jn 3:  $17 \cdot 111$ God did not send his Son into the world to *judge* the world, \* but that the world might be *saved* through him.

> Saint Francis of Paola, Hermit — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 16 (15): 5 \cdot VI* O Lord, it is you who are my por*tion* and cup; \* you yourself who secure my portion.

FIRST READING Phil 3: 8-14 Because of Christ, I consider everything as a loss, being conformed to his death.

RESP *Ps 16 (15): 1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11* You are my inheritance, O Lord.

GOSPEL *Lk* 12: 32-34 Your Father is pleased to give you the Kingdom.

COMMUNION *Cf. Mt 19: 27-29 · 1* Amen, I *say* to you: \* That you who have left all and *fol*lowed me / will receive a *hun*dredfold \* and possess *eter*nal life.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 3 Thursday of the Fourth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE Ps 105 (104):  $3-4 \cdot II$ Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; † turn to the Lord *and* his strength; \* constantly *seek* his face.

FIRST READING Ex 32: 7-14 Relent in punishing your people.

RESP *Ps 106 (105): 19-20, 21-22, 23* Remember us, O Lord, as you favor your people.

GOSPEL Jn 5: 31-47 The one who will accuse you is Moses, in whom you have placed your hope.

COMMUNION Jer  $31: 33 \cdot 11$ I will place my *law* within them, \* and I will write it up*on* their hearts; / and I will *be* their God, \* and they shall be my people, *says* the Lord.

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 4 Friday of the Fourth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 54 (53): 3-4* · III O God, save me *by* your name; \* by your power, de*fend* my cause. / O God, *hear* my prayer; \* give ear to the words *of* my mouth.

FIRST READING Wis 2: 1a, 12-22 Let us condemn him to a shameful death.

RESP *Ps 34 (33): 17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23* The Lord is close to the brokenhearted.

GOSPEL Jn 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30 They tried to arrest him, but his hour had not yet come. COMMUNION Eph  $1: 7 \cdot 1$ In Christ, we have redemption by his Blood, † and forgiveness *of* our sins, \* in accord with the riches *of* his grace.

> Saint Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ez 34: 11, 23-24* I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, † and I will appoint a shep*herd* to pasture them, \* and I, the Lord, will *be* their God.

Or: Cf.  $Lk \ 12: 42 \cdot IV$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent,  $\dagger$  whom the Lord set over his household  $\star$  to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

FIRST READING 2 Cor 4: 1-2, 5-7 We preach Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your slaves for the sake of Jesus.

RESP Ps 37 (36): 3-4, 5-6, 30-31 The mouth of the just murmurs wisdom.

GOSPEL *Lk 6: 43-45* From the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks.

COMMUNION Cf. Jn 15:  $16 \cdot 1$ It was not you who chose me, says the Lord, \* but I who chose you / and appointed you to go and bear fruit, \* fruit that will last.

*Or: Cf. Lk 12: 36-37* · III Blessed is that servant, whom his lord *finds* awake \* when he comes and knocks *at* the gate. SATURDAY, APRIL 5 Saturday of the Fourth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 18 (17):  $5-7 \cdot I$ The waves of death *rose* about me; \* the pains of the nether*world* surrounded me. / In my anguish I called *to* the Lord, \* and from his holy temple he *heard* my voice.

FIRST READING Jer 11: 18-20 I am like a trusting lamb led to slaughter.

RESP *Ps 7: 2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12* O Lord, my God, in you I take refuge.

GOSPEL Jn 7: 40-53 The Christ will not come from Galilee, will he?

COMMUNION *Cf. 1 Pt 1: 18-19* · VI By the precious Blood of Christ, † the Blood of a spotless and un*blem*ished Lamb, \* we have *been* redeemed.

> Saint Vincent Ferrer, Priest — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. 1 Pt 2:  $g \cdot VII$ O chosen people, proclaim the mighty *works* of him \* who called you out of darkness into his won*der*ful light.

Or: Cf.  $Ps \, 18 \, (17): \, 50; \, 22 \, (21): \, 23 \cdot VI$ I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; \* I will tell of your name to my kin.

FIRST READING 2 Tim 4: 1-5 Perform the work of an evangelist; fulfill your ministry.

RESP *Ps 40 (39): 2, 4ab, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11* Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will. GOSPEL You must also be prepared.

COMMUNION Ez 34: 15 VI I will pas*ture* my sheep; \* I myself will give them rest, *says* the Lord.

Lk 12: 35-40

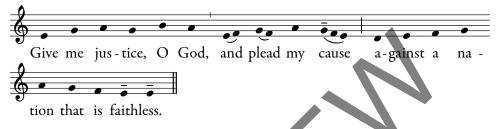
*Or: Mt 10: 27 · IV* What I say to you *in* the darkness \* speak in the light, *says* the Lord; / what *you* hear whispered \* proclaim *on* the housetops.

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT — SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 2025 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 43 (42): 1, 2* • IV

Give me jus*tice*, O God, \* and plead my cause against a nation *that* is faithless. / From the deceitful and cunning *res*cue me, \* for you, O God, *are* my strength.



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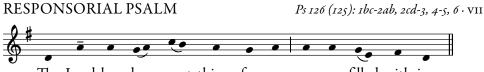
#### COLLECT

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, / may we walk eagerly in that same charity / with which, out of love for the world, / your Son handed himself over to death. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING

Is 43: 16-21

Thus says the LORD, / who opens a way in the sea / and a path in the mighty waters, / who leads out chariots and horsemen, / a powerful army, / till they lie prostrate together, never to rise, / snuffed out and quenched like a wick. / Remember not the events of the past, / the things of long ago consider not; / see, I am doing something new! / Now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? / In the desert I make a way, / in the wasteland, rivers. / Wild beasts honor me, / jackals and ostriches, / for I put water in the desert / and rivers in the wasteland / for my chosen people to drink, / the people whom I formed for myself, / that they might announce my praise.



The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

v. When the LORD brought back the captives of Zion, / we were like men dreaming. / Then our mouth was filled with laughter, / and our tongue with rejoicing.

v. Then they said among the nations, / "The LORD has done great things for them." / The LORD has done great things for us; / we are glad indeed.

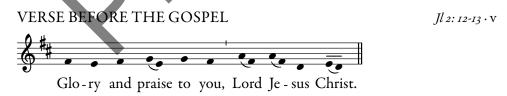
ŷ. Restore our fortunes, O LORD, / like the torrents in the southern desert. / Those that sow in tears / shall reap rejoicing.

ŷ. Although they go forth weeping, / carrying the seed to be sown, / They shall come back rejoicing, / carrying their sheaves.

SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: I consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having any righteousness of my own based on the law but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God, depending on faith to know him and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by being conformed to his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

It is not that I have already taken hold of it or have already attained perfect maturity, but I continue my pursuit in hope that I may possess it, since I have indeed been taken possession of by Christ Jesus. Brothers and sisters, I for my part do not consider myself to have taken possession. Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead, I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus.



ŷ. Even now, says the Lord, / return to me with your whole heart; / for I am gracious and merciful.

GOSPEL

Jn 8: 1-11

Phil 3: 8-14

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. But early in the morning he arrived again in the temple area, and all the people started coming to him, and he sat down and taught them. Then the scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle. They said to him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery. Now in the law, Moses commanded us to stone such women. So what do you say?" They said this to test him, so that they could have some charge to bring against him. Jesus bent down and began to write on the ground with his finger. But when they continued asking him, he straightened up and said to them, "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her." Again he bent down and wrote on the ground. And in response, they went away one by one, beginning with the elders. So he was left alone with the woman before him. Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more."

### Scrutiny Year A Readings

### FIRST READING

Ezek 37: 12-14

Thus says the Lord GOD: O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them, and bring you back to the land of Israel. Then you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and have you rise from them, O my people! I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land; thus you shall know that I am the LORD. I have promised, and I will do it, says the LORD.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 130 (129): 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8* · II

With the Lord there is mer-cy and full-ness of re-demption.

v. Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD; / LORD, hear my voice! / Let your ears be attentive / to my voice in supplication.

◊. If you, O LORD, mark iniquities, / LORD, who can stand? / But with you is forgiveness, / that you may be revered.

V. I trust in the LORD; / my soul trusts in his word. / More than sentinels wait for the dawn, / let Israel wait for the LORD.

v. For with the LORD is kindness / and with him is plenteous redemption; / and he will redeem Israel / from all their iniquities.

### SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; on the contrary, you are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in you. Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the spirit is alive because of righteousness. If the Spirit of the One who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the One who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit dwelling in you.

VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL

*n 11: 25a, 26*• v

n 11: 1-45 or Jn 11: 3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Glo-ry and praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

ŷ. I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; / whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live.

#### GOSPEL

#### For the short form, omit the text in brackets.

[Now a man was ill, Lazarus from Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who had anointed the Lord with perfumed oil and dried his feet with her hair; it was her brother Lazarus who was ill. So the sisters sent word to him saying, "Master, the one you love is ill." When Jesus heard this he said, "This illness is not to end in death, but is for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it." Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus. So when he heard that he was ill, he remained for two days in the place where he was. Then after this he said to his disciples, "Let us go back to Judea." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were just trying to stone you, and you want to go back there?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours in a day? If one walks during the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. But if one walks at night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him." He said this, and then told them, "Our friend Lazarus is asleep, but I am going to awaken him." So the disciples said to him, "Master, if he is asleep, he will be saved." But Jesus was talking about his death, while they thought that he meant ordinary sleep. So then Jesus said to them clearly, "Lazarus has died. And I am glad for you that I was not there, that you may believe. Let us go to him." So Thomas, called Didymus, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go to die with him."]

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. [Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, only about two miles away. And many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them about their brother.] When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went to meet him; but Mary sat at home. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that whatever you ask of God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise." Martha said to him, "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world."

[When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary secretly, saying, "The teacher is here and is asking for you." As soon as she heard this, she rose quickly and went to him. For Jesus had not yet come into the village, but was still where Martha had met him. So when the Jews who were with her in the house comforting her saw Mary get up quickly and go out, they followed her, presuming that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came to where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping and the Jews who had come with her weeping,] he became perturbed and deeply troubled, and said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Sir, come and see." And Jesus wept. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him." But some of them said, "Could not the one who opened the eyes of the blind man have done something so that this man would not have died?"

So Jesus, perturbed again, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay across it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the dead man's sister, said to him, "Lord, by now there will be a stench; he has been dead for four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus raised his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you for hearing me. I know that you always hear me; but because of the crowd here I have said this, that they may believe that you sent me." And when he had said this, he cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, tied hand and foot with burial bands, and his face was wrapped in a cloth. So Jesus said to them, "Untie him and let him go."

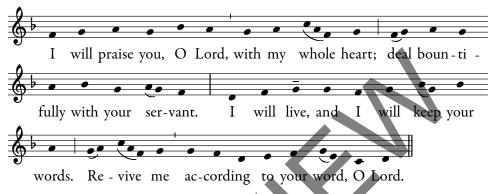
Now many of the Jews who had come to Mary and seen what he had done began to believe in him.

The Creed is said.

### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 119 (118): 7, 10, 17, 25* • I

I will praise you, O Lord, with *my* whole heart; \* deal bountifully *with* your servant. / I will live, and I will *keep* your words. \* Revive me according to your *word*, O Lord.



# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

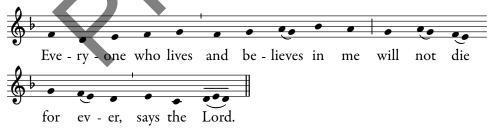
Hear us, almighty God, / and, having instilled in your servants / the teachings of the Christian faith, / graciously purify them / by the working of this sacrifice. / Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

When the Gospel of Lazarus is read:

Cf. Jn 11: 26 · 1

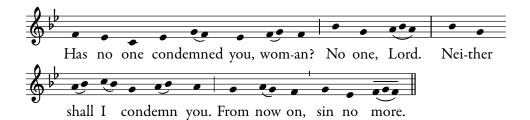
Everyone who lives and believes in me \* will not die for ever, says the Lord.



When the Gospel of the Adulterous Woman is read:

*Jn 8: 10, 11* · VIII

Has no one condemned you, woman? *No* one, Lord. \* Neither shall I condemn you. From now on, *sin* no more.



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We pray, almighty God, / that we may always be counted among the members of Christ, / in whose Body and Blood we have communion. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

#### MONDAY, APRIL 7

Monday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $56 (55): 2 \cdot 111$ Have mercy on me, O God, for people assail me; \* they fight me all day long and oppress me.

FIRST RDG Dn 13: 1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or Dn 13: 41c-62 Here I am about to die, though I have done none of the things charged against me.

RESP *Ps 23 (22): 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6* Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side.

GOSPEL Jn 8: 12-20 I am the light of the world.

COMMUNION $Jn \ 8: 10, 11 \cdot VIII$ Has no one condemned you, woman?No one, Lord. \* Neither shall I condemnyou. From now on, sin no more.Or: $Jn \ 8: 12$ I am the light of the world, says theLord; † whoever follows me will not

walk *in* the darkness, \* but will have the *light* of life.

Optional Mass of the Fifth Week of Lent

FIRST READING 2 Kgs 4: 18b-21, 32-37 The man of God stretched himself over the boy, and the child's flesh grew warm.

RESP *Ps 17 (16): 1, 6-7, 8b, 15* Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

GOSPEL Jn 11: 1-45 I am the resurrection and the life.

Saint John Baptist De La Salle, Priest — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 132 (131):  $g \cdot vI$ Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy.

FIRST READING 2 *Tim* 1: 13-14; 2: 1-3 Guard this rich trust with the help of the Holy Spirit. Resp

Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4, 6 Blessed are they who hope in the Lord. Or:

Blessed are they who delight in the law of the Lord.

Or:

The just will flourish like the palm tree in the garden of the Lord.

Gospel Mt 18: 1-5 Unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the Kingdom of heaven.

COMMUNION Mt 24: 46, 47 · III Blessed is the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching when he comes. / Amen I say to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of *all* his property.

Or: *Cf. Lk 12: 42* VII This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household, \* to give them their allowance of food at the proper time.

TUESDAY, APRIL 8

Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE *Ps 27 (26): 14* · VII Wait for the Lord; be strong; \* be stouthearted, and wait for the Lord!

FIRST READING Num 21: 4-9 Whoever looks at the bronze serpent, shall live.

Resp Ps 102 (101): 2-3, 16-18, 19-21 O Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come to you.

Gospel In 8: 21-30 When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am he.

COMMUNION Jn 12: 32 · VII When I am lifted up from the earth, \* I will draw all to myself, *says* the Lord.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9 Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 18 (17): 48-49 · 111 My deliverer from angry nations, † you set me above my assailants; \* you saved me from the violent man, O Lord.

Dn 3: 14-20, 91-92, 95 FIRST READING The Lord has sent his angel to deliver his servants.

Resp Dn 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56 Glory and praise for ever!

Gospel In 8: 31-42 If the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

COMMUNION *Col 1: 13-14* · IV God has brought us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, † in whom we have redemption through his Blood, \* the forgiveness of sins.

## THURSDAY, APRIL 10 Thursday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE *Heb 9: 15* • V Christ is mediator of a New Covenant, † so that by means of his death, those who are called \* may receive the promise of an eternal inheritance.

FIRST READING Gn 17: 3-9 You will be the father of a multitude of nations.

RESP *Ps 105 (104): 4-5, 6-7, 8-9* The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

GOSPEL Jn 8: 51-59 Your father, Abraham, rejoiced because he saw my day.

COMMUNION Rom  $8: 32 \cdot 11$ God did not spare his own Son, † but handed him over *for* us all; \* with him, he has given *us* all things.

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 11

Friday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE  $Ps \, _{31} (_{30}): 10, 16, 18 \cdot v$ Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I am *in* distress. \* Deliver me from the hands of my enemies and those *who* pursue me. / O Lord, let me never be *put* to shame, \* for I *call* on you.

FIRST READING Jer 20: 10-13 The Lord God is with me, a mighty hero.

RESP *Ps 18 (17): 2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7* In my distress I called upon the Lord, and he heard my voice.

GOSPEL Jn 10: 31-42 They wanted to arrest Jesus, but he eluded them.

COMMUNION *I Pt 2: 24* · VI Jesus *bore* our sins \* in his own body *on* the cross, / so that dead to sin, we might *live* for righteousness. \* By his wounds we *have* been healed. Saint Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE VI This holy man fought *to* the death \* for

the law *of* his God / and did not fear the words *of* the godless, \* for he was built on *sol*id rock.

*Or: Cf. Wis 10: 12* · 111 The Lord granted him *a* stern struggle, \* that he might know that wisdom is mightier *than* all else.

FIRST READING Rev 12: 10-12a Love for life did not deter them from death.

RESP *Ps 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11* The Lord delivered me from all my fears.

#### GOSPEL The world hated them.

Jn 17: 11b-19

COMMUNIONCf. Mt 16: 24 · 1Whoever wishes to come after me<br/>must deny himself, \* take up his cross,<br/>and follow me, says the Lord.Or:Mt 10: 39 · 11Whoever loses his life for my sake, \*

will find it in eternity, *says* the Lord.

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 12 Saturday of the Fifth Week of Lent

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 22 (21): 20,  $7 \cdot VIII$ O Lord, do not stay afar off; \* my strength, make *haste* to help me! / For I am a worm *and* no man, \* scorned by everyone, despised *by* the people.

FIRST READING Ezek 37: 21-28 I will make them into one nation. RESP Jer 31: 10, 11-12abcd, 13 The Lord will guard us, as a shepherd guards his flock. COMMUNION Cf. Jn 11: 52 · V Christ was handed over, † to gather *in*to one \* the scattered chil*dren* of God.

GOSPEL Jn 11: 45-56 To gather together in unity the scattered children of God.

### PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD — SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025 — THE COMMEMORATION OF THE LORD'S ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM

On this day the Church recalls the entrance of Christ the Lord into Jerusalem to accomplish his Paschal Mystery. Accordingly, the memorial of this entrance of the Lord takes place at all Masses, by means of the Procession or the Solemn Entrance before the principal Mass or the Simple Entrance before other Masses. The Solemn Entrance, but not the Procession, may be repeated before other Masses that are usually celebrated with a large gathering of people.

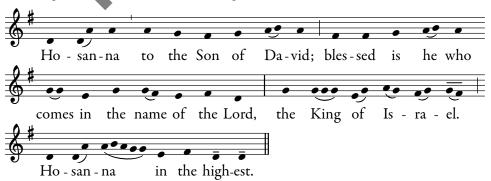
### The Procession / Solemn Entrance

At an appropriate hour, a gathering takes place at a smaller church or other suitable place other than inside the church to which the procession will go. The faithful hold branches in their hands. While the Priest and the Deacon, accompanied by other ministers, approach the place where the people are gathered, the following antiphon or another appropriate chant is sung.

### ANTIPHON

*Mt 21: 9* • VII

Hosanna to the Son of David; † blessed is he who comes *in* the name of the Lord, the King of Israel. \* Hosanna *in* the highest.



After the Priest sprinkles the branches with holy water, the Gospel concerning the Lord's entrance is proclaimed.

#### GOSPEL

Lk 19: 28-40

Jesus proceeded on his journey up to Jerusalem. As he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples. He said, "Go into the village opposite you, and as you enter it you will find a colt tethered on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it here. And if anyone should ask you, 'Why are you untying it?' you will answer, 'The Master has need of it.'" So those who had been sent went off and found everything just as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying this colt?" They answered, "The Master has need of it." So they brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks over the colt, and helped Jesus to mount. As he rode along, the people were spreading their cloaks on the road; and now as he was approaching the slope of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of his disciples began to praise God aloud with joy for all the mighty deeds they had seen. They proclaimed:

"Blessed is the king who comes / in the name of the Lord. / Peace in heaven / and glory in the highest."

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." He said in reply, "I tell you, if they keep silent, the stones will cry out!"

Then, to begin the Procession, an invitation may be given by a Priest or Deacon or a lay minister, in these or similar words:

Let us go forth in peace

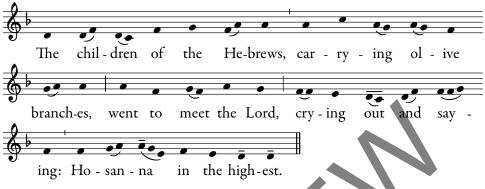
All reply:

In the name of Christ. Amen.

During the Procession to the church where Mass will be celebrated, the following or other suitable chants in honor of Christ the King are sung:

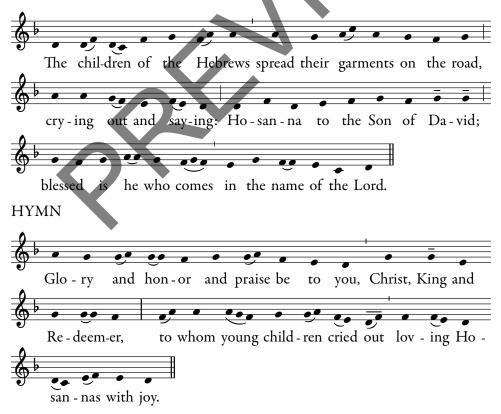
#### ANTIPHON 1

The children *of* the Hebrews, \* carrying *ol*ive branches, / went to meet the Lord, † crying *out* and saying: \* Hosanna *in* the highest.



#### ANTIPHON 2

The children of the Hebrews † spread their garments *on* the road, \* crying *out* and saying: / Hosanna to the *Son* of David; \* blessed is he who comes in the name *of* the Lord.



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#### APRIL 13

As the Procession enters the church, or for the Solemn Entrance, the following responsory or another chant is sung:

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Cantor:

As the Lord entered the holy city, / the children of the Hebrews proclaimed the resurrection of life. \* Waving their branches of palm, they cried:

All:



Cantor:

When the people heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, / they went out to meet him. \* Waving their branches of palm, they cried:

All:

The Simple Entrance

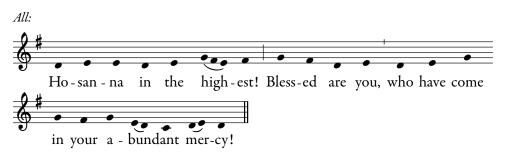
At all other Masses of this Sunday at which the Solemn Entrance is not held, the memorial of the Lord's entrance into Jerusalem takes place by means of a Simple Entrance.

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Jn 12: 1, 12-13* • VII

#### Cantor:

Six days before the Passover, / when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, / the children ran to meet him; / in their hands they carried palm branches / and with a loud voice cried out:



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# COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, / who as an example of humility for the human race to follow / caused our Savior to take flesh and submit to the Cross, / graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering / and so merit a share in his Resurrection. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

The Lord GOD has given me / a well-trained tongue, / that I might know how to speak to the weary / a word that will rouse them. / Morning after morning / he opens my ear that I may hear; / and I have not rebelled, / have not turned back. / I gave my back to those who beat me, / my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; / my face I did not shield / from buffets and spitting.

The Lord GOD is my help, / therefore I am not disgraced; / I have set my face like flint, / knowing that I shall not be put to shame.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 

*Ps* 22 (21): 8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 · II

My God, my God, why have you a - bandoned me?

ŷ. All who see me scoff at me; / they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads: / "He relied on the LORD; let him deliver him, / let him rescue him, if he loves him."

v. Indeed, many dogs surround me, / a pack of evildoers closes in upon me; / they have pierced my hands and my feet; / I can count all my bones.

v. They divide my garments among them, / and for my vesture they cast lots. / But you, O LORD, be not far from me; / O my help, hasten to aid me.

Y. I will proclaim your name to my brethren; / in the midst of the assembly I will praise you: / "You who fear the LORD, praise him; / all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him; / revere him, all you descendants of Israel!"

## SECOND READING

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, / did not regard equality with God / something to be grasped. / Rather, he emptied himself, / taking the form of a slave, / coming in human likeness; / and found human in appearance, / he

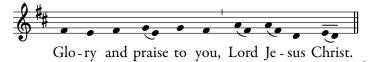
Phil 2: 6-11

Is 50: 4-7

humbled himself, / becoming obedient to the point of death, / even death on a cross. / Because of this, God greatly exalted him / and bestowed on him the name / which is above every name, / that at the name of Jesus / every knee should bend, / of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, / and every tongue confess that / Jesus Christ is Lord, / to the glory of God the Father.

VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL

*Phil 2: 8-9* • V



v. Christ became obedient to the point of death, / even death on a cross. / Because of this, God greatly exalted him / and bestowed on him the name which is above every name.

The passion narratives are proclaimed in full so that all see vividly the love of Christ for each person. In light of this, the crimes during the Passion of Christ cannot be attributed, in either preaching or catechesis, indiscriminately to all Jews of that time, nor to Jews today. The Jewish people should not be referred to as though rejected or cursed, as if this view followed from Scripture. The Church ever keeps in mind that Jesus, his mother Mary, and the apostles all were Jewish. As the Church has always held, Christ freely suffered his passion and death because of the sins of all, that all might be saved.

GOSPEL

Lk 22: 14-23: 56 or 23: 1-49

= Christ N = Narrator V = Voice C = Crowd

For the short form, omit the text in brackets.

N The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

[N When the hour came, Jesus took his place at table with the apostles. He said to them,

+ "I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer, for, I tell you, I shall not eat it again until there is fulfillment in the kingdom of God."

N Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and said,

+ "Take this and share it among

yourselves; for I tell you that from this time on I shall not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes."

N Then he took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, saying,

+ "This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me."

N And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying,

+ "This cup is the new covenant in my

blood, which will be shed for you.

+ "And yet behold, the hand of the one who is to betray me is with me on the table; for the Son of Man indeed goes as it has been determined; but woe to that man by whom he is betrayed."

N And they began to debate among themselves who among them would do such a deed.

Then an argument broke out among them about which of them should be regarded as the greatest. He said to them,

+ "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them and those in authority over them are addressed as 'Benefactors'; but among you it shall not be so. Rather, let the greatest among you be as the youngest, and the leader as the servant. For who is greater: the one seated at table or the one who serves? Is it not the one seated at table? I am among you as the one who serves. It is you who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer a kingdom on you, just as my Father has conferred one on me, that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom; and you will sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

+ "Simon, Simon, behold Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, but I have prayed that your own faith may not fail; and once you have turned back, you must strengthen your brothers."

N He said to him,

v "Lord, I am prepared to go to prison and to die with you."

N But he replied,

+ "I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me."

N He said to them,

+ "When I sent you forth without a money bag or a sack or sandals, were you in need of anything?"

c "No, nothing,"

N they replied. He said to them,

+ "But now one who has a money bag should take it, and likewise a sack, and one who does not have a sword should sell his cloak and buy one. For I tell you that this Scripture must be fulfilled in me, namely, *He was counted among the wicked;* and indeed what is written about me is coming to fulfillment."

N Then they said,

c "Lord, look, there are two swords here"

N But he replied,

+ "It is enough!"

N Then going out, he went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed him. When he arrived at the place he said to them,

+ "Pray that you may not undergo the test."

N After withdrawing about a stone's throw from them and kneeling, he prayed, saying,

+ "Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me; still, not my will but yours be done."

N And to strengthen him an angel from heaven appeared to him. He was in such agony and he prayed so fervently that his sweat became like drops of blood falling on the ground. When he rose from prayer and returned to his disciples, he found them sleeping from grief. He said to them,

+ "Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not undergo the test."

N While he was still speaking, a crowd approached and in front was one of the Twelve, a man named Judas. He went up to Jesus to kiss him. Jesus said to

him, + "Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?"

N His disciples realized what was about to happen, and they asked,

C "Lord, shall we strike with a sword?" N And one of them struck the high priest's servant and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said in reply,

+ "Stop, no more of this!"

N Then he touched the servant's ear and healed him. And Jesus said to the chief priests and temple guards and elders who had come for him,

+ "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs? Day after day I was with you in the temple area, and you did not seize me; but this is your hour, the time for the power of darkness."

N After arresting him they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest; Peter was following at a distance. They lit a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat around it, and Peter sat down with them. When a maid saw him seated in the light, she looked intently at him and said, v "This man too was with him."

N But he denied it saying,

v "Woman, I do not know him."

N A short while later someone else saw him and said,

v "You too are one of them";

N but Peter answered,

v "My friend, I am not."

N About an hour later, still another insisted,

v "Assuredly, this man too was with him, for he also is a Galilean."

N But Peter said,

v "My friend, I do not know what you are talking about."

N Just as he was saying this, the cock crowed, and the Lord turned and looked at Peter; and Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, "Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times."

N He went out and began to weep bitterly. The men who held Jesus in custody were ridiculing and beating him. They blindfolded him and questioned him, saying,

c "Prophesy! Who is it that struck you?"

N And they reviled him in saying many other things against him.

N When day came the council of elders of the people met, both chief priests and scribes, and they brought him before their Sanhedrin. They said,

c "If you are the Christ, tell us,"

N but he replied to them,

+ "If I tell you, you will not believe, and if I question, you will not respond. But from this time on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God."

N They all asked,

c "Are you then the Son of God?"

N He replied to them,

+ "You say that I am."

N Then they said,

c "What further need have we for testimony? We have heard it from his own mouth."

N Then the whole assembly of them] (The elders of the people, chief priests and scribes,) arose and brought him before Pilate. They brought charges against him, saying,

c "We found this man misleading our people; he opposes the payment of taxes to Caesar and maintains that he is the Christ, a king."

N Pilate asked him,

- v "Are you the king of the Jews?"
- N He said to him in reply,

+ "You say so."

N Pilate then addressed the chief priests and the crowds,

v "I find this man not guilty."

N But they were adamant and said,

C "He is inciting the people with his teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to here." N On hearing this Pilate asked if the man was a Galilean; and upon learning that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod who was in Jerusalem at that time. Herod was very glad to see Jesus; he had been wanting to see him for a long time, for he had heard about him and had been hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at length, but he gave him no answer. The chief priests and scribes, meanwhile, stood by accusing him harshly. Herod and his soldiers treated him contemptuously and mocked him, and after clothing him in resplendent garb, he sent him back to Pilate. Herod and Pilate became friends that very day, even though they had been enemies formerly.

N Pilate then summoned the chief priests, the rulers, and the people and said to them,

v "You brought this man to me and accused him of inciting the people to revolt. I have conducted my investigation in your presence and have not found this man guilty of the charges you have brought against him, nor did Herod, for he sent him back to us. So no capital crime has been committed by him. Therefore I shall have him flogged and then release him."

N But all together they shouted out,

c "Away with this man! Release Barabbas to us."

N Now Barabbas had been imprisoned for a rebellion that had taken place in the city and for murder. Again Pilate addressed them, still wishing to release Jesus, but they continued their shouting,

c "Crucify him Crucify him!"

N Pilate addressed them a third time,

v "What evil has this man done? I found him guilty of no capital crime. Therefore I shall have him flogged and then release him."

N With loud shouts, however, they

persisted in calling for his crucifixion, and their voices prevailed. The verdict of Pilate was that their demand should be granted. So he released the man who had been imprisoned for rebellion and murder, for whom they asked, and he handed Jesus over to them to deal with as they wished.

N As they led him away they took hold of a certain Simon, a Cyrenian, who was coming in from the country; and after laying the cross on him, they made him carry it behind Jesus. A large crowd of people followed Jesus, including many women who mourned and lamented him.

N Jesus turned to them and said,

+ "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep instead for yourselves and for your children for indeed, the days are coming when people will say, 'Blessed are the barren, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed.' At that time people will say to the mountains, 'Fall upon us!' and to the hills, 'Cover us!' for if these things are done when the wood is green what will happen when it is dry?"

N Now two others, both criminals, were led away with him to be executed. When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him and the criminals there, one on his right, the other on his left. Then Jesus said,

+ "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do."

N They divided his garments by casting lots. The people stood by and watched; the rulers, meanwhile, sneered at him and said,

c "He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God."

N Even the soldiers jeered at him. As they approached to offer him wine they called out,

c "If you are King of the Jews, save yourself."

N Above him there was an inscription that read, "This is the King of the Jews." N Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying,

v "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us."

N The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply,

v "Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal."

N Then he said,

v "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

N He replied to him,

+ "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

N It was now about noon and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon because of an eclipse of the sun. Then the veil of the temple was torn down the middle. Jesus cried out in a loud voice,

+ "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit";

N and when he had said this he breathed his last.

#### Here all kneel and pause for a short time.

N The centurion who witnessed what had happened glorified God and said, V "This man was innocent beyond doubt."

N When all the people who had gathered for this spectacle saw what had happened, they returned home beating their breasts; but all his acquaintances stood at a distance, including the women who had followed him from Galilee and saw these events.

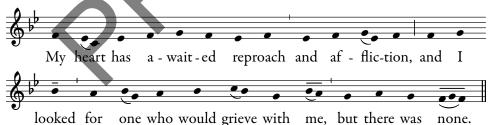
[N Now there was a virtuous and righteous man named Joseph who, though he was a member of the council, had not consented to their plan of action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea and was awaiting the kingdom of God. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. After he had taken the body down, he wrapped it in a linen cloth and laid him in a rock-hewn tomb in which no one had yet been buried. It was the day of preparation, and the sabbath was about to begin. The women who had come from Galilee with him followed behind, and when they had seen the tomb and the way in which his body was laid in it, they returned and prepared spices and perfumed oils. Then they rested on the sabbath according to the commandment.]

The Creed is said, and the Universal Prayer takes plac

## OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 69 (68): 21, 22* • VIII

My heart has awaited reproach *and* affliction, \* and I looked for one who would grieve with me, but *there* was none. / I sought for one who *would* console me, \* and *I* found none. / They gave me gall *for* my food, \* and in my thirst they gave me vine*gar* to drink.

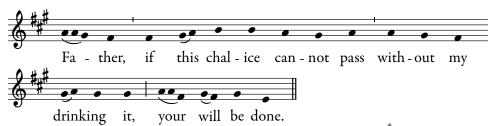


#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Through the Passion of your Only Begotten Son, O Lord, / may our reconciliation with you be near at hand, / so that, though we do not merit it by our own deeds, / yet by this sacrifice made once for all, / we may feel already the effects of your mercy. / Through Christ our Lord.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, \* your will be done.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished with these sacred gifts, / we humbly beseech you, O Lord, / that, just as through the death of your Son / you have brought us to hope for what we believe, / so by his Resurrection / you may lead us to where you call. / Through Christ our Lord.

## MONDAY, APRIL 14 Monday of Holy Week

ENTRANCE *Ps 35 (34): 1-2; 140 (139): 8* • 1V Contend, O Lord, with *my* contenders; \* fight *those* who fight me. / Take up your buck*ler* and shield; \* arise in my defense, Lord, my *might*y help.

FIRST READING Is 42: 1-7 He will not cry out, nor make his voice heard in the street. (First oracle of the Servant of the Lord)

RESP *Ps 27 (26): 1, 2, 3, 13-14* The Lord is my light and my salvation.

GOSPEL Jn 12: 1-11 Let her keep this for the day of my burial.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 102 (101): 3* • VII Do not hide your *face* from me \* in the day of *my* distress. / Turn your *ear* towards me; \* on the day when I call, speed*i*ly answer me.

## **TUESDAY, APRIL 15** *Tuesday of Holy Week*

**ENTRANCE** Cf. Ps 27 (26):  $12 \cdot 111$ Do not leave me to the will of my foes, O Lord, † for false witnesses rise *up* against me \* and they *breathe* out violence.

FIRST READING Is 49: 1-6 I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth. (Second oracle of the Servant of the Lord)

RESP *Ps 71 (70): 1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15 and 17* I will sing of your salvation.

GOSPEL Jn 13: 21-33, 36-38 One of you will betray me; the cock will not crow before you deny me three times.

COMMUNION Rom 8: 32 · 11 God did not spare his own Son, \* but handed him over for us all.

## WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16 Wednesday of Holy Week

ENTRANCE *Phil 2: 10, 8, 11* · 111 At the name of Jesus, every *knee* should bend \* of those in heaven and on the earth and un*der* the earth, / for the Lord became obedient to death, death *on* a cross: \* therefore Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of *God* the Father.

FIRST READING Is 50: 4-9a My face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. (Third oracle of the Servant of the Lord) RESP *Ps 69 (68): 8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34* Lord, in your great love, answer me.

GOSPEL Mt 26: 14-25 The Son of Man indeed goes, as it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed.

COMMUNION  $Mt \ 20: 28 \cdot v$ The Son of Man did not come to be served *but* to serve, \* and to give his life as a ran*som* for many.

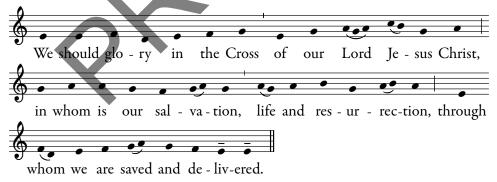
THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER AT THE EVENING MASS

— THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2025 —

## **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

*Cf. Gal 6: 14* • IV

We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, † in whom is our salvation, life and *res*urrection, \* through whom we are saved *and* delivered.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said. While the hymn is being sung, bells are rung, and when it is finished, they remain silent until the Gloria in excelsis of the Easter Vigil, unless, if appropriate, the Diocesan Bishop has decided otherwise. Likewise, during this same period, the organ and other musical instruments may be used only so as to support the singing.

## COLLECT

O God, who have called us to participate / in this most sacred Supper, / in which your Only Begotten Son, / when about to hand himself over to death, / entrusted to the Church a sacrifice new for all eternity, / the banquet of his love, / grant, we pray, / that we may draw from so great a mystery, / the fullness of charity and of life. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

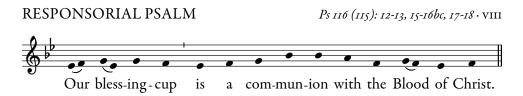
Ex 12: 1-8, 11-14

#### FIRST READING

The LORD said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, "This month shall stand at the head of your calendar; you shall reckon it the first month of the year. Tell the whole community of Israel: On the tenth of this month every one of your families must procure for itself a lamb, one apiece for each household. If a family is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join the nearest household in procuring one and shall share in the lamb in proportion to the number of persons who partake of it. The lamb must be a year-old male and without blemish. You may take it from either the sheep or the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, and then, with the whole assembly of Israel present, it shall be slaughtered during the evening twilight. They shall take some of its blood and apply it to the two doorposts and the lintel of every house in which they partake of the lamb. That same night they shall eat its roasted flesh with unleavened bread and bitter herbs.

"This is how you are to eat it: with your loins girt, sandals on your feet and your staff in hand, you shall eat like those who are in flight. It is the Passover of the LORD. For on this same night I will go through Egypt, striking down every firstborn of the land, both man and beast, and executing judgment on all the gods of Egypt—I, the LORD! But the blood will mark the houses where you are. Seeing the blood, I will pass over you; thus, when I strike the land of Egypt, no destructive blow will come upon you.

"This day shall be a memorial feast for you, which all your generations shall celebrate with pilgrimage to the LORD, as a perpetual institution."



APRIL 17

v. How shall I make a return to the LORD / for all the good he has done for me? / The cup of salvation I will take up, / and I will call upon the name of the LORD.

v. Precious in the eyes of the LORD / is the death of his faithful ones. / I am your servant, the son of your handmaid; / you have loosed my bonds.

v. To you will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving, / and I will call upon the name of the LORD. / My vows to the LORD I will pay / in the presence of all his people.

## SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.

#### VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL

§. I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: / love one another as I have loved you.

## GOSPEL

Before the feast of Passover, Jesus knew that his hour had come to pass from this world to the Father. He loved his own in the world and he loved them to the end. The devil had already induced Judas, son of Simon the Iscariot, to hand him over. So, during supper, fully aware that the Father had put everything into his power and that he had come from God and was returning to God, he rose from supper and took off his outer garments. He took a towel and tied it around his waist. Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet and dry them with the towel around his waist. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Master, are you going to wash my feet?" Jesus answered and said to him, "What I am doing, you do not understand now, but you will understand later." Peter said to him, "You will never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "Unless I wash you, you will have no inheritance with me." Simon Peter said to him, "Master, then

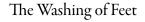
*Jn 13: 34* • V

Jn 13: 1-15

1 Cor 11: 23-26

not only my feet, but my hands and head as well." Jesus said to him, "Whoever has bathed has no need except to have his feet washed, for he is clean all over; so you are clean, but not all." For he knew who would betray him; for this reason, he said, "Not all of you are clean."

So when he had washed their feet and put his garments back on and reclined at table again, he said to them, "Do you realize what I have done for you? You call me 'teacher' and 'master', and rightly so, for indeed I am. If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's feet. I have given you a model to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do."

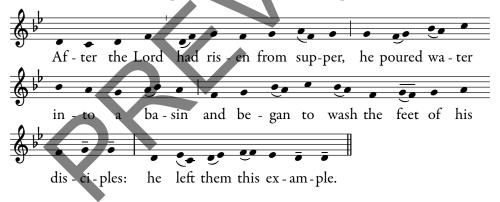


After the Homily the Washing of Feet may follow. Meanwhile some of the following antiphons or other appropriate chants are sung.

## ANTIPHON 1

*Cf. Jn. 13: 4, 5, 15* • IV

After the Lord had ris*en* from supper, \* he poured water in*to* a basin / and began to wash the feet of *his* disciples: \* he left them *this* example.



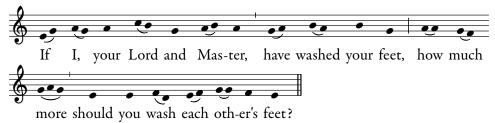
## ANTIPHON 2

*Cf. Jn. 13: 12, 13, 15* • II

The Lord Jesus, after eating supper with *his* disciples, \* washed their *feet* and said to them: / Do you know what I, your Lord and Mas*ter*, have done for you? \* I have given you an example, that you *should* do likewise.



If I, your Lord and Master, have *washed* your feet, \* how much more should you wash each *oth*er's feet?



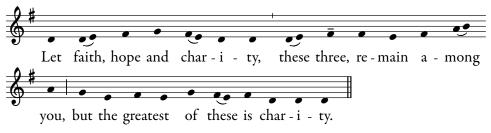
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## ANTIPHON 5

This is how all will know that you are *my* disciples: \* if you have love for *one* another.



Let faith, hope and charity, † these three, re*main* among you, \* but the greatest of *these* is charity.



#### APRIL 17

After the Washing of Feet, the Priest returns to the chair, and from there he directs the Universal Prayer.

The Creed is not said.

## OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Where true charity is dwelling, \* God is present there.



Where true char-i - ty is dwell-ing, God is pre-sent there.

ŷ. By the love of Christ we have been brought together: / Let us find in him our gladness and our pleasure; / May we love him and revere him, God the living, / And in love respect each other with sincere hearts.

v. So when we as one are gathered all together, / Let us strive to keep our minds free of division; / May there be an end to malice, strife and quarrels, / And let Christ our God be dwelling here among us.

v. May your face thus be our vision, bright in glory, / Christ our God, with all the blessed Saints in heaven: / Such delight is pure and faultless, joy unbounded, / Which endures through countless ages world without end. Amen.

# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

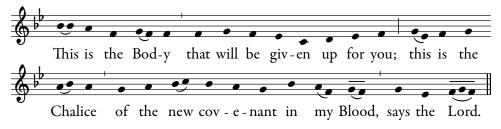
Grant us, O Lord, we pray, / that we may participate worthily in these mysteries, / for whenever the memorial of this sacrifice is celebrated / the work of our redemption is accomplished. / Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

1 Cor 11: 24-25 • VIII

VI

This *is* the Body\* that will be given *up* for you; / this *is* the Chalice \* of the new covenant in my Blood, *says* the Lord; / do this, whenever *you* receive it, \* in memory of me.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, almighty God, / that, just as we are renewed / by the Supper of your Son in this present age, / so we may enjoy his banquet for all eternity. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

## The Transfer of the Most Blessed Sacrament

#### During the procession to the place of repose the following hymn may be sung.

When the procession reaches the place of repose and during the incensation of the Blessed Sacrament, the Tantum Ergo (verses  $\varsigma$  and  $\delta$ ) is sung.

- Pange, lingua, gloriósi Córporis mystérium, Sanguinísque pretiósi, Quem in mundi prétium Fructus ventris generósi Rex effúdit géntium.
- Nobis datus, nobis natus Ex intácta Vírgine, Et in mundo conversátus, Sparso verbi sémine, Sui moras incolátus Miro clausit órdine.
- In suprémæ nocte cenæ Recúmbens cum frátribus Observáta lege plene Cibis in legálibus, Cibum turbæ duodénæ Se dat suis mánibus.
- 4. Verbum caro, panem verum Verbo carnem éfficit: Fitque sanguis Christi merum, Et si sensus déficit, Ad firmándum cor sincérum Sola fides súfficit. Tantum ergo Sacraméntum Venerémur cérnui: Et antíquum documéntum Novo cedat rítui: Præstet fides suppleméntum Sénsuum deféctui. 6. Genitóri, Genitóque Laus et iubilátio, Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedíctio: Procedénti ab utróque
  - Compar sit laudátio. Amen.

# FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD [GOOD FRIDAY]

— FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 2025 —

The ministers go to the altar in silence and, after making a reverence to the altar, prostrate themselves or, if appropriate, kneel and pray in silence for a while. All others kneel. Then all stand for the prayer.

#### PRAYER

Remember your mercies, O Lord, / and with your eternal protection sanctify your servants, / for whom Christ your Son, / by the shedding of his Blood, / established the Paschal Mystery. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Or:

O God, who by the Passion of Christ your Son, our Lord, / abolished the death inherited from ancient sin / by every succeeding generation, / grant that just as, being conformed to him, / we have borne by the law of nature / the image of the man of earth, / so by the sanctification of grace / we may bear the image of the Man of heaven. / Through Christ our Lord.

## FIRST READING

Is 52: 13-53: 12

See, my servant shall prosper, / he shall be raised high and greatly exalted. / Even as many were amazed at him—/ so marred was his look beyond human semblance / and his appearance beyond that of the sons of man—/ so shall he startle many nations, / because of him kings shall stand speechless; / for those who have not been told shall see, / those who have not heard shall ponder it.

Who would believe what we have heard? / To whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? / He grew up like a sapling before him, / like a shoot from the parched earth; / there was in him no stately bearing to make us look at him, / nor appearance that would attract us to him. / He was spurned and avoided by people, / a man of suffering, accustomed to infirmity, / one of those from whom people hide their faces, / spurned, and we held him in no esteem.

Yet it was our infirmities that he bore, / our sufferings that he endured, / while we thought of him as stricken, / as one smitten by God and afflicted. / But he was pierced for our offenses, / crushed for our sins; / upon him was the chastisement that makes us whole, / by his stripes we were healed. / We had all gone astray like sheep, / each following his own way; / but the LORD laid upon him / the guilt of us all.

Though he was harshly treated, he submitted / and opened not his mouth; / like a lamb led to the slaughter / or a sheep before the shearers, / he was silent and opened not his mouth. / Oppressed and condemned, he was taken away, / and who would have thought any more of his destiny? / When he was cut off from the land of the living, / and smitten for the sin of his people, / a grave was assigned him among the wicked / and a burial place with evildoers, / though he had done no wrong / nor spoken any falsehood. / But the LORD was pleased / to crush him in infirmity.

If he gives his life as an offering for sin, / he shall see his descendants in a long life, / and the will of the LORD shall be accomplished through him.

Because of his affliction / he shall see the light in fullness of days; / through his suffering, my servant shall justify many, / and their guilt he shall bear. / Therefore I will give him his portion among the great, / and he shall divide the spoils with the mighty, / because he surrendered himself to death / and was counted among the wicked; / and he shall take away the sins of many, / and win pardon for their offenses.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Ps 31 (30): 2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 · II



ŷ. In you, O LORD, I take refuge; / let me never be put to shame. / In your justice rescue me. / Into your hands I commend my spirit; / you will redeem me, O LORD, O faithful God.

v. For all my foes I am an object of reproach, / a laughingstock to my neighbors, and a dread to my friends; / they who see me abroad flee from me. / I am forgotten like the unremembered dead; / I am like a dish that is broken.

ŷ. But my trust is in you, O LORD; / I say, "You are my God. / In your hands is my destiny; rescue me / from the clutches of my enemies and my persecutors."

v. Let your face shine upon your servant; / save me in your kindness. / Take courage and be stouthearted, / all you who hope in the LORD.

#### SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do

Heb 4: 14-16; 5: 7-9

not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help.

In the days when Christ was in the flesh, he offered prayers and supplications with loud cries and tears to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered; and when he was made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him.

VERSE BEFORE THE GOSPEL

*Phil 2: 8-9* • v

Glo-ry and praise to you, Lord Je-sus Christ.

ŷ. Christ became obedient to the point of death, / even death on a cross. / Because of this, God greatly exalted him / and bestowed on him the name which is above every other name.

The passion narratives are proclaimed in full so that all see vividly the love of Christ for each person. In light of this, the crimes during the Passion of Christ cannot be attributed, in either preaching or catechesis, indiscriminately to all Jews of that time, nor to Jews today. The Jewish people should not be referred to as though rejected or cursed, as if this view followed from Scripture. The Church ever keeps in mind that Jesus, his mother Mary, and the apostles all were Jewish. As the Church has always held, Christ freely suffered his passion and death because of the sins of all, that all might be saved.

GOSPEL

Jn 18: 1–19: 42

## + = Christ N = Narrator V = Voice C = Crowd

N Jesus went out with his disciples across the Kidron valley to where there was a garden, into which he and his disciples entered. Judas his betrayer also knew the place, because Jesus had often met there with his disciples. So Judas got a band of soldiers and guards from the chief priests and the Pharisees and went there with lanterns, torches, and weapons. Jesus, knowing everything that was going to happen to him, went out and said to them,

- + "Whom are you looking for?"
- N They answered him,
- c "Jesus the Nazorean."
- N He said to them,
- + "I AM."

N Judas his betrayer was also with them. When he said to them, "I AM," they turned away and fell to the ground. So he again asked them,

+ "Whom are you looking for?"

N They said,

c "Jesus the Nazorean."

N Jesus answered,

+ "I told you that I AM. So if you are looking for me, let these men go."

N This was to fulfill what he had said, "I have not lost any of those you gave me." Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest's slave, and cut off his right ear. The slave's name was Malchus. Jesus said to Peter,

+ "Put your sword into its scabbard. Shall I not drink the cup that the Father gave me?"

N So the band of soldiers, the tribune, and the Jewish guards seized Jesus, bound him, and brought him to Annas first. He was the father-in-law of Caiaphas, who was high priest that year. It was Caiaphas who had counseled the Jews that it was better that one man should die rather than the people.

N Simon Peter and another disciple followed Jesus. Now the other disciple was known to the high priest, and he entered the courtyard of the high priest with Jesus. But Peter stood at the gate outside. So the other disciple, the acquaintance of the high priest, went out and spoke to the gatekeeper and brought Peter in. Then the maid who was the gatekeeper said to Peter,

v "You are not one of this man's disciples, are you?"

N He said,

v "I am not."

N Now the slaves and the guards were

standing around a charcoal fire that they had made, because it was cold, and were warming themselves. Peter was also standing there keeping warm. N The high priest questioned Jesus about his disciples and about his doctrine. Jesus answered him,

+ "I have spoken publicly to the world. I have always taught in a synagogue or in the temple area where all the Jews gather, and in secret I have said nothing. Why ask me? Ask those who heard me what I said to them. They know what I said."

N When he had said this, one of the temple guards standing there struck Jesus and said,

v "Is this the way you answer the high priest?"

N Jesus answered him,

• "If I have spoken wrongly, testify to the wrong; but if I have spoken rightly, why do you strike me?"

N Then Annas sent him bound to Caiaphas the high priest.

Now Simon Peter was standing there keeping warm. And they said to him,

v "You are not one of his disciples, are you?"

N He denied it and said,

v "I am not."

N One of the slaves of the high priest, a relative of the one whose ear Peter had cut off, said,

v "Didn't I see you in the garden with him?"

N Again Peter denied it. And immediately the cock crowed.

N Then they brought Jesus from

Caiaphas to the praetorium. It was morning. And they themselves did not enter the praetorium, in order not to be defiled so that they could eat the Passover. So Pilate came out to them and said,

v "What charge do you bring against this man?"

N They answered and said to him,

c "If he were not a criminal, we would not have handed him over to you."

N At this, Pilate said to them,

v "Take him yourselves, and judge him according to your law."

N The Jews answered him,

c "We do not have the right to execute anyone,"

N in order that the word of Jesus might be fulfilled that he said indicating the kind of death he would die.

N So Pilate went back into the praetorium and summoned Jesus and said to him,

v "Are you the King of the Jews?

N Jesus answered,

+ "Do you say this on your own or have others told you about me?"

N Pilate answered,

v "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?" N Jesus answered,

+ "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not here."

N So Pilate said to him,

v "Then you are a king?"

N Jesus answered,

+ "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

N Pilate said to him,

v "What is truth?"

N When he had said this, he again went out to the Jews and said to them, v "I find no guilt in him. But you have a custom that I release one prisoner to you at Passover. Do you want me to release to you the King of the Jews?"

N They cried out again,

c "Not this one but Barabbas!"

N Now Barabbas was a revolutionary.

N Then Pilate took Jesus and had him scourged. And the soldiers wove a crown out of thorns and placed it on his head, and clothed him in a purple cloak, and they came to him and said,

c "Hail, King of the Jews!"

N And they struck him repeatedly. Once more Pilate went out and said to them,

v "Look, I am bringing him out to you, so that you may know that I find no guilt in him."

N So Jesus came out, wearing the crown of thorns and the purple cloak. And he said to them,

v "Behold, the man!"

N When the chief priests and the guards saw him they cried out,

c "Crucify him, crucify him!"

N Pilate said to them,

v "Take him yourselves and crucify

him. I find no guilt in him."

N The Jews answered,

c "We have a law, and according to that law he ought to die, because he made himself the Son of God."

N Now when Pilate heard this statement, he became even more afraid, and went back into the praetorium and said to Jesus,

v "Where are you from?"

N Jesus did not answer him. So Pilate said to him,

v "Do you not speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you and I have power to crucify you?"

N Jesus answered him,

+ "You would have no power over me if it had not been given to you from above. For this reason the one who handed me over to you has the greater sin."

N Consequently, Pilate tried to release him; but the Jews cried out,

c "If you release him, you are not a Friend of Caesar. Everyone who makes himself a king opposes Caesar."

N When Pilate heard these words he brought Jesus out and seated him on the judge's bench in the place called Stone Pavement, in Hebrew, Gabbatha. It was preparation day for Passover, and it was about noon. And he said to the Jews,

v "Behold, your king!"

N They cried out,

c "Take him away, take him away! Crucify him!"

N Pilate said to them,

v "Shall I crucify your king?"

N The chief priests answered,

c "We have no king but Caesar."

N Then he handed him over to them to be crucified.

N So they took Jesus, and, carrying the cross himself, he went out to what is called the Place of the Skull, in Hebrew, Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus in the middle. Pilate also had an inscription written and put on the cross. It read, "Jesus the Nazorean, the King of the Jews." Now many of the Jews read this inscription, because the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, Latin, and Greek. So the chief priests of the Jews said to Pilate,

c "Do not write 'The King of the Jews,' but that he said, 'I am the King of the Jews."

N Pilate answered,

v "What I have written, I have written."

N When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they took his clothes and divided them into four shares, a share for each soldier. They also took his tunic, but the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece from the top down. So they said to one another,

c "Let's not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it will be,"

N in order that the passage of Scripture might be fulfilled that says: / They divided my garments among them, / and for my vesture they cast lots. /

N This is what the soldiers did.

Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary of Magdala. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved he said to his mother,

+ "Woman, behold, your son."

N Then he said to the disciple,

+ "Behold, your mother."

N And from that hour the disciple took her into his home.

N After this, aware that everything was now finished, in order that the Scripture might be fulfilled, Jesus said, + "I thirst."

N There was a vessel filled with common wine. So they put a sponge soaked in wine on a sprig of hyssop and put it up to his mouth. When Jesus had taken the wine, he said,

+ "It is finished."

N And bowing his head, he handed over the spirit.

Here all kneel and pause for a short time.

N Now since it was preparation day, in order that the bodies might not remain on the cross on the sabbath, for the sabbath day of that week was a solemn one, the Jews asked Pilate that their legs be broken and that they be taken down. So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and then of the other one who was crucified with Jesus. But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs, but one soldier thrust his lance into his side, and immediately blood and water flowed out. An eyewitness has testified, and his testimony is true; he knows that he is speaking the truth, so that you also may come to believe. For this happened so that the Scripture passage might be fulfilled: / Not a bone of it will be broken. / And again another passage says: / They will look upon him whom they have pierced.

N After this, Joseph of Arimathea, secretly a disciple of Jesus for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate if he could remove the body of Jesus. And Pilate permitted it. So he came and took his body. Nicodemus, the one who had first come to him at night, also came bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes weighing about one hundred pounds. They took the body of Jesus and bound it with burial cloths along with the spices, according to the Jewish burial custom. Now in the place where he had been crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb, in which no one had yet been buried. So they laid Jesus there because of the Jewish preparation day; for the tomb was close by.

## THE SOLEMN INTERCESSIONS

The Liturgy of the Word concludes with the Solemn Intercessions. The faithful may remain either kneeling or standing throughout the entire period of the prayers. Before the Priest's prayer, in accord with tradition, it is permissible to use the Deacon's invitations Let us kneel – Let us stand, with all kneeling for silent prayer.

## I. For Holy Church

Let us pray, dearly beloved, for the holy Church of God, / that our God and Lord be pleased to give her peace, / to guard her and to unite her throughout the whole world / and grant that, leading our life in tranquility and quiet, / we may glorify God the Father almighty.

### Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God, / who in Christ revealed your glory to all the nations, watch over the works of your mercy, / that your Church, spread throughout all the world, / may persevere with steadfast faith in confessing your name. / Through Christ our Lord.  $\Re$ . Amen.

## II. For the Pope

Let us pray also for our most Holy Father Pope N, / that our God and Lord, / who chose him for the order of Bishops, / may keep him safe and unharmed for the Lord's holy Church, / to govern the holy People of God.

#### Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God, / by whose decree all things are founded, / look with favor on our prayers / and in your kindness protect the Pope chosen for us, / that, under him, the Christian people, / governed by you their maker, / may grow in merit by reason of their faith. / Through Christ our Lord.  $\mathbb{R}$ . Amen.

## III. For all orders and degrees of the faithful

Let us pray also for our Bishop N., / for all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons of the Church / and for the whole of the faithful people.

## Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God, / by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is sanctified and governed, / hear our humble prayer for your ministers, / that, by the gift of your grace, / all may serve you faithfully. / Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

## IV. For catechumens

Let us pray also for (our) catechumens, / that our God and Lord / may open wide the ears of their inmost hearts / and unlock the gates of his mercy, / that, having received forgiveness of all their sins / through the waters of rebirth, / they, too, may be one with Christ Jesus our Lord.

#### Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God, / who make your Church ever fruitful with new offspring, / increase the faith and understanding of (our) catechumens, / that, reborn in the font of Baptism, / they may be added to the number of your adopted children. / Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

## V. For the unity of Christians

Let us pray also for all our brothers and sisters who believe in Christ, / that our God and Lord may be pleased, / as they live the truth, / to gather them together and keep them in his one Church.

#### Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God, / who gather what is scattered / and keep together what you have gathered, / look kindly on the flock of your Son, / that those whom one Baptism has consecrated / may be joined together by integrity of faith and united in the bond of charity. / Through Christ our Lord.  $\mathbb{R}$ . Amen.

## VI. For the Jewish people

Let us pray also for the Jewish people, / to whom the Lord our God spoke first, / that he may grant them to advance in love of his name / and in faithfulness to his covenant.

## Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God, / who bestowed your promises on Abraham and his descendants. / graciously hear the prayers of your Church, / that the people you first made your own / may attain the fullness of redemption. / Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

VII. For those who do not believe in Christ

Let us pray also for those who do not believe in Christ, / that, enlightened by the Holy Spirit, / they, too, may enter on the way of salvation.

## Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God, / grant to those who do not confess Christ / that, by walking before you with a sincere heart, / they may find the truth / and that we ourselves, being constant in mutual love / and striving to understand more fully the mystery of your life, / may be made more perfect witnesses to your love in the

world. / Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

VIII. For those who do not believe in God

Let us pray also for those who do not acknowledge God, / that, following what is right in sincerity of heart, / they may find the way to God himself.

### Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God, / who created all people / to seek you always by desiring you / and, by finding you, come to rest, / grant, we pray, / that, despite every harmful obstacle, / all may recognize the signs of your fatherly love / and the witness of the good works / done by those who believe in you, / and so in gladness confess you, / the one true God and Father of our human race. / Through Christ our Lord.  $\Re$ . Amen.

## IX. For those in public office

Let us pray also for those in public office, / that our God and Lord / may direct their minds and hearts according to his will / for the true peace and freedom of all.

### Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says.

Almighty ever-living God, / in whose hand lies every human heart / and the rights of peoples, / look with favor, we pray, / on those who govern with authority over us, / that throughout the whole world, / the prosperity of peoples, the assurance of peace, / and freedom of religion / may through your gift be made secure. / Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

## X. For those in tribulation

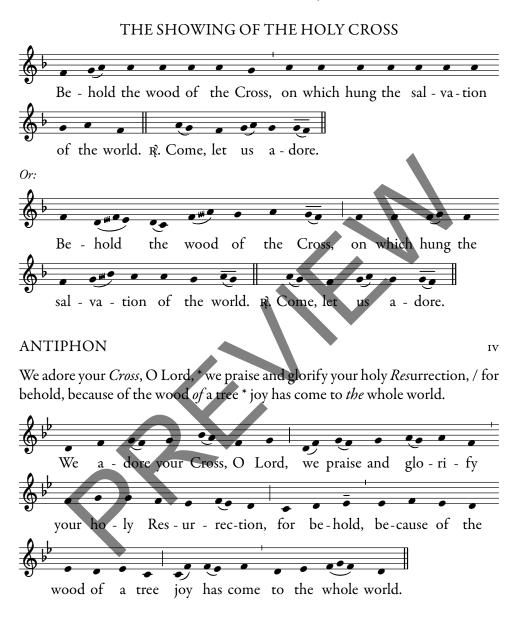
Let us pray, dearly beloved, / to God the Father almighty, / that he may cleanse the world of all errors, / banish disease, drive out hunger, / unlock prisons, loosen fetters, / granting to travelers safety, to pilgrims return, / health to the sick, and salvation to the dying.

#### Prayer in silence. Then the Priest says:

Almighty ever-living God, / comfort of mourners, strength of all who toil, / may the prayers of those who cry out in any tribulation / come before you, / that all may rejoice, / because in their hour of need / your mercy was at hand. / Through Christ our Lord.  $\Re$ . Amen.

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## The Adoration of the Holy Cross



#### THE REPROACHES

#### Ι

My people, what have I done to you? / Or how have I grieved you? Answer me! Because I led you out of the land of Egypt, / you have prepared a Cross for your Savior.

Hagios o Theos, / Holy is God, / Hagios Ischyros, / Holy and Mighty, / Hagios Athanatos, eleison himas. / Holy and Immortal One, have mercy on us.

Because I led you out through the desert forty years / and fed you with manna and brought you into a land of plenty, / you have prepared a Cross for your Savior.

Hagios o Theos, / Holy is God, / Hagios Ischyros, / Holy and Mighty, /

I scourged Egypt for your sake with its firstborn sons, / and you scourged me and handed me over.

My people, what have I done to you? / Or how have I grieved you? Answer me!

I led you out from Egypt as Pharaoh lay sunk in the Red Sea, / and you handed me over to the chief priests.

My people...

I opened up the sea before you, / and you opened my side with a lance.

My people...

I went before you in a pillar of cloud, / and you led me into Pilate's palace.

My people ...

I fed you with manna in the desert, / and on me you rained blows and lashes.

Hagios Athanatos, eleison himas. / Holy and Immortal One, have mercy on us.

What more should I have done for you and have not done? / Indeed, I planted you as my most beautiful chosen vine / and you have turned very bitter for me, / for in my thirst you gave me vinegar to drink / and with a lance you pierced your Savior's side.

Hagios o Theos, / Holy is God, / Hagios Ischyros, / Holy and Mighty, / Hagios Athanatos, eleison himas. / Holy and Immortal One, have mercy on us.

## My people...

Ν

I gave you saving water from the rock to drink, / and for drink you gave me gall and vinegar.

My people...

I struck down for you the kings of the Canaanites, / and you struck my head with a reed.

My people...

I put in your hand a royal scepter, / and you put on my head a crown of thorns.

My people...

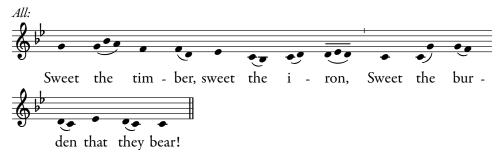
I exalted you with great power, / and you hung me on the scaffold of the Cross.

My people ...



#### Cantors:

 For, when Adam first offended, / Eating that forbidden fruit, Not all hopes of glory ended / With the serpent at the root: Broken nature would be mended / By a second tree and shoot.



Cantors:

3. Thus the tempter was outwitted / By a wisdom deeper still: Remedy and ailment fitted, / Means to cure and means to kill; That the world might be acquitted, / Christ would do his father's will.

All:

Faithful Cross . . .

Cantors:

4. So the Father, out of pity / For our self-inflicted doom, Sent him from the heavenly city / When the holy time had come: He, the Son and the Almighty, / Took our flesh in Mary's womb.

All:

Sweet the timber . . .

Cantors:

5. Hear a tiny baby crying, / Founder of the seas and strands; See his virgin Mother tying / Cloth around his feet and hands; Find him in a manger lying / Tightly wrapped in swaddling bands!

All:

Faithful Cross ...

Cantors:

6. So he came, the long-expected, / Not in glory, not to reign; Only born to be rejected, / Choosing hunger, toil and pain, Till the scaffold was erected / And the Paschal Lamb was slain.

All:

Sweet the timber . . .

Cantors:

7. No disgrace was too abhorrent: / Nailed and mocked and parched he died; Blood and water, double warrant, / Issue from his wounded side, Washing in a mighty torrent / Earth and stars and oceantide. All:

Faithful Cross . . .

## Cantors:

8. Lofty timber, smooth your roughness, / Flex your boughs for blossoming; Let your fibers lose their toughness, / Gently let your tendrils cling; Lay aside your native gruffness, / Clasp the body of your King!

## All:

Sweet the timber . . .

Cantors:

9. Noblest tree of all created, / Richly jeweled and embossed: Post by Lamb's blood consecrated; / Spar that saves the tempest-tossed; Scaffold-beam which, elevated, / Carries what the world has cost!

All:

Faithful Cross . . .

The following conclusion is never to be omitted:

Cantors:

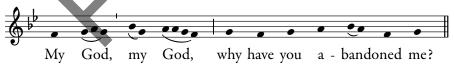
10. Wisdom, power, and adoration / To the blessed Trinity For redemption and salvation / Through the Paschal Mystery, Now, in every generation, / And for all eternity. / Amen.

During Communion, Psalm 22 (21) or another appropriate chant may be sung.

COMMUNION CHANT

*Ps 22 (21): 1a* • 11

My God, my God, \* why have you abandoned me?



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty ever-living God, / who have restored us to life / by the blessed Death and Resurrection of your Christ, / preserve in us the work of your mercy, / that, by partaking of this mystery, / we may have a life unceasingly devoted to you. / Through Christ our Lord.

All, after genuflecting to the Cross, depart in silence.

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT — SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2025 —

By most ancient tradition, this is the night of keeping vigil for the Lord (Ex 12: 42), in which, following the Gospel admonition (Lk 12: 35-37), the faithful, carrying lighted lamps in their hands, should be like those looking for the Lord when he returns, so that at his coming he may find them awake and have them sit at his table.

The Blessing of the Fire and the Preparation of the Candle

The people gather in a suitable place outside the church where a blazing fire is prepared.

The Priest and faithful sign themselves while the Priest says: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and then he greets the assembled people in the usual way and briefly instructs them about the night vigil in these or similar words:

Dear brethren (brothers and sisters), / on this most sacred night, / in which our Lord Jesus Christ / passed over from death to life, / the Church calls upon her sons and daughters, / scattered throughout the world, / to come together to watch and pray. / If we keep the memorial / of the Lord's paschal solemnity in this way, / listening to his word and celebrating his mysteries, / then we shall have the sure hope / of sharing his triumph over death / and living with him in God.

Then the Priest blesses the fire, saying:

Let us pray. / O God, who through your Son / bestowed upon the faithful the fire of your glory, / sanctify this new fire, we pray, / and grant that, / by these paschal celebrations, / we may be so inflamed with heavenly desires, that with minds made pure / we may attain festivities of unending splendor. / Through Christ our Lord. / R. Amen.

Then the Priest prepares the candle, cutting a cross, the Greek letter Alpha and the letter Omega, and the four numerals of the current year, saying meanwhile:

Christ yesterday and today, (*he cuts a vertical line*); the Beginning and the End, (*he cuts a horizontal line*); the Alpha

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(he cuts the letter Alpha above the vertical line);
and the Omega.
(he cuts the letter Omega above the vertical line);
All time belongs to him
(he cuts the first numeral of the current year in the upper left corner of the cross);
and all the ages.
(he cuts the second numeral of the current year in the upper right corner of the cross);
To him be glory and power
(he cuts the third numeral of the current year in the lower left corner of the cross);
through every age and for ever. Amen.
(he cuts the fourth numeral of the current year in the lower right corner of the cross).

When the cutting of the cross and of the other signs has been completed, the priest may insert five grains of incense into the candle in the form of a cross, meanwhile saying:

By his holy / and glorious wounds, / may Christ the Lord / guard us / and protect us. Amen.

The Priest lights the paschal candle from the new fire, saying

May the light of Christ rising in glory / dispel the darkness of our hearts and minds.

## Procession

At the door of the church, in the middle of the church, and before the altar, the Deacon, standing and raising up the candle, sings:

The Light of Christ.

And all reply:

Thanks be to God.

The Easter Proclamation (Exsultet)

The Deacon (or in his absence, the Priest), after incensing the book and the candle, proclaims the Easter Proclamation (Exsultet) at the ambo or at a lectern, with all standing and holding lighted candles in their hands.

If necessary, a lay cantor may sing the Proclamation, omitting the words "Therefore, dearest friends" are omitted, along with the greeting "The Lord be with you."

Include the bracketed text for the long form. Text in parentheses is for short form only.

Exult, let them exult, the hosts of heaven, / exult, let Angel ministers of God exult, / let the trumpet of salvation / sound aloud our mighty King's triumph!

Be glad, let earth be glad, as glory floods her, / ablaze with light from her eternal King, / let all corners of the earth be glad, / knowing an end to gloom and darkness.

Rejoice, let Mother Church also rejoice, / arrayed with the lightning of his glory, / let this holy building shake with joy, / filled with the mighty voices of the peoples.

#### Deacon or Priest only:

[Therefore, dearest friends, / standing in the awesome glory of this holy light, / invoke with me, I ask you, / the mercy of God almighty, / that he, who has been pleased to number me, / though unworthy, among the Levites, / may pour into me his light unshadowed, / that I may sing this candle's perfect praises.]

ŷ. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

- ŷ. Lift up your hearts.
- $\mathbf{R}$ . We lift them up to the Lord.
- Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- R. It is right and just.

It is truly right and just, / with ardent love of mind and heart / and with devoted service of our voice, / to acclaim our God invisible, the almighty Father, / and Jesus Christ, our Lord, his Son, his Only Begotten.

Who for our sake paid Adam's debt to the eternal Father, / and, pouring out his own dear Blood, / wiped clean the record of our ancient sinfulness.

These then are the feasts of Passover, / in which is slain the Lamb, the one true Lamb, / whose Blood anoints the doorposts of believers.

This is the night, / when once you led our forebears. Israel's children, / from slavery in Egypt / and made them pass dry-shod through the Red Sea.

This is the night / that with a pillar of fire / banished the darkness of sin.

This is the night / that even now, throughout the world, / sets Christian believers apart from worldly vices / and from the gloom of sin, / leading them to grace / and joining them to his holy ones.

This is the night, / when Christ broke the prison-bars of death / and rose victorious from the underworld.

[Our birth would have been no gain, / had we not been redeemed.] / O wonder of your humble care for us! / O love, O charity beyond all telling, / to ransom a slave you gave away your Son! O truly necessary sin of Adam, / destroyed completely by the Death of Christ!

O happy fault / that earned so great, so glorious a Redeemer!

[O truly blessed night, / worthy alone to know the time and hour / when Christ rose from the underworld!

This is the night / of which it is written: / The night shall be as bright as day, / dazzling is the night for me, / and full of gladness.]

The sanctifying power of this night / dispels wickedness, washes faults away, / restores innocence to the fallen, and joy to mourners, / [drives out hatred, fosters concord, and brings down the mighty.]

(O truly blessed night, / when things of heaven are wed to those of earth, / and divine to the human.)

On this, your night of grace, O holy Father, / accept this candle, a solemn offering, / the work of bees and of your servants' hands, / an evening sacrifice of praise, / this gift from your most holy Church.

[But now we know the praises of this pillar, / which glowing fire ignites for God's honor, / a fire into many flames divided, / yet never dimmed by sharing of its light, / for it is fed by melting wax, / drawn out by mother bees / to build a torch so precious.

O truly blessed night, / when things of heaven are wed to those of earth, / and divine to the human.]

Therefore, O Lord, / we pray you that this candle, / hallowed to the honor of your name, / may persevere undimmed, / to overcome the darkness of this night. / Receive it as a pleasing fragrance, / and let it mingle with the lights of heaven. / May this flame be found still burning / by the Morning Star: / the one Morning Star who never sets, / Christ your Son, / who, coming back from death's domain, / has shed his peaceful light on humanity, / and lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Ŗ. Amen.

# The Liturgy of the Word

In this Vigil, the mother of all Vigils, nine readings are provided, namely seven from the Old Testament and two from the New (the Epistle and Gospel), all of which should be read whenever this can be done, so that the character of the Vigil, which demands an extended period of time, may be preserved. Nevertheless, where more serious pastoral circumstances demand it, the number of readings from the Old Testament may be reduced, always bearing in mind that the reading of the Word of God is a fundamental part of this Easter Vigil. At least three readings should be read from the Old Testament, both from the Law and from the Prophets, and their respective Responsorial Psalms should be sung. Never, moreover, should the reading of chapter 14 of Exodus with its canticle be omitted.

### FIRST READING

#### For the short form, omit the text in brackets.

In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth, [the earth was a formless wasteland, and darkness covered the abyss, while a mighty wind swept over the waters.

Then God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw how good the light was. God then separated the light from the darkness. God called the light "day," and the darkness he called "night." Thus evening came, and morning followed—the first day.

Then God said, "Let there be a dome in the middle of the waters, to separate one body of water from the other." And so it happened: God made the dome, and it separated the water above the dome from the water below it. God called the dome "the sky." Evening came, and morning followed—the second day.

Then God said, "Let the water under the sky be gathered into a single basin, so that the dry land may appear." And so it happened: the water under the sky was gathered into its basin, and the dry land appeared. God called the dry land "the earth, " and the basin of the water he called "the sea." God saw how good it was. Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth vegetation: every kind of plant that bears seed and every kind of fruit tree on earth that bears fruit with its seed in it." And so it happened: the earth brought forth every kind of plant that bears seed and every kind of fruit tree on earth that bears fruit with its seed in it. God saw how good it was. Evening came, and morning followed—the third day.

Then God said: "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky, to separate day from night. Let them mark the fixed times, the days and the years, and serve as luminaries in the dome of the sky, to shed light upon the earth." And so it happened: God made the two great lights, the greater one to govern the day, and the lesser one to govern the night; and he made the stars. God set them in the dome of the sky, to shed light upon the earth, to govern the day and the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. God saw how good it was. Evening came, and morning followed—the fourth day.

Then God said, "Let the water teem with an abundance of living creatures, and on the earth let birds fly beneath the dome of the sky." And so it happened: God created the great sea monsters and all kinds of swimming creatures with which the water teems, and all kinds of winged birds. God saw how good it was, and God blessed them, saying, "Be fertile, multiply, and fill the water of the seas; and let the birds multiply on the earth." Evening came, and morning followed—the fifth day. Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth all kinds of living creatures: cattle, creeping things, and wild animals of all kinds." And so it happened: God made all kinds of wild animals, all kinds of cattle, and all kinds of creeping things of the earth. God saw how good it was. Then ] God said: "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. Let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and the cattle, and over all the wild animals and all the creatures that crawl on the ground." / God created man in his image; / in the image of God he created him; / male and female he created them. / God blessed them, saying: "Be fertile and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it. Have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and all the living things that move on the earth." God also said: "See, I give you every seed-bearing plant all over the earth and every tree that has seed-bearing fruit on it to be your food; and to all the animals of the land, all the birds of the air, and all the living creatures that crawl on the ground, I give all the green plants for food." And so it happened. God looked at everything he had made, and he found it very good. [Evening came, and morning followed-the sixth day.

Thus the heavens and the earth and all their array were completed. Since on the seventh day God was finished with the work he had been doing, he rested on the seventh day from all the work he had undertaken.]



Lord, send out your Spir-it, and re - new the face of the earth.

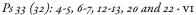
ŷ. Bless the LORD, O my soul! / O LORD, my God, you are great indeed! / You are clothed with majesty and glory, / robed in light as with a cloak.

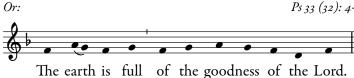
v. You fixed the earth upon its foundation, / not to be moved forever; / with the ocean, as with a garment, you covered it; / above the mountains the waters stood.

v. You send forth springs into the watercourses / that wind among the mountains. / Beside them the birds of heaven dwell; / from among the branches they send forth their song.

v. You water the mountains from your palace; / the earth is replete with the fruit of your works. / You raise grass for the cattle, / and vegetation for man's use, / producing bread from the earth.

ŷ. How manifold are your works, O LORD! / In wisdom you have wrought them all— / the earth is full of your creatures. / Bless the LORD, O my soul!





ŷ. Upright is the word of the LORD, / and all his works are trustworthy. / He loves justice and right; / of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full.

ŷ. By the word of the LORD the heavens were made; / by the breath of his mouth all their host. / He gathers the waters of the sea as in a flask; / in cellars he confines the deep.

ŷ. Blessed the nation whose God is the LORD, / the people he has chosen for his own inheritance. / From heaven the LORD looks down; / he sees all mankind.

ŷ. Our soul waits for the LORD, / who is our help and our shield. / May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us / who have put our hope in you.

## PRAYER

Almighty ever-living God, / who are wonderful in the ordering of all your works, / may those you have redeemed understand / that there exists nothing more marvelous / than the world's creation in the beginning / except that, at the end of the ages, / Christ our Passover has been sacrificed. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

## Or, on the creation of man:

O God, who wonderfully created human nature / and still more wonderfully redeemed it, / grant us, we pray, / to set our minds against the enticements of sin, / that we may merit to attain eternal joys. / Through Christ our Lord.

## SECOND READING

Gn 22: 1-18 or 22: 1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

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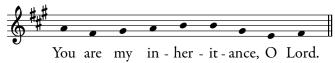
God put Abraham to the test. He called to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. Then God said: "Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him up as a holocaust on a height that I will point out to you." [Early the next morning Abraham saddled his donkey, took with him his son Isaac and two of his servants as well, and with the wood that he had cut for the holocaust, set out for the place of which God had told him. On the third day Abraham got sight of the place from afar. Then he said to his servants: "Both of you stay here with the donkey, while the boy and I go on over yonder. We will worship and then come back to you." Thereupon Abraham took the wood for the holocaust and laid it on his son Isaac's shoulders, while he himself carried the fire and the knife. As the two walked on together, Isaac spoke to his father Abraham: "Father!" Isaac said. "Yes, son," he replied. Isaac continued, "Here are the fire and the wood, but where is the sheep for the holocaust?" "Son," Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the sheep for the holocaust." Then the two continued going forward.]

When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. [Next he tied up his son Isaac, and put him on top of the wood on the altar.] Then he reached out and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the LORD's messenger called to him from heaven, "Abraham, Abraham!" "Here I am!" he answered. "Do not lay your hand on the boy," said the messenger. "Do not do the least thing to him. I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son." As Abraham looked about, he spied a ram caught by its horns in the thicket. So he went and took the ram and offered it up as a holocaust in place of his son. [Abraham named the site Yahweh-yireh; hence people now say, "On the mountain the LORD will see."]

Again the LORD's messenger called to Abraham from heaven and said: "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you acted as you did in not withholding from me your beloved son, I will bless you abundantly and make your descendants as countless as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore; your descendants shall take possession of the gates of their enemies, and in your descendants all the nations of the earth shall find blessing—all this because you obeyed my command."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Cf. Ps 16 (15): 5, 8, 9-10, 11* · II



ŷ. O LORD, my allotted portion and my cup, / you it is who hold fast my lot. / I set the LORD ever before me; / with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.

v. Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices, / my body, too, abides in confidence; / because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld, / nor will you suffer your faithful one to undergo corruption.

v. You will show me the path to life, / fullness of joys in your presence, / the delights at your right hand forever.

## PRAYER

O God, supreme Father of the faithful, / who increase the children of your promise / by pouring out the grace of adoption / throughout the whole world / and who through the Paschal Mystery / make your servant Abraham father of nations, / as once you swore, / grant, we pray, / that your peoples may enter worthily / into the grace to which you call them. / Through Christ our Lord.

## THIRD READING

Ex 14: 15–15: 1

The LORD said to Moses, "Why are you crying out to me? Tell the Israelites to go forward. And you, lift up your staff and, with hand outstretched over the sea, split the sea in two, that the Israelites may pass through it on dry land. But I will make the Egyptians so obstinate that they will go in after them. Then I will receive glory through Pharaoh and all his army, his chariots and charioteers. The Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I receive glory through Pharaoh and his chariots and charioteers."

The angel of God, who had been leading Israel's camp, now moved and went around behind them. The column of cloud also, leaving the front, took up its place behind them, so that it came between the camp of the Egyptians and that of Israel. But the cloud now became dark, and thus the night passed without the rival camps coming any closer together all night long. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the LORD swept the sea with a strong east wind throughout the night and so turned it into dry land. When the water was thus divided, the Israelites marched into the midst of the sea on dry land, with the water like a wall to their right and to their left.

The Egyptians followed in pursuit; all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and charioteers went after them right into the midst of the sea. In the night watch just before dawn the LORD cast through the column of the fiery cloud upon the Egyptian force a glance that threw it into a panic; and he so clogged their chariot wheels that they could hardly drive. With that the Egyptians sounded the retreat before Israel, because the LORD was fighting for them against the Egyptians.

Then the LORD told Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the water may flow back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and their charioteers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea flowed back to its normal depth. The Egyptians were fleeing head on toward the sea, when the LORD hurled them into its midst. As the water flowed back, it covered the chariots and the charioteers of Pharaoh's whole army which had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not a single one of them escaped. But the Israelites had marched on dry land through the midst of the sea, with the water like a wall to their right and to their left. Thus the LORD saved Israel on that day from the power of the Egyptians. When Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the seashore and beheld the great power that the LORD had shown against the Egyptians, they feared the LORD and believed in him and in his servant Moses.

Then Moses and the Israelites sang this song to the LORD: / I will sing to the LORD, for he is gloriously triumphant; / horse and chariot he has cast into the sea.



Let us sing to the Lord; he has cov-ered him - self in glo - ry.

V. I will sing to the LORD, for he is gloriously triumphant; / horse and chariot he has cast into the sea. / My strength and my courage is the LORD, / and he has been my savior. / He is my God, I praise him; / the God of my father, I extol him.

 $\hat{y}$ . The LORD is a warrior, / LORD is his name! / Pharaoh's chariots and army he hurled into the sea; / the elite of his officers were submerged in the Red Sea.

ŷ. The flood waters covered them, / they sank into the depths like a stone. / Your right hand, O LORD, magnificent in power, / your right hand, O LORD, has shattered the enemy.

v. You brought in the people you redeemed / and planted them on the mountain of your inheritance— / the place where you made your seat, O LORD, / the sanctuary, LORD, which your hands established. / The LORD shall reign forever and ever.

## PRAYER

O God, whose ancient wonders / remain undimmed in splendor even in our day, / for what you once bestowed on a single people, / freeing them from Pharaoh's persecution / by the power of your right hand / now you bring about as the salvation of the nations / through the waters of rebirth, / grant, we pray, that the whole world / may become children of Abraham / and inherit the dignity of Israel's birthright. / Through Christ our Lord.

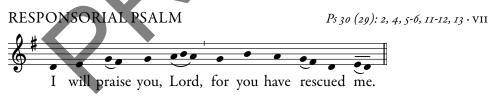
Or:

O God, who by the light of the New Testament / have unlocked the meaning / of wonders worked in former times, / so that the Red Sea prefigures the sacred font / and the nation delivered from slavery / foreshadows the Christian people, / grant, we pray, that all nations, / obtaining the privilege of Israel by merit of faith, / may be reborn by partaking of your Spirit. / Through Christ our Lord.

### FOURTH READING

#### Is 54: 5-14

The One who has become your husband is your Maker; / his name is the LORD of hosts; / your redeemer is the Holy One of Israel, / called God of all the earth. / The LORD calls you back, / like a wife forsaken and grieved in spirit, / a wife married in youth and then cast off, / says your God. / For a brief moment I abandoned you, / but with great tenderness I will take you back. / In an outburst of wrath, for a moment / I hid my face from you; / but with enduring love I take pity on you, / says the LORD, your redeemer. / This is for me like the days of Noah, / when I swore that the waters of Noah / should never again deluge the earth; / so I have sworn not to be angry with you, / or to rebuke you. / Though the mountains leave their place / and the hills be shaken, / my love shall never leave you / nor my covenant of peace be shaken, / says the LORD, who has mercy on you. / O afflicted one, storm-battered and unconsoled, / I lay your pavements in carnelians, / and your foundations in sapphires; / I will make your battlements of rubies, / your gates of carbuncles, / and all your walls of precious stones. / All your children shall be taught by the LORD, / and great shall be the peace of your children. / In justice shall you be established, / far from the fear of oppression, / where destruction cannot come near you.



v. I will extol you, O LORD, for you drew me clear / and did not let my enemies rejoice over me. / O LORD, you brought me up from the netherworld; / you preserved me from among those going down into the pit.

ŷ. Sing praise to the LORD, you his faithful ones, / and give thanks to his holy name. / For his anger lasts but a moment; / a lifetime, his good will. / At nightfall, weeping enters in, / but with the dawn, rejoicing.

ŷ. Hear, O LORD, and have pity on me; / O LORD, be my helper. / You changed my mourning into dancing; / O LORD, my God, forever will I give you thanks.

## PRAYER

Almighty ever-living God, / surpass, for the honor of your name, / what you pledged to the Patriarchs by reason of their faith, / and through sacred adoption increase the children of your promise, / so that what the Saints of old never doubted would come to pass / your Church may now see in great part fulfilled. / Through Christ our Lord.

## FIFTH READING

Thus says the LORD: / All you who are thirsty, / come to the water! / You who have no money, / come, receive grain and eat; / come, without paying and without cost, / drink wine and milk! / Why spend your money for what is not bread, / your wages for what fails to satisfy? / Heed me, and you shall eat well, / you shall delight in rich fare. / Come to me heedfully, / listen, that you may have life. / I will renew with you the everlasting covenant, / the benefits assured to David. / As I made him a witness to the peoples, / a leader and commander of nations, / so shall you summon a nation you knew not, / and nations that knew you not shall run to you, / because of the LORD, your God, / the Holy One of Israel, who has glorified you.

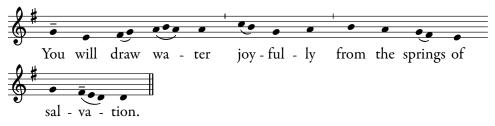
Seek the LORD while he may be found, / call him while he is near. / Let the scoundrel forsake his way, / and the wicked man his thoughts; / let him turn to the LORD for mercy; / to our God, who is generous in forgiving. / For my thoughts are not your thoughts, / nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. / As high as the heavens are above the earth, / so high are my ways above your ways / and my thoughts above your thoughts.

For just as from the heavens / the rain and snow come down / and do not return there / till they have watered the earth, / making it fertile and fruitful, / giving seed to the one who sows / and bread to the one who eats, / so shall my word be / that goes forth from my mouth; / my word shall not return to me void, / but shall do my will, / achieving the end for which I sent it.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 · VII

Is 55: 1-11



v. God indeed is my savior; / I am confident and unafraid. / My strength and my courage is the LORD, / and he has been my savior. / With joy you will draw water / at the fountain of salvation.

v. Give thanks to the LORD, acclaim his name; / among the nations make known his deeds, / proclaim how exalted is his name.

 $\hat{v}$ . Sing praise to the LORD for his glorious achievement; / let this be known throughout all the earth. / Shout with exultation, O city of Zion, / for great in your midst / is the Holy One of Israel!

### PRAYER

Almighty ever-living God, / sole hope of the world, / who by the preaching of your Prophets / unveiled the mysteries of this present age, / graciously increase the longing of your people, / for only at the prompting of your grace / do the faithful progress in any kind of virtue. / Through Christ our Lord.

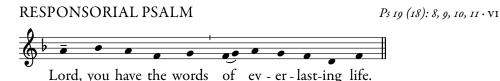
## SIXTH READING

Bar 3: 9-15, 32–4: 4

Hear, O Israel, the commandments of life: / listen, and know prudence! / How is it, Israel, / that you are in the land of your foes, / grown old in a foreign land, / defiled with the dead, / accounted with those destined for the netherworld? / You have forsaken the fountain of wisdom! / Had you walked in the way of God, / you would have dwelt in enduring peace. / Learn where prudence is, / where strength, where understanding; / that you may know also / where are length of days, and life, / where light of the eyes, and peace. / Who has found the place of wisdom, / who has entered into her treasuries?

The One who knows all things knows her; / he has probed her by his knowledge— / the One who established the earth for all time, / and filled it with fourfooted beasts; / he who dismisses the light, and it departs, / calls it, and it obeys him trembling; / before whom the stars at their posts / shine and rejoice; / when he calls them, they answer, "Here we are!" / shining with joy for their Maker. / Such is our God; / no other is to be compared to him: he has traced out the whole way of understanding, / and has given her to Jacob, his servant, / to Israel, his beloved son.

Since then she has appeared on earth, / and moved among people. / She is the book of the precepts of God, / the law that endures forever; / all who cling to her will live, / but those will die who forsake her. / Turn, O Jacob, and receive her: / walk by her light toward splendor. / Give not your glory to another, / your privileges to an alien race. / Blessed are we, O Israel; / for what pleases God is known to us!



v. The law of the LORD is perfect, / refreshing the soul; / the decree of the LORD is trustworthy, / giving wisdom to the simple.

ŷ. The precepts of the LORD are right, / rejoicing the heart; / the command of the LORD is clear, / enlightening the eye.

v. The fear of the LORD is pure, / enduring forever; / the ordinances of the LORD are true, / all of them just.

 $\hat{y}$ . They are more precious than gold, / than a heap of purest gold; / sweeter also than syrup / or honey from the comb.

## PRAYER

O God, who constantly increase your Church / by your call to the nations, / graciously grant / to those you wash clean in the waters of Baptism / the assurance of your unfailing protection. / Through Christ our Lord.

## SEVENTH READING

### Ezek 36: 16-17a, 18-28

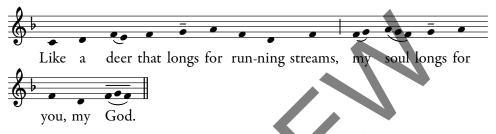
The word of the LORD came to me, saving: Son of man, when the house of Israel lived in their land, they defiled it by their conduct and deeds. Therefore I poured out my fury upon them because of the blood that they poured out on the ground, and because they defiled it with idols. I scattered them among the nations, dispersing them over foreign lands; according to their conduct and deeds I judged them. But when they came among the nations wherever they came, they served to profane my holy name, because it was said of them: "These are the people of the LORD, yet they had to leave their land." So I have relented because of my holy name which the house of Israel profaned among the nations where they came. Therefore say to the house of Israel: Thus says the Lord GOD: Not for your sakes do I act, house of Israel, but for the sake of my holy name, which you profaned among the nations to which you came. I will prove the holiness of my great name, profaned among the nations, in whose midst you have profaned it. Thus the nations shall know that I am the LORD, says the Lord GOD, when in their sight I prove my holiness through you. For I will take you away from among the nations, gather you from all the foreign lands, and bring you back to your own land. I will sprinkle clean water upon you to cleanse you from all your impurities, and from

all your idols I will cleanse you. I will give you a new heart and place a new spirit within you, taking from your bodies your stony hearts and giving you natural hearts. I will put my spirit within you and make you live by my statutes, careful to observe my decrees. You shall live in the land I gave your fathers; you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

When baptism is celebrated:

*Ps 42 (41): 3, 5; Ps 43 (42): 3, 4* · VI



v Athirst is my soul for God, the living God. / When shall I go and behold the face of God?

v. I went with the throng / and led them in procession to the house of God, / amid loud cries of joy and thanksgiving, / with the multitude keeping festival.

v. Send forth your light and your fidelity; / they shall lead me on / and bring me to your holy mountain, / to your dwelling-place.

 $\hat{y}$ . Then will I go in to the altar of God, / the God of my gladness and joy; / then will I give you thanks upon the harp, / O God, my God!



v. God indeed is my savior; / I am confident and unafraid. / My strength and my courage is the LORD, / and he has been my savior. / With joy you will draw water / at the fountain of salvation.

v. Give thanks to the LORD, acclaim his name; / among the nations make known his deeds, / proclaim how exalted is his name.

v. Sing praise to the LORD for his glorious achievement; / let this be known throughout all the earth. / Shout with exultation, O city of Zion, / for great in your midst / is the Holy One of Israel!

Ps 51 (50): 12-13, 14-15, 18-19 · III



ŷ. A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me. / Cast me not out from your presence, / and your Holy Spirit take not from me.

v. Give me back the joy of your salvation, / and a willing spirit sustain in me. / I will teach transgressors your ways, / and sinners shall return to you.

v. For you are not pleased with sacrifices; / should I offer a holocaust, you would not accept it. / My sacrifice, O God, is a contrite spirit; / a heart contrite and humbled, O God, you will not spurn.

## PRAYER

O God of unchanging power and eternal light, / look with favor on the wondrous mystery of the whole Church / and serenely accomplish the work of human salvation, / which you planned from all eternity; / may the whole world know and see / that what was cast down is raised up, / what had become old is made new, / and all things are restored to integrity through Christ, / just as by him they came into being. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

#### Or:

O God, who by the pages of both Testaments / instruct and prepare us to celebrate the Paschal Mystery, / grant that we may comprehend your mercy, / so that the gifts we receive from you this night / may confirm our hope of the gifts to come. / Through Christ our Lord.

After the last reading from the Old Testament with its Responsorial Psalm and its prayer, the altar candles are lit, and the Priest intones the hymn Gloria in excelsis Deo (Glory to God in the highest), which is taken up by all, while bells are rung, according to local custom.

## COLLECT

O God, who make this most sacred night radiant / with the glory of the Lord's Resurrection, / stir up in your Church a spirit of adoption, / so that, renewed in body and mind, / we may render you undivided service. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## EPISTLE

Brothers and sisters: Are you unaware that we who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might live in newness of life.

For if we have grown into union with him through a death like his, we shall also be united with him in the resurrection. We know that our old self was crucified with him, so that our sinful body might be done away with, that we might no longer be in slavery to sin. For a dead person has been absolved from sin. If, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him. As to his death, he died to sin once and for all; as to his life, he lives for God. Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as being dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.

## ALLELUIA

*Ps 118 (117): 1-2, 16-17, 22-23* · VIII

After the epistle has been read, all rise, then the Priest solemnly intones the Alleluia three times, raising his voice by a step each time, with all repeating it.



Then the psalmist or cantor proclaims Psalm 118 (117) with the people responding Alleluia.

ŷ. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, / for his mercy endures forever. / Let the house of Israel say, / "His mercy endures forever."

 $\hat{y}$ . The right hand of the LORD has struck with power; / the right hand of the LORD is exalted. / I shall not die, but live, / and declare the works of the LORD.

v. The stone the builders rejected / has become the cornerstone. / By the LORD has this been done; / it is wonderful in our eyes.

### GOSPEL

#### Lk 24: 1-12

At daybreak on the first day of the week the women who had come from Galilee with Jesus took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb; but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were puzzling over this, behold, two men in dazzling garments appeared to them. They were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground. They said to them, "Why do you seek the living one among the dead? He is not here, but he has been raised. Remember what he said to you while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners and be crucified, and rise on the third day." And they remembered his words. Then they returned from the tomb and announced all these things to the eleven and to all the others. The women were Mary Magdalene, Joanna, and Mary the mother of James; the others who accompanied them also told this to the apostles, but their story seemed like nonsense and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb, bent down, and saw the burial cloths alone; then he went home amazed at what had happened.

# Baptismal Liturgy

The Litany is sung by two cantors, with all standing (because it is Easter Time) and responding.

If, however, there is to be a procession of some length to the baptistery, the Litany is sung during the procession; in this case, those to be baptized are called forward before the procession begins, and the procession takes place led by the paschal candle, followed by the catechumens with their godparents, then the ministers, the Deacon, and the Priest.

If no one is to be baptized and the font is not to be blessed, the Litany is omitted, and the Blessing of Water takes place at once.

### LITANY OF THE SAINTS

V. Lord, have mercy.
V. Christ, have mercy.
V. Lord, have mercy.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Saint Michael,
Holy Angels of God,
Saint John the Baptist,
Saint Joseph,
Saint Peter and Saint Paul,
Saint Andrew,
Saint John,

R. Lord, have mercy.
R. Christ, have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.
R. pray for us.

Saint Mary Magdalene, Saint Stephen, Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Saint Lawrence, Saint Perpetua and Saint Felicity, Saint Agnes, Saint Gregory, Saint Augustine, Saint Athanasius, Saint Basil. Saint Martin. Saint Benedict, Saint Francis and Saint Dominic, Saint Francis Xavier, Saint John Vianney, Saint Catherine of Siena, Saint Teresa of Jesus, All holy men and women, Saints of God Lord, be merciful. From all evil, From every sin, From everlasting death, By your Incarnation, By your death and Resurrection By the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, Be merciful to us sinners, If there are candidates to be baptized:

Bring these chosen ones to new birth through the grace of Baptism,

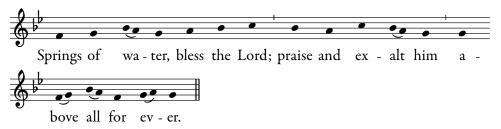
If there is no one to be baptized: Make this font holy by your grace for the new birth of your children, Jesus, Son of the living God, Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us. R. pray for us.  $\mathbf{R}$ . pray for us. R. pray for us. R. pray for us. R. pray for us R. pray for us. R. pray for us R. pray for us. R. Lord, deliver us, we pray. R. Lord, deliver us, we pray.  $\mathbb{R}$ . Lord, deliver us, we pray. R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.

- R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.
  R. Lord, we ask you, hear our prayer.
  R. Christ, hear us.
- R. Christ, graciously hear us.

#### APRIL 19

The Priest then blesses the baptismal water, lowering the paschal candle into the water. Then the candle is lifted out of the water, as the people acclaim:



## THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL PROMISES

When the Rite of Baptism (and Confirmation) has been completed or, if this has not taken place, after the blessing of water, all stand, holding lighted candles in their hands, and renew the promise of baptismal faith, unless this has already been done together with those to be baptized.

The Priest addresses the faithful and asks them:

Do you renounce Satan? Ŗ. I do.

And all his works? Ŗ. I do.

And all his empty show? R. I do.

Or:

Do you renounce sin, / so as to live in the freedom of the children of God?  $\mathfrak{R}$ . I do.

Do you renounce the lure of evil, / so that sin may have no mastery over you?  $\mathfrak{R}$ . I do.

Do you renounce Satan, / the author and prince of sin?  $\mathfrak{R}$ . I do.

Then the Priest continues:

Do you believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth? R. I do.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered death and was buried, / rose again from the dead / and is seated at the right hand of the Father? R. I do. Do you believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy Catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting?

Ŗ.Ido.

And the Priest concludes with a prayer, at the end of which the people acclaim: R. Amen.

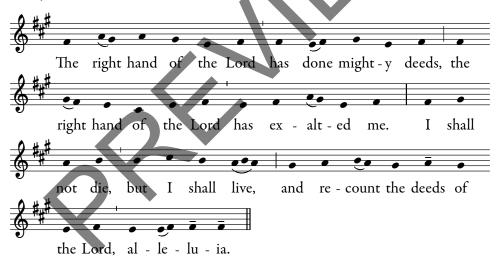
During the procession of the newly baptized to the sanctuary, or when the Priest sprinkles the people with the blessed water, all sing the antiphon I saw water flowing or Vidi aquam, pp. 32-33.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Ps 118 (117): 16, 17 · 11

### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

The right hand of the Lord has done *mighty* deeds, \* the right hand of the Lord *has* exalted me. / I shall not die, but *I* shall live, \* and recount the deeds of the Lord, *al*leluia.

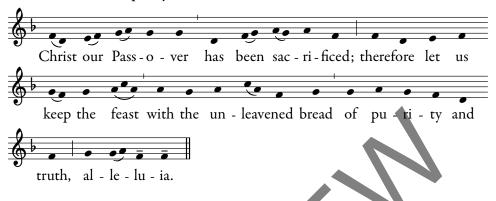


### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, we ask, O Lord, / the prayers of your people / with the sacrificial offerings, / that what has begun in the paschal mysteries / may, by the working of your power, / bring us to the healing of eternity. / Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed; † therefore let us *keep* the feast \* with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, *al*leluia.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

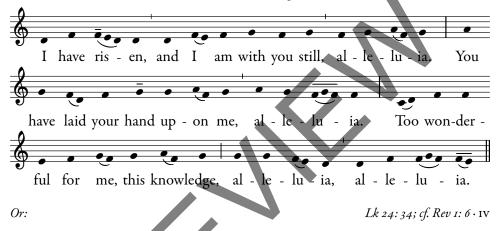
Pour out on us, O Lord, the Spirit of your love, / and in your kindness make those you have nourished / by this paschal Sacrament / one in mind and heart. / Through Christ our Lord.

### EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD: AT THE MASS DURING THE DAY — SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2025 —

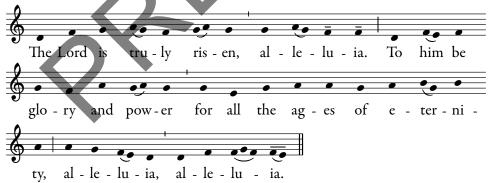
#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Cf. Ps 139 (138): 18, 5-6 • IV

I have risen, and I am with you still, *al*leluia. \* You have laid your hand upon me, *al*leluia. / Too wonderful for *me*, this knowledge, \* alleluia, *al*leluia.



The Lord is truly risen, alleluia † To him be glo*ry* and power \* for all the ages of eternity, alleluia, *al*leluia.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

#### COLLECT

O God, who on this day, / through your Only Begotten Son, / have conquered death / and unlocked for us the path to eternity, / grant, we pray, that we who

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keep / the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection / may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, / rise up in the light of life. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

Peter proceeded to speak and said: "You know what has happened all over Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached, how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power. He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree. This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commissioned us to preach to the people and testify that he is the one appointed by God as judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness, that everyone who believes in him will receive forgiveness of sins through his name."

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

This is the day the Lord has made; let us re-joice and be glad. Or: Alleluia.

V. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, / for his mercy endures forever. / Let the house of Israel say, / "His mercy endures forever."

 $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ . "The right hand of the LORD has struck with power; / the right hand of the LORD is exalted. / I shall not die, but live, / and declare the works of the LORD."

 $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ . The stone which the builders rejected / has become the cornerstone. / By the LORD has this been done; / it is wonderful in our eyes.

## SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

#### Acts 10: 34a, 37-43

Col 3: 1-4

Ps 118 (117): 1-2, 16-17, 22-23 · II

Or:

Brothers and sisters: Do you not know that a little yeast leavens all the dough? Clear out the old yeast, so that you may become a fresh batch of dough, inasmuch as you are unleavened. For our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed.

Therefore, let us celebrate the feast, not with the old yeast, the yeast of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

SEQUENCE

Christians, to the Paschal Victim / Offer your thankful praises!

A Lamb the sheep redeems; / Christ, who only is sinless, / Reconciles sinners to the Father.

Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous: / The Prince of life, who died, reigns immortal.

Speak, Mary, declaring / What you saw, wayfaring. /

ALLELUIA

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

v. Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed; / let us then feast with joy in the Lord.

## GOSPEL

Jn 20: 1-9

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial

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Cf. 1 Cor 5: 7b-8a · VI

"The tomb of Christ, who is living, / The glory of Jesus' resurrection;

Bright angels attesting, / The shroud and napkin resting.

Yes, Christ my hope is arisen; / To Galilee he goes before you."

Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining. / Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning! / Amen. Alleluia. cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

Lk 24: 13-35

Or:

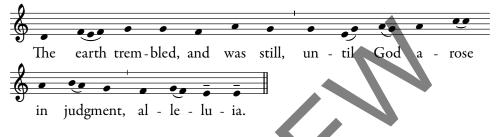
That very day, the first day of the week, two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. He asked them, "What are you discussing as you walk along?" They stopped, looking downcast. One of them, named Cleopas, said to him in reply, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know of the things that have taken place there in these days?" And he replied to them, "What sort of things?" They said to him, "The things that happened to Jesus the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, how our chief priests and rulers both handed him over to a sentence of death and crucified him. But we were hoping that he would be the one to redeem Israel; and besides all this, it is now the third day since this took place. Some women from our group, however, have astounded us: they were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body; they came back and reported that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who announced that he was alive. Then some of those with us went to the tomb and found things just as the women had described, but him they did not see." And he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures. As they approached the village to which they were going, he gave the impression that he was going on farther. But they urged him, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening and the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them. And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?" So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of bread.

The Creed is said.

However, in Easter Sunday Masses which are celebrated with a congregation, the rite of the renewal of baptismal promises may take place after the Homily, according to the text used at the Easter Vigil (p. 314). In that case the Creed is omitted.

## OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

The earth trembled, *and* was still, \* until God arose in judgment, *al*leluia.



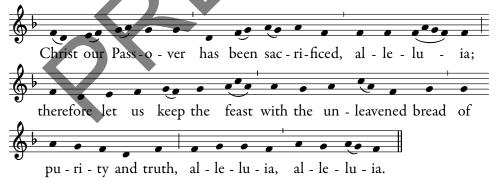
## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Exultant with paschal gladness, O Lord, / we offer the sacrifice / by which your Church / is wondrously reborn and nourished. / Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

1 Cor 5: 7-8 • VI

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; † therefore let us keep the feast with the un*leav*ened bread \* of purity and truth, alleluia, *al*leluia.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look upon your Church, O God, / with unfailing love and favor, / so that, renewed by the paschal mysteries, / she may come to the glory of the resurrection. / Through Christ our Lord.

*Ps 76 (75): 9, 10* • IV

## MONDAY, APRIL 21 Monday within the Octave of Easter

ENTRANCE  $Ex 13: 5, 9 \cdot VIII$ The Lord has led you into a land \* flowing with *milk* and honey, / that the law of the Lord \* may always be on your lips, *al*leluia.

Or:

VII

The Lord has risen from the dead, as he said; † let us all exult *and* rejoice, \* for he reigns for all eternity, *al*leluia.

*The* Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) *is said.* 

FIRST READING Acts 2: 14, 22-33 God raised this Jesus; of this we are all witnesses.

RESP *Ps 16 (15): 1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11* Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

During the Octave of Easter, the Sequence (p. 319) is optional.

GOSPEL Mt 28: 8-15 Go tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me.

COMMUNION Rom  $6: g \cdot VIII$ Christ, having risen from the dead, dies *now* no more; \* death will no longer have dominion over him, *al*leluia.

## TUESDAY, APRIL 22 Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

ENTRANCE Cf. Sir 15:  $3-4 \cdot VII$ He gave them the water of wisdom to drink; † it will be made strong in them and will *not* be moved; \* it will raise them up for ever, *al*leluia.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

FIRST READING Acts 2: 36-41 Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ.

RESP *Ps* 33 (32): 4-5, 18-19, 20 and 22 The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

Or:

Alleluia.

During the Octave of Easter, the Sequence (p. 319) is optional.

GOSPEL Jn 20: 11-18 I have seen the Lord, and he said these things to me.

COMMUNION Col 3: 1-2 • VII If you have risen with Christ, seek the things that are above, † where Christ is seated at the right *hand* of God; \* mind the things that are above, *al*leluia.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23 Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

ENTRANCE Cf. Mt 25:  $34 \cdot VII$ Come, you blessed of my Father; † receive the king*dom* prepared for you \* from the foundation of the world, *al*leluia.

*The* Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) *is said.* 

FIRST READING Acts 3: 1-10 What I do have I give you: in the name of the Lord Jesus, rise and walk. RESP *Ps 105 (104): 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9* Rejoice, O hearts that seek the Lord. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

During the Octave of Easter, the Sequence (p. 319) is optional.

GOSPEL *Lk 24: 13-35* They recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread.

COMMUNION Cf. Lk 24:  $35 \cdot VI$ The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus \* in the breaking of the bread, *al*leluia.

# THURSDAY, APRIL 24

Thursday within the Octave of Easter

ENTRANCE *Wis 10: 20-21* • VIII They praised in unison your conquering hand, O Lord, † for wisdom opened mouths that were mute \* and gave eloquence to the tongues of infants, *al*leluia.

*The* Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) *is said.* 

FIRST READING Acts 3: 11-26 The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead.

RESP *Ps 8: 2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9* O Lord, our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth! *Or:* 

Alleluia.

During the Octave of Easter, the Sequence (p. 319) is optional.

GOSPEL Lk 24: 35-48 Thus it was written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day.

COMMUNION Cf. 1 Pt 2:  $g \cdot vII$ O chosen people, proclaim the mighty *works* of him, \* who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light, *al*leluia.

**FRIDAY, APRIL 25** Friday within the Octave of Easter

ENTRANCE  $Cf. Ps 78 (77): 53 \cdot IV$ The Lord led his people in hope, \* while the sea engulfed their foes, *al*leluia.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God is the highest) is said.

FIRST READING Acts 4: 1-12 There is no salvation through anyone else.

RESP *Ps 118 (117): 1-2 and 4, 22-24, 25-27a* The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

Or:

Alleluia.

During the Octave of Easter, the Sequence (p. 319) is optional.

GOSPEL Jn 21: 1-14 Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish.

COMMUNION Cf. In 21:  $12-13 \cdot VI$ Jesus said to his disciples: Come and eat. \* And he took bread and gave it to them, *al*leluia. **SATURDAY, APRIL 26** Saturday within the Octave of Easter

ENTRANCE Ps 105 (104):  $43 \cdot VII$ The Lord brought out his people with joy, \* his chosen ones with shouts of rejoicing, *al*leluia.

*The* Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) *is said.* 

FIRST READING Acts 4: 13-21 It is impossible for us not to speak about what we have seen and heard. RESP *Ps 118 (117): 1 and 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21* I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me.

*Or:* Alleluia.

During the Octave of Easter, the Sequence (p. 319) is optional.

GOSPEL Mk 16: 9-15 Go into the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature.

COMMUNIONGal 3:  $27 \cdot 11$ All of you who have been bap*tized* in<br/>Christ \* have *put* on Christ, *al*leluia.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

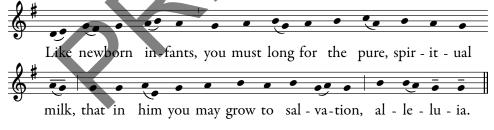
(OR OF DIVINE MERCY)

— SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2025 —

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

1 *Pt 2: 2* • VI

Like newborn infants, † you must long for the pure, spir*it*ual milk, \* that in him you may grow to salvation, *al*leluia.



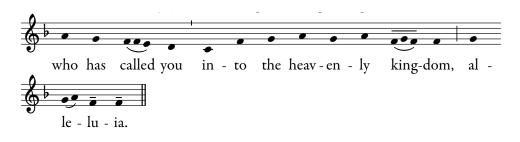
Or:

4 Esdr 2: 36-37 · VI

Receive the joy of your glory, † giving *thanks* to God, \* who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, *al*leluia.



APRIL 27



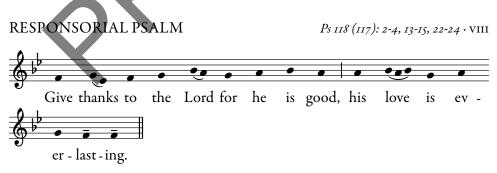
## COLLECT

God of everlasting mercy, / who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast / kindle the faith of the people you have made your own, / increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed, / that all may grasp and rightly understand / in what font they have been washed, / by whose Spirit they have been reborn, / by whose Blood they have been redeemed. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

Many signs and wonders were done among the people at the hands of the apostles. They were all together in Solomon's portico. None of the others dared to join them, but the people esteemed them. Yet more than ever, believers in the Lord, great numbers of men and women, were added to them. Thus they even carried the sick out into the streets and laid them on cots and mats so that when Peter came by, at least his shadow might fall on one or another of them. A large number of people from the towns in the vicinity of Jerusalem also gathered, bringing the sick and those disturbed by unclean spirits, and they were all cured.

Acts 5: 12-16



Or: Alleluia.

 ŷ. Let the house of Israel say, / "His mercy endures forever." / Let the house of Aaron say, / "His mercy endures forever." / Let those who fear the LORD say, / "His mercy endures forever." v. I was hard pressed and was falling, / but the LORD helped me. / My strength and my courage is the LORD, / and he has been my savior. / The joyful shout of victory / in the tents of the just:

ŷ. The stone which the builders rejected / has become the cornerstone. / By the LORD has this been done; / it is wonderful in our eyes. / This is the day the LORD has made; / let us be glad and rejoice in it.

### SECOND READING

I, John, your brother, who share with you the distress, the kingdom, and the endurance we have in Jesus, found myself on the island called Patmos because I proclaimed God's word and gave testimony to Jesus. I was caught up in spirit on the Lord's day and heard behind me a voice as loud as a trumpet, which said, "Write on a scroll what you see." Then I turned to see whose voice it was that spoke to me, and when I turned, I saw seven gold lampstands and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, wearing an ankle-length robe, with a gold sash around his chest.

When I caught sight of him, I fell down at his feet as though dead. He touched me with his right hand and said, "Do not be afraid. I am the first and the last, the one who lives. Once I was dead, but now I am alive forever and ever. I hold the keys to death and the netherworld. Write down, therefore, what you have seen, and what is happening, and what will happen afterwards."

During the Octave of Easter, the Sequence (p. 319) is optional.



v. You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me, says the Lord; / blessed are they who have not seen me, but still believe!

### GOSPEL

Jn 20: 19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

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Rev 1: 9-11a, 12-13, 17-19
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And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

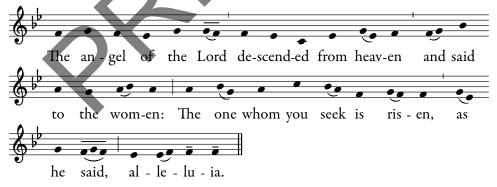
Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lotd and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

## OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Mt 28: 2, 5, 6* • VIII

The angel of the Lord descended from heaven † and said *to* the women: \* The one whom you seek is risen, as he said, *al*leluia.

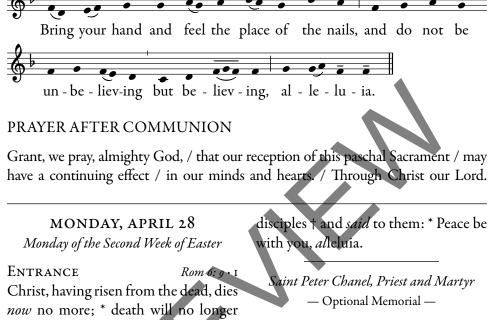


PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, we pray, / the oblations of your people / (and of those you have brought to new birth), / that, renewed by confession of your name and by Baptism, / they may attain unending happiness. / Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bring your hand and feel the place *of* the nails, \* and do not be unbelieving but believing, *al*leluia.



FIRST READING Acts 4: 23-31 As they prayed, they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness.

have dominion over him, alleluia.

RESP *Ps 2: 1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9* Blessed are all who take refuge in the Lord. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 3: 1-8 No one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit.

COMMUNION Jn 20: 19 · VI Jesus stood in the midst of his ENTRANCE Cf. 4 Esdr 2:  $35 \cdot VI$ Perpetual light will shine on your Saints, O Lord, \* and life without end for ever, alleluia.

*Or:* IV This is the one who was not desert*ed* by God \* on the *day* of struggle / and now wears a *crown* of victory \* for faithfulness to the Lord's commands, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING 1 Cor 1: 18-25 It was the will of God through the foolishness of the proclamation to save those who have faith.

RESP *Ps 117 (116): 1bc, 2* Go out to all the world and tell the Good News. *Or:* Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mk 1: 14-20 I will make you fishers of men.

COMMUNIONJn 12: 24 · 1Unless a grain of wheat falls into the<br/>ground and dies,  $\dagger$  it remains just<br/>a grain of wheat; \* but if it dies, it<br/>produces much fruit, *al*leluia.Or:Ps 116 (115): 15 · 111How precious in the eyes of the Lord \*<br/>is the death of his holy ones, *al*leluia.

Saint Louis Grignion De Montfort, Priest — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $_{132}(1_{31}): g \cdot vf$ Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING 1 Cor 1: 18-25 It was the will of God through the foolishness of the proclamation to save those who have faith.

RESP *Ps 40 (39): 2, 4, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10* Here 1 am, Lord; I come to do your will.

GOSPEL Mt 28: 16-20 All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

COMMUNION Mt 24: 46-47 · III Blessed *is* the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching *when* he comes. / Amen I *say* to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of *all* his property, *al*leluia. *Or: Cf. Lk 12: 42* • VII This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set o*ver* his house-hold \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time, *al*leluia.

> TUESDAY, APRIL 29 Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church — Memorial—

ENTRANCE VI Here is a wise virgin, from among the number of the prudent, \* who went forth with lighted lamp to meet Christ, *al*leluia.

### Readings of the Day:

the Son of Man.

FIRST READING Acts 4: 32-37 The community of believers was of one heart and mind.

RESP *Ps 93 (92): 1ab, 1cd-2, 5* The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty. *Or:* Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 3: 7b-15 No one has gone up to heaven except the one who has come down from heaven,

COMMUNION Cf.  $I Jn I: 7 \cdot VIII$ If we walk in the light, as God is *in* the light, \* then we have fellowship with *one* another, / and the blood of his Son Jesus Christ \* cleanses us from all sin, *al*leluia. Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING 1 Jn 1: 5-2: 2 The Blood of his Son Jesus cleanses us from all sin.

RESP *Ps 103 (102): 1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 13-14, 17-18* O, bless the Lord, my soul.

GOSPEL Mt 11: 25-30 You have hidden these things from the wise and the learned and have revealed them to the childlike.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30 Wednesday of the Second Week of Easter

ENTRANCE *Ps 18 (17): 50; 22 (21): 23* · VI I will praise you, Lord, *among* the nations; \* I will tell of your name to my kin, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 5: 17-26 The men whom you put in prison are in the temple area and are teaching the people.

RESP *Ps 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9* The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

*Or:* Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 3: 16-21 God sent his Son that the world might be saved through him.

COMMUNION *Cf. Jn 15: 16, 19* · I I have chosen you from the world, says the Lord, † and have appointed you to go *and* bear fruit, \* fruit that will last, *al*leluia. Saint Pius V, Pope — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE II The Lord chose him for himself as high priest, † and, open*ing* his treasure house, \* made him rich in all good things, *al*leluia.

*Or: Cf. Sir 50:1; 44:16, 22* • VII Behold a great priest, who in his days pleased God; † therefore, in accordance *with* his promise, \* the Lord gave him growth for the good of his people, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING 1 Cor 4: 1-5 The Lord will manifest the motives of our hearts.

RESP *Ps 110 (109): 1, 2, 3, 4* You are a priest for ever, in the line of Melchizedek.

GOSPEL Jn 21: 15-17 Feed my lambs, feed my sheep.

Сомминіон *Cf. Jn 10: 11* · VII The Good Shepherd *has* laid down \* his life for his sheep, *al*leluia.

### THURSDAY, MAY I Thursday of the Second Week of Easter

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 68 (67): 8-9,  $20 \cdot IV$ O God, when you went forth before your people, † marching with them and living among them, \* the earth trembled, heavens poured down rain, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 5: 27-33 We are witnesses of these words, as is the Holy Spirit. RESP *Ps 34 (33): 2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20* The Lord hears the cry of the poor. *Or:* Alleluia.

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 3: 31-36 The Father loves the Son and has given everything over to him.

COMMUNION *Mt 28: 20* · VIII Behold, I am *with* you always, \* even to the end of the age, *al*leluia.

> Saint Joseph the Worker — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Ps 128 (127): 1-2 · IV* Blessed are all who fear the Lord and walk in his ways! † By the labor of your hands *you* shall eat; \* blessed are you, and blessed will you be, *al*leluia.

The Gospel for this memorial is proper.

FIRST READINGGn 1: 26-2: 3Fill the earth and subdue it.Or:Col 3: 14-15, 17, 23-24Whatever you do, do from the heart, asfor the Lord and not for men.

RESP *Ps 90 (89): 2, 3-4, 12-13, 14, 16* Lord, give success to the work of our hands.

Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mt 13: 54-58 Is he not the carpenter's son? Where did this man get such wisdom and mighty deeds?

COMMUNION Cf. Col 3:  $I_7 \cdot I$ Whatever you do in word or deed, † do everything in the name of the Lord, \* giving thanks to God through him, *al*leluia.

FRIDAY, MAY 2 Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

— Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Sir 15:  $5 \cdot VI$ In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth,  $\dagger$  and the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and *un*derstanding \* and clothed him in a robe of glory, *al*leluia.

## Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Acts 5: 34-42 The Apostles went out rejoicing that they had been found worthy to suffer dishonor for the sake of the name.

RESP *Ps 27 (26): 1bcde, 4, 13-14* One thing I seek: to dwell in the house of the Lord.

*Or:* Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 6: 1-15 Jesus distributed to those who were reclining as much as they wanted.

COMMUNION  $I Cor_3: II \cdot IV$ No one can lay a foundation  $\dagger$  other than the one *that* is there, \* namely, Jesus Christ, *al*leluia.

## Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING I Jn 5: 1-5 The victory that conquers the world is our faith.

RESPPs 37 (36): 3-4, 5-6, 30-31The mouth of the just murmurs wisdom.GOSPELMt 10: 22-25When they persecute you in one town, flee to another.SATURDAY, MAY 3Saints Philip and James, Apostles — Feast —ENTRANCEIThese are the holy men † whom the	FIRST READING1 Cor 15: 1-8After that he appeared to James, then to all the Apostles.For 15: 1-8RESPPs 19 (18): 2-3, 4-5Their message goes out through all the earth.For 1000000000000000000000000000000000000	
Lord chose in his own <i>per</i> fect love; * to	still do not know me?	
them he gave eternal glory, <i>al</i> leluia. <i>The</i> Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) <i>is said.</i>	COMMUNION Cf. Jn 14: $8-9 \cdot IV$ Lord, show us the Father, * and that will be enough for us. / Whoever has seen me, Philip, * has seen the Father also, alleluia.	
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER SUNDAY, MAY 4, 2025 ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf. Ps 66 (65): 1-2 • VIII		
	O sing to the glory <i>of</i> his name. * O ren-	
der him glorious praise, <i>al</i> leluia.	o sing to the giory of his hame. O ten-	
Cry out with joy to God,	all the earth; O sing to	
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praise, al - le - lu - ia.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

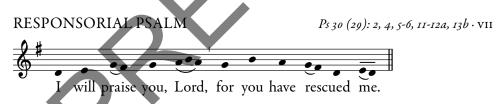
## COLLECT

May your people exult for ever, O God, / in renewed youthfulness of spirit, / so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, / we may look forward in confident hope / to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

When the captain and the court officers had brought the apostles in and made them stand before the Sanhedrin, the high priest questioned them, "We gave you strict orders, did we not, to stop teaching in that name? Yet you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and want to bring this man's blood upon us." But Peter and the apostles said in reply, "We must obey God rather than men. The God of our ancestors raised Jesus, though you had him killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as leader and savior to grant Israel repentance and forgiveness of sins. We are witnesses of these things, as is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

The Sanhedrin ordered the apostles to stop speaking in the name of Jesus, and dismissed them. So they left the presence of the Sanhedrin, rejoicing that they had been found worthy to suffer dishonor for the sake of the name.



## Or: Alleluia.

v. I will extol you, O LORD, for you drew me clear / and did not let my enemies rejoice over me. / O LORD, you brought me up from the netherworld; / you preserved me from among those going down into the pit.

Y. Sing praise to the LORD, you his faithful ones, / and give thanks to his holy name. / For his anger lasts but a moment; / a lifetime, his good will. / At nightfall, weeping enters in, / but with the dawn, rejoicing.

ŷ. Hear, O LORD, and have pity on me; / O LORD, be my helper. / You changed my mourning into dancing; / O LORD, my God, forever will I give you thanks.

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#### Acts 5: 27-32, 40b-41

### SECOND READING

#### Rev 5: 11-14

I, John, looked and heard the voices of many angels who surrounded the throne and the living creatures and the elders. They were countless in number, and they cried out in a loud voice: / "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain / to receive power and riches, wisdom and strength, / honor and glory and blessing." / Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, everything in the universe, cry out: / "To the one who sits on the throne and to the Lamb / be blessing and honor, glory and might, / forever and ever." / The four living creatures answered, "Amen," and the elders fell down and worshiped.



ŷ. Christ is risen, creator of all; / he has shown pity on all people.

#### GOSPEL

Jn 21: 1-19 or 21: 1-14

At that time, Jesus revealed himself again to his disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. He revealed himself in this way. Together were Simon Peter, Thomas called Didymus, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, Zebedee's sons, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We also will come with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. When it was already dawn, Jesus was standing on the shore; but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They answered him, "No." So he said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish. So the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord." When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he tucked in his garment, for he was lightly clad, and jumped into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, for they were not far from shore, only about a hundred yards, dragging the net with the fish. When they climbed out on shore, they saw a charcoal fire with fish on it and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you just caught." So Simon Peter went over and dragged the net ashore full of one hundred fifty-three large fish. Even though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like

manner the fish. This was now the third time Jesus was revealed to his disciples after being raised from the dead.

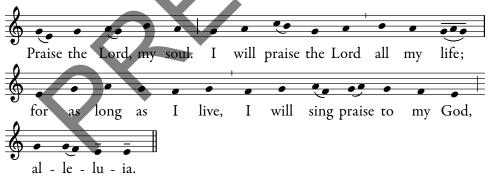
[When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" Simon Peter answered him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." He then said to Simon Peter a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Simon Peter answered him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." Jesus said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Amen, amen, I say to you, when you were younger, you used to dress yourself and go where you wanted; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." He said this signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when he had said this, he said to him, "Follow me."]

The Creed is said.

OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 146 (145): 2* • IV

Praise the *Lord*, my soul. \* I will praise the Lord *all* my life; / for as long *as* I live, \* I will sing praise to my God, *all*eluia.



### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

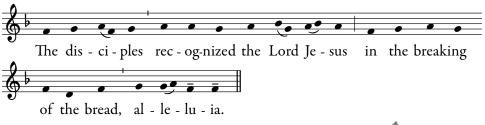
Receive, O Lord, we pray, / these offerings of your exultant Church, / and, as you have given her cause for such great gladness, / grant also that the gifts we bring / may bear fruit in perpetual happiness. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### MAY 5

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Cf. Lk 24:35* • VI

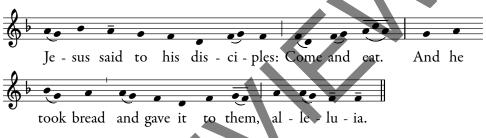
The disciples recognized *the* Lord Jesus \* in the breaking of the bread, *al*leluia.



Or:

Cf. Jn 21: 12-13 · v1

Jesus said to his disciples: *Come* and eat. \* And he took bread and gave it to them, *al*leluia.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look with kindness upon your people, O Lord, / and grant, we pray, / that those you were pleased to renew by eternal mysteries / may attain in their flesh / the incorruptible glory of the resurrection. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, MAY 5	Resp <i>Ps 119 (118): 23-24, 26-27, 29-30</i>
Monday of the Third Week of Easter	Blessed are they who follow the law of
ENTRANCE	the Lord!
The Good Shepherd has risen, † who	Or:
laid down his life for his sheep * and	Alleluia.
willingly died for his flock, <i>al</i> leluia.	Gospel <i>Jn 6: 22-29</i>
FIRST READING Acts 6: 8-15 They could not withstand the wisdom	Do not work for food that perishes but for food that endures for eternal life.
and the Spirit with which he spoke.	Communion $Jn 14: 27 \cdot V$
	Peace I leave with you; † my peace I
	give to you. * Not as the world gives do
	I give it to you, says the Lord, <i>al</i> leluia.

# TUESDAY, MAY 6

Tuesday of the Third Week of EasterENTRANCERev 19: 5; 12: 10 · VISing praise to our God, \* all you whofear God, both small and great, / fornow salvation and strength have come, \*and the power of his Christ, alleluia.

FIRST READING Acts 7: 51-8: 1a Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.

RESP *Ps 31 (30): 3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab* Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

*Or:* Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 6: 30-35 It was not Moses, but my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven.

COMMUNIONRom  $6: 8 \cdot 11$ If we have *died* with Christ, \* we believethat we shall also live with Christ,*al*leluia.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY** 7 Wednesday of the Third Week of Easter

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $_{71}$  (70): 8,  $_{23} \cdot _{VI}$ Let my mouth be filled with your praise, † that I may *sing* aloud; \* my lips shall shout for joy, when I sing to you, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 8: 1b-8 They went about preaching the word.

RESP Ps 66 (65): 1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. Or: Alleluia. GOSPEL Jn 6: 35-40 This is the will of my Father, that all who see the Son may have eternal life.

COMMUNION VII The Lord has risen and shone his light *up*on us, \* whom he has redeemed by his Blood, *al*leluia.

THURSDAY, MAY 8 Thursday of the Third Week of Easter

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ex 15: 1-2* · VII Let us sing to the Lord, \* for he has gloriously triumphed. / The Lord is my strength and my might; \* he has become my salvation, alleluia.

FIRST READING Acts 8: 26-40 Look, there is water. What is to prevent my being baptized?

 RESP
 Ps 66 (65): 8-9, 16-17, 20

 Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.
 Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 6: 44-51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven.

COMMUNION 2 Cor 5:  $15 \cdot 111$ Christ died for all, that those who live † may live no longer *for* themselves, \* but for him, who died for them and is risen, *al*leluia.

> FRIDAY, MAY 9 Friday of the Third Week of Easter

ENTRANCE *Rev 5: 12* · 111 Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, † to receive power *and* divinity, \* and II

*Col 2: 12* · VI

wisdom and strength and honor, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 9: 1-20 This man is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles.

Resp Ps 117 (116): 1bc, 2 Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Jn 6: 52-59 My Flesh is true food, and my Blood is true drink

COMMUNION The Crucified is risen from the dead \* and has redeemed us. *al*leluia.

SATURDAY, MAY 10 Saturday of the Third Week of Easter

ENTRANCE

You have been buried with Christ in Baptism, \* through which you also rose again / by faith in the working of God, \* who raised him from the dead, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 9: 31-42 The Church was being built up, and with the consolation of the Holy Spirit she grew in numbers.

RESP Ps 116 (115): 12-13, 14-15, 16-17 How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good he has done for me? Or: Alleluia.

Gospel In 6: 60-69 To whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.

COMMUNION Jn 17: 20-21 · VIII Father, I *pray* for them, \* that they may be one in us, / so that the world may believe it was you who sent me, \* says the Lord. alleluia.

> Saint John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church — Optional Memorial

ENTRANCE Cf. Sir 15: 5 • VI In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth, † and the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding \* and clothed him in a robe of glory, *al*leluia.

Or: Ps 37 (36): 30-31 · VI The mouth of the just man utters wisdom, † and his tongue tells forth what is just; \* the law of his God is in his heart. *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 13: 46-49 We now turn to the Gentiles.

Resp Ps 23 (22): 1b-3a, 4, 5, 6 The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

GOSPEL Mt 5: 13-19 You are the light of the world.

COMMUNION *Cf. Lk 12: 42* • IV Behold a faithful and prudent steward \* to give them their allowance of food at the proper time, *al*leluia.

Or: Ps I: 2b,  $3b \cdot III$ He who ponders the law of the Lord day and night \* will yield fruit in due season, alleluia.

> Saint Damien De Veuster, Priest — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. 1 Pt 2:  $g \cdot VII$ O chosen people, proclaim the mighty *works* of him \* who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light, *al*leluia.

Or: Cf. Ps 18 (17): 50; 22 (21): 23 · VI I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; \* I will tell of your name to my kin, *al*leluia. Any readings from the Common of Pastors (#719-724) or the Common of Holy Men and Women (#737-742) may be used.

COMMUNIONEz 34: 15 · VII will pasture my sheep; \* I myself will<br/>give them rest, says the Lord, *al*leluia.Or:Mt 10: 27 · IVWhat I say to you *in* the darkness \*<br/>speak in the light, *says* the Lord; / what<br/>you hear whispered \* proclaim on the<br/>housetops, *al*leluia.

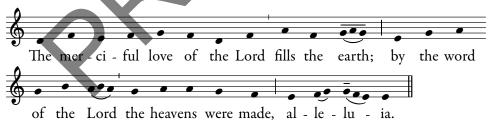
## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

– SUNDAY, MAY 11, 2025 —

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON** 

*Cf. Ps 33 (32): 5-6* • IV

The merciful love of the Lord *fills* the earth; \* by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, *al*leluia.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

## COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, / lead us to a share in the joys of heaven, / so that the humble flock may reach / where the brave Shepherd has gone before. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

Acts 13: 14, 43-52

Paul and Barnabas continued on from Perga and reached Antioch in Pisidia. On the sabbath they entered the synagogue and took their seats. Many Jews and worshipers who were converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who spoke to them and urged them to remain faithful to the grace of God.

On the following sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord. When the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy and with violent abuse contradicted what Paul said. Both Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly and said, "It was necessary that the word of God be spoken to you first, but since you reject it and condemn yourselves as unworthy of eternal life, we now turn to the Gentiles. For so the Lord has commanded us, *I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth.*"

The Gentiles were delighted when they heard this and glorified the word of the Lord. All who were destined for eternal life came to believe, and the word of the Lord continued to spread through the whole region. The Jews, however, incited the women of prominence who were worshipers and the leading men of the city, stirred up a persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in protest against them, and went to Iconium. The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

We are his peo-ple, the sheep of his flock.

Or: Alleluia.

v. Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands; / serve the LORD with gladness; / come before him with joyful song.

ŷ. Know that the LORD is God; / he made us, his we are; / his people, the flock he tends.

v . The LORD is good: / his kindness endures forever, / and his faithfulness, to all generations.

SECOND READING

I, John, had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands.

*Rev 7: 9, 14b-17* 

*Ps 100 (99): 1b-2, 3, 5* · VI

Then one of the elders said to me, "These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"For this reason they stand before God's throne / and worship him day and night in his temple. / The one who sits on the throne will shelter them. / They will not hunger or thirst anymore, / nor will the sun or any heat strike them. / For the Lamb who is in the center of the throne / will shepherd them / and lead them to springs of life-giving water, / and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."



v. I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; / I know my sheep, and mine know me.

#### GOSPEL

Jesus said: "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one can take them out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

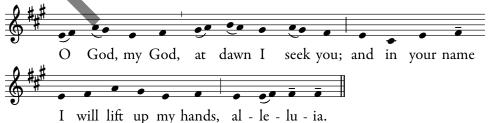
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# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Ps 63 (62): 2, 5 · 11

Jn 10: 27-30

O God, my God, at *dawn* I seek you; \* and in your name I will lift up my hands, *al*leluia.

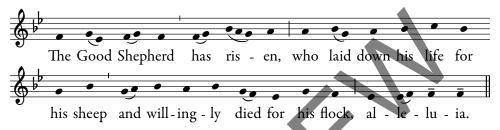


### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant, we pray, O Lord, / that we may always find delight in these paschal mysteries, / so that the renewal constantly at work within us / may be the cause of our unending joy. / Through Christ our Lord.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Good Shepherd has risen, † who laid down his life *for* his sheep \* and willingly died for his flock, *al*leluia.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look upon your flock, kind Shepherd, / and be pleased to settle in eternal pastures / the sheep you have redeemed / by the Precious Blood of your Son. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

MONDAY, MAY 12 COMMUNION *In 20: 19* · VI Jesus stood in the midst of his Monday of the Fourth Week of Easter disciples † and *said* to them: \* Peace be ENTRANCE Rom 6: 9 · 1 with you, *al*leluia. Christ, having risen from the dead, dies now no more; \* death will no longer have dominion over him, alleluia. Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs - Optional Memorial -FIRST READING Acts 11: 1-18 God has then granted life-giving ENTRANCE Cf. Mt 25: 34 • VII repentance to the Gentiles too. Come, you blessed of my Father; † receive the kingdom prepared for you \* RESP Ps 42 (41): 2-3; Ps 43 (42): 3, 4 from the foundation of the world, Athirst is my soul for the living God. alleluia. Or: Or: Cf. Rev 7: 13-14 III Alleluia. These who are clothed *in* white robes \* are they who survived the time of great GOSPEL In 10: 1-10 I am the gate for the sheep. distress / and have *washed* their robes \*

in the blood of the Lamb, *al*leluia.

vIII willFIRST READING Rev 7: 9-17 These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress.

RESP *Ps 124 (123): 2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8* Our soul has been rescued like a bird from the fowler's snare.

GOSPEL Mt 10: 17-22 You will be led before governors and kings for my sake as a witness before them and the pagans.

COMMUNION Cf. Rev 2:  $7 \cdot IV$ To the victor I will give the right  $\dagger$  to eat from the *tree* of life, \* which is in the paradise of my God, *al*leluia.

*Or: Cf. Ps 33 (32): 1* VII Ring out your joy to the Lord, *O* you just, \* for praise is fitting for the upright, *al*leluia.

# Saint Pancras, Martyr

— Optional Memorial

ENTRANCE Cf. 4 Esdr 2;  $35 \cdot vI$ Perpetual light will shine on your Saints, O Lord, \* and life without end for ever, alleluia.

Or:

IV

This is the one who was not deserted by God \* on the *day* of struggle / and now wears a *crown* of victory \* for faithfulness to the Lord's commands, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Rev 19: 1, 5-9a Blessed are those who have been called to the wedding feast of the Lamb.

RESP *Ps 103 (102): 1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 13-14, 17-18* O, bless the Lord, my soul. GOSPEL Mt 11: 25-30 Although you have hidden these things from the wise and learned you have revealed them to the childlike.

COMMUNION Jn 12: 24  $\cdot$  I Unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, † it remains just a grain of wheat; \* but if it dies, it produces much fruit, *al*leluia.

Or:  $Ps \, II6 \, (II5): I5 \cdot III$ How precious in the eyes of the Lord \* is the death of his holy ones, *al* leluia.

TUESDAY, MAY 13

Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Easter

ENTRANCE Rev 19: 7,  $\delta \cdot v$ Let us rejoice and be glad  $\dagger$  and give glory to God, \* for the Lord our God the Almighty reigns, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 11: 19-26 They began speaking to the Greeks as well, proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ.

RESP *Ps 87 (86): 1b-3, 4-5, 6-7* All you nations, praise the Lord. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL The Father and I are one. Jn 10: 22-30

COMMUNION *Cf. Lk 24: 46, 26* · VIII The Christ had to suffer and rise *from* the dead, \* and so enter into his glory, *al*leluia. *Our Lady of Fatima* — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps* 30 (29): 12 · VI You have changed my mourning into dan*cing*, O Lord, \* and have girded me with joy, *al*leluia.

FIRST READINGIs 61: 9-11I rejoice heartily in the Lord.

RESP *Ps 45: 11-12, 14-15, 16-17* Listen to me, daughter; see and bend your ear.

GOSPEL Lk 11: 27-28 Blessed is the womb that carried you. Rather, blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it.

COMMUNION I Rejoice, O *Vir*gin Mother, \* for Christ has risen from the tomb, *al*leluia.

> WEDNESDAY, MAY 14 Saint Matthias, Apostle

> > Feast -

## Entrance

Jn 15: 16 · 1

It was not you who chose me, says the Lord, † but I who chose you and appointed you to go *and* bear fruit, \* fruit that will last, *al*leluia.

*The* Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) *is said.* 

FIRST READING Acts 1: 15-17, 20-26 The lot fell upon Matthias, and he was counted with the Eleven Apostles. RESP *Ps 113 (112): 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8* The Lord will give him a seat with the leaders of his people.

*Or:* Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 15: 9-17 You are my friends if you do what I command you.

COMMUNION  $Jn 15: 12 \cdot IV$ This is my commandment: † Love *one* another \* as I love you, says the Lord, *al*leluia.

THURSDAY, MAY 15 Thursday of the Fourth Week of Easter

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 68 (67): 8-9,  $20 \cdot IV$ O God, when you went forth before your people, † marching with them and living among them, \* the earth trembled, heavens poured down rain, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 13: 13-25 From this man's descendants God, according to his promise, has brought to Israel a savior, Jesus.

RESP *Ps 89 (88): 2-3, 21-22, 25, 27* For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 13: 16-20 Whoever receives the one I send receives me.

COMMUNION Mt 28: 20 · VIII Behold, I am *with* you always, \* even to the end of the age, *al*leluia. Saint Isidore — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 21 (20): 2-3 · VI In your strength, O Lord, the just one rejoices; † how greatly your salvation *makes* him glad! \* You have granted him his soul's desire, *al*leluia.

Any reading from the Common of Holy Men and Women (#737-742) may be used.

COMMUNIONCf. Mt 16:  $24 \cdot 1$ Whoever wishes to come after me,<br/>must deny himself, \* take up his cross,<br/>and follow me, says the Lord, *al*leluia.

FRIDAY, MAY 16 Friday of the Fourth Week of Easter

ENTRANCE  $Rev 5: g-10 \cdot 1$ You have redeemed us, Lord, by your Blood \* from every tribe and tongue and people and nation, / and have made us into a kingdom, \* priests for our God, alleluia.

FIRST READING Acts 13: 26-33 God has fulfilled his promise by raising Jesus from the dead.

RESP Ps 2: 6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab You are my Son; this day I have begotten you. Or: Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 14: 1-6 I am the way and the truth and the life. COMMUNION Rom  $4: 25 \cdot 111$ Christ our Lord was handed over for our transgressions \* and was raised again for our justification, *al*leluia.

SATURDAY, MAY 17 Saturday of the Fourth Week of Easter

ENTRANCE  $Cf. I Pt 2: g \cdot VII$ O chosen people, proclaim the mighty *works* of him \* who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 13: 44-52 We now turn to the Gentiles.

RESP *Ps 98 (97): 1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4* All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

#### Alleluia.

Or:

GOSPEL Jn 14: 7-14 Whoever has seen me has seen the Father.

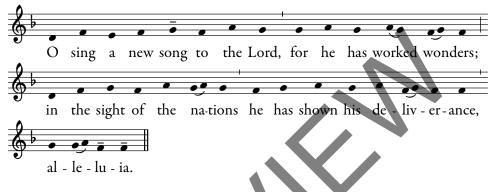
COMMUNION  $Jn \ 17: 24 \cdot VIII$ Father, I wish that, where I am, † those you gave me may also be with me, \* that they may see the glory that you gave me, *al*leluia.

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER — sunday, may 18, 2025 —

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Ps 98 (97): 1-2* • VI

O sing a new song *to* the Lord, \* for he *has* worked wonders; / in the sight *of* the nations \* he has shown his deliverance, *al*leluia.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

# COLLECT

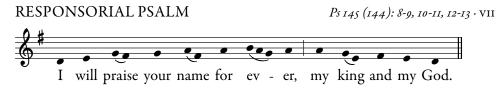
Almighty ever-living God, / constantly accomplish the Paschal Mystery within us, / that those you were pleased to make new in Holy Baptism / may, under your protective care, bear much fruit / and come to the joys of life eternal. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

Acts 14: 21-27

After Paul and Barnabas had proclaimed the good news to that city and made a considerable number of disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch. They strengthened the spirits of the disciples and exhorted them to persevere in the faith, saying, "It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God." They appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, commended them to the Lord in whom they had put their faith. Then they traveled through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. After proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia. From there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now accomplished. And when they arrived, they called the church together MAY 18

and reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.



Or: Alleluia.

 $\hat{y}$ . The LORD is gracious and merciful, / slow to anger and of great kindness. / The LORD is good to all / and compassionate toward all his works.

v. Let all your works give you thanks, O LORD, / and let your faithful ones bless you. / Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom / and speak of your might.

v. Let them make known your might to the children of Adam, / and the glorious splendor of your kingdom. / Your kingdom is a kingdom for all ages, / and your dominion endures through all generations.

# SECOND READING

Then I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. I also saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away."

The One who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new."



v . I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: / love one another as I have loved you.

Rev 21: 1-5a

# GOSPEL

#### Jn 13: 31-33a, 34-35

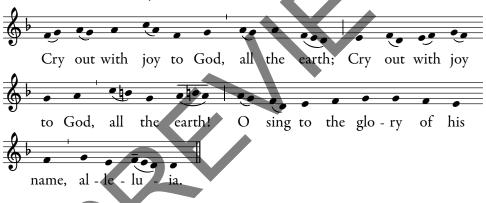
Ps 66 (65): 1, 2, 16 • 1

When Judas had left them, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and God will glorify him at once. My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The Creed is said.

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Cry out with joy to God, *all* the earth; \* Cry out with joy to God, *all* the earth! / O sing to the glory of his name. † Come and hear, all *who* fear God; \* I will tell what the Lord did for my soul, *al* leluia.



# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who by the wonderful exchange effected in this sacrifice / have made us partakers of the one supreme Godhead, / grant, we pray, / that, as we have come to know your truth, / we may make it ours by a worthy way of life. / Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Cf. Jn 15: 1, 5* • VIII

I am *the* true vine \* and you are the branches, *says* the Lord. / Whoever remains in me, and *I* in him, \* bears fruit in plenty, *al*leluia.





#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord, / and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries / to pass from former ways to newness of life. / Through Christ our Lord.

# MONDAY, MAY 19

Monday of the Fifth Week of Easter

ENTRANCE

The Good Shepherd has risen, † who laid down his life *for* his sheep \* and willingly died for his flock, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 14: 5-18 We proclaim to you Good News that you should turn from these idols to the living God.

RESP *Ps 115 (113): 1-2, 3-4, 15-16* Not to us, O Lord, but to your name give the glory. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 14: 21-26 The Advocate whom the Father will send will teach you everything.

COMMUNION Jn 14: 27 V Peace I leave with you; † my peace I give to you. \* Not as the world gives do I give it to you, says the Lord, *al*leluia.

# TUESDAY, MAY 20 Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Easter

ENTRANCE *Rev 19: 5; 12: 10 ·* VI Sing praise *to* our God, \* all you who fear God, both *small* and great, / for now salvation and *strength* have come,\* and the power of his Christ, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 14: 19-28 They called the Church together and reported what God had done with them.

RESP *Ps 145 (144): 10-11, 12-13ab, 21* Your friends make known, O Lord, the glorious splendor of your kingdom. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL My peace I give to you. Jn 14: 27-31a

COMMUNION Rom  $6: 8 \cdot II$ If we have *died* with Christ, \* we believe that we shall also live with Christ, *al*leluia. Saint Bernardine of Siena, Priest — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. 1 Pt 2:  $g \cdot VII$ O chosen people, proclaim the mighty *works* of him \* who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light, *al*leluia.

Or: Cf. Ps 18 (17): 50; 22 (21): 23  $\cdot$  VI I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; \* I will tell of your name to my kin, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 4: 8-12 There is no salvation through anyone else.

RESP *Ps 40 (39): 2, 4ab, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11* Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.

Gospel Lk. I will follow you wherever you go.

Communion

I will pas*ture* my sheep; \* I myself will give them rest, says the Lord, *al*leluia. *Or: Mt 10.27* · IV What I say to you *in* the darkness \* speak in the light, *says* the Lord; / what *you* hear whispered, \* proclaim on the housetops, *al*leluia.

Ez 34: 15 • VI

# WEDNESDAY, MAY 21 Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Easter

ENTRANCE  $Cf. Ps \ 7I \ (70): 8, 23 \cdot VI$ Let my mouth be filled with your praise, † that I may *sing* aloud; \* my lips shall shout for joy, when I sing to you, *al*leluia. FIRST READING Acts 15: 1-6 They decided to go up to Jerusalem to the Apostles and presbyters about this question.

RESP *Ps 122 (121): 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5* Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

*Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 15: 1-8 Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit.

Соммимом vii The Lord has risen and shone his light *up*on us, \* whom he has redeemed by his Blood, *al*lehuia.

Saint Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Mt 25: 34* VII Come, you blessed of my Father; † receive the king*dom* prepared for you \* from the foundation of the world, *al*leluia.

*Or: Cf. Rev 7: 13-14* III These who are clothed *in* white robes \* are they who survived the time of *great* distress / and have *washed* their robes \* in the blood of the Lamb, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Rev 7: 9-17 These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress.

RESP *Ps 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9* The Lord delivered me from all my fears.

Or:

GOSPEL Jn 12: 24-26 If it dies, it produces much fruit.

COMMUNION Cf. Rev 2:  $7 \cdot 1V$ To the victor I will give the right  $\dagger$  to eat from the *tree* of life, \* which is in the paradise of my God, *al*leluia.

Or:  $Cf. Ps_{33} (32): I VII$ Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just, \* for praise is fitting for the upright, *al*leluia.

### THURSDAY, MAY 22 Thursday of the Fifth Week of Easter

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ex 15: 1-2* · VII Let us sing *to* the Lord, \* for he has glo*rious*ly triumphed. / The Lord is my strength *and* my might; \* he has become my salvation, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 15: 7-21 It is my judgment, therefore, that we ought to stop troubling the Gentiles who turn to God.

RESP *Ps 96 (95): 1-2a, 2b-3, 10* Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.

Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 15: 9-11 Remain in my love, that your joy might be complete.

COMMUNION 2 Cor 5: 15 • III Christ died for all, that those who live † may live no longer *for* themselves, \* but for him, who died for them and is risen, *al*leluia. Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Hos 2: 21-22* The Lord has taken her as his *bride* for ever \* in faithfulness and mercy, *al*leluia.

FIRST READINGPhil 4: 4-9Think about whatever is worthy of praise.

RESP *Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4, 6* Blessed are they who hope in the Lord. *Or:* 

Blessed are they who delight in the law of the Lord.

The just will flourish like the palm tree in the garden of the Lord.

GOSPEL Lk 6: 27-38 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

COMMUNIONCf. Lam 3:  $24-25 \cdot I$ The Lord *is* my portion: \* he is good to<br/>the soul that seeks him, *al*leluia.

FRIDAY, MAY 23 Friday of the Fifth Week of Easter

ENTRANCE *Rev 5: 12* III Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, † to receive power *and* divinity, \* and wisdom and strength and honor, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 15: 22-31 It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden beyond these necessities. RESP Ps 57 (56): 8-9, 10, 12 I will give you thanks among the peoples, O Lord.

Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 15: 12-17 This is my commandment: love one another.

COMMUNION II The Crucified is risen *from* the dead \* and has redeemed us, *al*leluia.

#### SATURDAY, MAY 24

Saturday of the Fifth Week of Easter ENTRANCE Col 2: 12 · VI You have been buried with Christ in Baptism, \* through which you also rose again / by faith in the working of God, \* who raised him from the dead, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 16: 1-10 Come over to Macedonia and help us.

RESP *Ps 100 (99): 1b-2, 3, 5* Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 15: 18-21 You do not belong to the world, and I have chosen you out of the world.

COMMUNION Jn 17: 20-21 · VIII Father, I pray for them, \* that they may be one in us, / so that the world may believe it was you who sent me, \* says the Lord, aleluia.

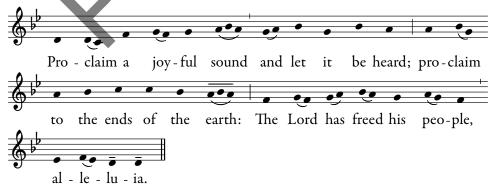
# SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

– SUNDAY, MAY 25, 2025 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Is 48: 20* • III

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; † proclaim to the ends *of* the earth: \* The Lord has freed his people, *al*leluia.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

# COLLECT

Grant, almighty God, / that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy, / which we keep in honor of the risen Lord, / and that what we relive in remembrance / we may always hold to in what we do. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING

Some who had come down from Judea were instructing the brothers, "Unless you are circumcised according to the Mosaic practice, you cannot be saved." Because there arose no little dissension and debate by Paul and Barnabas with them, it was decided that Paul, Barnabas, and some of the others should go up to Jerusalem to the apostles and elders about this question.

The apostles and elders, in agreement with the whole church, decided to choose representatives and to send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. The ones chosen were Judas, who was called Barsabbas, and Silas, leaders among the brothers. This is the letter delivered by them:

"The apostles and the elders, your brothers, to the brothers in Antioch, Syria, and Cilicia of Gentile origin: greetings. Since we have heard that some of our number who went out without any mandate from us have upset you with their teachings and disturbed your peace of mind, we have with one accord decided to choose representatives and to send them to you along with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. So we are sending Judas and Silas who will also convey this same message by word of mouth: 'It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us not to place on you any burden beyond these necessities, namely, to abstain from meat sacrificed to idols, from blood, from meats of strangled animals, and from unlawful marriage. If you keep free of these, you will be doing what is right. Farewell."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 67 (66): 2-3, 5, 6, 8* · VII

Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29



Or: Alleluia.

v. May God have pity on us and bless us; / may he let his face shine upon us. / So may your way be known upon earth; / among all nations, your salvation.

v. May the nations be glad and exult / because you rule the peoples in equity; / the nations on the earth you guide.

ŷ. May the peoples praise you, O God; / may all the peoples praise you! / May God bless us, / and may all the ends of the earth fear him!

# SECOND READING

The angel took me in spirit to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. It gleamed with the splendor of God. Its radiance was like that of a precious stone, like jasper, clear as crystal. It had a massive, high wall, with twelve gates where twelve angels were stationed and on which names were inscribed, the names of the twelve tribes of the Israelites. There were three gates facing east, three north, three south, and three west. The wall of the city had twelve courses of stones as its foundation, on which were inscribed the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw no temple in the city for its temple is the Lord God almighty and the Lamb. The city had no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gave it light, and its lamp was the Lamb.

v . Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord, / and my Father will love him and we will come to him.

# GOSPEL

Jn 14: 23-29

Rev 21: 10-14, 22-23

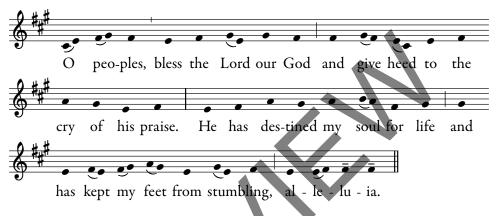
Jesus said to his disciples: "Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me.

"I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me tell you, 'I am going away and I will come back to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father; for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it happens, so that when it happens you may believe."

### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 66 (65): 8, 9, 20* • II

O peoples, bless the *Lord* our God \* and give heed to the cry *of* his praise. / He has destined my *soul* for life \* and has kept my *feet* from stumbling. / Blessed be the Lord, who did not turn away *from* my prayer, \* nor withhold from me his merciful love, *al*leluia.



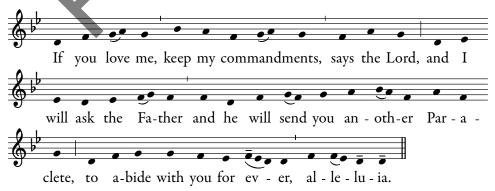
# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May our prayers rise up to you, O'Lord, / together with the sacrificial offerings, / so that, purified by your graciousness, / we may be conformed to the mysteries of your mighty love. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Jn 14: 15-16* • IV

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, † and I will ask the Father and he will send you an*oth*er Paraclete, \* to abide with you for ever, *al*leluia.



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty ever-living God, / who restore us to eternal life in the Resurrection of Christ, / increase in us, we pray, the fruits of this paschal Sacrament / and pour into our hearts the strength of this saving food. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, MAY 26 Saint Philip Neri, Priest — Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Rom 5: 5; cf. 8: 11* · 111 The love of God has been poured in*to* our hearts \* through the Spirit of God dwelling within us, *al*leluia.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Acts 16: 11-15 The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what Paul taught.

RESP *Ps 149: 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b* The Lord takes delight in his people. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 15: 26–16: 4a The Spirit of truth will testify to me.

COMMUNION  $Jn 15: g \cdot v$ As the Father loves me, so I also love you; \* remain in my love, says the Lord, *al*leluia.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING 1Phil 4: 4-9 Think about whatever is worthy of praise.

RESP *Ps 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11* I will bless the Lord at all times. Or:

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL Jn 17: 20-26 I wish that where I am they also may be with me.

> TUESDAY, MAY 27 Tuesday of the Sixth Week of Easter

ENTRANCE Rev 19: 7,  $\delta \cdot v$ Let us rejoice and be glad  $\dagger$  and give glory to God, \* for the Lord our God the Almighty reigns, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 16: 22-34 Believe in the Lord Jesus and you and your household will be saved.

RESP Ps 138 (137): 1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 Your right hand saves me, O Lord. Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 16: 5-11 For if I do not go, the Advocate will not come to you.

COMMUNION Cf. Lk 24: 46, 26  $\cdot$  VIII The Christ had to suffer and rise from the dead, \* and so enter into his glory, *al*leluia. Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. 1 Pt 2:  $g \cdot VII$ O chosen people, proclaim the mighty *works* of him \* who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light, *al*leluia.

Or: Cf. Ps 18 (17): 50; 22 (21):  $23 \cdot VI$ I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; \* I will tell of your name to my kin, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING 1 Thes 2: 2b-8 We were determined to share with you not only the Gospel of God, but our very selves as well.

RESP *Ps 96 (95): 1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10* Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.

GOSPEL Mt 9: 35-38 The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few.

COMMUNION $E_{x,3,4}: 15 \cdot VI$ I will pasture my sheep; \* I myself will<br/>give them rest, says the Lord, *al*leluia.Or: $Mt 10: 27 \cdot IV$ 

What I say to you *in* the darkness \* speak in the light, *says* the Lord; / what *you* hear whispered, \* proclaim on the housetops, *al*leluia.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28 Wednesday of the Sixth Week of Easter

ENTRANCE Ps 18 (17): 50; 22 (21): 23  $\cdot$  VI I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; \* I will tell of your name to my kin, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 17: 15, 22–18: 1 What therefore you unknowingly worship, I proclaim to you.

RESP *Ps 148: 1-2, 11-12, 13, 14* Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

*Or:* Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 16: 12-15 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you to all truth.

COMMUNION Cf. In 15: 16, 19  $\cdot$  1 Thave chosen you from the world, says the Lord, † and have appointed you to go out *and* bear fruit, \* fruit *that* will last, *al*leluia.

# THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

— THURSDAY, MAY 29 OR SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2025 —

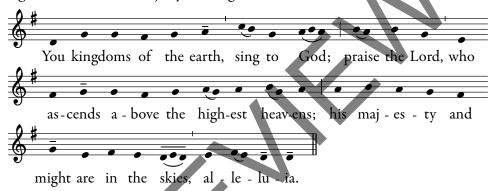
Where the Solemnity of the Ascension is not observed as a Holy Day of Obligation, it is assigned to the Seventh Sunday of Easter as its proper day.

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

At the Vigil Mass:

Ps 68 (67): 33, 35 · VII

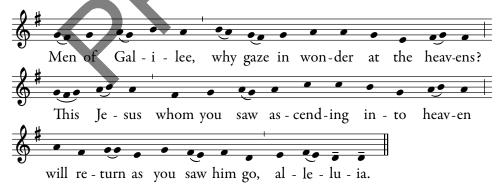
You kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; † praise the Lord, who ascends above the *high*est heavens; \* his majesty and might are in the skies, *al*leluta.



#### At the Mass during the Day:

*Acts 1: 11* · VII

Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens? † This Jesus whom you saw ascending *in* to heaven \* will return as you saw him go, *al*leluia.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

# COLLECT

#### At the Vigil Mass:

O God, whose Son today ascended to the heavens / as the Apostles looked on, / grant, we pray, that, in accordance with his promise, / we may be worthy for him to live with us always on earth, / and we with him in heaven. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### At the Mass during the Day:

Gladden us with holy joys, almighty God, / and make us rejoice with devout thanksgiving, / for the Ascension of Christ your Son / is our exaltation, / and, where the Head has gone before in glory, / the Body is called to follow in hope. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### Or:

Grant, we pray, almighty God, / that we, who believe that your Only Begotten Son, our Redeemer, / ascended this day to the heavens, / may in spirit dwell already in heavenly realms. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While meeting with them, he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for "the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

When they had gathered together they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" He answered them, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him from their sight. While they were looking intently at the sky as he was going, suddenly two men dressed in white garments stood beside them.

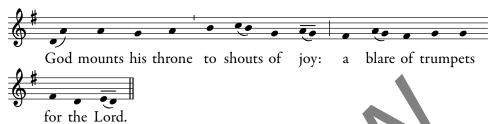
#### Acts 1: 1-11

They said, "Men of Galilee, why are you standing there looking at the sky? This Jesus who has been taken up from you into heaven will return in the same way as you have seen him going into heaven."

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Ps* 47 (46): 2-3, 6-7, 8-9 · VII

Eph 1: 17-23



Or: Alleluia.

v. All you peoples, clap your hands, / shout to God with cries of gladness, / For the LORD, the Most High, the awesome, / is the great king over all the earth.

ŷ. God mounts his throne amid shouts of joy; / the LORD, amid trumpet blasts. / Sing praise to God, sing praise; / sing praise to our king, sing praise.

v. For king of all the earth is God; / sing hymns of praise. / God reigns over the nations, / God sits upon his holy throne.

#### SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a Spirit of wisdom and revelation resulting in knowledge of him. May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened, that you may know what is the hope that belongs to his call, what are the riches of glory in his inheritance among the holy ones, and what is the surpassing greatness of his power for us who believe, in accord with the exercise of his great might, which he worked in Christ, raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens, far above every principality, authority, power, and dominion, and every name that is named not only in this age but also in the one to come. And he put all things beneath his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way.

ALLELUIA  $Mt \ 28: \ 19a, \ 20b \cdot VII$ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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v . Go and teach all nations, says the Lord; / I am with you always, until the end of the world.

### GOSPEL

Jesus said to his disciples: "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold I am sending the promise of my Father upon you; but stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, raised his hands, and blessed them. As he blessed them he parted from them and was taken up to heaven. They did him homage and then returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and they were continually in the temple praising God.

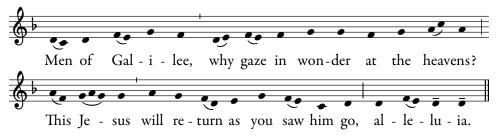
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# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

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Ps 47 (46): 6 • 1

Lk 24: 46-53

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

#### At the Vigil Mass:

O God, whose Only Begotten Son, our High Priest, / is seated ever-living at your right hand to intercede for us, / grant that we may approach with confidence the throne of grace / and there obtain your mercy. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### *At the Mass during the Day:*

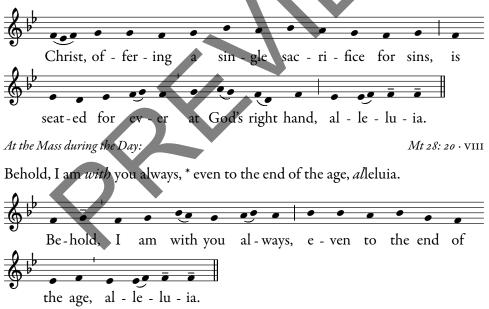
We offer sacrifice now in supplication, O Lord, / to honor the wondrous Ascension of your Son: / grant, we pray, / that through this most holy exchange / we, too, may rise up to the heavenly realms. / Through Christ our Lord.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

At the Vigil Mass:

Christ, offering a single sacri*fice* for sins, \* is seated for ever at God's right hand, *al*leluia.

Heb 10: 12 · VIII



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

At the Vigil Mass:

May the gifts we have received from your altar, Lord, / kindle in our hearts a longing for the heavenly homeland / and cause us to press forward, following in the Savior's footsteps, / to the place where for our sake he entered before us. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

#### At the Mass during the Day:

Almighty ever-living God, / who allow those on earth to celebrate divine mysteries, / grant, we pray, / that Christian hope may draw us onward / to where our nature is united with you. / Through Christ our Lord.

THURSDAY, MAY 29 Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter

Where the Solemnity of the Ascension has been assigned to Sunday, June 1, Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter is celebrated, or the Optional Memorial of Saint Paul VI, Pope.

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 68 (67): 8-9,  $20 \cdot IV$ O God, when you went forth before your people, † marching with them and liv*ing* among them, \* the earth trembled, heavens poured down rain, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 18: 1-8 Paul stayed with them and worked and entered into discussions in the synagogue.

RESP *Ps 98 (97): ibcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4* The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 16: 16-20 You will grieve, but your grief will become joy.

COMMUNION Mt 28: 20 · VIII Behold, I am with you always, \* even to the end of the age, *al*leluia. Saint Paul VI, Pope — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE II The Lord chose him for himself as high priest,  $\dagger$  and, open*ing* his treasure house, \* made him rich in all good things, *al*leluia.

Or: Cf. Sir 50: 1; 44: 16, 22 · VII Behold a great priest, who in his days pleased God; † therefore, in accordance with his promise, \* the Lord gave him growth for the good of his people, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING *I Cor 9: 16-19, 22-23* Woe to me if I do not preach the Gospel!

RESP *Ps 96 (95): 1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10* Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.

GOSPEL Mt 16: 13-19 You are Peter. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven.

COMMUNION *Cf. Jn 10: 11* · VII The Good Shepherd *has* laid down \* his life for his sheep, *al*leluia.

## **FRIDAY, MAY 30** *Friday of the Sixth Week of Easter*

ENTRANCE  $Rev 5: 9-10 \cdot 1$ You have redeemed us, Lord, by your Blood \* from every tribe and tongue and people and nation, / and have made us into a kingdom, \* priests for our God, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 18: 9-18 I have many people in this city.

RESP *Ps 47 (46): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7* God is king of all the earth. *Or:* Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 16: 20-23 No one will take your joy away from you.

COMMUNION Rom 47.25 • 111 Christ our Lord was handed over for our transgressions \* and was raised again for our justification, *al*leluia.

SATURDAY, MAY 31 The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

— Feast —

ENTRANCE

*Cf. Ps 66 (65): 16* • 1

Come and hear, all *who* fear God; \* I will tell what the Lord did for my soul, *al*leluia.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

FIRST READING Zeph 3: 14-18a The King of Israel, the Lord, is in your midst. Or: Rom 12: 9-16 Contribute to the needs of the holy ones, exercise hospitality.

RESP Is 12: 2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 Among you is the great and Holy One of Israel.

GOSPEL Lk 1: 39-56 And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me?

COMMUNION  $Lk_{1: 48-49} \cdot v_{I}$ All generations will call me blessed, † for he who is mighty has done great *things* for me, \* and holy is his name, *al*leluia.

# SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

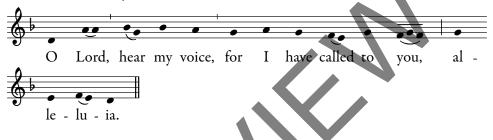
— SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2025 —

When the Solemnity of the Ascension is observed as a Holy Day of Obligation on May 29, the Seventh Sunday of Easter is celebrated.

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 27 (26): 7-9 · 1

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; † of you my heart has spoken: *Seek* his face; \* hide not your face from me, *al*leluia.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

## COLLECT

Graciously hear our supplications, O Lord, / so that we, who believe that the Savior of the human race / is with you in your glory, / may experience, as he promised, / until the end of the world, / his abiding presence among us. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

Acts 7:55-60

Stephen, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked up intently to heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God, and Stephen said, "Behold, I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God." But they cried out in a loud voice, covered their ears, and rushed upon him together. They threw him out of the city, and began to stone him. The witnesses laid down their cloaks at the feet of a young man named Saul. As they were stoning Stephen, he called out, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." Then he fell to his knees and cried out in a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them"; and when he said this, he fell asleep.



The Lord is king, the most high o - ver all the earth.

Or: Alleluia.

ŷ. The LORD is king; let the earth rejoice; / let the many islands be glad. / Justice and judgment are the foundation of his throne.

 $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ . The heavens proclaim his justice, / and all peoples see his glory. / All gods are prostrate before him.

). You, O LORD, are the Most High over all the earth, / exalted far above all gods.

## SECOND READING

I, John, heard a voice saying to me: "Behold, I am coming soon. I bring with me the recompense I will give to each according to his deeds. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."

Blessed are they who wash their robes so as to have the right to the tree of life and enter the city through its gates.

"I, Jesus, sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the root and offspring of David, the bright morning star."

The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." Let the hearer say, "Come." Let the one who thirsts come forward, and the one who wants it receive the gift of life-giving water.

The one who gives this testimony says, "Yes, I am coming soon." Amen! Come, Lord Jesus!

ALLELUIA



*Cf. Jn 14: 18* • VI

Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20

ŷ. I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord. / I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice.

#### GOSPEL

Jn 17:20-26

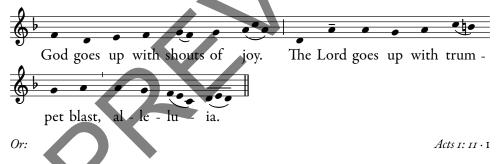
Lifting up his eyes to heaven, Jesus prayed saying: "Holy Father, I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me. And I have given them the glory you gave me, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may be brought to perfection as one, that the world may know that you sent me, and that you loved them even as you loved me. Father, they are your gift to me. I wish that where I am they also may be with me, that they may see my glory that you gave me, because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Righteous Father, the world also does not know you, but I know you, and they know that you sent me. I made known to them your name and I will make it known, that the love with which you loved me may be in them and I in them."

The Creed is said.

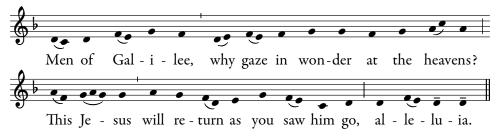
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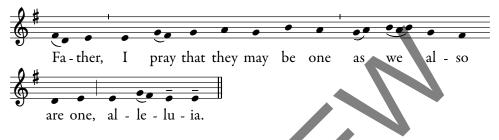


## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful / with the sacrificial offerings, / that through these acts of devotedness / we may pass over to the glory of heaven. / Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Father, I pray that they *may* be one \* as we also are one, *al*leluia.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Hear us, O God our Savior, / and grant us confidence, / that through these sacred mysteries / there will be accomplished in the body of the whole Church / what has already come to pass in Christ her Head. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

MONDAY, JUNE 2 Monday of the Seventh Week of Easter

ENTRANCE Acts r: 8 · VII You will receive the power \* of the Holy Spirit coming upon you, / and you will be my witnesses, \* even to the ends of the earth, alleluia.

FIRST READING Acts 19: 1-8 Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you became believers?

RESP *Ps 68 (67): 2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab* Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 16: 29-33 Take courage, I have conquered the world. COMMUNION Jn 14: 18; 16: 22  $\cdot$  v I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord; † I will come to you again, \* and your heart will rejoice, *al*leluia.

Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCECf. Mt 25: 34 VIICome, you blessed of my Father; † receivethe kingdom prepared for you \* fromthe foundation of the world, alleluia.Or:Cf. Rev 7: 13-14 IIIThese who are clothed in white robes \*are they who survived the time of greatdistress / and have washed their robes \*in the blood of the Lamb, alleluia.

FIRST READING 2 Cor 6: 4-10 We are treated as dying and behold we live. RESP *Ps 124 (123): 2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8* Our soul has been rescued like a bird from the fowler's snare.

GOSPEL Jn 17: 11b-19 The world hated them.

COMMUNIONCf. Rev 2:  $7 \cdot IV$ To the victor I will give the right  $\dagger$  to<br/>eat from the *tree* of life, \* which is in<br/>the paradise of my God, *al*leluia.

*Or: Cf. Ps* 33 (32): *I* VII Ring out your joy to the Lord, *O* you just, \* for praise is fitting for the upright, *al*leluia.

> TUESDAY, JUNE 3 Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Wis 3:  $6-7, 9 \cdot II$ As gold in the furnace, the Lord put his chosen to the test; \* as sacrificial offerings, he took them to himself; / and in due time they will be honored, \* and grace and peace will be with the elect of God, alleluia.

#### Readings of the day:

FIRST READING Acts 20: 17-27 I am finishing my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus.

RESP *Ps 68 (67): 10-11, 20-21* Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 17: 1-11a Father, glorify your Son. COMMUNIONPs 116 (115): 15  $\cdot$  IIIHow precious in the eyes of the Lord \*is the death of his holy ones, alleluia.

#### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING 2 Macc 7: 1-2, 9-14 We are ready to die rather than transgress the laws of our ancestors.

RESP *Ps 124 (123): 2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8* Our soul has been rescued like a bird from the fowler's snare.

GOSPEL *Mt 5: 1-12a* Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 4Wednesday of the Seventh Week of EasterENTRANCE $Ps 47 (46): 2 \cdot VI$ All peoples, clap your hands. \* Cry toGod with shouts of joy, alleluia.

FIRST READING Acts 20: 28-38 I commend you to God who has the power to build you up and to give you an inheritance.

RESP *Ps 68 (67): 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab* Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 17: 11b-19 May they be one just as we are one.

COMMUNION Jn 15:  $26-27 \cdot VIII$ When the Paraclete comes, whom I will send you, \* the Spirit of Truth who proceeds *from* the Father, / he will bear wit*ness* to me, \* and you also will bear witness, says the Lord, *al*leluia. τv

THURSDAY, JUNE 5 Saint Boniface, Bishop and Martyr — Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. 4 Esdr 2: 35* VI Perpetual light will shine on your *Saints*, O Lord, \* and life without end for ever, *al*leluia.

Or:

This is the one who was not desert*ed* by God \* on the *day* of struggle / and now wears a *crown* of victory \* for faithfulness to the Lord's commands, *al*leluia.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READINGActs 22: 30; 23: 6-11You must bear witness in Rome.

RESP *Ps 16 (15): 1-2a, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11* Keep me safe, O God; you are my hope. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL May they all be one.

COMMUNION

In 12: 24 • 1

In 17:

Unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, † it remains just a *grain* of wheat; \* but if it dies, it produces much fruit, *al*leluia.

Or:  $Ps \ II6 \ (II5): I5 \cdot III$ How precious in the eyes of the Lord \* is the death of his holy ones, *al* leluia.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Acts 26: 19-23 Christ proclaims light to both the Jews and the Gentiles. RESP *Ps 117 (116): 1bc, 2* Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 10: 11-16 A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

FRIDAY, JUNE 6 Friday of the Seventh Week of Easter

ENTRANCE  $Rev 1: 5-6 \cdot VI$ Christ loved us and washed us clean of our sins by his Blood,  $\ddagger$  and made us into a kingdom, \* priests for his God and Father, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Acts 25: 13b-21 Jesus was dead, whom Paul claimed to be alive.

RESP *Ps 103 (102): 1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab* The Lord has established his throne in heaven.

*Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 21: 15-19 Feed my lambs, feed my sheep.

COMMUNION Jn 16: 13 · VI When the Spirit of truth comes, \* he will teach you all truth, says the Lord, *al*leluia.

> Saint Norbert, Bishop — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf.  $Ez_{34}$ : 11, 23-24  $\cdot$  IV I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, † and I will appoint a shep*herd*  to pasture them, \* and I, the Lord, will *be* their God , *al*leluia.

Or: Cf. Lk 12:  $42 \cdot IV$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household \* to give them their allowance of food at the *proper* time, *al*leluia.

FIRST READING Ezek 34: 11-16 As a shepherd tends his flock so will I tend my sheep.

RESP Ps 23 (22): 1b-3a, 4, 5, 6 The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

GOSPEL Lk 14: 25-33 Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.

Cf. In 15: 16 • 1

#### Communion

It was not you who chose me, *says* the Lord, \* but I *who* chose you / and appointed you to go *and* bear fruit, \* fruit *that* will last *, al*leluia.

Or: Cf.  $Lk_{12:36-37} \cdot III$ Blessed is that servant, whom his lord *finds* awake \* when he comes and knocks *at* the gate, *al*leluia.

# SATURDAY, JUNE 7

Saturday of the Seventh Week of Easter: At the Morning Mass

ENTRANCE *Acts I: 14* · VIII The disciples devoted themselves with one accord to prayer † with the women, and Mary the Moth*er* of Jesus, \* and his brethren, *al*leluia. FIRST READING Acts 28: 16-20, 30-31 Paul remained at Rome, proclaiming the Kingdom of God.

RESP *Ps II (10): 4, 5 and 7* The just will gaze on your face, O Lord. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Jn 21: 20-25 This is the disciple who has written these things and his testimony is true.

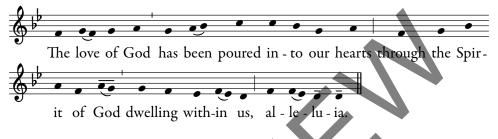
COMMUNION  $fn \ 16: 14 \cdot VII$ The Holy Spirit will glorify me,  $\dagger$  for he will take from *what* is mine \* and declare it to you, *says* the Lord, *al*leluia.

# PENTECOST SUNDAY at the vigil mass (extended form) — saturday, june 7, 2025 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Rom 5: 5; cf. 8: 11* • 111

The love of God has been poured in*to* our hearts \* through the Spirit of God dwelling within us, *al*leluia.



Then the Priest intones the hymn Gloria in excelsis Deo (Glory to God in the highest).

In churches where the Vigil Mass is celebrated in a simple form, one of the following four readings is proclaimed and Psalm 104 (103) is sung as the Responsorial Psalm.

#### FIRST READING

Gn 11: 1-9

The whole world spoke the same language, using the same words. While the people were migrating in the east, they came upon a valley in the land of Shinar and settled there. They said to one another, "Come, let us mold bricks and harden them with fire." They used bricks for stone, and bitumen for mortar. Then they said, "Come, let us build ourselves a city and a tower with its top in the sky, and so make a name for ourselves; otherwise we shall be scattered all over the earth."

The LORD came down to see the city and the tower that the people had built. Then the LORD said: "If now, while they are one people, all speaking the same language, they have started to do this, nothing will later stop them from doing whatever they presume to do. Let us then go down there and confuse their language, so that one will not understand what another says." Thus the LORD scattered them from there all over the earth, and they stopped building the city. That is why it was called Babel, because there the LORD confused the speech of all the world. It was from that place that he scattered them all over the earth.



v. The LORD brings to nought the plans of nations; / he foils the designs of peoples. / But the plan of the LORD stands forever; / the design of his heart, through all generations.

v. Blessed the nation whose God is the LORD, / the people he has chosen for his own inheritance. / From heaven the LORD looks down; / he sees all mankind.

 $\hat{y}$ . From his fixed throne he beholds / all who dwell on the earth, / He who fashioned the heart of each, / he who knows all their works.

### PRAYER

Grant, we pray, almighty God, / that your Church may always remain that holy people, / formed as one by the unity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, / which manifests to the world / the Sacrament of your holiness and unity / and leads it to the perfection of your charity. / Through Christ our Lord.

## SECOND READING

#### Ex 19: 3-8a, 16-20b

Moses went up the mountain to God. Then the LORD called to him and said, "Thus shall you say to the house of Jacob; tell the Israelites: You have seen for yourselves how I treated the Egyptians and how I bore you up on eagle wings and brought you here to myself. Therefore, if you hearken to my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my special possession, dearer to me than all other people, though all the earth is mine. You shall be to me a kingdom of priests, a holy nation. That is what you must tell the Israelites." So Moses went and summoned the elders of the people. When he set before them all that the LORD had ordered him to tell them, the people all answered together, "Everything the LORD has said, we will do."

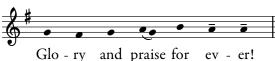
On the morning of the third day there were peals of thunder and lightning, and a heavy cloud over the mountain, and a very loud trumpet blast, so that all the people in the camp trembled. But Moses led the people out of the camp to meet God, and they stationed themselves at the foot of the mountain. Mount Sinai was all wrapped in smoke, for the LORD came down upon it in fire. The smoke rose from it as though from a furnace, and the whole mountain trembled violently. JUNE 7

The trumpet blast grew louder and louder, while Moses was speaking, and God answering him with thunder.

When the LORD came down to the top of Mount Sinai, he summoned Moses to the top of the mountain.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Dn 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56 · VII



v. "Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers, / praiseworthy and exalted above all forever; / And blessed is your holy and glorious name, / praiseworthy and exalted above all for all ages."

v . "Blessed are you in the temple of your holy glory, / praiseworthy and glorious above all forever."

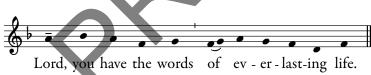
ŷ. "Blessed are you on the throne of your Kingdom, ∕ praiseworthy and exalted above all forever."

v. "Blessed are you who look into the depths / from your throne upon the cherubim, / praiseworthy and exalted above all forever."

v. "Blessed are you in the firmament of heaven, / praiseworthy and glorious forever."

Or:

*Ps 19 (18): 8, 9, 10, 11* · VI



 $\hat{y}$ . The law of the LORD is perfect, / refreshing the soul; / The decree of the LORD is trustworthy, / giving wisdom to the simple.

v. The precepts of the LORD are right, / rejoicing the heart; / the command of the LORD is clear, / enlightening the eye.

v. The fear of the LORD is pure, / enduring forever; / the ordinances of the LORD are true, / all of them just.

v. They are more precious than gold, / than a heap of purest gold; / sweeter also than syrup / or honey from the comb.

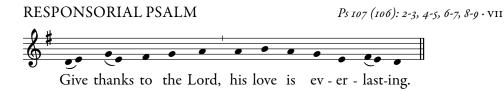
#### PRAYER

O God, who in fire and lightning / gave the ancient Law to Moses on Mount Sinai / and on this day manifested the new covenant / in the fire of the Spirit, / grant, we pray, / that we may always be aflame with that same Spirit / whom you wondrously poured out on your Apostles, / and that the new Israel, / gathered from every people, / may receive with rejoicing / the eternal commandment of your love. / Through Christ our Lord.

Ezek 37: 1-14

#### THIRD READING

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he led me out in the spirit of the LORD and set me in the center of the plain, which was now filled with bones. He made me walk among the bones in every direction so that I saw how many they were on the surface of the plain. How dry they were! He asked me: Son of man, can these bones come to life? I answered, "Lord GOD, you alone know that." Then he said to me: Prophesy over these bones, and say to them: Dry bones, hear the word of the LORD! Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: See! I will bring spirit into you, that you may come to life. I will put sinews upon you, make flesh grow over you, cover you with skin, and put spirit in you so that you may come to life and know that I am the LORD. I, Ezekiel, prophesied as I had been told, and even as I was prophesying I heard a noise; it was a rattling as the bones came together, bone joining bone. I saw the sinews and the flesh come upon them, and the skin cover them, but there was no spirit in them. Then the LORD said to me: Prophesy to the spirit, prophesy, son of man, and say to the spirit: Thus says the Lord GOD: From the four winds come, O spirit, and breathe into these slain that they may come to life. I prophesied as he told me, and the spirit came into them; they came alive and stood upright, a vast army. Then he said to me: Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They have been saying, "Our bones are dried up, our hope is lost, and we are cut off." Therefore, prophesy and say to them: Thus says the Lord GOD: O my people, I will open your graves and have you rise from them, and bring you back to the land of Israel. Then you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and have you rise from them, O my people! I will put my spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land; thus you shall know that I am the LORD. I have promised, and I will do it, says the LORD.



### Or: Alleluia.

v. Let the redeemed of the LORD say, / those whom he has redeemed from the hand of the foe / And gathered from the lands, / from the east and the west, from the north and the south.

v. They went astray in the desert wilderness; / the way to an inhabited city they did not find. / Hungry and thirsty, / their life was wasting away within them.

ŷ. They cried to the LORD in their distress; / from their straits he rescued them. / And he led them by a direct way / to reach an inhabited city.

℣. Let them give thanks to the LORD for his mercy / and his wondrous deeds to the children of men, / Because he satisfied the longing soul / and filled the hungry soul with good things.

## PRAYER

Lord, God of power, / who restore what has fallen / and preserve what you have restored, / increase, we pray, the peoples / to be renewed by the sanctification of your name, / that all who are washed clean by holy Baptism / may always be directed by your prompting. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### Or:

O God, who have brought us to rebirth by the word of life, / pour out upon us your Holy Spirit, / that, walking in oneness of faith, / we may attain in our flesh / the incorruptible glory of the resurrection. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### Or:

May your people exult for ever, O God, / in renewed youthfulness of spirit, / so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, / we may look forward in confident hope / to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. / Through Christ our Lord.

Jl 3: 1-5

#### FOURTH READING

Thus says the LORD: / I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh. / Your sons and daughters shall prophesy, / your old men shall dream dreams, / your young men shall see visions; / even upon the servants and the handmaids, / in those days, I will pour out my spirit. / And I will work wonders in the heavens and on the earth, / blood, fire, and columns of smoke; / the sun will be turned to darkness, / and the moon to blood, / at the coming of the day of the LORD, / the great and

terrible day. / Then everyone shall be rescued / who calls on the name of the LORD; / for on Mount Zion there shall be a remnant, / as the LORD has said, / and in Jerusalem survivors / whom the LORD shall call.



Lord, send out your Spir-it, and re - new the face of the earth.

Or: Alleluia.

ŷ. Bless the LORD, O my soul! / O LORD, my God, you are great indeed! / You are clothed with majesty and glory, / robed in light as with a cloak.

ŷ. How manifold are your works, O LORD! / In wisdom you have wrought them all— / the earth is full of your creatures; / bless the LORD, O my soul! Alleluia.

v. Creatures all look to you / to give them food in due time. / When you give it to them, they gather it; / when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.

v. If you take away their breath, they perish / and return to their dust. / When you send forth your spirit, they are created, / and you renew the face of the earth.

### PRAYER

Fulfill for us your gracious promise, / O Lord, we pray, so that by his coming / the Holy Spirit may make us witnesses before the world / to the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

The Gloria is excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

## COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, / who willed the Paschal Mystery / to be encompassed as a sign in fifty days, / grant that from out of the scattered nations / the confusion of many tongues / may be gathered by heavenly grace / into one great confession of your name. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### Or:

Grant, we pray, almighty God, / that the splendor of your glory / may shine forth upon us / and that, by the bright rays of the Holy Spirit, / the light of your light

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may confirm the hearts / of those born again by your grace. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## EPISTLE

Brothers and sisters: We know that all creation is groaning in labor pains even until now; and not only that, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, we also groan within ourselves as we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that sees is not hope. For who hopes for what one sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait with endurance.

In the same way, the Spirit too comes to the aid of our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groanings. And the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit, because he intercedes for the holy ones according to God's will.

ALLELUIA

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

V. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful / and kindle in them the fire of your love.

### GOSPEL

On the last and greatest day of the feast, Jesus stood up and exclaimed, "Let anyone who thirsts come to me and drink. As Scripture says: / Rivers of living water will flow from within him who believes in me."

He said this in reference to the Spirit that those who came to believe in him were to receive. There was, of course, no Spirit yet, because Jesus had not yet been glorified.

The Creed is said.

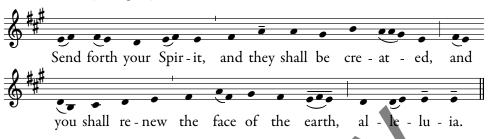
In 7: 37-39

Rom 8: 22-27

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#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created, † and you shall renew the face *of* the earth. \* May the glory of the Lord endure forever, *al*leluia.



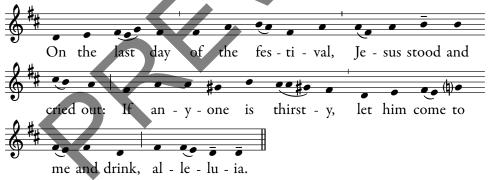
## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Pour out upon these gifts the blessing of your Spirit, / we pray, O Lord, / so that through them your Church may be imbued with such love / that the truth of your saving mystery / may shine forth for the whole world. / Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Jn 7: 37* • v

On the last day *of* the festival, \* Jesus stood *and* cried out: / If any*one* is thirsty, \* let him come to me and drink, *al*leluia.



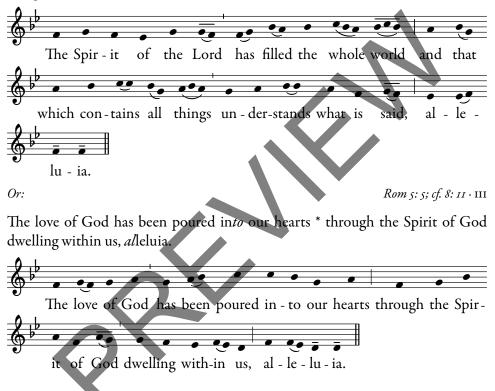
## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May these gifts we have consumed / benefit us, O Lord, / that we may always be aflame with the same Spirit, / whom you wondrously poured out on your Apostles. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### PENTECOST SUNDAY AT THE MASS DURING THE DAY — SUNDAY, JUNE 8, 2025 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Spirit *of* the Lord \* has filled *the* whole world / and that which con*tains* all things \* understands what is said, *al*leluia.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

### COLLECT

O God, who by the mystery of today's great feast / sanctify your whole Church in every people and nation, / pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit / across the face of the earth / and, with the divine grace that was at work / when the Gospel was first proclaimed, / fill now once more the hearts of believers. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

*Wis 1: 7* • VIII

### FIRST READING

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven staying in Jerusalem. At this sound, they gathered in a large crowd, but they were confused because each one heard them speaking in his own language. They were astounded, and in amazement they asked, "Are not all these people who are speaking Galileans? Then how does each of us hear them in his native language? We are Parthians, Medes, and Elamites, inhabitants of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya near Cyrene, as well as travelers from Rome, both Jews and converts to Judaism, Cretans and Arabs, yet we hear them speaking in our own tongues of the mighty acts of God."

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Ps 104 (103): 1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34* · VIII

Lord, send out your Spir-it, and re - new the face of the earth.

#### Or: Alleluia.

 $\hat{y}$ . Bless the LORD, O my soull / O LORD, my God, you are great indeed! / How manifold are your works, O LORD! / The earth is full of your creatures;

v. If you take away their breath, they perish / and return to their dust. / When you send forth your spirit, they are created, / and you renew the face of the earth.

ŷ. May the glory of the LORD endure forever; / may the LORD be glad in his works! / Pleasing to him be my theme; / I will be glad in the LORD.

#### SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: No one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit.

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.

1 Cor 12: 3b-7, 12-13

As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit.

Or:

Brothers and sisters: Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; on the contrary, you are in the spirit, if only the Spirit of God dwells in you. Whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the spirit is alive because of righteousness. If the Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, the one who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also, through his Spirit that dwells in you. Consequently, brothers and sisters, we are not debtors to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

For those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry, "Abba, Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if only we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

## SEQUENCE

Come, Holy Spirit, come! / And from your celestial home / Shed a ray of light divine!

Come, Father of the poor! / Come, source of all our store! / Come, within our bosoms shine.

You, of comforters the best; / You, the soul's most welcome guest; / Sweet refreshment here below;

In our labor, rest most sweet; / Grateful coolness in the heat; / Solace in the midst of woe.

O most blessed Light divine, / Shine within these hearts of yours, / And our inmost being fill!

Where you are not, we have naught, / Nothing good in deed or thought, / Nothing free from taint of ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew; / On our dryness pour your dew; / Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and will; / Melt the frozen, warm the chill; / Guide the steps that go astray.

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Rom 8: 8-17

On the faithful, who adore / And confess you, evermore / In your sevenfold gift descend; Give them virtue's sure reward; / Give them your salvation, Lord; / Give them joys that never end. / Amen. Alleluia.



v. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful / and kindle in them the fire of your love.

#### GOSPEL

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

Or:

#### Jn 14: 15-16, 23b-26

IV

In 20: 19-23

Jesus said to his disciples: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always.

"Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words; yet the word you hear is not mine but that of the Father who sent me.

"I have told you this while I am with you. The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you."

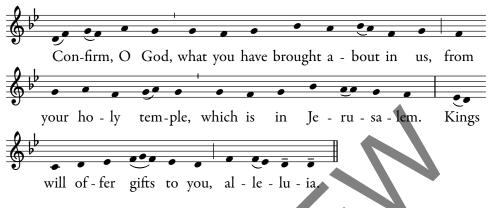
The Creed is said.

#### JUNE 8

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 68 (67): 29-30* • IV

Confirm, O God, what you have brought about in us, † from your holy temple, which is *in* Jerusalem. \* Kings will offer gifts to you, *al*leluia.



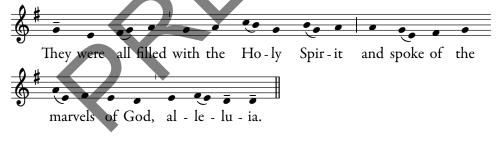
## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant, we pray, O Lord, / that, as promised by your Son, / the Holy Spirit may reveal to us more abundantly / the hidden mystery of this sacrifice / and graciously lead us into all truth. / Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

#### *Acts 2: 4, 11* • VII

They were all filled with the *Ho*ly Spirit \* and spoke of the marvels of God, *al*leluia.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, who bestow heavenly gifts upon your Church, / safeguard, we pray, the grace you have given, / that the gift of the Holy Spirit poured out upon her / may retain all its force / and that this spiritual food / may gain her abundance of eternal redemption. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, JUNE 9 The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Acts 1:  $14 \cdot \text{VIII}$ The disciples devoted themselves with one accord to prayer \* with Mary, the Mother of Jesus.

#### The readings for this memorial are proper.

FIRST READING Gn 3: 9-15, 20 I will put enmity between your offspring and hers.

Or: Acts 1: 12-14 All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer.

RESP *Ps 87 (86): 1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7* Glorious things are told of you, O city of God.

GOSPEL Jn 19: 25-34 Behold, your Son. Behold, your mother.

COMMUNION *Cf. Jn 2: 1, 11 • VIII* A wedding was held in Ca*na* of Galilee, \* and the mother of Jesus was there, / then Jesus performed the first of his signs and manifest*ed* his glory, \* and his disci*ples* believed in him.

Or: Cf. Jn 19:  $26-27 \cdot 1V$ As he hung upon the cross, † Jesus said to his disciple *whom* he loved: \* Behold your mother.

### TUESDAY, JUNE 10 Tuesday of the Tenth Week

ENTRANCE Ps 27 (26): I, 2 · II The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? † The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom *should* I dread? \* When those who do evil draw near, they stum*ble* and fall.

FIRST READING 2 Cor 1: 18-22 Jesus was not yes and no, but yes has always been in him.

RESP *Ps 119 (118): 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 135* Lord, let your face shine on me.

GOSPEL Mt 5: 13-16 You are the light of the world.

COMMUNION $Ps \ rs \ (r_7): 3 \cdot II$ The Lord is my rock,  $\dagger$  my fortress, and mydeliverer; \* my God is my saving strength.Or: $I \ Jn \ 4: 16 \cdot VIII$ God is love, and whoever abides inlove \* abides in God, and God in him.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE II Saint Barnabas, Apostle — Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Acts 11:24* I Blessed is this *ho*ly man, \* who was worthy to be numbered among *the* Apostles, / for he was *a* good man, \* filled with the Holy Spirit *and* with faith.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Acts 11: 21b-26; 13: 1-3 Barnabas was a good man, filled with the Holy Spirit and with faith.

RESP *Ps 98 (97): 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6* The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

GOSPEL Mt 5: 17-19 Whoever keeps and teaches the law will be called great. COMMUNION Cf. Jn 15: 15 I no longer call you slaves, \* because a slave does not know what his master is doing. / But I have called you friends, † because I have told you \* everything I have heard *from* my Father.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Acts 11: 21b-26; 13: 1-3 Barnabas was a good man, filled with the Holy Spirit and with faith.

RESP *Ps 98 (97): 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6* The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

GOSPEL Mt 10: 7-13 Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give.

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 12 Thursday of the Tenth Week

Ps 27 (26): 1, 2 · 11

Entrance

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? † The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom *should* I dread? \* When those who do evil draw near, they stum*ble* and fall.

FIRST READING 2 Cor 3: 15-4: 1, 3-6 God has shone in our hearts to bring to light the knowledge of the glory of God.

RESP *Ps 85 (84): 9ab, 10, 11-12, 13-14* The glory of the Lord will dwell in our land.

GOSPEL Mt 5: 20-26 Whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment. COMMUNIONPs  $I8(I7): 3 \cdot II$ The Lord is my rock,  $\dagger$  my fortress, and mydeliverer; \* my God is my saving strength.Or: $I Jn 4: I6 \cdot VIII$ God is love, and whoever abides inlove \* abides in God, and God in him.

FRIDAY, JUNE 13 Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church

— Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 132 (131):  $9 \cdot VI$ Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy.

## Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING 2 Cor 4: 7-15 He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus.

RESP *Ps 116 (115): 10-11, 15-16, 17-18* To you, Lord, I will offer a sacrifice of praise. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mt 5: 27-32 Everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

COMMUNION Mt 24: 46-47 • III Blessed *is* the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching *when* he comes. / Amen I *say* to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of *all* his property.

Or:  $Cf. Lk \ 12: \ 42 \cdot VII$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent,  $\dagger$  whom the Lord set over his house-hold \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

Readings for the Memorial: FIRST READING Is 61: 1-3d The Lord God anointed me and sent me to bring good news to the poor.

RESP *Ps 89 (88): 2-3, 4-5, 21-22, 25 and 27* For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL *Lk 10: 1-9* The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few.

### SATURDAY, JUNE 14 Saturday of the Tenth Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps 27 (26); I, 2 \cdot II$ The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? † The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom *should* I dread? \* When those who do evil draw near, they stum*ble* and fall.

FIRST READING 2 Cor 5: 14-21 For our sake, he made him to be sin who did not know sin.

RESP *Ps 103 (102): 1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12* The Lord is kind and merciful.

GOSPEL Mt 5: 33-37 I say to you, do not swear at all. COMMUNION *Ps 18 (17): 3* · II The Lord is my rock, † my fortress, and *my* deliverer; \* my God is my *sav*ing strength.

Or:  $I Jn 4: 16 \cdot VIII$ God is love, and whoever abides in love \* abides in God, and God in him.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday — Optional Memorial —

See page 581 for the antiphons for this Memorial.

# THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

— SUNDAY, JUNE 15, 2025 — Solemnity

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Blest be *God* the Father, \* and the Only Begotten *Son* of God, / and also the *Ho*ly Spirit, \* for he has shown us his mer*ci*ful love.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

### COLLECT

God our Father, who by sending into the world / the Word of truth and the Spirit of sanctification / made known to the human race your wondrous mystery, / grant us, we pray, that in professing the true faith, / we may acknowledge the Trinity of eternal glory / and adore your Unity, powerful in majesty. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

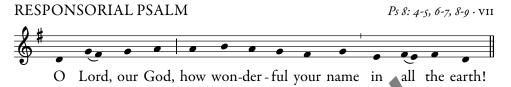
Prv 8: 22-31

Thus says the wisdom of God: / "The LORD possessed me, the beginning of his ways, / the forerunner of his prodigies of long ago; / from of old I was poured forth, / at the first, before the earth. / When there were no depths I was brought forth, / when there were no fountains or springs of water; / before the mountains were settled into place, / before the hills, I was brought forth; / while as yet the earth and fields were not made, / nor the first clods of the world.

"When the Lord established the heavens I was there, / when he marked out the vault over the face of the deep; / when he made firm the skies above, / when he

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fixed fast the foundations of the earth; / when he set for the sea its limit, / so that the waters should not transgress his command; / then was I beside him as his craftsman, / and I was his delight day by day, / playing before him all the while, / playing on the surface of his earth; / and I found delight in the human race."



v. When I behold your heavens, the work of your fingers, / the moon and the stars which you set in place—/ What is man that you should be mindful of him, / or the son of man that you should care for him?

v. You have made him little less than the angels, / and crowned him with glory and honor. / You have given him rule over the works of your hands, / putting all things under his feet:

v. All sheep and oxen, / yes, and the beasts of the field, / The birds of the air, the fishes of the sea, / and whatever swims the paths of the seas.

Rom 5: 1-5

#### SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith to this grace in which we stand, and we boast in hope of the glory of God. Not only that, but we even boast of our afflictions, knowing that affliction produces endurance, and endurance, proven character, and proven character, hope, and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.



v . Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; / to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

### GOSPEL

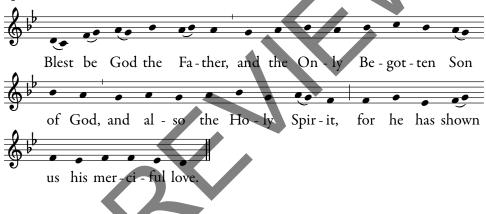
*Tob 12: 6* • 111

Jesus said to his disciples: "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now. But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth. He will not speak on his own, but he will speak what he hears, and will declare to you the things that are coming. He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you. Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that he will take from what is mine and declare it to you."

The Creed is said.

### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Blest be *God* the Father, \* and the Only Begotten *Son* of God, / and also the *Ho*ly Spirit, \* for he has shown us his mer*ci*ful love.



## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

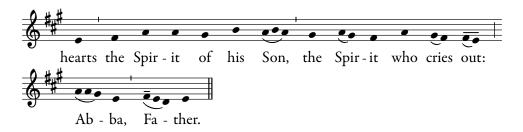
Sanctify by the invocation of your name, / we pray, O Lord our God, / this oblation of our service, / and by it make of us an eternal offering to you. / Through Christ our Lord.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Gal 4: 6* • VIII

Since you are children of God, † God has sent into your hearts the Spirit *of* his Son, \* the Spirit who cries out: *Ab*ba, Father.





#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May receiving this Sacrament, O Lord our God, / bring us health of body and soul, / as we confess your eternal holy Trinity and undivided Unity. / Through Christ our Lord.

monday, june 16	TUESDAY, JUNE 17
Monday of the Eleventh Week	Tuesday of the Eleventh Week
ENTRANCECf. Ps 27 (26): 7, 9 · IVO Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. * Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Savior!FIRST READING2 Cor Ø: 1-10 In everything we commend ourselves as ministers of God.RESPPs 98 (97): 1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4 The Lord has made known his untied	ENTRANCE $Cf. Ps 27 (26): 7, 9 \cdot IV$ O Lord, hear my voice, for I have calledto you; be my help. * Do not abandonor forsake me, O God, my Savior!FIRST READING2 Cor 8: 1-9Christ became poor for your sake.RESPPs 146 (145): 2, 5-6ab, 6c- 7, 8-9aPraise the Lord, my soul!Or:Alleluia.
salvation. Gospet Mt 5: 38-42 But I say to you, offer no resistance to one	Allelula.GOSPELMt 5: 43-48Love your enemies.
who is evil.COMMUNION $Ps 27 (26): 4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, *only this do I seek: / to live in the houseof the Lord * all the days of my life.Or: $Jn 17: II \cdot VII$ Holy Father, keep in your name thoseyou have given me, * that they may beone as we are one, says the Lord.	COMMUNIONPs 27 (26): $4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, *only this do I seek: / to live in the houseof the Lord * all the days of my life.Or:Jn 17: II · VIIHoly Father, keep in your name thoseyou have given me, * that they may beone as we are one, says the Lord.

## WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18

Wednesday of the Eleventh WeekENTRANCE $Cf. Ps 27 (26): 7, 9 \cdot IV$ O Lord, hear my voice, for I have calledto you; be my help. \* Do not abandonor forsake me, O God, my Savior!

FIRST READING2 Cor 9: 6-11God loves a cheerful giver.

RESP *Ps 112 (111): 1bc-2, 3-4, 9* Blessed the man who fears the Lord. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18 And your Father who sees what is hidden will repay you.

COMMUNION $Ps \ 27 \ (26): 4 \cdot \text{VII}$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, \*only this do I seek: / to live in the houseof the Lord \* all the days of my life.Or: $Jn \ 17: \ 11 \cdot \text{VII}$ 

Holy Father, keep in your name those *you* have given me, \* that they may be one as we are one, *says* the Lord.

## THURSDAY, JUNE 19 Thursday of the Eleventh Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 27 (26): 7, 9 · IV O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. \* Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Savior!

FIRST READING 2 Cor 11: 1-11 I preached the Gospel of God to you without charge.

RESP *Ps III (II0): 1b-2, 3-4, 7-8* Your works, O Lord, are justice and truth. *Or:* Alleluia.

GOSPEL This is how you are to pray.

COMMUNION Ps 27 (26):  $4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, \* only this do I seek: / to live in the house of the Lord \* all the days of my life.

Mt 6: 7-15

*Or:* Jn 17: 11 · VIII Holy Father, keep in your name those *you* have given me, \* that they may be one as we are one, *says* the Lord.

> Saint Romuald, Abbot — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $g_2(g_1)$ :  $I_3$ - $I_4 \cdot I$ The just will flourish *like* the palm tree, \* and grow like a Leb*a*non cedar, / planted in the house *of* the Lord, \* in the courts of the house *of* our God.

*Or:* Ps 37 (36): 30-31 The mouth of the just man utters wisdom, † and his tongue tells forth *what* is right. \* The law of his God is *in* his heart.

FIRST READING Phil 3: 8-14 Because of Christ, I consider everything as a loss, being conformed to his death.

RESP *Ps 131 (130): 1bcde, 2, 3* In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

GOSPEL *Lk* 14: 25-33 Any one of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.

COMMUNION Cf. Lk 12: 42 This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household, \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time. *Or: Mt 23: 11* The great*est* among you \* must be your servant, *says* the Lord.

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 20 Friday of the Eleventh Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 27 (26): 7,  $9 \cdot IV$ O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; *be* my help. \* Do not abandon or forsake me, O *God*, my Savior!

FIRST READING 2 Cor 11: 18, 21-30 Apart from these things, there is the daily pressure upon me of my anxiety for all the churches.

RESP *Ps 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7* From all their distress God rescues the just.

GOSPEL Mt 6: 19-23 For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.

COMMUNIONPs 27 (20):  $4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, \*only this do I seek: / to live in the houseof the Lord \* all the days of my life.Or:Jn 17: 11 \cdot VIII

Holy Father, keep in your name those *you* have given me, \* that they may be one as we are one, *says* the Lord.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 21

Saint Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 24 (23): 4, 3 · vi The clean of hands and pure of heart † shall climb the mountain of the Lord \* and stand in his *boly* place.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING 2 Cor 12: 1-10 I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses.

RESP *Ps 34 (33): 8-9, 10-11, 12-13* Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 6: 24-34 Do not worry about tomorrow.

COMMUNION *Ps 78 (77): 24-25* • VIII God gave them *bread* from heaven; \* man ate the *bread* of Angels.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING 1 Jn 5: 1-5 The victory that conquers the world is our faith.

RESP *Ps 16 (15): 1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11* You are my inheritance, O Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 22: 34-40 You shall love the Lord your God, and your neighbor as yourself.

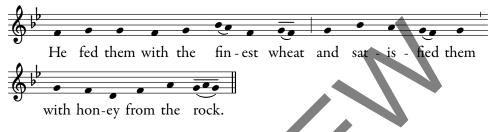
## THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

— SUNDAY, JUNE 22, 2025—

Solemnity

#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

He fed them with the *finest* wheat \* and satisfied them with honey *from* the rock.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

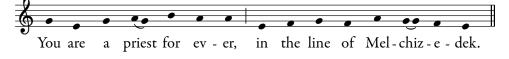
### COLLECT

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament / have left us a memorial of your Passion, / grant us, we pray, / so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood / that we may always experience in ourselves / the fruits of your redemption. / Who live and reign with God the Father / in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

In those days, Melchizedek, king of Salem, brought out bread and wine, and being a priest of God Most High, he blessed Abram with these words: / "Blessed be Abram by God Most High, / the creator of heaven and earth; / and blessed be God Most High, / who delivered your foes into your hand." / Then Abram gave him a tenth of everything.

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y. The LORD said to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand / till I make your enemies your footstool."

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#### Gn 14: 18-20

Cf. Ps 81 (80): 17 • 11

*Ps 110 (109): 1, 2, 3, 4* · IV

v. The scepter of your power the LORD will stretch forth from Zion: / "Rule in the midst of your enemies."

ŷ. "Yours is princely power in the day of your birth, in holy splendor; / before the daystar, like the dew, I have begotten you."

ŷ. The LORD has sworn, and he will not repent: / "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

#### SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.

#### SEQUENCE

For the short form, omit the text in brackets.

[Laud, O Zion, your salvation, / Laud with hymns of exultation, / Christ, your king and shepherd true:

Bring him all the praise you know, / He is more than you bestow. / Never can you reach his due.

Special theme for glad thanksgiving / Is the quick'ning and the living / Bread today before you set:

From his hands of old partaken, / As we know, by faith unshaken, / Where the Twelve at supper met.

Full and clear ring out your chanting, / Joy nor sweetest grace be wanting, / From your heart let praises burst: For today the feast is holden, / When the institution olden / Of that supper was rehearsed.

1 Cor 11: 23-26

Here the new law's new oblation, / By the new king's revelation, / Ends the form of ancient rite:

Now the new the old effaces, / Truth away the shadow chases, / Light dispels the gloom of night.

What he did at supper seated, / Christ ordained to be repeated, / His memorial ne'er to cease:

And his rule for guidance taking, / Bread and wine we hallow, making / Thus our sacrifice of peace.

This the truth each Christian learns, / Bread into his flesh he turns, / To his precious blood the wine:

Sight has fail'd, nor thought conceives, / But a dauntless faith believes, / Resting on a pow'r divine.

Here beneath these signs are hidden / Priceless things to sense forbidden; / Sign, not things are all we see:

Blood is poured and flesh is broken, / Yet in either wondrous token / Christ entire we know to be.

Whoso of this food partakes, / Does not rend the Lord nor breaks; / Christ is whole to all that tastes:

Thousands are, as one, receivers, / One, as thousands of believers, / Eats of him who cannot waste.

Bad and good the feast are sharing, / Of what divers dooms preparing, Endless death, or endless life.

Life to these, to those damnation, / See how like participation / Is with unlike issues rife.

When the sacrament is broken, / Doubt not, but believe 'tis spoken, / That each sever'd outward token doth the very whole contain.

Nought the precious gift divides, / Breaking but the sign betides / Jesus still the same abides, / still unbroken does remain.]

Lo! the angel's food is given / To the pilgrim who has striven; / See the children's bread from heaven, / which on dogs may not be spent.

Truth the ancient types fulfilling, / Isaac bound, a victim willing, / Paschal lamb, its lifeblood spilling, / manna to the fathers sent.

Very bread, good shepherd, tend us, / Jesu, of your love befriend us, / You refresh us, you defend us, / Your eternal goodness send us / In the land of life to see.

You who all things can and know, / Who on earth such food bestow, / Grant us with your saints, though lowest, / Where the heav'nly feast you show, / Fellow heirs and guests to be. / Amen. Alleluia.

Jn 6: 51 • VII

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y. I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord; / whoever eats this bread will live forever.

ALLELUIA

#### GOSPEL

#### Lk 9: 11b-17

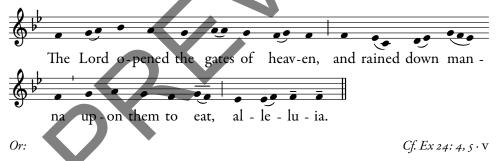
Jesus spoke to the crowds about the kingdom of God, and he healed those who needed to be cured. As the day was drawing to a close, the Twelve approached him and said, "Dismiss the crowd so that they can go to the surrounding villages and farms and find lodging and provisions; for we are in a deserted place here." He said to them, "Give them some food yourselves." They replied, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have, unless we ourselves go and buy food for all these people." Now the men there numbered about five thousand. Then he said to his disciples, "Have them sit down in groups of about fifty." They did so and made them all sit down. Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets.

The Creed is said.

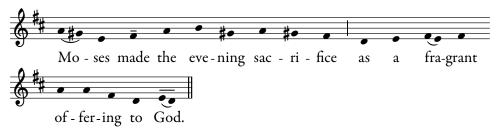
#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 78 (77): 23, 24, 25* • VIII

The Lord opened the *gates* of heaven, \* and rained down manna upon *them* to eat, / and gave them *bread* from heaven: \* man ate the bread of angels, *al*leluia.



Moses consecrated an altar *to* the Lord, \* presenting upon it holocausts and sacri*fi*cial victims. / He made the *evening* sacrifice † as a fragrant offering to *the* Lord God, \* in the sight of the *sons* of Israel.

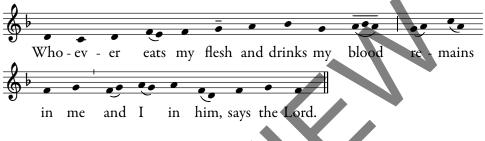


### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant your Church, O Lord, we pray, / the gifts of unity and peace, / whose signs are to be seen in mystery / in the offerings we here present. / Through Christ our Lord.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Whoever eats my flesh and *drinks* my blood \* remains in me and I in him, *says* the Lord.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, O Lord, we pray, / that we may delight for all eternity / in that share in your divine life, / which is foreshadowed in the present age / by our reception of your precious Body and Blood. / Who live and reign for ever and ever.

MONDAY, JUNE 23 Monday of the Twelfth Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps \ 28 \ (27): 8-9 \cdot II$ The Lord is the strength *af* his people, \* a saving refuge for the one he *has* anointed. / Save your people, Lord, and *bless* your heritage, \* and govern *them* for ever.

FIRST READINGGn 12: 1-9Abraham went as the Lord directed him.

RESP *Ps 33 (32): 12-13, 18-19, 20, 22* Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own. GOSPEL Mt 7: 1-5 Remove the wooden beam from your eye first.

COMMUNIONPs 145 (144): 15  $\cdot$  IThe eyes of all look to you, Lord, \* and<br/>you give them their food *in* due season.Or:Jn 10: 11, 15  $\cdot$  VIIII am the Good Shepherd, \* and I lay<br/>down my life for my sheep, says the<br/>Lord.

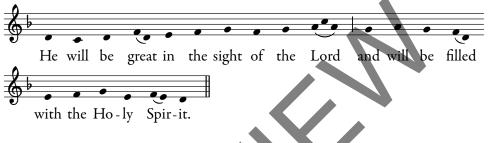
*Jn 6: 57* • VI

#### THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST AT THE VIGIL MASS — MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2025 — Solemnity

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Lk 1: 15, 14* · I

He will be great in the sight *of* the Lord \* and will be filled with the *Ho*ly Spirit, / even from his *moth*er's womb; \* and many will rejoice *at* his birth.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

### COLLECT

Grant, we pray, almighty God, / that your family may walk in the way of salvation / and, attentive to what Saint John the Precursor urged, / may come safely to the One he foretold, / our Lord Jesus Christ. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING

Jer 1: 4-10

In the days of King Josiah, the word of the LORD came to me, saying:

Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, / before you were born I dedicated you, / a prophet to the nations I appointed you.

"Ah, Lord GOD!" I said, / "I know not how to speak; I am too young." / But the LORD answered me, / Say not, "I am too young." / To whomever I send you, you shall go; / whatever I command you, you shall speak. / Have no fear before them, / because I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD.

Then the LORD extended his hand and touched my mouth, saying,

See, I place my words in your mouth! / This day I set you / over nations and over kingdoms, / to root up and to tear down, / to destroy and to demolish, / to build and to plant.



Since my mother's womb, you have been my strength.

ŷ. In you, O LORD, I take refuge; / let me never be put to shame. / In your justice rescue me, and deliver me; / incline your ear to me, and save me.

v. Be my rock of refuge, / a stronghold to give me safety, / for you are my rock and my fortress. / O my God, rescue me from the hand of the wicked.

 $\hat{y}$ . For you are my hope, O LORD; / my trust, O LORD, from my youth. / On you I depend from birth; / from my mother's womb you are my strength.

v. My mouth shall declare your justice, / day by day your salvation. / O God, you have taught me from my youth, / and till the present I proclaim your wondrous deeds.

## SECOND READING

Beloved: Although you have not seen Jesus Christ you love him; even though you do not see him now yet believe in him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, as you attain the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Concerning this salvation, prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and investigated it, investigating the time and circumstances that the Spirit of Christ within them indicated when he testified in advance to the sufferings destined for Christ and the glories to follow them. It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you with regard to the things that have now been announced to you by those who preached the Good News to you through the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels longed to look.

ALLELUIA  $Cf. Jn :: 7; Lk :: 17 \cdot VII$ Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

v. He came to testify to the light, / to prepare a people fit for the Lord.

1 Pt 1: 8-12

#### GOSPEL

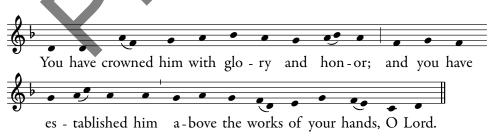
In the days of Herod, King of Judea, there was a priest named Zechariah of the priestly division of Abijah; his wife was from the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. Both were righteous in the eyes of God, observing all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blamelessly. But they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren and both were advanced in years. Once when he was serving as priest in his division's turn before God, according to the practice of the priestly service, he was chosen by lot to enter the sanctuary of the Lord to burn incense. Then, when the whole assembly of the people was praying outside at the hour of the incense offering, the angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing at the right of the altar of incense. Zechariah was troubled by what he saw, and fear came upon him. But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zechariah, because your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall name him John. And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, for he will be great in the sight of the Lord. John will drink neither wine nor strong drink. He will be filled with the Holy Spirit even from his mother's womb, and he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord their God. He will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah to turn their hearts toward their children and the disobedient to the understanding of the righteous, to prepare a people fit for the Lord.

#### The Creed is said.

## OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Ps 8: 6, 7 · 1

You have crowned him with glory and honor; † and you *have* established him \* above the works of your *hands*, O Lord.

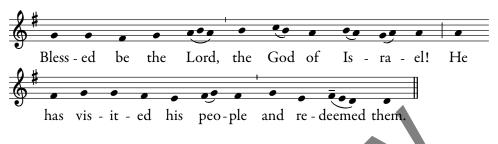


## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Look with favor, O Lord, / upon the offerings made by your people / on the Solemnity of Saint John the Baptist, / and grant that what we celebrate in mystery / we may follow with deeds of devoted service. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Blessed be the Lord, the *God* of Israel! \* He has visited his people *and* redeemed them.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May the marvelous prayer of Saint John the Baptist / accompany us who have eaten our fill / at this sacrificial feast, O Lord, / and, since Saint John proclaimed your Son / to be the Lamb who would take away our sins, / may he implore now for us your favor. / Through Christ our Lord.

## THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST AT THE MASS DURING THE DAY

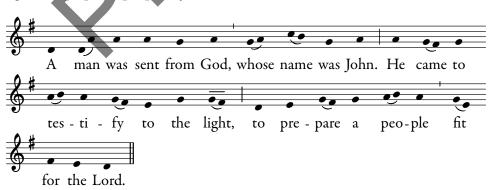
— TUESDAY, JUNE 24, 2025 —

Solemnity

## **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

*Jn 1: 6-7; Lk 1: 17* • VII

A man was sent from God, whose name was John. † He came to testify *to* the light, \* to prepare a people fit *for* the Lord.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

## COLLECT

O God, who raised up Saint John the Baptist / to make ready a nation fit for Christ the Lord, / give your people, we pray, / the grace of spiritual joys / and direct the hearts of all the faithful / into the way of salvation and peace. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING

Is 49: 1-6

Hear me, O coastlands, / listen, O distant peoples. / The LORD called me from birth, / from my mother's womb he gave me my name. / He made of me a sharp-edged sword / and concealed me in the shadow of his arm. / He made me a pol-ished arrow, / in his quiver he hid me. / You are my servant, he said to me, / Israel, through whom I show my glory.

Though I thought I had toiled in vain, / and for nothing, uselessly, spent my strength, / yet my reward is with the LORD, / my recompense is with my God. / For now the LORD has spoken / who formed me as his servant from the womb, / that Jacob may be brought back to him / and Israel gathered to him; / and I am made glorious in the sight of the LORD, / and my God is now my strength! / It is too little, he says, for you to be my servant, / to raise up the tribes of Jacob, / and restore the survivors of Israel; / I will make you a light to the nations, / that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.



ŷ. O LORD, you have probed me, you know me: / you know when I sit and when I stand; / you understand my thoughts from afar. / My journeys and my rest you scrutinize, / with all my ways you are familiar.

Y. Truly you have formed my inmost being; / you knit me in my mother's womb. / I give you thanks that I am fearfully, wonderfully made; / wonderful are your works.

. My soul also you knew full well; / nor was my frame unknown to you / When I was made in secret, / when I was fashioned in the depths of the earth.

#### SECOND READING

In those days, Paul said: "God raised up David as king; of him God testified, *I have found David, son of Jesse, a man after my own heart; he will carry out my every wish.* From this man's descendants God, according to his promise, has brought to Israel a savior, Jesus. John heralded his coming by proclaiming a baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel; and as John was completing his course, he would say, 'What do you suppose that I am? I am not he. Behold, one is coming after me; I am not worthy to unfasten the sandals of his feet.'

"My brothers, sons of the family of Abraham, and those others among you who are God-fearing, to us this word of salvation has been sent."



ŷ. You, child, will be called prophet of the Most High, ∕ for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way.

#### GOSPEL

#### Lk 1: 57-66, 80

When the time arrived for Elizabeth to have her child she gave birth to a son. Her neighbors and relatives heard that the Lord had shown his great mercy toward her, and they rejoiced with her. When they came on the eighth day to circumcise the child, they were going to call him Zechariah after his father, but his mother said in reply, "No. He will be called John." But they answered her, "There is no one among your relatives who has this name." So they made signs, asking his father what he wished him to be called. He asked for a tablet and wrote, "John is his name," and all were amazed. Immediately his mouth was opened, his tongue freed, and he spoke blessing God. Then fear came upon all their neighbors, and all these matters were discussed throughout the hill country of Judea. All who heard these things took them to heart, saying, "What, then, will this child be?" For surely the hand of the Lord was with him.

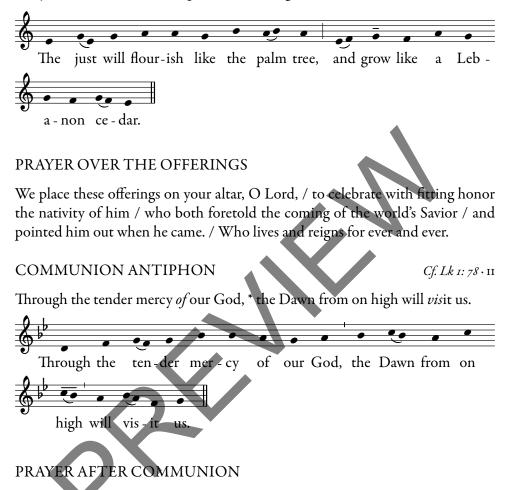
The child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the desert until the day of his manifestation to Israel.

The Creed is said.

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 92 (91): 3* · IV

The just will flourish *like* the palm tree, \* and grow like a Lebanon cedar.



Having feasted at the banquet of the heavenly Lamb, / we pray, O Lord, / that, finding joy in the nativity of Saint John the Baptist, / your Church may know as the author of her rebirth / the Christ whose coming John foretold. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25 Wednesday of the Twelfth Week

ENTRANCE Ps 28 (27): 8-9  $\cdot$  II The Lord is the strength of his people, \* a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. / Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, \* and govern them for ever.

FIRST READING Gn 15: 1-12, 17-18 Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness (Romans 4:3b), and the Lord made a covenant with him.

RESP *Ps 105 (104): 1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9* The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mt 7: 13-20 By their fruits you will know them

COMMUNIONPs 145 (144): 15 · 1The eyes of all look to you, Lord, \* and<br/>you give them their food in due season.Or:Ju 10: 11, 15 · VIIII am the Good Shepherd, \* and I lay<br/>down my life for my sheep, says the Lord.

THURSDAY, JUNE 26 Thursday of the Twelfth Week

ENTRANCE Ps 28 (27):  $8-9 \cdot II$ The Lord is the strength of his people, \* a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. / Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, \* and govern them for ever. First Reading

Gn 16: 1-12, 15-16 or 16: 6b-12, 15-16 Hagar bore Abram a son and he called him Ishmael.

RESP *Ps 106 (105): 1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5* Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mt 7: 21-29 The house built on rock and the house built on sand.

Сомминон *Ps 145 (144): 15* · 1 The eyes of all look *to* you, Lord, \* and you give them their food *in* due season.

*Or*: Jn 10: 11, 15 • VIII I am *the* Good Shepherd, \* and I lay down my life for my sheep, *says* the Lord.

## THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

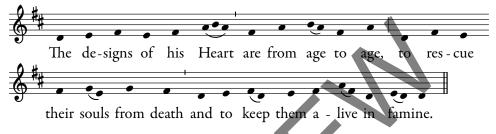
— FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 2025 —

Solemnity

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 33 (32): 11, 19* • V

The designs *of* his Heart \* are from *age* to age, / to rescue their *souls* from death \* and to keep them a*live* in famine.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

### COLLECT

Grant, we pray, almighty God, / that we, who glory in the Heart of your beloved Son / and recall the wonders of his love for us, / may be made worthy to receive / an overflowing measure of grace / from that fount of heavenly gifts. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

Or:

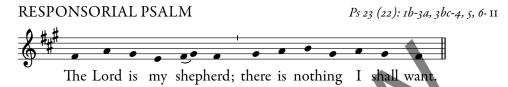
O God, who in the Heart of your Son, / wounded by our sins, / bestow on us in mercy / the boundless treasures of your love, / grant, we pray, / that, in paying him the homage of our devotion, / we may also offer worthy reparation. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING

Ezek 34: 11-16

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will look after and tend my sheep. As a shepherd tends his flock when he finds himself among his scattered sheep, so will I tend my sheep. I will rescue them from every place where they were scattered when it was cloudy and dark. I will lead them out from among the peoples and gather them from the foreign lands; I will bring them back to their own country and pasture them upon the mountains of Israel in the land's ravines and all its inhabited

places. In good pastures will I pasture them, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing ground. There they shall lie down on good grazing ground, and in rich pastures shall they be pastured on the mountains of Israel. I myself will pasture my sheep; I myself will give them rest, says the Lord GOD. The lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy, shepherding them rightly.



ŷ. The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. / In verdant pastures he gives me repose; / beside restful waters he leads me; / he refreshes my soul.

v. He guides me in right paths / for his name's sake. / Even though I walk in the dark valley / I fear no evil; for you are at my side / With your rod and your staff / that give me courage.

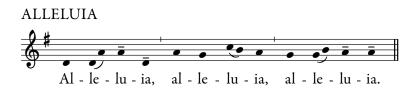
v. You spread the table before me / in the sight of my foes; / you anoint my head with oil; / my cup overflows.

 $\hat{y}$ . Only goodness and kindness follow me / all the days of my life; / and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD / for years to come.

## SECOND READING

#### Rom 5: 5b-11

Brothers and sisters: The love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For Christ, while we were still helpless, died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us. How much more then, since we are now justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath. Indeed, if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, how much more, once reconciled, will we be saved by his life. Not only that, but we also boast of God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.



#### Mt 11: 29ab

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ŷ. Take my yoke upon you, says the Lord; / and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart.

Or:

Jn 10: 14

Lk 15: 3-7

ŷ. I am the good shepherd, says the Lord, / I know my sheep, and mine know me.

#### GOSPEL

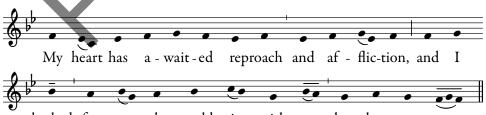
Jesus addressed this parable to the Pharisees and scribes: "What man among you having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it? And when he does find it, he sets it on his shoulders with great joy and, upon his arrival home, he calls together his friends and neighbors and says to them, 'Rejoice with me because I have found my lost sheep.' I tell you, in just the same way there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance."

The Creed is said.

### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 69 (68): 21* • VIII

My heart has awaited reproach *and* affliction, \* and I looked for one who would grieve with me, but *there* was none. / I sought for one who *would* console me, \* and *I* found none.



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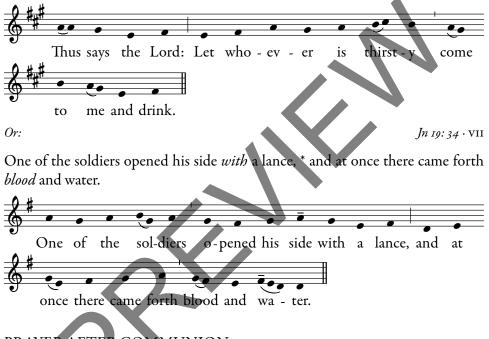
### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Look, O Lord, we pray, on the surpassing charity / in the Heart of your beloved Son, / that what we offer may be a gift acceptable to you / and an expiation of our offenses. / Through Christ our Lord.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Thus *says* the Lord: \* Let whoever is thirsty come to *me* and drink. / Streams of living wa*ter* will flow \* from within the one who be*lieves* in me.

Cf. In 7: 37-38 · II



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May this sacrament of charity, O Lord, / make us fervent with the fire of holy love, / so that, drawn always to your Son, / we may learn to see him in our neighbor. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### **SATURDAY, JUNE 28** *Saturday of the Twelfth Week*

ENTRANCE  $Ps \ 28 \ (27): 8-9 \cdot II$ The Lord is the strength of his people, \* a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. / Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, \* and govern them for ever.

FIRST READING Gn 18: 1-15 Is anything too marvelous for the Lord to do? I will surely return to you and Sarah will then have a son.

RESP *Lk 1: 46-47, 48-49, 50, 53, 54-55* The Lord has remembered his mercy.

GOSPEL Mt 8: 5-17 Many will come from east and west and will recline with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

COMMUNION $Rs 145 (144): 15 \cdot 1$ The eyes of all look to you, Lord, \* and<br/>you give them their food in due season.

Or: Jn 10: 11, 15 · VIII I am the Good Shepherd, \* and I lay down my life for my sheep, says the Lord.

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Ps 13 (12):  $6 \cdot v$ My heart will rejoice in *your* salvation.\* I will sing to the Lord, who has been bounti*ful* with me.

FIRST READINGIs 61: 9-11I rejoice heartily in the Lord.

RESP *I Sm 2: 1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd* My heart exults in the Lord, my Savior.

GOSPEL *Lk 2: 41-51 His mother kept all these things in her heart.* 

COMMUNION $Lk 2: Ig \cdot VI$ Mary treasured *all* these words, \*reflecting on them *in* her heart.

Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Mal 2: 6 · 1 The law of truth was *in* his mouth; \* no dishonesty was found *on* his lips. / He walked with me in integri*ty* and peace, \* and turned many *away* from evil.

FIRST READING 2 Tim 2: 22b-26 A slave of the Lord should be gentle with everyone, correcting with kindness.

RESP Ps 37 (36): 3-4, 5-6, 30-31 The mouth of the just murmurs wisdom.

GOSPEL Jn 17: 20-26 I wish that where I am they also may be with me.

COMMUNION Jn 15: 4-5 • VIII Remain in me, as I remain in you, says the Lord. † Whoever remains in me, and I in him, \* bears *fruit* in plenty.

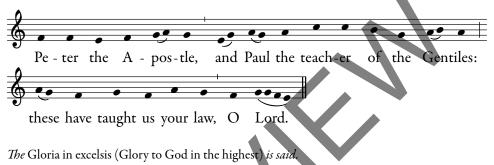
Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday — Optional Memorial —

See page 581 for the antiphons for this Memorial.

#### SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES AT THE VIGIL MASS — SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2025 — Solemnity

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Peter the Apostle, and Paul the teacher *of* the Gentiles: \* these have taught us your *law*, O Lord.



#### COLLECT

Grant, we pray, O Lord our God, / that we may be sustained / by the intercession of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, / that, as through them you gave your Church / the foundations of her heavenly office, / so through them you may help her to eternal salvation. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

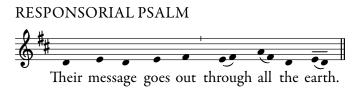
### FIRST READING

Acts 3: 1-10

Peter and John were going up to the temple area for the three o'clock hour of prayer. And a man crippled from birth was carried and placed at the gate of the temple called "the Beautiful Gate" every day to beg for alms from the people who entered the temple. When he saw Peter and John about to go into the temple, he asked for alms. But Peter looked intently at him, as did John, and said, "Look at us." He paid attention to them, expecting to receive something from them. Peter said, "I have neither silver nor gold, but what I do have I give you: in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean, rise and walk." Then Peter took him by the right hand and raised him up, and immediately his feet and ankles grew strong. He leaped up, stood, and walked around, and went into the temple with them, walking and jumping and praising God. When all the people saw the man walking

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and praising God, they recognized him as the one who used to sit begging at the Beautiful Gate of the temple, and they were filled with amazement and astonishment at what had happened to him.



). The heavens declare the glory of God, / and the firmament proclaims his handiwork. / Day pours out the word to day, / and night to night imparts knowledge.

Y. Not a word nor a discourse / whose voice is not heard; / Through all the earth their voice resounds, / and to the ends of the world, their message.

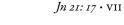
### SECOND READING

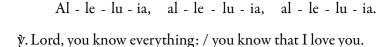
I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the Gospel preached by me is not of human origin. For I did not receive it from a human being, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

For you heard of my former way of life in Judaism, how I persecuted the Church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it, and progressed in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries among my race, since I was even more a zealot for my ancestral traditions. But when God, who from my mother's womb had set me apart and called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him to the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were Apostles before me; rather, I went into Arabia and then returned to Damascus.

Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to confer with Cephas and remained with him for fifteen days. But I did not see any other of the Apostles, only James the brother of the Lord.—As to what I am writing to you, behold, before God, I am not lying.

ALLELUIA





Gal 1: 11-20

Ps 19 (18): 2-3, 4-5 · V

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### GOSPEL

#### Jn 21: 15-19

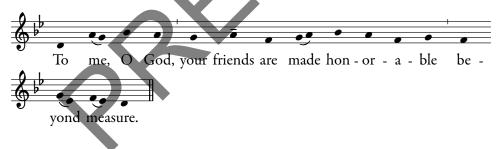
Jesus had revealed himself to his disciples and, when they had finished breakfast, said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" Simon Peter answered him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." He then said to Simon Peter a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Simon Peter answered him, "Yes, Lord, you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was distressed that he had said to him a third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Amen, amen, I say to you, when you were younger, you used to dress yourself and go where you wanted; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go." He said this signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when he had said this, he said to him, "Follow me."

The Creed is said.

OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 139 (138): 17* • III

To me, O God, your friends are made honorable *be*yond measure. \* You have made their dominion strong be*yond* compare.

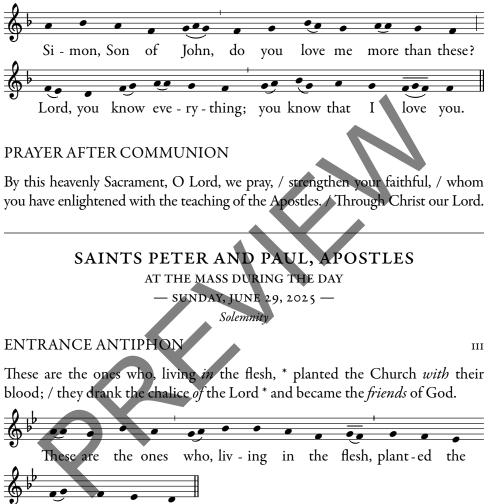


### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

We bring offerings to your altar, O Lord, / as we glory in the solemn feast / of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, / so that the more we doubt our own merits, / the more we may rejoice that we are to be saved / by your loving kindness. / Through Christ our Lord.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Simon, *Son* of John, \* do you love me *more* than these? / Lord, *you* know everything; \* you know *that* I love you.



Church with their blood.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

### COLLECT

O God, who on the Solemnity of the Apostles Peter and Paul / give us the noble and holy joy of this day, / grant, we pray, that your Church / may in all things follow the teaching / of those through whom she received / the beginnings of right

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religion. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING

Acts 12: 1-11

In those days, King Herod laid hands upon some members of the Church to harm them. He had James, the brother of John, killed by the sword, and when he saw that this was pleasing to the Jews he proceeded to arrest Peter also.—It was the feast of Unleavened Bread.—He had him taken into custody and put in prison under the guard of four squads of four soldiers each. He intended to bring him before the people after Passover. Peter thus was being kept in prison, but prayer by the Church was fervently being made to God on his behalf.

On the very night before Herod was to bring him to trial, Peter, secured by double chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while outside the door guards kept watch on the prison. Suddenly the angel of the Lord stood by him, and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and awakened him, saying, "Get up quickly." The chains fell from his wrists. The angel said to him, "Put on your belt and your sandals." He did so. Then he said to him, "Put on your cloak and follow me." So he followed him out, not realizing that what was happening through the angel was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. They passed the first guard, then the second, and came to the iron gate leading out to the city, which opened for them by itself. They emerged and made their way down an alley, and suddenly the angel left him. Then Peter recovered his senses and said, "Now I know for certain that the Lord sent his angel and rescued me from the hand of Herod and from all that the Jewish people had been expecting."



v. I will bless the LORD at all times; / his praise shall be ever in my mouth. / Let my soul glory in the LORD; / the lowly will hear me and be glad.

 $\hat{v}$ . Glorify the LORD with me, / let us together extol his name. / I sought the LORD, and he answered me / and delivered me from all my fears.

Y. Look to him that you may be radiant with joy, / and your faces may not blush with shame. / When the poor one called out, the LORD heard, / and from all his distress he saved him. v. The angel of the LORD encamps / around those who fear him, and delivers them. / Taste and see how good the LORD is; / blessed the man who takes refuge in him.

### SECOND READING

I, Paul, am already being poured out like a libation, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me, which the Lord, the just judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but to all who have longed for his appearance.

The Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the proclamation might be completed and all the Gentiles might hear it. And I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil threat and will bring me safe to his heavenly Kingdom. To him be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Mt 16: 18 • VII

Mt 16: 13-19

). You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my Church, / and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it.

#### GOSPEL

When Jesus went into the region of Caesarea Philippi he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" They replied, "Some say John the Baptist, others Elijah, still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter said in reply, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." Jesus said to him in reply, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my Church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

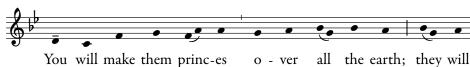
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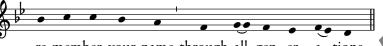
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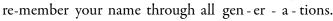
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### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

You will make them princes over *all* the earth; \* they will remember your name through all *gen*erations.







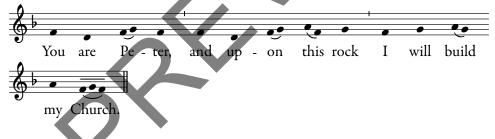
### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May the prayer of the Apostles, O Lord, / accompany the sacrificial gift / that we present to your name for consecration, / and may their intercession make us devoted to you / in celebration of the sacrifice. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Cf. Mt 16: 16, 18* • VI

Peter *said* to Jesus: \* You are the Christ, the Son of the *liv*ing God. / And Jesus replied: *You* are Peter, \* and upon this rock I will *build* my Church.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant us, O Lord, / who have been renewed by this Sacrament, / so to live in the Church, / that, persevering in the breaking of the Bread / and in the teaching of the Apostles, / we may be one heart and one soul, / made steadfast in your love. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, JUNE 30 Monday of the Thirteenth Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps _{47} (46): 2 \cdot VI$ All peoples, *clap* your hands. \* Cry to God with *shouts* of joy!

FIRST READING Gn 18: 16-33 Will you sweep away the innocent with the guilty?

RESP *Ps 103 (102): 1b-2, 3-4, 8-9, 10-11* The Lord is kind and merciful.

GOSPEL Mt 8: 18-22 Follow me.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 103 (102): 1* · VI Bless the Lord, *O* my soul, \* and all within me, his *ho*ly name.

*Or:* Jn 17: 20-21 · VIII O Father, I pray for them, \* that they may be *one* in us, / that the world *may* believe \* that you have sent me, *says* the Lord.

The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

– Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE

The souls of the Saints are rejoicing in heaven, \* the Saints who followed the footsteps of Christ, / and since for love of him they shed their blood, \* they now exult with *Christ* for ever.

Or:

Holy men shed their glorious blood *for* the Lord; \* they loved Christ *in* their life, / they imitated him *in* their death, \* and therefore were *crowned* in triumph.

FIRST READING Rom 8: 31b-39 Neither death nor life will be able to separate us from the love of Christ.

RESP *Ps 124 (123): 2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8* Our soul has been rescued like a bird from the fowler's snare.

GOSPEL Mt 24: 4-13 You will be hated by all nations because of my name.

COMMUNION  $Lk 22: 28-30 \cdot VIII$ It is you who have stood by me in my trials; † and I confer a kingdom on you, *says* the Lord, \* that you may eat and drink at my table *in* my kingdom.

*Or:* VIII See how rich is the Saints' re*ward* from God; \* they died for Christ and will *live* for ever.

> TUESDAY, JULY I Tuesday of the Thirteenth Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps _{47} (46): 2 \cdot VI$ All peoples, *clap* your hands. \* Cry to God with *shouts* of joy!

FIRST READING Gn 19: 15-29 The Lord God rained down sulphurous fire upon Sodom and Gomorrah.

 RESP
 Ps 26 (25): 2-3, 9-10, 11-12

 O Lord, your mercy is before my eyes.

GOSPEL Mt 8: 23-27 Jesus rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was great calm.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps 103 (102):  $1 \cdot VI$ Bless the Lord, O my soul, \* and all within me, his *ho*ly name.

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Or: Jn 17: 20-21 · VIII O Father, I pray for them, \* that they may be *one* in us, / that the world *may* believe \* that you have sent me, says the Lord.

### Saint Junípero Serra, Priest - Optional Memorial -

ENTRANCE *Cf. 1 Pt 2: 9* • VII O chosen people, proclaim the mighty works of him \* who called you out of darkness into his won*der*ful light.

Or: Cf. Ps 18 (17): 50; 22 (21): 23 · VI I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; \* I will tell of your name *to* my kin.

Any reading from the Common of Pastors: For Missionaries (#719–724) or the Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious (#737 742), may be used.

#### COMMUNION

I will pasture my sheep; \* I myself will give them rest, says the Lord.

Or:

Mt 10: 27 · IV

Ez 34: 15 · VI

What I say to you in the darkness \* speak in the light, says the Lord; / what you hear whispered \* proclaim on the housetops.

# WEDNESDAY, JULY 2

Wednesday of the Thirteenth Week

ENTRANCE *Ps 47 (46): 2* • VI All peoples, *clap* your hands. \* Cry to God with *shouts* of joy!

FIRST READING Gn 21: 5, 8-20a No son of that slave is going to share the inheritance with my son Isaac!

Resp Ps 34 (33): 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

Gospel Mt 8: 28-34 Have you come here to torment us before the appointed time?

COMMUNION Cf. Ps 103 (102): 1 · VI Bless the Lord, O my soul, \* and all within me, his *ho*ly name.

Or: In 17: 20-21 · VIII O Father, I pray for them, \* that they may be *one* in us, / that the world *may* believe \* that you have sent me, says the Lord.

> THURSDAY, JULY 3 Saint Thomas, Apostle – Feast —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 118 (117): 28, 21 · 11 You are my God, and I confess you; † you are my God, and *I* exalt you; \* I will thank you, for you be*came* my savior.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

FIRST READING Eph 2: 19-22 Built upon the foundation of the Apostles.

RESP Ps 117 (116): 1bc, 2 Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

GOSPEL My Lord and my God! Jn 20: 24-29

COMMUNION *Cf. In 20: 27* • VI Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, \* and do not be unbelieving *but* believing.

FRIDAY, JULY 4 Friday of the Thirteenth Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps \, 47 \, (46): 2 \cdot VI$ All peoples, *clap* your hands. \* Cry to God with *shouts* of joy!

#### FIRST READING

Gn 23: 1-4, 19; 24: 1-8, 62-67 In his love for Rebekah, Isaac found solace after the death of his mother Sarah.

RESP *Ps 106 (105): 1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5* Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

GOSPEL Mt 9: 9-13 Those who are well do not need a physician; I desire mercy, not sacrifice.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps 103 (102):  $1 \cdot VI$ Bless the Lord, O my soul, \* and all within me, his *ho*ly name.

*Or:* Jn 17: 20-21 · VIII O Father, I pray for them,\* that they may be one in us, / that the world may believe\* that you have sent me, says the Lord.

> *Independence Day* — Oprional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Sir 36: 18, 19  $\cdot$  1 Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you; † hear the prayers of your servants \* and guide us in the *way* of justice.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

Any readings from the Mass "For the Country or a City" (#882-886), or the Mass "For Peace and Justice" (#887-891) may be used. COMMUNION Cf. Ps  $_{36}(_{35}): 10 \cdot VI$ With you, O Lord, is the foun*tain* of life, \* and in your light *we* see light.

> **SATURDAY, JULY 5** Saturday of the Thirteenth Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps 47 (46): 2 \cdot VI$ All peoples, *clap* your hands. \* Cry to God with *shouts* of joy!

FIRST READING Gn 27: 1-5, 15-29 Jacob displaced his brother and usurped his blessing (Genesis 27:36).

 RESP
 Ps 135 (134): 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6

 Praise the Lord for the Lord is good!
 Or:

### Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mt 9: 14-17 Can the wedding guests mourn as long as the bridegroom is with them?

COMMUNION Cf. Ps 103 (102):  $1 \cdot VI$ Bless the Lord, O my soul, \* and all within me, his *ho*ly name.

*Or:* Jn 17: 20-21 · VIII O Father, I pray for them, \* that they may be *one* in us, / that the world *may* believe \* that you have sent me, *says* the Lord.

> Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Priest — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 132 (131): 9* · VI Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy.

FIRST READING 2 Tim 1: 13-14; 2: 1-3 Guard this rich trust with the help of the Holy Spirit. Resp

Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Blessed are they who hope in the Lord. Or:

Blessed are they who delight in the law of the Lord.

Or:

The just will flourish like the palm tree in the garden of the Lord.

Gospel Mk 10: 13-16 Let the children come to me.

COMMUNION *Mt 24: 46, 47* • III Blessed *is* the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching when he comes. / Amen I say to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of *all* his property.

Or: *Cf. Lk 12: 42* • VII This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household, \* to give them their allowance of food at the *proper* time.

> Saint Elizabeth of Portugal - Optional Memorial

*Cf. Mt 25: 34, 36, 40* IV ENTRANCE Come, you blessed of my Father, says the Lord: \* I was sick, and you visited me. / Amen I say to you: Whatever you did \* for one of the least of my brethren you did *it* for me.

Or: Ps 112 (111): 9 · VII Open-handed, he gives to the poor; † his justice stands firm for ever. \* His might shall be exalted in glory.

FIRST READING 1 Jn 3: 14-18 We ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.

Ps 112 (111): 1bc-2, 3-4, 5-7, 7-8, 9 Resp Blessed the man who fears the Lord. Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mt 25: 31-46 or Mt 25:31-40 Whatever you did for the least of my brothers, you did for me.

COMMUNION Cf. Jn 15: 13 • 1 Greater *love* has no one \* than to lay down his life for his friends.

Or: Cf. Jn 13: 35 • VII This is how all will know that you are my disciples: \* if you have love for one another, says the Lord.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday Optional Memorial —

See page 581 for the antiphons for this Memorial.

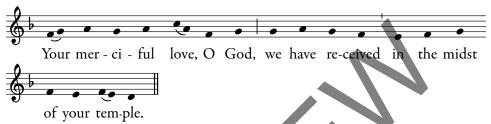
### FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — SUNDAY, JULY 6, 2025 —

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 48 (47): 10, 11* • 1

Is 66: 10-14c

Your merciful *love*, O God, \* we have received in the midst *of* your temple. / Your praise, O God, like your name, † reaches the ends *of* the earth; \* your right hand is filled with *sav*ing justice.



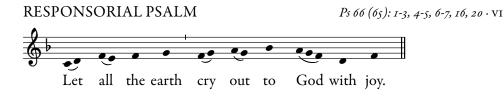
### COLLECT

O God, who in the abasement of your Son / have raised up a fallen world, / fill your faithful with holy joy, / for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin / you bestow eternal gladness. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING

Thus says the LORD: / Rejoice with Jerusalem and be glad because of her, / all you who love her; / exult, exult with her, / all you who were mourning over her! / Oh, that you may suck fully / of the milk of her comfort, / that you may nurse with delight / at her abundant breasts! / For thus says the LORD: / Lo, I will spread prosperity over Jerusalem like a river, / and the wealth of the nations like an over-flowing torrent. / As nurslings, you shall be carried in her arms, / and fondled in her lap; / as a mother comforts her child, / so will I comfort you; / in Jerusalem you shall find your comfort.

When you see this, your heart shall rejoice / and your bodies flourish like the grass; / the LORD's power shall be known to his servants.



ŷ. Shout joyfully to God, all the earth, / sing praise to the glory of his name; / proclaim his glorious praise. / Say to God, "How tremendous are your deeds!"

Y. "Let all on earth worship and sing praise to you, / sing praise to your name!" / Come and see the works of God, / his tremendous deeds among the children of Adam.

ŷ. He has changed the sea into dry land; / through the river they passed on foot; / therefore let us rejoice in him. / He rules by his might forever.

ŷ. Hear now, all you who fear God, / while I declare what he has done for me. / Blessed be God who refused me not / my prayer or his kindness!

### SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither does circumcision mean anything, nor does uncircumcision, but only a new creation. Peace and mercy be to all who follow this rule and to the Israel of God.

From now on, let no one make troubles for me; for I bear the marks of Jesus on my body.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

ALLELUIA

Col 3: 15a, 16a · 1

Gal 6: 14-18

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Let the peace of Christ control your hearts; / let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.

### GOSPEL

Lk 10: 1-12, 17-20 or 10: 1-9

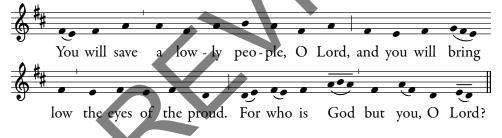
At that time the Lord appointed seventy-two others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest. Go on your way; behold, I am sending you like lambs among wolves. Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals; and greet no one along the way. Into whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this household.' If a peaceful person lives there, your peace will rest on him; but if not, it will return to you. Stay in the same house and eat and drink what is offered to you, for the laborer deserves his payment. Do not move about from one house to another. Whatever town you enter and they welcome you, eat what is set before you, cure the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God is at hand for you.' [Whatever town you enter and they do not receive you, go out into the streets and say, 'The dust of your town that clings to our feet, even that we shake off against you.' Yet know this: the kingdom of God is at hand. I tell you, it will be more tolerable for Sodom on that day than for that town."

The seventy-two returned rejoicing, and said, "Lord, even the demons are subject to us because of your name." Jesus said, "I have observed Satan fall like lightning from the sky. Behold, I have given you the power to 'tread upon serpents' and scorpions and upon the full force of the enemy and nothing will harm you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice because the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice because your names are written in heaven."]

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 18 (17): 28, 32 •* v

You will save a lowly people, O Lord, † and you will bring low the eyes *of* the proud. \* For who is God but *you*, O Lord?



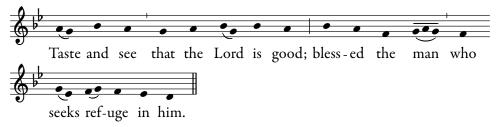
### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May this oblation dedicated to your name / purify us, O Lord, / and day by day bring our conduct / closer to the life of heaven. / Through Christ our Lord.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Ps 34 (33): 9* • 111

Taste and see that the *Lord* is good; \* blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.



Come to me, all who labor and are burdened, \* and I will refresh you, says the Lord.



### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, O Lord, / that, having been replenished by such great gifts, / we may gain the prize of salvation / and never cease to praise you. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, JULY 7	COMMUNION <i>Ps</i> 34 (33): 9 · 111
Monday of the Fourteenth Week	Taste and see that the <i>Lord</i> is good; *
ENTRANCE <i>Ps</i> 48 (47): 10, 11 · 1	blessed the man who seeks refuge in
Your merciful <i>love</i> , O God, * we have received in the midst <i>of</i> your temple. / Your praise, O God, like your name, † reaches the ends <i>of</i> the earth; * your right hand is filled with <i>sav</i> ing justice.	him. Or: Mt 11: 28 · 111 Come to me, all who labor and are burdened, * and I will refresh you, says the Lord.
FIRST READING Gn 28: 10-22a Jacob had a dream: a stairway rested on the ground and God's messengers were going up and down on it and the Lord was speaking.	TUESDAY, JULY 8 Tuesday of the Fourteenth Week ENTRANCE Ps 48 (47): 10, 11 • 1
	Your merciful <i>love</i> , O God, * we have received in the midst <i>of</i> your temple. /
RESP <i>Ps 91 (90): 1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab</i>	Your praise, O God, like your name, †
In you, my God, I place my trust. GOSPEL <i>Mt 9: 18-26</i>	reaches the ends <i>of</i> the earth; * your right hand is filled with <i>sav</i> ing justice.
My daughter has just died, but come and she will live.	FIRST READING Gn 32: 23-33 You shall be spoken of as Israel, because you have contended with God and have prevailed.

Or:

RESP *Ps 17 (16): 1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b, 15* In justice, I shall behold your face, O Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 9: 32-38 The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few.

COMMUNION $Ps \ 34 \ (33): 9 \cdot III$ Taste and see that the Lord is good; \*blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.Or: $Mt \ II: 28 \cdot III$ Come to me, all who labor and areburdened, \* and I will refresh you, saysthe Lord.

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 9 Wednesday of the Fourteenth Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps \, 48 \, (47): 10, 11 \cdot 1$ Your merciful *love*, O God, \* we have received in the midst *of* your temple. / Your praise, O God, like your name, † reaches the ends *of* the earth; \* your right hand is filled with *sav*ing justice.

### First Reading

Gn 41: 55-57; 42: 5-7a, 17-24a Alas, we are being punished because of our brother.

RESP *Ps 33 (32): 2-3, 10-11, 18-19* Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

GOSPEL Mt 10: 1-7 Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

COMMUNION $P_{5 34} (33): g \cdot III$ Taste and see that the Lord is good; \*blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

Or:  $Mt \ II: 28 \cdot III$ Come to me, all who labor *and* are burdened, \* and I will refresh you, *says* the Lord.

Saint Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

— Optional Memorial — ENTRANCE I The souls of the Saints are rejoic*ing* in heaven, \* the Saints who followed the foot*steps* of Christ, / and since for love of him they *shed* their blood, \* they now exult with *Christ* for ever.

*Or:* IV Holy men shed their glorious blood *for* the Lord; \* they loved Christ *in* their life, / they imitated him *in* their death, \* and therefore were *crowned* in triumph.

FIRST READING 1 Jn 5: 1-5 The victory that conquers the world is our faith.

RESP *Ps 126 (125): 1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6* Those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

GOSPEL Jn 12: 24-26 If it dies, it produces much fruit.

COMMUNION  $Lk 22: 28-30 \cdot VIII$ It is you who have stood by me in my trials; † and I confer a kingdom on you, *says* the Lord, \* that you may eat and drink at my table *in* my kingdom.

*Or:* VIII See how rich is the Saints' re*ward* from God; \* they died for Christ and will *live* for ever.

### THURSDAY, JULY 10 Thursday of the Fourteenth Week

ENTRANCE Ps 48 (47): 10, 11 · I Your merciful *love*, O God, \* we have received in the midst *of* your temple. / Your praise, O God, like your name, † reaches the ends of the earth; \* your right hand is filled with *sav*ing justice.

### FIRST READING

Gn 44: 18-21, 23b-29; 45: 1-5 It was really for the sake of saving lives that God sent me here ahead of you.

Resp Ps 105 (104): 16-17, 18-19, 20-21 Remember the marvels the Lord has done. Or: Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Mt 10: 7-15 Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give.

COMMUNION Ps 34 (33): 9 • 111 Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him. Or: Mt 11: 28 · 111 Come to me, all who labor and are burdened, \* and I will refresh you, says the Lord.

#### FRIDAY, JULY 11 Saint Benedict, Abbot - Memorial -

ENTRANCE

There was a man of venerable life, \* Benedict, blessed by grace and by name, / who, leaving home and patrimony † and desiring to please God alone, \* sought out the habit of holy living. Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Gn 46: 1-7, 28-30 At last I can die, now that I have seen for myself that Joseph is still alive.

Resp Ps 37 (36): 3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 The salvation of the just comes from the Lord.

Gospel Mt 10: 16-23 For it will not be you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

*Cf. Lk 12: 42* • VII COMMUNION This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Prv 2: 1-9 Inclining your heart to understanding.

RESP Ps 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 I will bless the Lord at all times.

Or:

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Gospel Mt 19: 27-29 You who have followed me will receive a hundred times more.

### SATURDAY, JULY 12 Saturday of the Fourteenth Week

ENTRANCE Ps 48 (47): 10, 11 · I Your merciful love, O God, \* we have received in the midst *of* your temple. / Your praise, O God, like your name, † reaches the ends of the earth; \* your right hand is filled with saving justice.

FIRST READING Gn 49: 29-32; 50: 15-26a God will surely take care of you and lead you out of this land.

RESP *Ps 105 (104): 1-2, 3-4, 6-7* Be glad you lowly ones; may your hearts be glad!

GOSPEL Mt 10: 24-33 Do not be afraid of those who kill the body.

COMMUNION $P_{5 34}$  (33):  $g \cdot III$ Taste and see that the Lord is good; \*blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.

*Or: Mt 11: 28* · 111 Come to me, all who labor *and* are burdened, \* and I will refresh you, *says* the Lord.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday — Optional Memorial —

See page 581 for the antiphons for this Memorial.



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

— SUNDAY, JULY 13, 2025

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 17 (16): 15* • 1

As for me, in justice I shall be*hold* your face; \* I shall be filled with the vision *of* your glory.



### COLLECT

O God, who show the light of your truth / to those who go astray, / so that they may return to the right path, / give all who for the faith they profess / are accounted Christians / the grace to reject whatever is contrary to the name of Christ / and to strive after all that does it honor. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING

soul.

Dt 30: 10-14

*Ps 19 (18): 8, 9, 10, 11* · 11

"For this command that I enjoin on you today is not too mysterious and remote for you. It is not up in the sky, that you should say, 'Who will go up in the sky to get it for us and tell us of it, that we may carry it out?' Nor is it across the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross the sea to get it for us and tell us of it, that we may carry it out?' No, it is something very near to you, already in your mouths and in your hearts; you have only to carry it out."



ŷ. I pray to you, O LORD, / for the time of your favor, O God! / In your great kindness answer me / with your constant help. / Answer me, O LORD, for bounteous is your kindness: / in your great mercy turn toward me.

I am afflicted and in pain; / let your saving help, O God, protect me. / I will praise the name of God in song, / and I will glorify him with thanksgiving.

v. "See, you lowly ones, and be glad; / you who seek God, may your hearts revive! / For the LORD hears the poor, / and his own who are in bonds he spurns not."

 $\hat{y}$ . For God will save Zion / and rebuild the cities of Judah. / The descendants of his servants shall inherit it, / and those who love his name shall inhabit it.



Your words, Lord, are Spir - it and life.

v. The law of the LORD is perfect, / refreshing the soul; / the decree of the LORD is trustworthy, / giving wisdom to the simple.

v. The precepts of the LORD are right, / rejoicing the heart; / the command of the LORD is clear, / enlightening the eye.

Cf. In 6: 63, 68c · 11

Lk 10: 25-37

Col 1: 15-20

). The fear of the LORD is pure, / enduring forever; / the ordinances of the LORD are true, / all of them just.

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ŷ. They are more precious than gold, / than a heap of purest gold; / sweeter also than syrup / or honey from the comb.

#### SECOND READING

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, / the firstborn of all creation. / For in him were created all things in heaven and on earth, / the visible and the invisible, / whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; X all things were created through him and for him. / He is before all things, / and in him all things hold together. / He is the head of the body, the church. / He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, / that in all things he himself might be preeminent. / For in him all the fullness was pleased to dwell, / and through him to reconcile all things for him, / making peace by the blood of his cross / through him, whether those on earth or those in heaven.

). Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life; / you have the words of everlasting life.

#### **GOSPEL**

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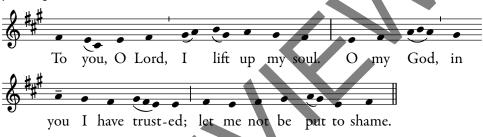
There was a scholar of the law who stood up to test Jesus and said, "Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read it?" He said in reply, You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." He replied to him, "You have answered correctly; do this and you will live."

But because he wished to justify himself, he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. Likewise a Levite came to the place, and when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight. He approached the victim, poured oil and wine over his wounds and bandaged them. Then he lifted him up on his own animal, took him to an inn, and cared for him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper with the instruction, 'Take care of him. If you spend more than what I have given you, I shall repay you on my way back.' Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers' victim?" He answered, "The one who treated him with mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 25 (24): 1-3* • II

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. † O my God, in you *I* have trusted; \* let me not be *put* to shame. / Nor let my enemies exult *o*ver me; \* and let none who hope in you be *put* to shame.



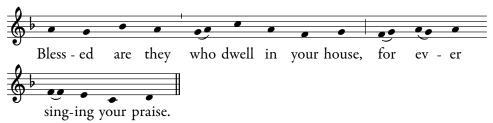
### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Look upon the offerings of the Church, O Lord, / as she makes her prayer to you, / and grant that, when consumed by those who believe, / they may bring ever greater holiness. / Through Christ our Lord.

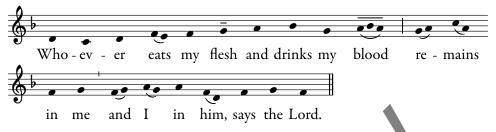
# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Cf. Ps 84 (83): 4-5* • I

The sparrow finds a home, † and the swallow a nest *for* her young: \* by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King *and* my God. / Blessed are they who dwell *in* your house, \* for ever sing*ing* your praise.



Whoever eats my flesh and *drinks* my blood \* remains in me and I in him, *says* the Lord.



### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having consumed these gifts, we pray, O Lord, / that, by our participation in this mystery, / its saving effects upon us may grow. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, JULY 14	Communion         Cf. Mt 25: 6 · VI
Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin 🛛 💊	Behold, the Bridegroom is coming; *
— Memorial —	come out to meet <i>Christ</i> the Lord.
MemorialENTRANCEVIHere is a wise virgin, from among the number of the prudent, * who went forth with lighted lamp to meet Christ. Or:VOr:VHow beautiful you are, O virgin of Christ, † who were worthy to receive the Lord's crown, * the crown of perpetual virginity.Readings of the Day:FIRST READINGEx 1: 8-14, 22 Come, let us deal shrewdly with them to stop their increase.RESPPs 124 (123): 1b-3, 4-6, 7-8 Our help is in the name of the Lord.GOSPELMt 10: 34-11: 1 I have come to bring not peace, but the sword.	come out to meet <i>Christ</i> the Lord. <i>Or:</i> $Cf. Ps 27 (26): 4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask <i>of</i> the Lord, * only this <i>do</i> I seek: / to live in the house <i>of</i> the Lord * all the days <i>of</i> my life. <i>Readings for the Memorial may be taken from</i> <i>the Common of Virgins, #731-736.</i> <b>TUESDAY, JULY 15</b> <i>Saint Bonaventure, Bishop and</i> <i>Doctor of the Church</i> — Memorial — ENTRANCE $Cf. Ez 34: II, 23-24 \cdot IV$ I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, † and I will appoint a shep <i>herd</i> to pasture them, * and I, the Lord, will <i>be</i> their God. <i>Or:</i> $Cf. Lk 12: 42 \cdot IV$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household, * to give them their
	allowance of food at the <i>prop</i> er time.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Ex 2: 1-15a She called him Moses for she said, "I drew him out of the water." After Moses had grown up, he visited his people.

RESP *Ps 69 (68): 3, 14, 30-31, 33-34* Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

GOSPEL Mt 11: 20-24 It will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon and for the land of Sodom on the day of judgment than for you.

COMMUNION Cf. Jn 15: 16 · 1 It was not you who chose me, says the Lord, \* but I who chose you / and appointed you to go and bear fruit, \* fruit that will last.

Or: Cf. Lk 12: 36-37 • 111 Blessed is that servant, whom his lord finds awake \* when he comes and knocks *at* the gate.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Eph 3: 14-19 To know the love of Christ, that surpasses knowledge.

RESP *Ps 119 (118): 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14* Lord, teach me your statutes.

GOSPEL Mt 23: 8-12 The greatest among you must be your servant.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

Wednesday of the Fifteenth WeekENTRANCEPs 17 (16): 15 · 1As for me, in justice I shall behold your

face; \* I shall be filled with the vision *of* your glory.

FIRST READING Ex 3: 1-6, 9-12 The angel of the Lord appeared to Moses in the burning bush.

RESP *Ps 103 (102): 1b-2, 3-4, 6-7* The Lord is kind and merciful.

GOSPEL Mt 11: 25-27 Although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike.

COMMUNIONGf. Ps 84 (83):  $4-5 \cdot I$ The sparrow finds a home,  $\dagger$  and theswallow a nest for her young: \* by youraltars, O Lord of hosts, my King and myGod. / Blessed are they who dwell inyourhouse, \* for ever singing your praise.Or:Jn 6:  $57 \cdot VI$ Whoever eats my flesh and drinks myblood \* remains in me and I in him,says the Lord.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Sedulius* · 11 Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth *to* the King, \* who rules heaven and *earth* for ever.

FIRST READING Zec 2: 14-17 Rejoice, O daughter of Zion! See, I am coming.

RESP *Lk 1: 46-47, 48-49, 50-51, 52-53, 54-55* The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name. *Or:* 

O Blessed Virgin Mary, you carried the Son of the eternal Father.

GOSPEL Mt 12: 46-50 Stretching out his hands toward his disciples, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers."

COMMUNION *Lk 11: 27* · I Blessed is the womb of the *Vir*gin Mary, \* which bore the Son of the *eter*nal Father.

#### THURSDAY, JULY 17 Thursday of the Fifteenth Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps I7 (16): I5 \cdot I$ As for me, in justice I shall be*hold* your face; \* I shall be filled with the vision *of* your glory.

FIRST READING Ex 3: 13-20 I AM WHO AM. I AM has sent me to you.

 RESP
 Ps 105 (104): 1, 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27

 The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Mt 11: 28-30 I am meek and humble of heart.

COMMUNIONCf. Ps 84 (83):  $4-5 \cdot 1$ The sparrow finds a home,  $\dagger$  and theswallow a nest for her young: \* by youraltars, O Lord of hosts, my King and myGod. / Blessed are they who dwell inyourhouse, \* for ever singing your praise.Or:Jn 6:  $57 \cdot VI$ Whoever eats my flesh and drinks myblood \* remains in me and I in him,says the Lord.

### FRIDAY, JULY 18 Friday of the Fifteenth Week

ENTRANCE  $P_{S I7}(I6): I_5 \cdot I$ As for me, in justice I shall be*hold* your face; \* I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

FIRST READING Ex 11: 10–12: 14 It shall be slaughtered during the evening twilight. Seeing the blood, I will pass over you.

RESP *Ps 116 (115): 12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18* I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

**GOSPEL** Mt 12: 1-8 The Son of Man is Lord of the sabbath.

COMMUNIONCf. Ps 84 (83):  $4-5 \cdot I$ The sparrow finds a home,  $\dagger$  and theswallow a nest for her young: \* by youraltars, O Lord of hosts, my King and myGod. / Blessed are they who dwell inyourhouse, \* for ever singing your praise.Or:Jn 6:  $57 \cdot VI$ Whoever eats my flesh and drinks myblood \* remains in me and I in him,says the Lord.

# Saint Camillus De Lellis, Priest

— Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Mt 25: 34, 36, 40* IV Come, you blessed of my Father, *says* the Lord: \* I was sick, and you vis*it*ed me. / Amen I say to you: Whatev*er* you did \* for one of the least of my brethren you did *it* for me.

Or: Ps 112 (111): 9 · VII Open-handed, he gives to the poor; † his justice stands firm for ever. \* His might shall be exalted in glory.

FIRST READING 1 Jn 3: 14-18 We ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.

RESP Ps 112 (111): 1bc-2, 3-4, 5-7, 7-8, 9 Blessed the man who fears the Lord.

Or:

Alleluia.

Gospel

Jn 15: 9-17 You are my friends if you do what I command you.

COMMUNION Cf. In 15: 13 · 1 Greater *love* has no one \* than to lay down his life for his friends.

Or: Cf. In 13: 35 • VII This is how all will know that you are my disciples: \* if you have love for one another, says the Lord.

> SATURDAY, JULY 19 Saturday of the Fifteenth Week

ENTRANCE Ps 17 (16): 15 · I As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; \* I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

FIRST READING Ex 12: 37-42 This was a night of vigil for the Lord as he led them out of the land of Egypt.

Resp Ps 136 (135): 1, 23-24, 10-12, 13-15 His mercy endures for ever. Or: Alleluia.

Gospel Mt 12: 14-21 He warned them not to make him known to fulfill what had been spoken.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps 84 (83): 4-5 • 1 The sparrow finds a home, † and the swallow a nest for her young: \* by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. / Blessed are they who dwell in your house, \* for ever singing your praise.

Or: In 6: 57 · VI Whoever eats my flesh and *drinks* my blood \* remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday Optional Memorial —

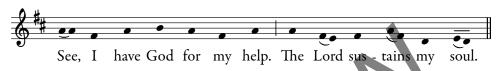
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### SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — SUNDAY, JULY 20, 2025 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 54 (53): 6, 8* • v

See, I have God *for* my help. \* The Lord sus*tains* my soul. / I will sacrifice to you with *will*ing heart, \* and praise your name, O Lord, for *it* is good.



### COLLECT

Show favor, O Lord, to your servants / and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace, / that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity, / they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

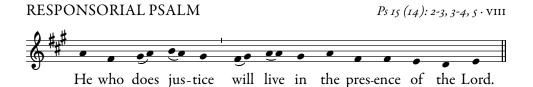
### FIRST READING

Gn 18: 1-10a

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the terebinth of Mamre, as he sat in the entrance of his tent, while the day was growing hot. Looking up, Abraham saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he ran from the entrance of the tent to greet them; and bowing to the ground, he said: "Sir, if I may ask you this favor, please do not go on past your servant. Let some water be brought, that you may bathe your feet, and then rest yourselves under the tree. Now that you have come this close to your servant, let me bring you a little food, that you may refresh yourselves; and afterward you may go on your way." The men replied, "Very well, do as you have said."

Abraham hastened into the tent and told Sarah, "Quick, three measures of fine flour! Knead it and make rolls." He ran to the herd, picked out a tender, choice steer, and gave it to a servant, who quickly prepared it. Then Abraham got some curds and milk, as well as the steer that had been prepared, and set these before the three men; and he waited on them under the tree while they ate.

They asked Abraham, "Where is your wife Sarah?" He replied, "There in the tent." One of them said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah will then have a son."



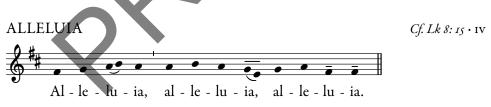
 $\hat{y}$ . One who walks blamelessly and does justice; / who thinks the truth in his heart / and slanders not with his tongue.

§. Who harms not his fellow man, / nor takes up a reproach against his neighbor; / by whom the reprobate is despised, / while he honors those who fear the LORD.

v. Who lends not his money at usury / and accepts no bribe against the innocent. / One who does these things / shall never be disturbed.

### SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church, of which I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God, the mystery hidden from ages and from generations past. But now it has been manifested to his holy ones, to whom God chose to make known the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; it is Christ in you, the hope for glory. It is he whom we proclaim, admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.



 $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ . Blessed are they who have kept the word with a generous heart / and yield a harvest through perseverance.

### GOSPEL

Lk 10: 38-42

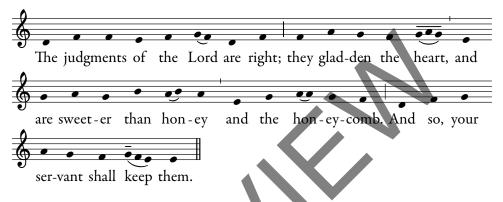
Col 1: 24-28

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 19 (18): 9, 10, 11, 12* • IV

The judgments of the *Lord* are right; \* they glad*den* the heart, / and are sweeter than honey *and* the honeycomb. \* And so, your servant shall keep them.



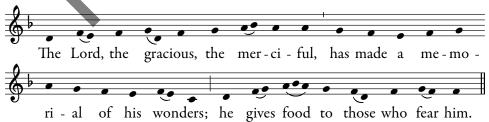
### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who in the one perfect sacrifice / brought to completion varied offerings of the law, / accept, we pray, this sacrifice from your faithful servants / and make it holy, as you blessed the gifts of Abel, / so that what each has offered to the honor of your majesty / may benefit the salvation of all. / Through Christ our Lord.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Ps III (110): 4-5* • VI

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, † has made a memorial *of* his wonders; \* he gives food to *those* who fear him.



Or:

Behold, I stand at the door and knock, says the Lord. † If anyone hears my voice and opens the *door* to me, \* I will enter his house and dine with him, and *he* with me.



### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord, / and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries / to pass from former ways to newness of life. / Through Christ our Lord.

Monday of the Sixteenth WeekENTRANCE $Ps \ 54 \ (53)$ : 6,  $8 \cdot v$ See, I have God for my help. \* The Lordsustains my soul. / I will sacrifice to youwith willing heart, \* and praise yourname, O Lord, for it is good.

MONDAY, JULY 21

FIRST READING They will know that I am the Lord when I receive glory through Pharaoh.

RESP *Ex 15: 1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6* Let us sing to the Lord; he has covered himself in glory.

GOSPEL Mt 12: 38-42 At the judgment the queen of the south will arise with this generation and condemn it.

COMMUNION *Ps III (110): 4-5* · VI The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, † has made a memorial *of* his wonders; \* he gives food to *those* who fear him. Or: Rev 3: 20 · I Behold, I stand at the door and knock, says the Lord. † If anyone hears my voice and opens the *door* to me, \* I will enter his house and dine with him, and *he* with me.

Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $_{132}(_{131}): g \cdot vI$ Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy.

FIRST READING 2 Cor 4: 1-2, 5-7 We preach Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.

RESP *Ps 40 (39): 2, 4ab, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11* Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

GOSPEL *Mk* 4: 1-10, 13-20 or 4: 1-9 *The sower went out to sow.*  COMMUNION *Mt 24: 46, 47* · III Blessed *is* the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching *when* he comes. / Amen I *say* to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of *all* his property.

Or: Cf. Lk 12: 42 · VII This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household, \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

### TUESDAY, JULY 22 Saint Mary Magdalene — Feast —

ENTRANCE Jn 20: 17 · 1 The Lord said to Mary Magdalene: \* Go to my broth*ers* and tell them: / I am going to my Father and your Father, \* to my God and your God.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

FIRST READINGSong 3: 1-4bI have found him whom my heart loves.Or:2 Cor 5: 14-17Behold, new things have come.

RESP *Ps 63 (62): 2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9* My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

GOSPEL Jn 20: 1-2, 11-18 Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?

COMMUNION 2 Cor 5: 14, 15  $\cdot$  VII The love of Christ impels us, † so that those who live may live no longer *for* themselves, \* but for him who died for them *and* was raised.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 23 Wednesday of the Sixteenth Week

ENTRANCE  $P_{554}(_{53}): 6, 8 \cdot v$ See, I have God *for* my help. \* The Lord sus*tains* my soul. / I will sacrifice to you with *will*ing heart, \* and praise your name, O Lord, for *it* is good.

FIRST READING Ex 16: 1-5, 9-15 I will rain down bread from heaven for you.

RESP *Pt 78 (77)*: *t8-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28* The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

**GOSPEL** *Mt 13: 1-9 The seed produced grain a hundredfold.* 

COMMUNIONPs III (110): 4-5 · VIThe Lord, the gracious, the merciful, †has made a memorial of his wonders; \*he gives food to those who fear him.

*Or: Rev 3: 20 · I* Behold, I stand at the door and knock, says the Lord. † If anyone hears my voice and opens the *door* to me, \* I will enter his house and dine with him, and *he* with me.

> Saint Bridget, Religious — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf.  $Prv_{31: 30, 28 \cdot VI}$ The woman who fears the Lord will herself be praised. † Her children have called *her* most blessed, \* her husband has *sung* her praises.

Or: Cf.  $Prv_{3I}$ : 20, 27  $\cdot$  IV She reaches out her hands to the needy  $\dagger$  and extends her arms to the poor. \* She did not eat her *food* in idleness.

FIRST READING Gal 2: 19-20 I live, no longer I, but Christ lives in me.

RESP *Ps* 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 I will bless the Lord at all times. *Or:* 

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL Jn 15: 1-8 Whoever remains in me, and I in them, will bear much fruit.

COMMUNION Cf. Mt 13:  $45-46 \cdot \text{VIII}$ The Kingdom of Heaven is *like* a merchant \* who travels in search *of* fine pearls / and who, on finding one *of* great price, \* sold every*thing* and bought it.

> THURSDAY, JULY 2.4 Thursday of the Sixteenth Week

ENTRANCE  $P_{5,5,4}(s_3): 6, 8 \cdot y$ See, I have God *for* my help. \* The Lord sus*tains* my soul. / I will sacrifice to you with *will*ing heart, \* and praise your name, O Lord, for *it* is good.

FIRST READING Ex 19: 1-2, 9-11, 16-20b The Lord descended on Mount Sinai before the eyes of all the people.

RESP *Dn 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56* Glory and praise for ever!

GOSPEL Mt 13: 10-17 Because knowledge of the mysteries of the Kingdom of heaven has been granted to you, but to them it has not been granted. COMMUNIONPs III (II0):  $4-5 \cdot VI$ The Lord, the gracious, the merciful,  $\dagger$ has made a memorial of his wonders; \*he gives food to those who fear him.Or:Rev 3: 20 \cdot IBehold, I stand at the door and knock,says the Lord.  $\dagger$  If anyone hears my

voice and opens the *door* to me, \* I will enter his house and dine with him, and *he* with me.

> Saint Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE  $Cf. Ps I32 (I31): g \cdot VI$ Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy.

FIRST READING Sir 3: 17-24 Humble yourself and you will find favor with God.

RESP *Ps 15 (14): 2-3ab, 3cd-4ab, 5* The just one shall live on your holy mountain, O Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 19: 27-29 You who have followed me will receive a hundred times more.

COMMUNION Mt 24: 46, 47 · III Blessed *is* the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching *when* he comes. / Amen I *say* to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of *all* his property.

Or: Cf. Lk 12: 42 · VII This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household, \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

#### FRIDAY, JULY 25 Saint James, Apostle — Feast —

ENTRANCE Cf. Mt 4: 18, 21 · 1 As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, † Jesus saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother \* mending their nets and he called them.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

FIRST READING 2 Cor 4: 7-15 Always carrying about in the body the dying of Jesus.

RESP *Ps 126 (125): 1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6* Those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

GOSPEL Mt 20: 20-28

You will drink my chalice.

Соммиліол vi They drank the chalice *of* the Lord, \* and became the *friends* of God.

# SATURDAY, JULY 26

Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary

– Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Sir  $44: I, 25 \cdot I$ Let us praise Joachim and Anne, † to whom, in their *gen*eration, \* the Lord gave him who was a blessing for *all* the nations.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Ex 24: 3-8 This is the blood of the covenant that the Lord has made with you. RESP *Ps 50 (49): 1b-2, 5-6, 14-15* Offer to God a sacrifice of praise.

GOSPEL Mt 13: 24-30 Let them grow together until harvest.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 24 (23): 5* · II They received blessings *from* the Lord \* and mercy from *God* their Savior.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Sir 44: 1, 10-15 Their name lives on and on.

RESP *Ps 132 (131): 11, 13-14, 17-18* God will give him the throne of David, his father.

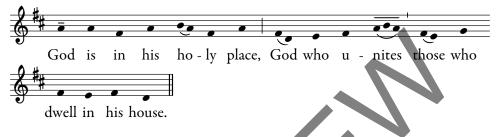
GOSPEL Mt 13: 16-17 Many prophets and righteous people longed to see what you see.

### SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2025 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Ps 68 (67): 6-7, 36* • v

God is in his holy place, † God who unites those who dwell *in* his house; \* he himself gives might and strength *to* his people.



### COLLECT

O God, protector of those who hope in you, / without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, / bestow in abundance your mercy upon us / and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide, / we may use the good things that pass / in such a way as to hold fast even now / to those that ever endure. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING

Gn 18: 20-32

In those days, the LORD said: "The outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is so great, and their sin so grave, that I must go down and see whether or not their actions fully correspond to the cry against them that comes to me. I mean to find out."

While Abraham's visitors walked on farther toward Sodom, the LORD remained standing before Abraham. Then Abraham drew nearer and said: "Will you sweep away the innocent with the guilty? Suppose there were fifty innocent people in the city; would you wipe out the place, rather than spare it for the sake of the fifty innocent people within it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to make the innocent die with the guilty so that the innocent and the guilty would be treated alike! Should not the judge of all the world act with justice?" The LORD replied, "If I find fifty innocent people in the city of Sodom, I will spare the whole place for their sake." Abraham spoke up again: "See how I am presuming to speak to my Lord, though I am but dust and ashes! What if there are five less than

fifty innocent people? Will you destroy the whole city because of those five?" He answered, "I will not destroy it, if I find forty-five there." But Abraham persisted, saying "What if only forty are found there?" He replied, "I will forbear doing it for the sake of the forty." Then Abraham said, "Let not my Lord grow impatient if I go on. What if only thirty are found there?" He replied, "I will forbear doing it if I can find but thirty there." Still Abraham went on, "Since I have thus dared to speak to my Lord, what if there are no more than twenty?" The LORD answered, "I will not destroy it, for the sake of the twenty." But he still persisted: "Please, let not my Lord grow angry if I speak up this last time. What if there are at least ten there?" He replied, "For the sake of those ten, I will not destroy it."



v. I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with all my heart, / for you have heard the words of my mouth; / in the presence of the angels I will sing your praise; / I will worship at your holy temple / and give thanks to your name.

v. Because of your kindness and your truth; / for you have made great above all things / your name and your promise. / When I called you answered me; / you built up strength within me.

v. The LORD is exalted, yet the lowly he sees, / and the proud he knows from afar. / Though I walk amid distress, you preserve me; / against the anger of my enemies you raise your hand.

ŷ. Your right hand saves me. / The LORD will complete what he has done for me; / your kindness, O LORD, endures forever; / forsake not the work of your hands.

### SECOND READING

#### Col 2: 12-14

Brothers and sisters: You were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And even when you were dead in transgressions and the uncircumcision of your flesh, he brought you to life along with him, having forgiven us all our transgressions; obliterating the bond against us, with its legal claims, which was opposed to us, he also removed it from our midst, nailing it to the cross.



ŷ. You have received a Spirit of adoption, ∕ through which we cry, Abba, Father.

#### GOSPEL

Lk 11: 1-13

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: / Father, hallowed be your name, / your kingdom come. / Give us each day our daily bread / and forgive us our sins / for we ourselves forgive everyone in debt to us, / and do not subject us to the final test."

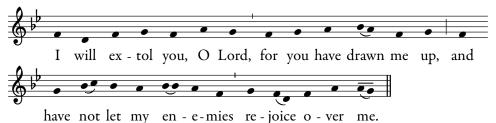
And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, for a friend of mine has arrived at my house from a journey and L have nothing to offer him,' and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked and my children and I are already in bed. I cannot get up to give you anything.' I tell you, if he does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence.

"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg? If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"

### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 30 (29): 2, 3, 4* • II

I will extol you, O Lord † for you have *drawn* me up, \* and have not let my enemies rejoice *o*ver me. / O Lord, I cried *out* to you, \* *and* you healed me.



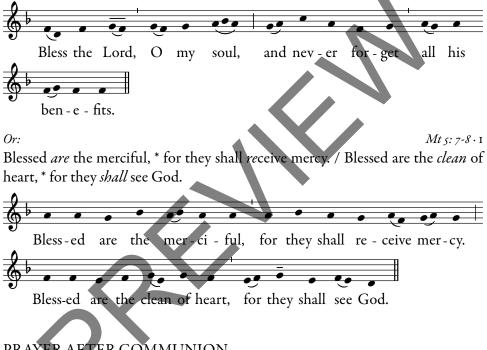
### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the offerings / which we bring from the abundance of your gifts, / that through the powerful working of your grace / these most sacred mysteries may sanctify our present way of life / and lead us to eternal gladness. / Through Christ our Lord.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Ps 103 (102): 2 · VI

Bless the Lord, O my soul, \* and never forget all his benefits.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We have consumed, O Lord, this divine Sacrament, / the perpetual memorial of the Passion of your Son; / grant, we pray, that this gift, / which he himself gave us with love beyond all telling, / may profit us for salvation. / Through Christ our Lord.

### MONDAY, JULY 28 Monday of the Seventeenth Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 68 (67): 6, 7,  $36 \cdot v$ God is in his holy place,  $\dagger$  God who unites those who dwell *in* his house; \* he himself gives might and strength *to* his people.

FIRST READING Ex 32: 15-24, 30-34 This people has indeed committed a grave sin, in making a god of gold for themselves.

RESP *Ps 106 (105): 19-20, 21-22, 23* Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

GOSPEL Mt 13: 31-35 The mustard seed becomes a large bush and the birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches.

COMMUNION *Ps 103 (102): 2* · VI Bless the Lord, *O* my soul, \* and never forget *all* his benefits.

Or: Mt<sub>5: 7</sub>-8-1 Blessed *are* the merciful, \* for they shall receive mercy. / Blessed are the *clean* of heart, \* for they *shall* see God.

### TUESDAY, JULY 29 Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus

— Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Lk 10:  $38 \cdot \text{VIII}$ Jesus entered a village,  $\dagger$  where a wom*an* named Martha \* welcomed him in*to* her home.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Ex 33: 7-11; 34: 5b-9, 28 The Lord spoke to Moses face to face. RESP *Ps 103 (102): 6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13* The Lord is kind and merciful.

GOSPEL Jn 11: 19-27 I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God.

COMMUNION Jn  $II: 27 \cdot V$ Martha said to Jesus: † You are the Christ, the *Son* of God, \* who is coming in*to* this world.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING I Jn 4: 7-16 If we love one another, God remains in us.

RESP *Ps* 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 I will bless the Lord at all times. *Or*:

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPELJn 11: 19-27I have come to believe that you are the<br/>Christ, the Son of God.Or:Ik 10: 38-42

Or: Lk 10: 38-42 Martha welcomed him. Mary has chosen the better part.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30 Wednesday of the Seventeenth Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 68 (67): 6, 7,  $36 \cdot v$ God is in his holy place,  $\dagger$  God who unites those who dwell *in* his house; \* he himself gives might and strength *to* his people.

FIRST READING Ex 34: 29-35 Seeing the face of Moses, they were afraid to come near him. RESP *Ps 99 (98): 5, 6, 7, 9* Holy is the Lord our God.

GOSPEL Mt 13: 44-46 He sells all he has and buys that field.

COMMUNION $Ps \ 103 \ (102): 2 \cdot VI$ Bless the Lord, O my soul, \* and neverforget *all* his benefits.

*Or: Mt 5: 7-8* · I Blessed *are* the merciful, \* for they shall *receive mercy.* / Blessed are the *clean* of heart, \* for they *shall* see God.

> Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

- Optional Memorial -ENTRANCE Cf. Ez 34: 11, 23-24  $\cdot$  IV I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, † and I will appoint a shepherd to pasture them, \* and I, the Lord, will be their God.

Or:  $Cf. Lk 12: 42 \cdot IV$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

FIRST READING Eph 3: 8-12 To preach to the Gentiles the inscrutable riches of Christ.

RESP *Ps 119 (118): 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14* Lord, teach me your statutes.

GOSPEL *Lk* 6: 43-45 From the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks.

COMMUNION Cf. Jn 15: 16 · 1 It was not you who chose me, says the Lord, \* but I who chose you / and appointed you to go *and* bear fruit, \* fruit *that* will last.

*Or: Cf. Lk 12: 36-37* • III Blessed is that servant, whom his lord *finds* awake \* when he comes and knocks *at* the gate.

> THURSDAY, JULY 31 Saint Ignatius of Loyola, Priest — Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Phil 2: 10-11* · 111 At the name of Jesus, every *knee* should bend, \* of those in heaven and on earth and un*der* the earth, / and every tongue confess that Jesus *Christ* is Lord, \* to the glory of *God* the Father.

### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Ex 40: 16-21, 34-38 The cloud covered the meeting tent and the glory of the Lord filled the Dwelling.

RESP *Ps 84 (83): 3, 4, 5-6a, 8a, 11* How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord, mighty God!

GOSPEL Mt 13: 47-53 They put what is good into buckets, what is bad they throw away.

COMMUNION Cf. Lk 12: 49 · III Thus says the Lord: † I have come to cast fire *on* the earth, \* and how I wish that *it* were kindled!

### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING *I Cor 10: 31–11: 1* Do everything for the glory of God.

RESP *Ps 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11* I will bless the Lord at all times. *Or:* Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL Lk 14: 25-33 Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.

FRIDAY, AUGUST I Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church — Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ez 34: 11, 23-24* · IV I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, † and I will appoint a shep*herd* to pasture them, \* and I, the Lord, will *be* their God.

Or: Cf.  $Lk \ 12: 42 \cdot IV$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent,  $\dagger$  whom the Lord set over his household \* to give them their allowance of food at the proper time.

#### Readings of the Day:

First Reading

Lev 23: 1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-3

These are the festivals of the Lord on which you shall proclaim a sacred assembly.

RESP *Ps 81 (80): 3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab* Sing with joy to God our help.

GOSPEL Mt 13: 54-58 Is he not the carpenter's son? Where did this man get such wisdom and mighty deeds?

COMMUNION Cf. Jn 15: 16 · 1 It was not you who chose me, says the Lord, \* but I who chose you / and appointed you to go *and* bear fruit, \* fruit *that* will last.

*Or: Cf. Lk 12: 36-37* · III Blessed is that servant, whom his lord *finds* awake \* when he comes and knocks *at* the gate.

#### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Rom 8: 1-4 The law of the spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and death.

RESP *Ps 119 (118): 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14* Lord, teach me your statutes.

GOSPEL Mt 5: 13-19 You are the light of the world.

# SATURDAY, AUGUST 2 Saturday of the Seventeenth Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 68 (67): 6, 7,  $36 \cdot v$ God is in his holy place,  $\dagger$  God who unites those who dwell *in* his house; \* he himself gives might and strength *to* his people.

FIRST READING *Lev 25: 1, 8-17* In the year of the jubilee you shall return, everyone of you, to your own property.

RESP *Ps 67 (66): 2-3, 5, 7-8* O God, let all the nations praise you!

GOSPEL Mt 14: 1-12 Herod had John beheaded; John's disciples came and told Jesus.

COMMUNION Ps 103 (102):  $2 \cdot VI$ Bless the Lord, O my soul, \* and never forget *all* his benefits. *Or: Mt 5: 7-8* · I Blessed *are* the merciful, \* for they shall *re*ceive mercy. / Blessed are the *clean* of heart, \* for they *shall* see God.

> Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf.  $Ez_{34}$ : 11, 23-24 · IV I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, † and I will appoint a shep*herd* to pasture them, \* and I, the Lord, will *be* their God.

Or: Cf. Lk 12: 42 · IV This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

First Reading

The victory that conquers the world is our faith.

1]n 5: 1-5

RESP *Ps 89 (88): 2-3, 4-5, 21-22, 25 and 27* For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 5: 1-12a Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.

COMMUNION Cf. Jn 15: 16 · 1 It was not you who chose me, says the Lord, \* but I who chose you / and appointed you to go and bear fruit, \* fruit that will last.

Or: Cf. Lk 12:  $36-37 \cdot III$ Blessed is that servant, whom his lord *finds* awake \* when he comes and knocks *at* the gate. Saint Peter Julian Eymard, Priest — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 16 (15): 5* · VI O Lord, it is you who are my por*tion* and cup; \* you yourself who se*cure* my portion.

FIRST READINGActs 4: 32-35They were of one heart and mind.

RESP *Ps 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11* Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL Jn 15: 1-8 Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit.

COMMUNION *Cf. Mt 19: 27-29* • 1 Amen I *say* to you: \* That you who have left all and *fol*lowed me / will receive a *bun*dredfold \* and possess *eter* nal life.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

— Optional Memorial —

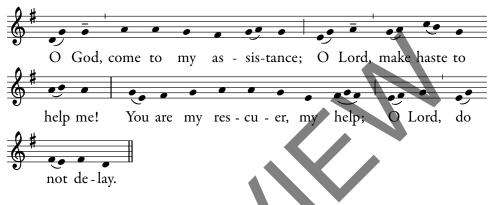
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# EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — sunday, august 3, 2025 —

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 70 (69): 2, 6* · VII

O God, come to *my* assistance; \* O Lord, make *haste* to help me! / You are my rescu*er*, my help; \* O Lord, do *not* delay.



# COLLECT

Draw near to your servants, O Lord, / and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness, / that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide, / you may restore what you have created / and keep safe what you have restored. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

Eccl 1: 2; 2: 21-23

Vanity of vanities, says Qoheleth, / vanity of vanities! All things are vanity!

Here is one who has labored with wisdom and knowledge and skill, and yet to another who has not labored over it, he must leave property. This also is vanity and a great misfortune. For what profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which he has labored under the sun? All his days sorrow and grief are his occupation; even at night his mind is not at rest. This also is vanity.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps go (8g): 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17* · 11 If to - day you hear his voice, hard-en not your hearts. v. You turn man back to dust, / saying, "Return, O children of men." / For a thousand years in your sight / are as yesterday, now that it is past, / or as a watch of the night.

v. You make an end of them in their sleep; / the next morning they are like the changing grass, / Which at dawn springs up anew, / but by evening wilts and fades.

ŷ. Teach us to number our days aright, / that we may gain wisdom of heart. / Return, O LORD! How long? / Have pity on your servants!

ŷ. Fill us at daybreak with your kindness, / that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days. / And may the gracious care of the LORD our God be ours; / prosper the work of our hands for us! / Prosper the work of our hands!

### SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory.

Put to death, then, the parts of you that are earthly: immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and the greed that is idolatry. Stop lying to one another, since you have taken off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed, for knowledge, in the image of its creator. Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all and in all



V. Blessed are the poor in spirit, / for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

### GOSPEL

Lk 12: 13-21

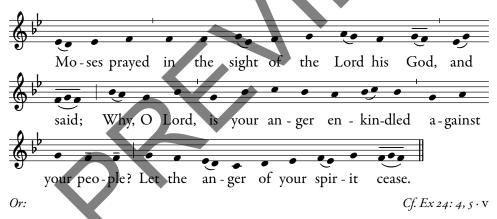
Col 3: 1-5, 9-11

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 all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God."

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Ex 32: 11, 15, 13, 14 · VIII

Moses prayed in the sight of the Lord his *God*, and said; † Moses prayed in the sight of the Lord his *God*, and said: \* Why, O Lord, is your anger enkindled against your people? / Let the anger of your *spir*it cease. † Be mindful of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, \* to whom you swore to give a land flowing with *milk* and honey. / And the Lord was appeased *from* the evil \* which he said he would inflict upon his people.



Moses consecrated an altar *to* the Lord, \* presenting upon it holocausts and sacri*fi*cial victims. / He made the evening sacrifice † as a fragrant offering to *the* Lord God, \* in the sight of the *sons* of Israel.



# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Graciously sanctify these gifts, O Lord, we pray, / and, accepting the oblation of this spiritual sacrifice, / make of us an eternal offering to you. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, † endowed with *all* delights \* and sweetness in *every* taste.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Accompany with constant protection, O Lord, / those you renew with these heavenly gifts / and, in your never-failing care for them, / make them worthy of eternal redemption. / Through Christ our Lord.

*Wis 16: 20* · v

MONDAY, AUGUST 4 Saint John Vianney, Priest — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 132 (131):  $g \cdot vI$ Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Num 11: 4b-15 I cannot carry all this people by myself.

RESP *Ps 81 (80): 12-13, 14-15, 16-17* Sing with joy to God our help.

GOSPEL Mt 14: 13-21 Looking up to heaven, he said the blessing and gave the loaves to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds.

COMMUNION  $Mt 24: 46-47 \cdot III$ Blessed *is* the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching *when* he comes. / Amen I *say* to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of *all* his property.

Or: Cf. Lk 12: 42 · VII This is the steward, faithful and prudent, t whom the Lord set over his house-hold \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Ezek 3: 17-21 I have appointed you a watchman for the house of Israel.

RESP *Ps 117 (116): 1bc, 2* Go out to all the world and tell the Good News. GOSPEL Mt 9: 35-10: 1 At the sight of the crowds, his heart was moved with pity for them.

### **TUESDAY, AUGUST 5** *Tuesday of the Eighteenth Week*

ENTRANCE  $Ps \ 70 \ (6g): 2, 6 \cdot VII$ OGod, come to *my* assistance; \*OLord, make *haste* to help me! / You are my rescu*er*, my help; \*OLord, do *not* delay.

FIRST READING Num 12: 1-13 Not so with my servant Moses! Why, then, did you not fear to speak against him?

RESP *Ps 51 (50): 3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13* Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

GOSPEL Mt 14: 22-36 Command me to come to you on the water.

*Or Mt 15: 1-2, 10-14 Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted.* 

COMMUNION  $Wis 16: 20 \cdot v$ You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven,  $\dagger$  endowed with *all* delights \*and sweetness in *every* taste.

*Or:* Jn 6: 35 · VII I am the bread of life, says the Lord; † whoever comes to me *will* not hunger \* and whoever believes in me *will* not thirst.

> The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Sedulius* • 11 Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth *to* the King, \* who rules heaven and *earth* for ever. FIRST READINGRev 21: 1-5aGOSPELLk 11: 27-28I saw a new Jerusalem, prepared as a<br/>bride adorned for her husband.Blessed is the womb that carried you.COMMUNIONLk 11: 27 · 1RESPJdt 13: 18bcde, 19You are the highest honor of our race.Mary, \* which bore the Son of the<br/>eternal Father.

# THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

— WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2025 –

Feast

# ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Mt 17: 5 • VIII

In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spir*it* appeared.\* The Father's *voice* was heard: / This is my beloved Son, with whom I *am* well pleased.\* Lis*ten* to him.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

# COLLECT

O God, who in the glorious Transfiguration / of your Only Begotten Son / confirmed the mysteries of faith by the witness of the Fathers / and wonderfully prefigured our full adoption to sonship, / grant, we pray, to your servants, / that, listening to the voice of your beloved Son, / we may merit to become co-heirs with him. / Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

Dn 7: 9-10, 13-14

As I watched:

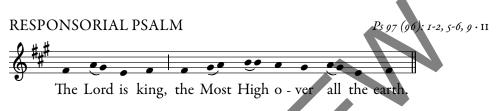
Thrones were set up / and the Ancient One took his throne. / His clothing was bright as snow, / and the hair on his head as white as wool; / his throne was flames of fire, / with wheels of burning fire. / A surging stream of fire / flowed out from

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where he sat; / Thousands upon thousands were ministering to him, / and myriads upon myriads attended him. / The court was convened and the books were opened.

As the visions during the night continued, I saw:

One like a Son of man coming, / on the clouds of heaven; / When he reached the Ancient One / and was presented before him, / The one like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship; / all peoples, nations, and languages serve him. / His dominion is an everlasting dominion / that shall not be taken away, / his kingship shall not be destroyed.



ŷ. The LORD is king; let the earth rejoice; / let the many islands be glad. / Clouds and darkness are round about him, / justice and judgment are the foundation of his throne.

 $\hat{y}$ . The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, / before the LORD of all the earth. / The heavens proclaim his justice, / and all peoples see his glory.

 $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{Y}}.$  Because you, O lord, are the Most High over all the earth, / exalted far above all gods.

# SECOND READING

Beloved: We did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that unique declaration came to him from the majestic glory, "This is my Son, my beloved, with whom I am well pleased." We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven while we were with him on the holy mountain. Moreover, we possess the prophetic message that is altogether reliable. You will do well to be attentive to it, as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.



Mt 17: 5C • III

2 Pet 1: 16-19



ŷ. This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; / listen to him.

### GOSPEL

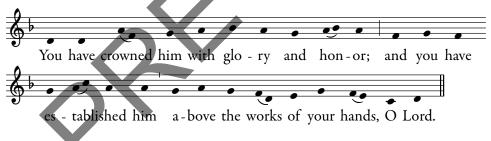
Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up a mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As they were about to part from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." But he did not know what he was saying. While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 8: 6, 7* • 1

Lk 0: 286-36

You have crowned him with glory and honor; † and you *have* established him \* above the works of your *hands*, O Lord.



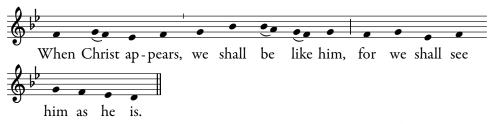
# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Sanctify, O Lord, we pray, / these offerings here made to celebrate / the glorious Transfiguration of your Only Begotten Son, / and by his radiant splendor / cleanse us from the stains of sin. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Cf. 1 Jn 3: 2* • IV

When Christ appears, we shall *be* like him, \* for we shall see him *as* he is.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May the heavenly nourishment we have received, / O Lord, we pray, / transform us into the likeness of your Son, / whose radiant splendor you willed to make manifest / in his glorious Transfiguration. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7	and whoever believes in me <i>will</i> not
Thursday of the Eighteenth Week	thirst.
ENTRANCE $Ps \ 70 \ (69): 2, 6 \cdot VII$ OGod, come to <i>my</i> assistance; *OLord, make <i>haste</i> to help me! / You are my rescu <i>er</i> , my help; *OLord, do <i>not</i> delay.	Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs — Optional Memorial — ENTRANCE I The souls of the Saints are rejoicing in
FIRST READING Num 20: 1-13 Water gushed out in abundance.	heaven, * the Saints are rejoleing in footsteps of Christ, / and since for love
RESP <i>Ps 95 (94): 1-2, 6-7, 8-9</i> If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.	of him they <i>shed</i> their blood, * they now exult with <i>Christ</i> for ever. <i>Or:</i> IV
GOSPEL Mt 16: 13-23 You are Peter, I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven.	Holy men shed their glorious blood <i>for</i> the Lord; * they loved Christ <i>in</i> their life, / they imitated him <i>in</i> their death, * and therefore were <i>crowned</i> in triumph.
COMMUNIONWis 16: 20 · VYou have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, † endowed with all delights * and sweetness in every taste.	FIRST READING Wis 3: 1-9 As sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.
<i>Or:</i> Jn 6: 35 · VII I am the bread of life, says the Lord; † whoever comes to me <i>will</i> not hunger *	RESP <i>Ps 126 (125): 1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6</i> Those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

GOSPEL Mt 10: 28-33 Do not be afraid of those who kill the body.

COMMUNION  $Lk \ 22: \ 28-30 \cdot VIII$ It is you who have stood by me in my trials; † and I confer a kingdom on you, *says* the Lord, \* that you may eat and drink at my table *in* my kingdom.

*Or:* VIII See how rich is the Saints' re*ward* from God; \* they died for Christ and will *live* for ever.

> Saint Cajetan, Priest — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 132 (131): 9* · VI Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy.

FIRST READING Sir 2: 7-11 You who fear the Lord, believe in him, hope in him, love him.

RESP *Ps 142 (111): 1be-2, 3-4, 5-7, 7-8, 9* Blessed the man who fears the Lord. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Lk 12: 32-34 Your Father is pleased to give you the Kingdom.

COMMUNION Mt 24: 46-47 · III Blessed is the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching *when* he comes. / Amen I *say* to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of *all* his property.

Or: Cf. Lk 12: 42 • VII This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household, \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8 Saint Dominic, Priest — Memorial —

ENTRANCE  $Cf. Sir_{15:5} \cdot vi$ In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth, † and the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and *un*derstanding \* and clothed him in a *robe* of glory.

### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Dt 4: 32-40 For love of your fathers the Lord chose their descendants.

RESP *Ps 77 (76): 12-13, 14-15, 16, 21* I remember the deeds of the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 16: 24-28 What can one give in exchange for one's life?

COMMUNION Cf. Lk 12:  $42 \cdot VII$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household, \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

#### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING I Cor 2: 1-10A We speak God's wisdom, mysterious, hidden.

RESP *Ps 96 (95): 1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10* Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.

GOSPEL Lk 9: 57-62 I will follow you wherever you go.

# **SATURDAY, AUGUST 9** *Saturday of the Eighteenth Week*

ENTRANCE Ps 70 (69): 2,  $6 \cdot VII$ O God, come to my assistance; \* O Lord, make haste to help me! / You are my rescuer, my help; \* O Lord, do not delay.

FIRST READING Dt 6: 4-13 You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart.

RESP *Ps 18 (17): 2-3a, 3bc-4, 47, 51* I love you, Lord, my strength.

GOSPEL Mt 17: 14-20 If you have faith, nothing will be impossible for you.

COMMUNIONWis 16:  $20 \cdot V$ You have given us, O Lord, bread from<br/>heaven,  $\dagger$  endowed with *all* delights \*<br/>and sweetness in *every* taste.Or:Ja 6:  $35 \cdot VII$ 

I am the bread of life, says the Lord; † whoever comes to me *will* not hunger \* and whoever believes in me *will* not thirst.

Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin and Martyr — Optional Memorial —

#### ENTRANCE

Behold, now she follows the Lamb who was crucified for us, † powerful in virginity, modes*ty* her offering, \* a sacrifice on the al*tar* of chastity. *Or:* III Blessed *is* the virgin \* who by denying herself and taking *up* her cross / imitated the Lord, the *spouse* of virgins \* and *prince* of martyrs.

FIRST READING Hos 2: 16bc, 17cd, 21-22 I shall espouse you to me forever.

RESP *Ps 45 (44): 11-12, 14-15, 16-17* Listen to me, daughter; see and bend your ear.

Or:

The bridegroom is here; let us go out to meet Christ the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 25: 1-13 Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!

COMMUNION Rev 7: 17  $\cdot$  VIII The Lamb who is at the center of the throne \* will lead them to the springs of the waters of life.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday — Optional Memorial —

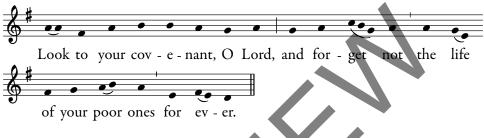
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# NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2025—

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Ps* 74 (73): 20, 19, 22, 23 • VII

Look to your covenant, O Lord, \* and forget not the life of your poor *ones* for ever. / Arise, O God, and de*fend* your cause, \* and forget not the cries of *those* who seek you.



# COLLECT

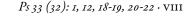
Almighty ever-living God, / whom, taught by the Holy Spirit, / we dare to call our Father, / bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts / the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters, / that we may merit to enter into the inheritance / which you have promised. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

Wis 18: 6-9

The night of the passover was known beforehand to our fathers, / that, with sure knowledge of the oaths in which they put their faith, / they might have courage. / Your people awaited the salvation of the just / and the destruction of their foes. / For when you punished our adversaries, / in this you glorified us whom you had summoned. / For in secret the holy children of the good were offering sacrifice / and putting into effect with one accord the divine institution.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 





Exult, you just, in the LORD; / praise from the upright is fitting. / Blessed the nation whose God is the LORD, / the people he has chosen for his own inheritance.

v. See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him, / upon those who hope for his kindness, / To deliver them from death / and preserve them in spite of famine.

ŷ. Our soul waits for the LORD, / who is our help and our shield. / May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us / who have put our hope in you.

# SECOND READING

Heb 11: 1-2, 8-19 or 11: 1-2, 8-12

For the short form, omit the text in brackets.

Brothers and sisters: Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen. Because of it the ancients were well attested.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; he went out, not knowing where he was to go. By faith he sojourned in the promised land as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs of the same promise; for he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and maker is God. By faith he received power to generate, even though he was past the normal age—and Sarah herself was sterile—for he thought that the one who had made the promise was trustworthy. So it was that there came forth from one man, himself as good as dead, descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and as countless as the sands on the seashore.

[All these died in faith. They did not receive what had been promised but saw it and greeted it from afar and acknowledged themselves to be strangers and aliens on earth, for those who speak thus show that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land from which they had come, they would have had opportunity to return. But now they desire a better homeland, a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.

By faith Abraham, when put to the test, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was ready to offer his only son, of whom it was said, "Through Isaac descendants shall bear your name." He reasoned that God was able to raise even from the dead, and he received Isaac back as a symbol.]

ALLELUIA

*Mt 24: 42a*, 44 • II



v . Stay awake and be ready! / For you do not know on what day your Lord will come.

#### GOSPEL

Lk 12: 32-48 or 12: 35-40

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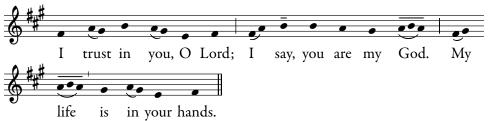
Jesus said to his disciples: ["Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom. Sell your belongings and give alms. Provide money bags for yourselves that do not wear out, an inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy. For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.]

"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. 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, the master will put the servant 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."]

### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

I trust in you, O Lord; † I say, you *are* my God. \* My life is *in* your hands.



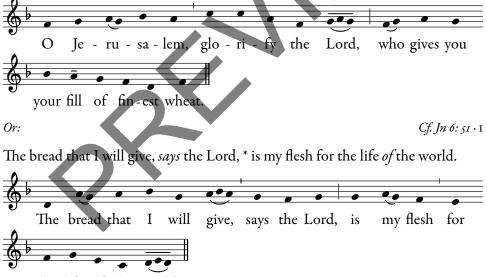
# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Be pleased, O Lord, to accept the offerings of your Church, / for in your mercy you have given them to be offered / and by your power you transform them / into the mystery of our salvation. / Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Ps 147 (146): 12, 14* • VI

O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, \* who gives you your fill of finest wheat.



the life of the world.

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May the communion in your Sacrament / that we have consumed, save us, O Lord, / and confirm us in the light of your truth. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, AUGUST II Saint Clare, Virgin — Memorial —

Entrance

VI

Here is a wise virgin, from among the number *of* the prudent, \* who went forth with lighted lamp *to* meet Christ. *Or:* v How beautiful you are, O virgin of Christ, † who were worthy to receive *the* Lord's crown, \* the crown of

Readings of the Day:

perpetual virginity.

FIRST READING Dt 10: 12-22 Circumcise your hearts. Befriend the alien, for you were once aliens yourselves.

RESP *Ps 147: 12-13, 14-15, 19-20* Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.

GOSPEL Mt 17: 22-27 They will kill him and he will be raised. The subjects are exempt from the tax.

COMMUNION $Cf. Mt 25: 6 \cdot VI$ Behold, the Bridegroom is coming; \*come out to meet Christ the Lord.Or: $Cf. Ps 27 (26): 4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, \*only this do I seek: / to live in the houseof the Lord \* all the days of my life.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Phil 3: 8-14 Because of Christ, I consider everything as a loss, being conformed to his death.

RESP *Ps 16 (15): 1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11* You are my inheritance, O Lord. GOSPEL Mt 19: 27-29 You who have followed me will receive a hundred times more.

> TUESDAY, AUGUST 12 *Tuesday of the Nineteenth Week*

ENTRANCE *Ps 74 (73): 20, 19, 22, 23* · VII Look to your cove*nant*, O Lord, \* and forget not the life of your poor *ones* for ever. / Arise, O God, and de*fend* your cause, \* and forget not the cries of *those* who seek you.

FIRST READING Dt 31: 1-8 Be brave and steadfast, for you must bring this people into the land.

RESPDt 32: 3-4ab, 7, 8, 9, 12The portion of the Lord is his people.

GOSPEL Mt 18: 1-5, 10, 12-14 See that you do not despise one of these little ones.

COMMUNION $Ps \ I47: I2, I4 \cdot VI$ O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, \* who<br/>gives you your fill of finest wheat.Or: $Cf. In \ 6: \ 5I \cdot I$ The bread that I will give, says the Lord, \*<br/>is my flesh for the life of the world.

Saint Jane Frances De Chantal, Religious — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Hos 2: 21-22* · 11 The Lord has taken her as his *bride* for ever \* in faithful*ness* and mercy.

FIRST READING *Prv* 31: 10-13, 19-20, 30-31 The woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. RESP *Ps 131 (130): 1bcde, 2, 3* In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

GOSPEL Mk 3: 31-35 Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.

COMMUNION Cf. Lam 3:  $24-25 \cdot VI$ The Lord *is* my portion: \* he is good to the *soul* that seeks him.

# WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13 Wednesday of the Nineteenth Week

ENTRANCE *Ps 74 (73): 20, 19, 22, 23*  $\cdot$  VII Look to your cove*nant*, O Lord, \* and forget not the life of your poor *ones* for ever. / Arise, O God, and de*fend* your cause, \* and forget not the cries of *those* who seek you.

FIRST READING Dt 34: 1-12 There Moses died as the Lord had said, and since then no prophet has arisen in Israel like him.

RESP *Ps 66 (65): 1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17* Blessed be God who filled my soul with fire!

GOSPEL Mt 18: 15-20 If your brother listens to you, you have won him over.

COMMUNION $Ps 147: 12, 14 \cdot VI$ O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, \* who<br/>gives you your fill of finest wheat.Or: $Cf. Jn 6: 51 \cdot I$ The bread that I will give, says the Lord, \*<br/>is my flesh for the life of the world.

Saints Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs — Optional Memorial —

#### ENTRANCE

The souls of the Saints are rejoicing in heaven, \* the Saints who followed the foot*steps* of Christ, / and since for love of him they *shed* their blood, \* they now exult with *Christ* for ever.

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IV

Or:

Holy men shed their glorious blood *for* the Lord; \* they loved Christ *in* their life, / they imitated him *in* their death, \* and therefore were *crowned* in triumph.

# FIRST READING 1 Pt 4: 12-19 Rejoice to the extent you share in the sufferings of Christ.

**RESP** *Ps 124 (123): 2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8* Our soul has been rescued like a bird from the fowler's snare.

GOSPEL Jn 15: 18-21 You do not belong to the world, and I have chosen you out of the world.

COMMUNION  $Lk 22: 28-30 \cdot VIII$ It is you who have stood by me in my trials; † and I confer a kingdom on you, *says* the Lord, \* that you may eat and drink at my table *in* my kingdom.

*Or:* VIII See how rich is the Saints' re*ward* from God; \* they died for Christ and will *live* for ever.

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 14 Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr — Memorial —

ENTRANCE  $Mt 25: 34, 40 \cdot I$ Come, you blessed of my Father, says the Lord. † Amen I *say* to you: \* Whatever you did for one of the least of my brethren, you did *it* for me.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Josh 3: 7-10a, 11, 13-17 The ark of the covenant of the Lord will precede you into the Jordan.

RESP *Ps 114 (113): 1-2, 3-4, 5-6* Alleluia!

Gospel *Mt 18: 21–19: 1* 

I say to you, not seven times but seventyseven times.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ju 15: 13 · 1* Greater *love* has no one \* than to lay down his life for his friends, *says* the Lord. Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Wis 3: 1-9 As sacrificial offerings he took them to himself Or: 1 Jn 3: 14-18 We should lay down our lives for our brothers.

**RESP** *Ps 116 (115)*. *10-11, 12-13, 16ac-17* Precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones.

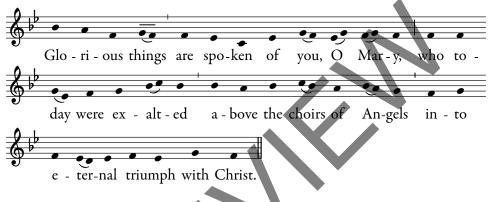
GOSPEL Jn 15: 12-16 This is my commandment: love one another.

# THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY AT THE VIGIL MASS — THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 2025 —

Solemnity

# ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Glorious things are spoken of you, O Mary, † who today were exalted above the *choirs* of Angels \* into eternal tri*umph* with Christ.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

### COLLECT

O God, who, looking on the lowliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary, / raised her to this grace, / that your Only Begotten Son was born of her according to the flesh / and that she was crowned this day with surpassing glory, / grant through her prayers, / that, saved by the mystery of your redemption, / we may merit to be exalted by you on high. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

1 Chr 15: 3-4, 15-16; 16: 1-2

VIII

David assembled all Israel in Jerusalem to bring the ark of the LORD to the place which he had prepared for it. David also called together the sons of Aaron and the Levites.

The Levites bore the ark of God on their shoulders with poles, as Moses had ordained according to the word of the LORD.

David commanded the chiefs of the Levites to appoint their kinsmen as chanters, to play on musical instruments, harps, lyres, and cymbals, to make a loud sound of rejoicing.

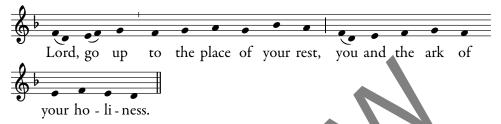
They brought in the ark of God and set it within the tent which David had pitched for it. Then they offered up burnt offerings and peace offerings to God. When David had finished offering up the burnt offerings and peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 132 (131): 6-7, 9-10, 13-14* · I

1 Cor 15: 54b-57

*Lk 11: 28* • VII



v. Behold, we heard of it in Ephrathah; / we found it in the fields of Jaar. / Let us enter his dwelling, / let us worship at his footstool.

ŷ. May your priests be clothed with justice; / let your faithful ones shout merrily for joy. / For the sake of David your servant, / reject not the plea of your anointed.

ŷ. For the LORD has chosen Zion; / he prefers her for his dwelling. / "Zion is my resting place forever; / in her will I dwell, for I prefer her."

### SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: When that which is mortal clothes itself with immortality, then the word that is written shall come about:

Death is swallowed up in victory. / Where, O death, is your victory? / Where, O death, is your sting?

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.



v. Blessed are they who hear the word of God / and observe it.

# GOSPEL

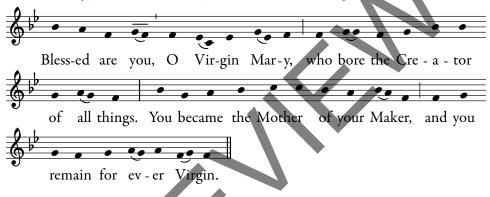
VIII

While Jesus was speaking, a woman from the crowd called out and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that carried you and the breasts at which you nursed." He replied, "Rather, blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it."

### The Creed is said.

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Blessed are you, O *Vir*gin Mary, \* who bore the Creator *of* all things. / You became the Mother *of* your Maker, \* and you remain for *ever* Virgin.



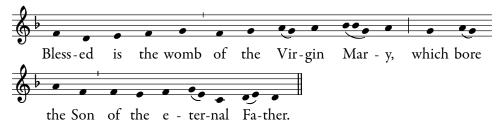
# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Receive, we pray, O Lord, / the sacrifice of conciliation and praise, / which we celebrate on the Assumption of the holy Mother of God, / that it may lead us to your pardon / and confirm us in perpetual thanksgiving. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

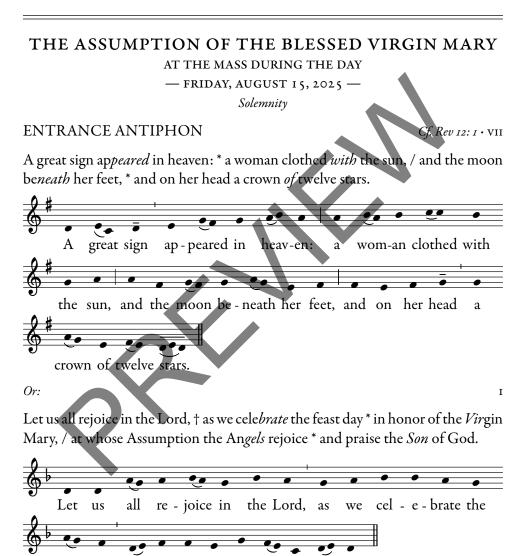
#### *Cf. Lk 11: 27* • I

Blessed is the wornb of the Virgin Mary, \* which bore the Son of the eternal Father.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having partaken of this heavenly table, / we beseech your mercy, Lord our God, / that we, who honor the Assumption of the Mother of God, / may be freed from every threat of harm. / Through Christ our Lord.



feast day in hon-or of the Virgin Mar-y.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

# COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, / who assumed the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the Mother of your Son, / body and soul into heavenly glory, / grant, we pray, / that, always attentive to the things that are above, / we may merit to be sharers of her glory. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

Rev 11: 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab

God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant could be seen in the temple.

A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was with child and wailed aloud in pain as she labored to give birth. Then another sign appeared in the sky; it was a huge red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on its heads were seven diadems. Its tail swept away a third of the stars in the sky and hurled them down to the earth. Then the dragon stood before the woman about to give birth, to devour her child when she gave birth. She gave birth to a son, a male child, destined to rule all the nations with an iron rod. Her child was caught up to God and his throne. The woman herself fled into the desert where she had a place prepared by God.

Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: /\*Now have salvation and power come, / and the Kingdom of our God / and the authority of his Anointed One."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 45 (44): 10, 11, 12, 16 · VII

The queen stands at your right hand, ar-rayed in gold.

ŷ. The queen takes her place at your right hand in gold of Ophir.

v . Hear, O daughter, and see; turn your ear, / forget your people and your father's house.

. So shall the king desire your beauty; / for he is your lord.

). They are borne in with gladness and joy; / they enter the palace of the king.

#### AUGUST 15

# SECOND READING

1 Cor 15: 20-27

Brothers and sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through man, the resurrection of the dead came also through man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the Kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed every sovereignty and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death, for "he subjected everything under his feet."



v. Mary is taken up to heaven; / a chorus of angels exults

# GOSPEL

Lk 1: 39-56

Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."

# And Mary said:

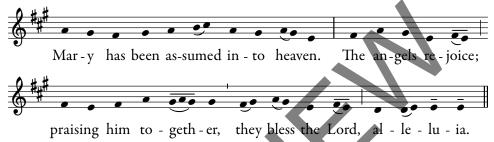
"My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; / my spirit rejoices in God my Savior / for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. / From this day all generations will call me blessed: / the Almighty has done great things for me / and holy is his Name. / He has mercy on those who fear him / in every generation. / He has shown the strength of his arm, / and has scattered the proud in their conceit. / He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, / and has lifted up the lowly. / He has filled the hungry with good things, / and the rich he has sent away empty. / He has come to the help of his servant Israel / for he has remembered his promise of mercy, / the promise he made to our fathers, / to Abraham and his children forever."

Mary remained with her about three months and then returned to her home.

The Creed is said.

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Mary has been assumed *in* to heaven. † The angels rejoice; praising *him* together, \* they bless the Lord, *al*leluia.



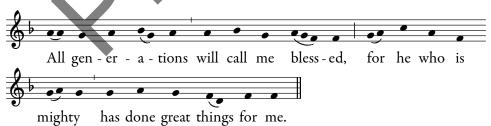
# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May this oblation, our tribute of homage, / rise up to you, O Lord, / and, through the intercession of the most Blessed Virgin Mary, / whom you assumed into heaven, / may our hearts, aflame with the fire of love, / constantly long for you. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Lk 1: 48, 49* • VI

All generations will *call* me blessed, \* for he who is mighty has done great *things* for me.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having received the Sacrament of salvation, / we ask you to grant, O Lord, / that, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, / whom you assumed into heaven, / we may be brought to the glory of the resurrection. / Through Christ our Lord.

VIII

# **SATURDAY, AUGUST 16** *Saturday of the Nineteenth Week*

ENTRANCE *Ps 74 (73): 20, 19, 22, 23* • VII Look to your cove*nant*, O Lord, \* and forget not the life of your poor *ones* for ever. / Arise, O God, and de*fend* your cause, \* and forget not the cries of *those* who seek you.

FIRST READING Josh 24: 14-29 Decide today whom you will serve.

RESP *Ps 16 (15): 1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11* You are my inheritance, O Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 19: 13-15 Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the Kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.

COMMUNIONPs 147: 12, 14 • VIO Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, \* who<br/>gives you your fill of finest wheat.Or: $Cf. Jn \ 6: \ 51 \cdot 1$ The bread that I will give, says the<br/>Lord, \* is my flesh for the life of the<br/>world.

Saint Stephen of Hungary — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 21 (20): 2-3 · VI In your strength, O Lord, the just one rejoices; † how greatly your salvation makes him glad! \* You have granted him his soul's desire.

FIRST READING Dt 6: 3-9 Love the LORD, your God, with all your heart. RESP *Ps 112 (111): 1bc-2, 3-4, 5-7, 7-8, 9* Blessed the man who fears the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 25: 14-30 or Mt 25: 14-23 Since you were faithful in small matters, come, share your master's joy.

COMMUNION Mt 6: 33 · VIII Seek first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness, \* and all these things will be given you besides, says the Lord.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday Optional Memorial —

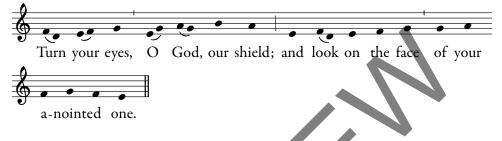
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# TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — sunday, august 17, 2025 —

# ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 84 (83): 10, 11* • IV

Turn your eyes, O *God*, our shield; \* and look on the face of *your* anointed one; / one day with*in* your courts \* is better than a *thou*sand elsewhere.



# COLLECT

O God, who have prepared for those who love you / good things which no eye can see, / fill our hearts, we pray, with the warmth of your love, / so that, loving you in all things and above all things, / we may attain your promises, / which surpass every human desire. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

Jer 38: 4-6, 8-10

In those days, the princes said to the king: "Jeremiah ought to be put to death; he is demoralizing the soldiers who are left in this city, and all the people, by speaking such things to them; he is not interested in the welfare of our people, but in their ruin." King Zedekiah answered: "He is in your power"; for the king could do nothing with them. And so they took Jeremiah and threw him into the cistern of Prince Malchiah, which was in the quarters of the guard, letting him down with ropes. There was no water in the cistern, only mud, and Jeremiah sank into the mud.

Ebed-melech, a court official, went there from the palace and said to him: "My lord king, these men have been at fault in all they have done to the prophet Jeremiah, casting him into the cistern. He will die of famine on the spot, for there is no more food in the city." Then the king ordered Ebed-melech the Cushite to take three men along with him, and draw the prophet Jeremiah out of the cistern before he should die. **RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 

*Ps 40 (39): 2, 3, 4, 18* · II



v. I have waited, waited for the LORD, / and he stooped toward me.

ŷ. The LORD heard my cry. / He drew me out of the pit of destruction, / out of the mud of the swamp; / he set my feet upon a crag; / he made firm my steps.

 $\hat{y}$ . And he put a new song into my mouth, / a hymn to our God. / Many shall look on in awe / and trust in the LORD.

 $\hat{y}$ . Though I am afflicted and poor, / yet the LORD thinks of me. / You are my help and my deliverer; / O my God, hold not back!

# SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us while keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith. For the sake of the joy that lay before him he endured the cross, despising its shame, and has taken his seat at the right of the throne of God. Consider how he endured such opposition from sinners, in order that you may not grow weary and lose heart. In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood.



ŷ. My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord; / I know them, and they follow me.

### GOSPEL

Lk 12: 49-53

Jn 10: 27 • IV

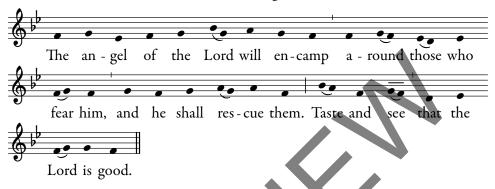
Heb 12: 1-4

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."

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 34 (33): 8, 9* • VIII

The angel of the Lord will encamp † around those who fear him, and *he* shall rescue them. \* Taste and see that the *Lord* is good.



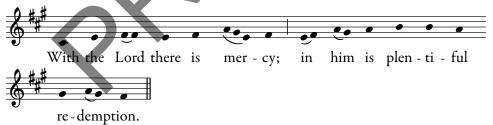
# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Receive our oblation, O Lord, / by which is brought about a glorious exchange, / that, by offering what you have given, / we may merit to receive your very self. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Ps 130 (129): 7* • 11

With the Lord *there* is mercy; \* in him is plentiful redemption.

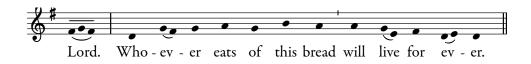


Or:

Jn 6: 51-52 · VII

I am the living bread † that came down from heaven, *says* the Lord. \* Whoever eats of this bread will *live* for ever.





### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Made partakers of Christ through these Sacraments, / we humbly implore your mercy, Lord, / that, conformed to his image on earth, / we may merit also to be his coheirs in heaven. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

# MONDAY, AUGUST 18 Monday of the Twentieth Week

ENTRANCE Ps 84 (83): 10, 11 · IV Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; \* and look on the face of your anointed one; / one day within your courts \* is better than a *thou*sand elsewhere.

FIRST READING Judg 2: 11-19 When the Lord raised up judges, they did not listen.

RESP

Ps 106 (105): 34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab, 2 Remember us, O Lord, as you favor your people.

GOSPEL

Mt 10: 16-22 If you wish to be perfect, go, sell what you have and you will have treasure in heaven

COMMUNION Ps 130 (129): 7 · 11 With the Lord *there* is mercy; \* in him is plenti*ful* redemption.

Or: In 6: 51-52 · VII I am the living bread † that came down from heaven, says the Lord. \* Whoever eats of this bread will *live* for ever.

# TUESDAY, AUGUST 19 Tuesday of the Twentieth Week

ENTRANCE *Ps 84 (83): 10, 11* • IV Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; \* and look on the face of your anointed one; / one day within your courts \* is better than a *thou*sand elsewhere.

First Reading Judg 6: 11-24a Go and save Israel; it is I who send you.

RESP Ps 85 (84): 9, 11-12, 13-14 The Lord speaks of peace to his people.

Gospel Mt 19: 23-30 It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the Kingdom of God.

COMMUNION Ps 130 (129): 7 · 11 With the Lord *there* is mercy; \* in him is plentiful redemption.

Or: Jn 6: 51-52 · VII I am the living bread † that came down from heaven, says the Lord. \* Whoever eats of this bread will *live* for ever.

Saint John Eudes, Priest — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $_{132}(_{131}): g \cdot vI$ Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy.

FIRST READING Eph 3: 14-19 To know the love of Christ that surpasses all knowledge.

RESP *Ps 131 (130): 1bcde, 2, 3* In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

GOSPEL Mt 11: 25-30 You have hidden these things from the wise and revealed them to the childlike.

COMMUNION Mt 24: 46-47 • III Blessed *is* the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching *when* he comes. / Amen I *say* to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of *all* his property.

Or: Cf.  $Lk_{12}$ :  $42 \cdot VII$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household, \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20 Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church — Memorial —

Entrance

VIII

ENTRANCE

Filled by the Lord with a spirit of understanding, † blessed Bernard ministered streams *of* clear teaching \* to the peo*ple* of God. Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Judg 9: 6-15 It is said: The king will reign over us, when the Lord God reigns among you (1 Samuel 12:12).

RESP *Ps 21 (20): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7* Lord, in your strength the king is glad.

GOSPEL Mt 20: 1-16 Are you envious because I am generous?

COMMUNION Jn 15:  $g \cdot v$ As the Father loves me, so I also love you; \* remain in my love, says the Lord.

# Readings for the Memorial:

**FIRST READING** *He will be filled with the spirit of wisdom and understanding.* 

**Resp** *Ps 119 (118): 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14* Lord, teach me your statutes.

GOSPEL Jn 17: 20-26 I wish that where I am they also may be with me.

> THURSDAY, AUGUST 21 Saint Pius X, Pope — Memorial —

> > II

The Lord chose him for himself as high priest, † and, open*ing* his treasure house, \* made him rich in *all* good things.

*Or: Cf. Sir* 50:1; 44:16, 22 • VII Behold a great priest, who in his days pleased God; † therefore, in accordance *with* his promise, \* the Lord gave him growth for the good *of* his people.

### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Judg 11: 29-39a I shall offer whoever comes out of the doors of my house as a burnt offering.

RESP *Ps 40 (39): 5, 7-84, 8b-9, 10* Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

GOSPEL Mt 22: 1-14 Invite to the wedding feast whomever you find.

COMMUNION *Cf. Jn 10: 11* · VII The Good Shepherd *has* laid down \* his life *for* his sheep.

#### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING r Thes 2: 2b-8 We were determined to share with you not only the Gospel of God, but our very selves as well.

RESP *Ps 89 (88): 2-3, 4-5, 24-22, 25, 27* For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL Jn 21: 15-17 Feed my lambs, feed my sheep.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $_{45}$  (44): 10 · VII At your right stands the queen in *robes* of gold, \* fine*ly* arrayed. Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING *Ruth 1: 1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22* Naomi returned with the Moabite daughter-in-law, Ruth, to Bethlehem.

RESP *Ps 146 (145): 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10* Praise the Lord, my soul!

GOSPEL Mt 22: 34-40 You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart and your neighbor as yourself.

COMMUNION Cf. Lk 1: 45 · VIII Blessed are you who *have* believed \* that what was spoken to you by the Lord will *be* fulfilled.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Is 9: 1-6 A son is given us.

RESP *Ps 113 (112): 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8* Blessed be the name of the Lord for ever. *Or:* 

Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Lk 1: 26-38 You will conceive in your womb and bear a son.* 

> SATURDAY, AUGUST 23 Saturday of the Twentieth Week

ENTRANCE *Ps 84 (83): 10, 11 · IV* Turn your eyes, O *God*, our shield; \* and look on the face of *your* anointed one; / one day with*in* your courts \* is better than a *thou*sand elsewhere. FIRST READING Ruth 2: 1-3, 8-11; 4: 13-17 The Lord has not failed to provide you today with an heir. He was the father of Jesse, the father of David.

RESP *Ps 128 (127): 1b-2, 3, 4, 5* See how the Lord blesses those who fear him.

GOSPEL Mt 23: 1-12 They preach but they do not practice.

COMMUNION Ps  $I30 (I29): 7 \cdot II$ With the Lord *there* is mercy; \* in him is plenti*ful* redemption.

*Or:* Jn 6: 51-52 · VII I am the living bread † that came down from heaven, *says* the Lord. \* Whoever eats of this bread will *live* for ever.

> Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin — Optional Memorial —

Entrance

Here is a wise virgin, from among the number of the prudent, <sup>+</sup> who went forth with lighted lamp to meet Christ. Or: v How beautiful you are, O virgin of

Christ, † who were worthy to receive *the* Lord's crown, \* the crown of perpetu*al* virginity.

FIRST READING 2 Cor 10: 17-11: 2 I betrothed you to one husband to present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.

RESP *Ps 148: 1bc-2, 11-13a, 13c-14* Young men and women, praise the name of the Lord.

*Or:* Alleluia. GOSPEL Mt 13: 44-46 He sells all he has and buys that field.

COMMUNION $Cf. Mt 25: 6 \cdot VI$ Behold, the Bridegroom is coming; \*come out to meet Christ the Lord.Or: $Cf. Ps 27 (26): 4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, \*only this do I seek: / to live in the houseof the Lord \* all the days of my life.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday — Optional Memorial —

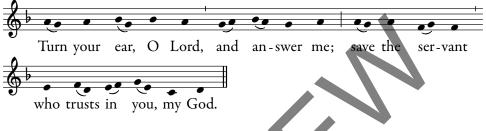
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# TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — sunday, august 24, 2025 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Ps 86 (85): 1-3 · I

Turn your ear, O *Lord*, and answer me; \* save the servant who trusts in *you*, my God. / Have mercy on *me*, O Lord, \* for I cry to you all *the* day long.



#### COLLECT

O God, who cause the minds of the faithful / to unite in a single purpose, / grant your people to love what you command / and to desire what you promise, / that, amid the uncertainties of this world, / our hearts may be fixed on that place / where true gladness is found. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### FIRST READING

#### Is 66: 18-21

*Ps 117 (116): 1bc, 2* · VII

Thus says the LORD: I know their works and their thoughts, and I come to gather nations of every language; they shall come and see my glory. I will set a sign among them; from them I will send fugitives to the nations: to Tarshish, Put and Lud, Mosoch, Tubal and Javan, to the distant coastlands that have never heard of my fame, or seen my glory; and they shall proclaim my glory among the nations. They shall bring all your btothers and sisters from all the nations as an offering to the LORD, on horses and in chariots, in carts, upon mules and dromedaries, to Jerusalem, my holy mountain, says the LORD, just as the Israelites bring their offering to the house of the LORD in clean vessels. Some of these I will take as priests and Levites, says the LORD.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

## Or: Alleluia.

ŷ. Praise the LORD, all you nations; / glorify him, all you peoples!

Y. For steadfast is his kindness toward us, / and the fidelity of the LORD endures forever.

## SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters, You have forgotten the exhortation addressed to you as children: / "My son, do not disdain the discipline of the Lord / or lose heart when reproved by him; / for whom the Lord loves, he disciplines; / he scourges every son he acknowledges." / Endure your trials as "discipline"; God treats you as sons. For what "son" is there whom his father does not discipline? At the time, all discipline seems a cause not for joy but for pain, yet later it brings the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who are trained by it.

So strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees. Make straight paths for your feet, that what is lame may not be disjointed but healed.

ALLELUIA al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia,

). I am the way, the truth and the life, says the Lord; / no one comes to the Father, except through me.

#### GOSPEL

Jesus passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" He answered them, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough. After the master of the house has arisen and locked the door, then will you stand outside knocking and saying, 'Lord, open the door for us.' He will say to you in reply, 'I do not know where you are from. And you will say, 'We ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets.' Then he will say to you, 'I do not know where you are from. Depart from me, all you evildoers!' And there will be wailing and grinding of teeth when you see Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God and you yourselves cast out. And people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God. For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

Jn 14:6 • V

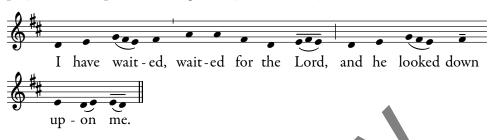
Lk 13: 22-30

Heb 12: 5-7, 11-13

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 40 (39): 2, 3, 4* · v

I have waited, waited *for* the Lord, \* and he looked down *up*on me. / He heard my prayer, † and he put a new song in*to* my mouth, \* a hymn *to* our God.



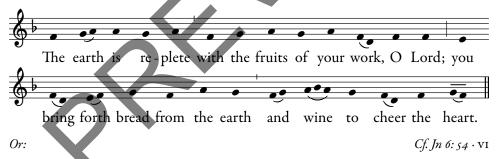
# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O Lord, who gained for yourself a people by adoption / through the one sacrifice offered once for all, / bestow graciously on us, we pray, / the gifts of unity and peace in your Church. / Through Christ our Lord.

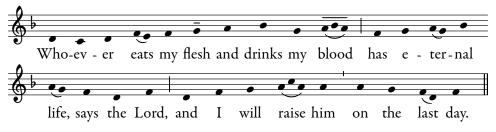
# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Cf. Ps 104 (103): 13-15* • VI

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; † you bring forth bread *from* the earth \* and wine to *cheer* the heart.



Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood † has eternal life, *says* the Lord, \* and I will raise him up on *the* last day.



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Complete within us, O Lord, we pray, / the healing work of your mercy / and graciously perfect and sustain us, / so that in all things we may please you. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### MONDAY, AUGUST 25 Monday of the Twenty-First Week

ENTRANCE Ps 86 (85): 1, 2,  $3 \cdot I$ Turn your ear, O *Lord*, and answer me; \* save the servant who trusts in *you*, my God. / Have mercy on *me*, O Lord, \* for I cry to you all *the* day long.

FIRST READING 1 Thes 1: 1-5, 8b-10 You turned to God from idols to await his Son, whom he raised from the dead.

RESP *Ps 149: 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b* The Lord takes delight in his people. *Or:* Alleluia.

GOSPEL Woe to you, blind guides.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps 104 (103):  $13-15 \cdot vi$ The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; † you bring forth bread *from* the earth \* and wine to *cheer* the heart.

Or: Cf. Jn 6:  $54 \cdot VI$ Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  $\dagger$  has eternal life, *says* the Lord, \*and I will raise him up on *the* last day.

> *Saint Louis* — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 21 (20): 2-3 · VI In your strength, O Lord, the just one rejoices; † how greatly your salvation *makes* him glad! \* You have granted him his *soul's* desire.

FIRST READING Is 58: 6-11 Share your bread with the hungry.

RESP *Ps 112 (111): 1bc-2, 3-4, 5-7, 7-8, 9* Blessed the man who fears the Lord.

*Or:* Alleluia

GOSPEL Mt 22: 34-40 You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart and your neighbor as yourself.

**COMMUNION** Cf. Mt 16: 24 • 1 Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, \* take up his cross, and follow me, says the Lord.

*Or: Mt 6: 33* · VIII Seek first the kingdom of God, *and* his righteousness, \* and all these things will be given you besides, *says* the Lord.

> Saint Joseph Calasanz, Priest — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Mk 10: 14 · VIII Let the children come to me; do *not* prevent them, \* for the kingdom of God belongs to *such* as these.

Or: Cf. Mt 5: 19 · IV Whoever obeys and teaches † the commandments of the Lord \* will be called great in the Kingdom of Heaven, *says* the Lord.

FIRST READING 1 Cor 12: 31–13: 13 or 13: 4-13 So faith, hope, love remain, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

RESP *Ps* 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 I will bless the Lord at all times. *Or:* 

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 18: 1-5 Unless you turn and become like children, you will not enter the Kingdom of heaven.

COMMUNION Mt 18: 3 · 11 Unless you turn and become like children, \* you will not enter the Kingdom of Heaven, *says* the Lord.

Or: Jn.8: 12-VH Whoever follows me will not *walk* in darkness, \* but will have the light of life, *says* the Lord.

# TUESDAY, AUGUST 26 Tuesday of the Twenty-First Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps \ 86 \ (85): 1, 2, 3 \cdot 1$ Turn your ear, O *Lord*, and answer me; \* save the servant who trusts in *you*, my God. / Have mercy on *me*, O Lord, \* for I cry to you all *the* day long.

FIRST READING 1 Thes 2: 1-8 We were determined to share with you not only the Gospel of God, but our very selves as well.

RESP *Ps 139 (138): 1-3, 4-6* You have searched me and you know me, Lord. GOSPEL Mt 23: 23-26 But these you should have done, without neglecting the others.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps I04 (I03):  $I3-I5 \cdot VI$ The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; † you bring forth bread *from* the earth \* and wine to *cheer* the heart.

Or: Cf. Jn 6:  $54 \cdot VI$ Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  $\dagger$  has eternal life, *says* the Lord, \*and I will raise him up on *the* last day.

# WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27

Saint Monica — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Prv 31: 30,  $28 \cdot VI$ The woman who fears the Lord will herself be praised. † Her children have called *her* most blessed, \* her husband has *sung* her praises.

Or: Cf.  $Prv_{31}: 20, 27 \cdot IV$ She reaches out her hands to the needy  $\dagger$ and extends her arms *to* the poor. \* She did not eat her *food* in idleness.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING 1 Thes 2: 9-13 Working night and day we proclaimed to you the Gospel of God.

RESP *Ps 139 (138): 7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab* You have searched me and you know me, Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 23: 27-32 You are the children of those who murdered the prophets. COMMUNION Cf. Mt 13:  $45-46 \cdot \text{VIII}$ The Kingdom of Heaven is *like* a merchant \* who travels in search *of* fine pearls / and who, on finding one *of* great price, \* sold every*thing* and bought it.

#### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Sir 26: 1-4, 13-16 Like the sun rising in the Lord's heavens, the beauty of a virtuous wife is the radiance of her home.

RESP *Ps 131 (130): 1bcde, 2, 3* In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

GOSPEL Lk 7: 11-17 Young man, I tell you, arise!

> THURSDAY, AUGUST 28 Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

- Memorial --ENTRANCE Cf. Sir 15:5  $\cdot$  VI In the midst of the Church he opened his mouth, † and the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding \* and clothed him in a robe of glory.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING 1 Thes 3: 7-13 May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all.

RESP *Ps 90 (89): 3-5a, 12-13, 14, 17* Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

GOSPEL Mt 24: 42-51 Stay awake! COMMUNION  $Mt 23: 10, 8 \cdot VI$ Thus says the Lord: † You have but one teach*er*, the Christ, \* and you *are* all brothers.

#### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING I Jn 4: 7-16 If we love one another, God remains in us.

RESP *Ps 119 (118): 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14* Lord, teach me your statutes.

GOSPEL Mt 23: 8-12 Do not be called 'Master'; you have one master, the Christ.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29 The Passion of Saint John the Baptist — Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 119 (118): 46-47* · I I spoke, O Lord, of your decrees before Kings, † and was *not* confounded; \* I pondered your commands and *loved* them greatly.

*Readings of the Day:* 

FIRST READING I Thes 4: 1-8 This is the will of God, your holiness.

RESP *Ps 97 (96): 1, 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12* Rejoice in the Lord, you just!

GOSPEL Mk 6: 17-29 I want you to give me at once on a platter the head of John the Baptist.

COMMUNION Jn 3: 27, 30 · 1 John an*swered* and said: \* He must increase; but I *must* decrease. Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Jer 1: 17-19 Stand up and tell them all that I command you.

RESP *Ps* 71 (70): 1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab, 17 I will sing your salvation.

GOSPEL Mk 6: 17-29 I want you to give me at once on a platter the head of John the Baptist.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30 Saturday of the Twenty-First Week

ENTRANCE *Ps 86 (85): 1, 2, 3*  $\cdot$  1 Turn your ear, O *Lord*, and answer me; \* save the servant who trusts in *you*, my God. / Have mercy on *me*, O Lord, \* for I cry to you all *the* day long.

FIRST READING 1 Thes 4: 9-11 You have been taught by God to love one another. RESP *Ps 98 (97): 1, 7-8, 9* The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

GOSPEL Mt 25: 14-30 Since you have been faithful in small matters, come, share your master's joy.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps I04 (I03):  $I3-I5 \cdot VI$ The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; t you bring forth bread *from* the earth \* and wine to *cheer* the heart.

Or:  $C_{f}Jn \ 6: 54 \cdot VI$ Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  $\dagger$  has eternal life, *says* the Lord, \* and I will raise him up on *the* last day.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday — Optional Memorial —

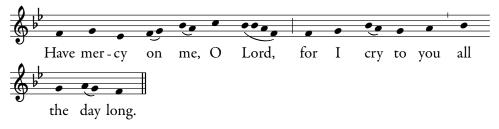
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TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SUNDAY, AUGUST 31, 2025 --

# ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 86 (85): 3, 5* • VIII

Have mercy on *me*, O Lord, \* for I cry to you all *the* day long. / O Lord, you are good *and* forgiving, \* full of mercy to all who *call* to you.



# COLLECT

God of might, giver of every good gift, / put into our hearts the love of your name, / so that, by deepening our sense of reverence, / you may nurture in us what is good / and, by your watchful care, / keep safe what you have nurtured. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

My child, conduct your affairs with humility, / and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts. / Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, / and you will find favor with God. / What is too sublime for you, seek not, / into things beyond your strength search not. / The mind of a sage appreciates proverbs, / and an attentive ear is the joy of the wise. / Water quenches a flaming fire, / and alms atone for sins.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 

*Ps 68 (67): 4-5, 6-7, 10-11* · VI

Sir 3: 17-18, 20, 28-29



v. The just rejoice and exult before God; / they are glad and rejoice. / Sing to God, chant praise to his name, / whose name is the LORD.

v. The father of orphans and the defender of widows / is God in his holy dwelling. / God gives a home to the forsaken; / he leads forth prisoners to prosperity.

ŷ. A bountiful rain you showered down, O God, upon your inheritance; / you
restored the land when it languished; / your flock settled in it; / in your goodness,
O God, you provided it for the needy.

# SECOND READING

#### Heb 12: 18-19, 22-24a

Brothers and sisters: You have not approached that which could be touched and a blazing fire and gloomy darkness and storm and a trumpet blast and a voice speaking words such that those who heard begged that no message be further addressed to them. No, you have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and countless angels in festal gathering, and the assembly of the firstborn enrolled in heaven, and God the judge of all, and the spirits of the just made perfect, and Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and the sprinkled blood that speaks more eloquently than that of Abel.



v . Take my yoke upon you, says the Lord, / and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart.

#### GOSPEL

Lk 14: 1, 7-14

Mt 11: 29ab • I

On a sabbath Jesus went to dine at the home of one of the leading Pharisees, and the people there were observing him carefully.

He told a parable to those who had been invited, noticing how they were choosing the places of honor at the table. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited by him, and the host who invited both of you may approach you and say, 'Give your place to this man,' and then you would proceed with embarrassment to take the lowest place. Rather, when you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, 'My friend, move up to a higher position.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table. For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Then he said to the host who invited him, "When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors, in case they may invite you back and you have repayment. Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 40 (39): 14, 15* • VI

Look down,  $\overline{\mathcal{O}}$  Lord, to help me. † Let there be shame and confusion on those who *seek* my life. \* Look down, O *Lord*, to help me.



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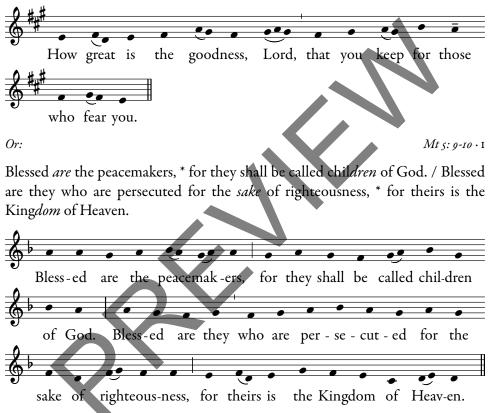
# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May this sacred offering, O Lord, / confer on us always the blessing of salvation, / that what it celebrates in mystery / it may accomplish in power. / Through Christ our Lord.

*Ps 31 (30): 20* • VIII

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

How great is the *good*ness, Lord, \* that you keep for *those* who fear you.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Renewed by this bread from the heavenly table, / we beseech you, Lord, / that, being the food of charity, / it may confirm our hearts / and stir us to serve you in our neighbor. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER I

Monday of the Twenty-Second Week

ENTRANCE Ps 86 (85): 3, 5 · VIII Have mercy on me, O Lord, \* for I cry to you all *the* day long. / O Lord, you are good *and* forgiving, \* full of mercy to all who *call* to you.

FIRST READING 1 Thes 4: 13-18 God, through Jesus, will bring with him those who have fallen asleep.

RESP Ps 96 (95): 1, 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 The Lord comes to judge the earth.

Gospel Lk 4: 16-30 He has sent me to bring glad tidings to the poor. No prophet is accepted in his own native place.

COMMUNION *Ps 31 (30): 20* • VIII How great is the goodness, Lord, \* that you keep for those who fear you. Or: Mt 5: 9-10 • 1 Blessed are the peacemakers, \* for they shall be called children of God. / Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, \* for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2** Tuesday of the Twenty-Second Week

ENTRANCE Ps 86 (85): 3, 5 • VIII Have mercy on me, O Lord, \* for I cry to you all the day long. / O Lord, you are good *and* forgiving, \* full of mercy to all who *call* to you.

FIRST READING 1 Thes 5: 1-6, 9-11 Jesus Christ died for us so that we may live together with him.

Resp Ps 27 (26): 1bcde, 4, 13-14 I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.

Gospel Lk 4: 31-37 I know who you are-the Holy One of God!

COMMUNION *Ps 31 (30): 20* • VIII How great is the *good*ness, Lord, \* that you keep for those who fear you.

Or: Mt 5: 9-10 · I Blessed are the peacemakers, \* for they shall be called children of God. / Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, \* for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

- Memorial -

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ENTRANCE Blessed Gregory, raised upon the throne of Peter, † sought always the beauty of the Lord \* and lived in celebration of that love.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Col 1: 1-8 The Gospel has come to you just as in the whole world.

Resp Ps 52 (51): 10, 11 I trust in the mercy of God for ever.

Gospel Lk 4: 38-44 To the other towns also I must proclaim the good news of the Kingdom of God, because for this purpose I have been sent. COMMUNION *Cf. Lk 12: 42* · VII This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

#### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING 2 Cor 4: 1-2, 5-7 We preach Jesus Christ as Lord, and ourselves as your slaves for the sake of Jesus.

RESP *Ps 96 (95): 1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8c, 10* Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.

GOSPEL Lk 22: 24-30 I confer a kingdom on you, just as my Father has conferred one on me.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 Thursday of the Twenty-Second Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps \, 86 \, (85); 3, 5 \cdot VIII$ Have mercy on *me*, O Lord, \* for L cry to you all *the* day long. / O Lord, you are good *and* forgiving, \* full of mercy to all who *call* to you.

FIRST READING Col 1: 9-14 God delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the Kingdom of his beloved Son.

RESP *Ps 98 (97): 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6* The Lord has made known his salvation.

GOSPEL *Lk* 5: 1-11 They left everything and followed Jesus. COMMUNION $P_{S \ 3I} (30): 20 \cdot VIII$ How great is the goodness, Lord, \* that<br/>you keep for those who fear you.Or: $Mt \ 5: \ 9-I0 \cdot I$ Blessed are the peacemakers, \* for<br/>they shall be called children of God. /

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the *sake* of righteousness, \* for theirs is the King*dom* of Heaven.

# FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 Friday of the Twenty-Second Week

ENTRANCE  $P_{5,86}(8_{5}): 3, 5 \cdot VIII$ Have mercy on *me*, O Lord, \* for I cry to you all *the* day long. / O Lord, you are good *and* forgiving, \* full of mercy to all who *call* to you.

FIRST READING Col 1: 15-20 In him were created all things.

RESP *Ps 100 (99): 1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5* Come with joy into the presence of the Lord.

GOSPEL *Lk* 5: 33-39 When the bridegroom is taken away from them, then they will fast.

COMMUNION *Ps 31 (30): 20* · VIII How great is the *good*ness, Lord, \* that you keep for *those* who fear you.

Or:  $Mt 5: 9-10 \cdot 1$ Blessed *are* the peacemakers, \* for they shall be called chil*dren* of God. / Blessed are they who are persecuted for the *sake* of righteousness, \* for theirs is the King*dom* of Heaven.

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6** *Saturday of the Twenty-Second Week*

ENTRANCE  $Ps \ 86 \ (85): 3, 5 \cdot VIII$ Have mercy on *me*, O Lord, \* for I cry to you all *the* day long. / O Lord, you are good *and* forgiving, \* full of mercy to all who *call* to you.

FIRST READING Col 1: 21-23 Christ has now reconciled you to present you holy and unblemished before him.

RESP *Ps 54 (53): 3-4, 6, 8* God himself is my help.

GOSPEL Lk 6: 1-5 Why are you doing what is unlawful on the sabbath? COMMUNION $Ps \ 3I \ (30): 20 \cdot VIII$ How great is the goodness, Lord, \* that<br/>you keep for those who fear you.Or: $Mt \ 5: \ 9-I0 \cdot I$ Blessed are the peacemakers, \* for<br/>they shall be called children of God. /

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Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday Optional Memorial —

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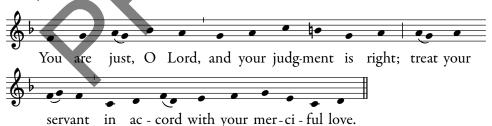
# TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 119 (118): 137, 124* • I

You are just, O Lord, and your judg*ment* is right; \* treat your servant in accord with your mer*ci*ful love.

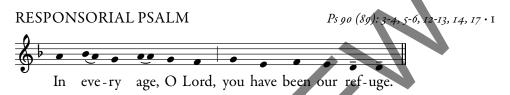


#### COLLECT

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, / look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, / that those who believe in Christ / may receive true freedom / and an everlasting inheritance. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

Who can know God's counsel, / or who can conceive what the LORD intends? / For the deliberations of mortals are timid, / and unsure are our plans. / For the corruptible body burdens the soul / and the earthen shelter weighs down the mind that has many concerns. / And scarce do we guess the things on earth, / and what is within our grasp we find with difficulty; / but when things are in heaven, who can search them out? / Or who ever knew your counsel, except you had given wisdom / and sent your holy spirit from on high? / And thus were the paths of those on earth made straight.



v. You turn man back to dust, / saying, "Return, O children of men." / For a thousand years in your sight / are as yesterday, now that it is past, / or as a watch of the night.

v. You make an end of them in their sleep; / the next morning they are like the changing grass, / Which at dawn springs up anew, / but by evening wilts and fades.

ŷ. Teach us to number our days aright, / that we may gain wisdom of heart. / Return, O LORD! How long? / Have pity on your servants!

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness, / that we may shout for joy and gladness
 all our days. / And may the gracious care of the LORD our God be ours; / prosper
 the work of our hands for us! / Prosper the work of our hands!

# SECOND READING

#### Phlm 1: 9-10, 12-17

I, Paul, an old man, and now also a prisoner for Christ Jesus, urge you on behalf of my child Onesimus, whose father I have become in my imprisonment; I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I should have liked to retain him for myself, so that he might serve me on your behalf in my imprisonment for the gospel, but I did not want to do anything without your consent, so that the good you do might not be forced but voluntary. Perhaps this is why he was away from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a brother, beloved especially to me, but even more so to you, as a man and in the Lord. So if you regard me as a partner, welcome him as you would me.



ŷ. Let your face shine upon your servant; / and teach me your laws.

#### GOSPEL

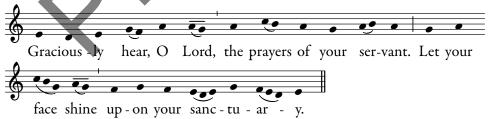
Lk 14: 25-33

Great crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and addressed them, "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? Otherwise, after laying the foundation and finding himself unable to finish the work the onlookers should laugh at him and say, 'This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish.' Or what king marching into battle would not first sit down and decide whether with ten thousand troops he can successfully oppose another king advancing upon him with twenty thousand troops? But if not, while he is still far away, he will send a delegation to ask for peace terms. In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

#### Dan 9: 4, (2,) 17, 19 · IV

I, Daniel, have prayed to *my* God, saying: \* Graciously hear, O Lord, the prayers *of* your servant. / Let your face shine upon your sanctuary; † and graciously turn *toward* this people, \* upon whom your name has been in*voked*, O God.



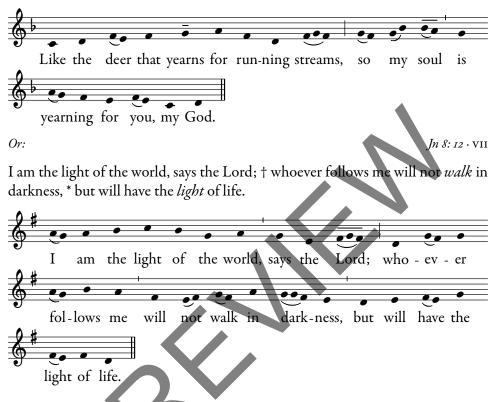
#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who give us the gift of true prayer and of peace, / graciously grant that, through this offering, / we may do fitting homage to your divine majesty / and, by partaking of the sacred mystery, / we may be faithfully united in mind and heart. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 42 (41): 2-3 · I

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, † so my soul is yearning for *you*, my God; \* my soul is thirsting for God, the *liv*ing God.



#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant that your faithful, O Lord, / whom you nourish and endow with life / through the food of your Word and heavenly Sacrament, / may so benefit from your beloved Son's great gifts / that we may merit an eternal share in his life. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	<i>The</i> Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) <i>is said.</i>
— Feast — Entrance 1	FIRST READING Mic 5: 1-4a The time when she who is to give birth
Let us celebrate with joy † the Nativity of	has borne.
the Blessed <i>Vir</i> gin Mary, * for from her arose the sun of justice, <i>Christ</i> our God.	Or: Rom 8: 28-30
alose the sun of justice, Chirist our God.	Tor mose me joreknew ne diso predestined.

RESP Ps 13 (12): 6ab, 6c With delight I rejoice in the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 1: 1-16, 18-23 or 1: 18-23 For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her.

COMMUNION *Is 7: 14; Mt 1: 21* • I Behold, the Virgin will *bear* a son, \* who will save his people *from* their sins.

#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 Saint Peter Claver, Priest — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 132 (131):  $9 \cdot VI$ Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Col 2: 6-15 God brought you to life along with Christ having forgiven us all our transgressions.

RESP *Ps 145 (144): 1b-2, 8-9, 10-11* The Lord is compassionate toward all his works.

GOSPEL Lk 6: 12-19 He spent the night in prayer. He chose Twelve, whom he also named Apostles.

COMMUNION Mt 24: 46-47 · III Blessed *is* the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching *when* he comes. / Amen I *say* to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of *all* his property.

Or: Cf.  $Lk \ 12: 42 \cdot VII$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household, \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time. Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READINGIs 58: 6-11Share your bread with the hungry.

RESP *Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4 and 6* Blessed are they who hope in the Lord. *Or:* 

Blessed are they who delight in the law of the Lord.

Or:

The just will flourish like the palm tree in the garden of the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 25: 31-40 Whatever you did for the least of my brothers, you did for me.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 Wednesday of the Twenty-Third Week

**ENTRANCE** *Ps 119 (118): 137, 124*  $\cdot$  I You are just, O Lord, and your judg*ment* is right; \* treat your servant in accord with your mer*ci*ful love.

FIRST READING Col 3: 1-11 You have died with Christ; put to death, then, the parts of you that are earthly.

RESP *Ps 145 (144): 2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab* The Lord is compassionate toward all his works.

GOSPEL Lk 6: 20-26 Blessed are you who are poor. Woe to you who are rich.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps  $42 (41): 2-3 \cdot VIII$ Like the deer that yearns for running streams,  $\dagger$  so my soul is yearning for *you*, my God; \* my soul is thirsting for God, the *liv*ing God. Or:

Jn 8: 12 · VII

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; † whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, \* but will have the light of life.

# THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Thursday of the Twenty-Third Week

ENTRANCE Ps 119 (118): 137, 124 · I You are just, O Lord, and your judgment is right; \* treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

FIRST READING Col 3: 12-17 Put on love, that is, the bond of perfection.

Resp Ps 150: 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

#### GOSPEL

Lk 6: 27-38 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Cf. Ps 42 (41): 2-3 • VIII COMMUNION Like the deer that yearns for running streams, † so my soul is yearning for you, my God; \* my soul is thirsting for God, the *liv*ing God.

Or: Jn 8: 12 · VII I am the light of the world, says the Lord; † whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, \* but will have the light of life.

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

Friday of the Twenty-Third Week

ENTRANCE Ps 119 (118): 137, 124 · I You are just, O Lord, and your judgment is right; \* treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

FIRST READING 1 Tm 1: 1-2, 12-14 I was once a blasphemer, but I have been mercifully treated.

Resp Ps 16 (15): 1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11 You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Gospel Lk 6: 39-42 Can a blind person guide a blind person?

COMMUNION Cf. Ps 42 (41): 2-3 • VIII Like the deer that yearns for running streams, † so my soul is yearning for you, my God; \* my soul is thirsting for God, the *liv*ing God.

Or: *In 8: 12* · VII I am the light of the world, says the Lord; † whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, \* but will have the light of life.

> The Most Holy Name of Mary - Optional Memorial -

ENTRANCE Cf. Idt 13: 18-19 • 1 Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary, by the Lord God Most High, \* above all women on the earth; / for he has so exalted your name \* that your praise shall be undying on our lips.

FIRST READING Gal 4: 4-7 God sent his Son, born of a woman.

Resp Lk 1: 46-47, 48-49, 50-51, 52-53, 54-55 The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

Or:

O Blessed Virgin Mary, you carried the Son of the eternal Father.

Lk 1: 39-47

GOSPEL Blessed is she who believed. COMMUNION Cf. Lk 1:  $48 \cdot \text{vi}$ All generations will *call* me blessed, \* for God has looked on his *low*ly handmaid.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

- Memorial --ENTRANCE Cf.  $Dn 12: 3 \cdot 1$ Those who are wise *will* shine brightly \* like the splendor of the firmament / and those who lead the many to justice \* shall be like the *stars* for ever.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING 1 Tm 1: 15-17 Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. RESP *Ps 113 (112): 1b-2, 3-4, 5, 6-7* Blessed be the name of the Lord forever.

GOSPEL Lk 6: 43-49 Why do you call me, "Lord, Lord," but do not do what I command?

COMMUNION *Cf. 1 Cor 1: 23-24* • I We proclaim Christ crucified; † Christ, the pow*er* of God \* and the wis*dom* of God.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Eph 4: 1-7, 11-13 For the work of ministry, for the building up of the Body of Christ.

RESP *Ps 40 (39): 2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11* Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

GOSPEL Mk 4: 1-10, 13-20 or Mk 4: 1-9 The sower went out to sow.

THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

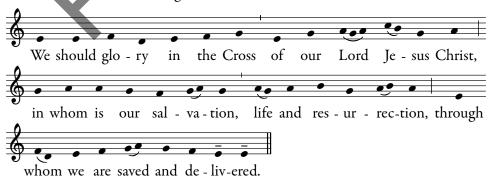
- SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2025 —

Feast

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Gal 6: 14* • IV

We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, † in whom is our salvation, life and *resurrection*, \* through whom we are saved *and* delivered.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

# COLLECT

O God, who willed that your Only Begotten Son / should undergo the Cross to save the human race, / grant, we pray, / that we, who have known his mystery on earth, / may merit the grace of his redemption in heaven. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

# FIRST READING

With their patience worn out by the journey, the people complained against God and Moses, "Why have you brought us up from Egypt to die in this desert, where there is no food or water? We are disgusted with this wretched food!"

In punishment the LORD sent among the people saraph serpents, which bit the people so that many of them died. Then the people came to Moses and said, "We have sinned in complaining against the LORD and you. Pray the LORD to take the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people, and the LORD said to Moses, "Make a saraph and mount it on a pole, and if any who have been bitten look at it, they will live." Moses accordingly made a bronze serpent and mounted it on a pole, and whenever anyone who had been bitten by a serpent looked at the bronze serpent, he lived.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 

*Ps* 78 (77): 1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 · I

Do not for-get the works of the Lord!

. .

v. Hearken, my people, to my teaching; / incline your ears to the words of my mouth. / I will open my mouth in a parable, / I will utter mysteries from of old.

 $\hat{y}$ . While he slew them they sought him / and inquired after God again, / Remembering that God was their rock / and the Most High God, their redeemer.

v. But they flattered him with their mouths / and lied to him with their tongues, / Though their hearts were not steadfast toward him, / nor were they faithful to his covenant.

v. But he, being merciful, forgave their sin / and destroyed them not; / Often he turned back his anger / and let none of his wrath be roused.

Num 21: 4b-9

#### SEPTEMBER 14

## SECOND READING

#### Phil 2: 6-11

Brothers and sisters: / Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, / did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. / Rather, he emptied himself, / taking the form of a slave, / coming in human likeness; / and found human in appearance, / he humbled himself, / becoming obedient to death, / even death on a cross. / Because of this, God greatly exalted him / and bestowed on him the name / that is above every name, / that at the name of Jesus / every knee should bend, / of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, / and every tongue confess that / Jesus Christ is Lord, / to the glory of God the Father.



v. We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you, / because by your Cross you have redeemed the world.

#### GOSPEL

Jn 3: 13-17

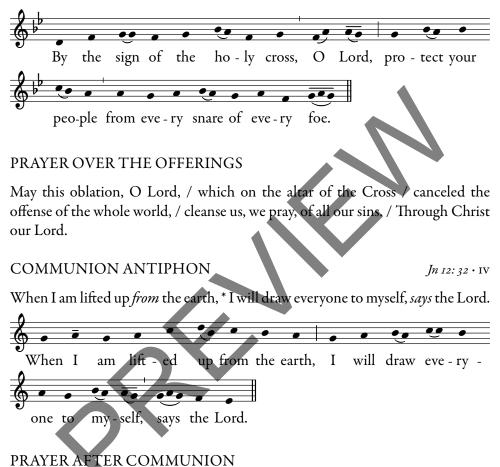
Jesus said to Nicodemus: "No one has gone up to heaven except the one who has come down from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life."

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

The Creed is not said.

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

By the sign of the holy *cross*, O Lord, \* protect your people from every snare of *every* foe. / That we may present pleasing wor*ship* to you, \* and that our sacrifice may be acceptable to you, *al*leluia.



Having been nourished by your holy banquet, / we beseech you, Lord Jesus Christ, / to bring those you have redeemed / by the wood of your life-giving

Cross / to the glory of the resurrection. / Who live and reign for ever and ever.

#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 Our Lady of Sorrows — Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Lk 2: 34-35* · I Simeon said to Mary: Behold, this *child* is destined \* for the ruin and rising of many in Israel, / and to be a sign of *cont*radiction; \* and your own soul a *sword* will pierce.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING 1 Tm 2: 1-8 I ask that prayers be offered for everyone to God who wills everyone to be saved.

RESP *Ps 28 (27): 2, 7, 8-9* Blessed be the Lord, for he has heard my prayer.

Gospel

How that loving mother was pierced with grief and anguish when she saw the sufferings of her Son (Stabat Mater).

Jn 19: 25-27

COMMUNION *Cf. 1 Pt 4: 13* · v Rejoice when you share in the sufferings of Christ, † that you may also re*joice* exultantly \* when his glory *is* revealed.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Heb 5: 7-9 Christ learned obedience and became the source of eternal salvation.

RESP *Ps 31 (30): 2, 3b, 3cd-4, 5-6, 15-16, 20* Save me, O Lord, in your kindness.

GOSPEL Jn 19: 25-27 How that loving mother was pierced with grief and anguish when she saw the sufferings of her Son (Stabat Mater). Or: Lk 2: 33-35 And you yourself a sword will pierce.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16 Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs — Memorial —

ENTRANCE I The souls of the Saints are rejoicing in heaven, \* the Saints who followed the foot*steps* of Christ, / and since for love of him they *shed* their blood, \* they now exult with *Christ* for ever.

*Or:* IV Holy men shed their glorious blood *for* the Lord: \* they loved Christ *in* their life, / they imitated him *in* their death, \* and therefore were *crowned* in triumph.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING 1 Tm 3: 1-13 The bishop must be irreproachable; similarly, deacons must hold fast to the mystery of the faith with a clear conscience.

RESP *Ps 101 (100): 1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6* I will walk with blameless heart.

GOSPEL Lk 7: 11-17 Young man, I tell you, arise!

COMMUNION *Lk 22: 28-30* · VIII It is you who have stood by me in my trials; † and I confer a kingdom on you, *says* the Lord, \* that you may eat and drink at my table *in* my kingdom. Or:

VIII

See how rich is the Saints' re*ward* from God; \* they died for Christ and will *live* for ever.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING 2 Cor 4: 7-15 Always carrying about in the body the dying of Jesus.

RESP *Ps 126 (125): 1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6* Those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

GOSPEL Jn 17: 11b-19 The world hated them.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 Wednesday of the Twenty-Fourth Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Sir 36:  $18 \cdot 1$ Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, \* that your prophets be found true. / Hear the prayers of your servant, \* and of your people Israel.

FIRST READING 1 Tm 3: 14-16 Undeniably great is the mystery of devotion.

RESP *Ps III (110): 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6* How great are the works of the Lord!

GOSPEL *Lk* 7: 31-35 We played the flute for you, but you did not dance. We sang a dirge, but you did not weep.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps  $_{36}(_{35}): 8 \cdot v$ How precious is your mercy, O God!  $\dagger$ The children of *men* seek shelter \* in the shadow *of* your wings. *Or: Cf. 1 Cor 10: 16* · 1 The chalice of blessing *that* we bless \* is a communion in the *Blood* of Christ; / and the bread *that* we break \* is a sharing in the Body *of* the Lord.

> Saint Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

— Optional Memorial — ENTRANCE *Cf. Ez 34: 11, 23-24* · IV I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, † and I will appoint a shep*herd* to pasture them, \* and I, the Lord, will *be* their God.

Or: Cf.  $Lk \ 12: 42 \cdot IV$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent,  $\dagger$  whom the Lord set over his household \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

FIRST READING Wis 7: 7-10, 15-16 Beyond health and comeliness I loved her.

RESP *Ps 19 (18): 8, 9, 10, 11* The judgments of the Lord are true, and all of them are just.

Or:

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

GOSPEL Mt 7: 21-29 He taught them as one having authority.

COMMUNION Cf. Jn 15: 16 · I It was not you who chose me, says the Lord, \* but I who chose you / and appointed you to go and bear fruit, \* fruit that will last.

Or: Cf. Lk 12: 36-37  $\cdot$  III Blessed is that servant, whom his lord finds awake \* when he comes and knocks *at* the gate. Saint Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin and Doctor of the Church — Optional Memorial —

Entrance

VI

Here is a wise virgin, from among thenumber *of* the prudent, \* who went forth with lighted lamp *to* meet Christ. *Or:* v How beautiful you are, O virgin of Christ, † who were worthy to receive

*the* Lord's crown, \* the crown of perpetu*al* virginity.

FIRST READING Stern as death is love. Song 8: 6-7

RESP *Ps 45 (44): 11-12, 14-15, 16-17* Listen to me, daughter; see and bend your ear.

Or:

The bridegroom is here; let us go out to meet Christ the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 25: 1-13 Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!

COMMUNION $Cf. Mt 25: 6 \cdot VI$ Behold, the Bridegroom is coming; \*come out to meet Christ the Lord.Or: $Cf. Ps 27 (26): 4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, \*only this do I seek: / to live in the houseof the Lord \* all the days of my life.

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 Thursday of the Twenty-Fourth Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Sir  $36: 18 \cdot 1$ Give peace, O Lord, to those who *wait* for you, \* that your prophets be found true. / Hear the prayers *of* your servant, \* and of your *peo*ple Israel.

FIRST READING 1 Tm 4: 12-16 Attend to yourself and to your teaching; you will save both yourself and those who listen to you.

RESP *Ps III (110): 7-8, 9, 10* How great are the works of the Lord!

GOSPEL Lk 7: 36-50 Her many sins have been forgiven; hence, she has shown great love.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps  $_{36}$  ( $_{35}$ ):  $8 \cdot v$ How precious is your mercy, O God!  $\dagger$ The children of *men* seek shelter \* in the shadow *of your* wings.

Or: Cf. 1 Cor 10:  $16 \cdot 1$ The chalice of blessing *that* we bless \* is a communion in the *Blood* of Christ; / and the bread *that* we break \* is a sharing in the Body of the Lord.

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 Friday of the Twenty-Fourth Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Sir  $_{36: 18 \cdot 1}$ Give peace, O Lord, to those who *wait* for you, \* that your prophets *be* found true. / Hear the prayers *of* your servant, \* and of your *peo*ple Israel.

FIRST READING 1 Tm 6: 2C-12 But you, man of God, pursue righteousness.

RESP *Ps 49 (48): 6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20* Blessed the poor in spirit; the Kingdom of heaven is theirs! Gospel

Lk 8: 1-3

Accompanying them were some women, who provided for them out of their resources.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps  $_{36}(_{35}): 8 \cdot v$ How precious is your mercy, O God!  $\dagger$ The children of *men* seek shelter \* in the shadow *of* your wings.

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Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE

VI

This holy man fought *to* the death \* for the law *of* his God / and did not fear the words *of* the godless, \* for he was built on *sol*id rock.

*Or: Cf. Wis 10: 12* • 111 The Lord granted him *a* stern struggle,<sup>\*</sup> that he might know that wisdom is mightier *than* all else.

FIRST READING Heb 10: 32-36 You endured a great contest of suffering.

RESP *Ps 126 (125): 1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6* Those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

GOSPEL Jn 12: 24-26 If a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it produces much fruit.

COMMUNION Cf. Mt 16: 24 · I Whoever wishes to come after me, must deny himself, \* take up his cross, and follow me, says the Lord. *Or: Mt 10: 39 · 11* Whoever loses his life *for* my sake, \* will find it in eternity, *says* the Lord.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

— Memorial —

ENTRANCE v The blood of the holy Martyrs † was poured out for Christ up*are* the earth; \* therefore they have gained ever*last*ing rewards.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING 1 Tm 6: 13-16 Keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ.

RESP *Ps 100 (99): 1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5* Come with joy into the presence of the Lord.

GOSPEL *Lk 8: 4-15* As for the seed that fell on rich soil, they are the ones who embrace the word and bear much fruit through perseverance.

COMMUNION Mt 10: 32 · VIII Everyone who acknowledges me before others \* I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father, says the Lord.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Wis 3: 1-9 As sacrificial offerings he took them to himself. Or: Rom 8: 31b-39 Neither death nor life will be able to separate us from the love of God. GOSPEL Lk 9: 23-26 Whoever loses his life for my sake will save it.

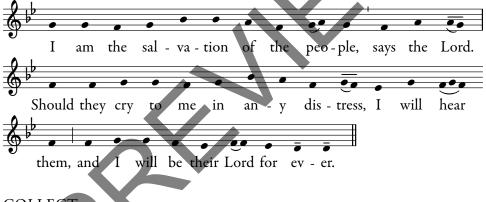
RESP *Ps 126 (125): 1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6* Those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

#### TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — sunday, september 21, 2025 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

. *Ps 37 (36): 38, 40, 28* • IV

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. † Should they cry to me in any distress, \* I will hear them, and I will be their *Lord* for ever.



## COLLECT

O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law / upon love of you and of our neighbor, / grant that, by keeping your precepts, / we may merit to attain eternal life. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### FIRST READING

Amos 8: 4-7

Hear this, you who trample upon the needy / and destroy the poor of the land! / "When will the new moon be over," you ask, / "that we may sell our grain, / and the sabbath, that we may display the wheat? / We will diminish the ephah, / add to the shekel, / and fix our scales for cheating! / We will buy the lowly for silver, / and the poor for a pair of sandals; / even the refuse of the wheat we will sell!" / The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob: / Never will I forget a thing they have done!



Ps 113 (112): 1-2, 4-6, 7-8 · VIII

Or: Alleluia.

V. Praise, you servants of the LORD, / praise the name of the LORD. / Blessed be the name of the LORD / both now and forever.

ŷ. High above all nations is the LORD; / above the heavens is his glory. / Who is like the LORD, our God, who is enthroned on high / and looks upon the heavens and the earth below?

Y. He raises up the lowly from the dust; / from the dunghill he lifts up the poor / to seat them with princes, / with the princes of his own people.

#### SECOND READING

1 Tm 2: 1-8

Beloved: First of all, I ask that supplications, prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings be offered for everyone, for kings and for all in authority, that we may lead a quiet and tranquil life in all devotion and dignity. This is good and pleasing to God our savior, who wills everyone to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth. / For there is one God. / There is also one mediator between God and men, / the man Christ Jesus, / who gave himself as ransom for all. / This was the testimony at the proper time. For this I was appointed preacher and apostle—I am speaking the truth, I am not lying—, teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

It is my wish, then, that in every place the men should pray, lifting up holy hands, without anger or argument.



Y. Though our Lord Jesus Christ was rich, he became poor, / so that by his poverty you might become rich.

#### GOSPEL

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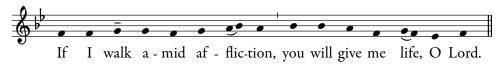
Jesus said to his disciples, ["A rich man had a steward who was reported to him for squandering his property. He summoned him and said, 'What is this I hear about you? Prepare a full account of your stewardship, because you can no longer be my steward.' The steward said to himself, 'What shall I do, now that my master is taking the position of steward away from me? I am not strong enough to dig and I am ashamed to beg. I know what I shall do so that, when I am removed from the stewardship, they may welcome me into their homes.' He called in his master's debtors one by one. To the first he said, 'How much do you owe my master?' He replied, 'One hundred measures of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Here is your promissory note. Sit down and quickly write one for fifty.' Then to another the steward said, 'And you, how much do you owe?' He replied. 'One hundred kors of wheat.' The steward said to him, 'Here is your promissory note; write one for eighty.' And the master commended that dishonest steward for acting prudently.

"For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. I tell you, make friends for yourselves with dishonest wealth, so that when it fails, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings.] The person who is trustworthy in very small matters is also trustworthy in great ones; and the person who is dishonest in very small matters is also dishonest in great ones. If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth? If you are not trustworthy with what belongs to another, who will give you what is yours? No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon."

# OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 138 (137): 7* • VIII

If I walk a*mid* affliction, \* you will give me *life*, O Lord. / You will stretch out your hand against the anger *of* my foes; \* your right *hand* has saved me.



# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Receive with favor, O Lord, we pray, / the offerings of your people, / that what they profess with devotion and faith / may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries. / Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Ps 119 (118): 4-5* • v

You have laid down your precepts to be care*ful*ly kept; \* may my ways be firm in keep*ing* your statutes.



Graciously raise up, O Lord, / those you renew with this Sacrament, / that we may come to possess your redemption / both in mystery and in the manner of our life. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Monday of the Twenty-Fifth Week ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $_{37}$  (36): 38, 40, 28  $\cdot$  IV I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. † Should they cry to me in any distress, \* I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

FIRST READING Ezra 1: 1-6 Those who are any part of God's people, let them go up and build the house of the Lord in Jerusalem.

RESP *Ps 126 (125): 1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6* The Lord has done marvels for us.

GOSPEL Lk 8: 16-18 A lamp is placed on a lampstand so that those who enter may see the light.

COMMUNION $Ps IIg (II8): q \cdot s \cdot v$ You have laid down your precepts to be<br/>carefully kept; \* may my ways be firm in<br/>keeping your statutes.

Or: Jn 10: 14 - 11 I am the Good Shepherd, says the Lord; \* I know my sheep, and mine know me.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $_{132}(_{131}): g \cdot vI$ Your priests, O Lord, shall be *clothed* with justice; \* your holy ones shall ring *out* their joy.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Ezra 6: 7-8, 12b, 14-20 They completed the temple of God, and ate the Passover. RESP *Ps 122 (121): 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5* Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

GOSPEL *Lk* 8: 19-21 My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and act on it.

COMMUNION *Mt 24: 46, 47* · III Blessed *is* the servant \* whom the Lord finds watching *when* he comes. / Amen I *say* to you: \* He will put that servant in charge of *all* his property.

Or: Cf. Lk 12:  $42 \cdot VII$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household, \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

#### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Gal 2: 19-20 Llive, no longer I, but Christ lives in me.

RESP *Ps 128 (127): 1-2, 3, 4-5* Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 16: 24-27 Whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 Wednesday of the Twenty-Fifth Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $_{37}$  (36): 38, 40, 28 · IV I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. † Should they cry to me in any distress, \* I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

FIRST READING Ezra 9: 5-9 In our servitude our God has not abandoned us. Resp Tob 13: 2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 Blessed be God, who lives for ever.

Gospel Lk 9: 1-6 He sent them to proclaim the Kingdom of God and to heal the sick.

COMMUNION Ps 119 (118): 4-5 · V You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; \* may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

Or: [n 10: 14 · 11 I am the Good Shepherd, says the Lord; \* I know my sheep, and mine know me.

#### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**

Thursday of the Twenty-Fifth Week Cf. Ps 37 (36): 38, 40, 28 · IV ENTRANCE I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. † Should they cry to me in any distress, \* I will hear them, and I will be their *Lord* for every

FIRST READING Hg 1: 1 Build the house that I may take pleasure in it.

Resp Ps 149: 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a, 9b The Lord takes delight in his people.

Gospel Lk 9: 7-9 John I beheaded. Who then is this about whom I hear such things?

COMMUNION Ps 119 (118): 4-5 · V You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; \* may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

Or: *In 10: 14* · 11 I am the Good Shepherd, says the Lord; \* I know my sheep, and *mine* know me. FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 Friday of the Twenty-Fifth Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 37 (36): 38, 40, 28 · IV I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. † Should they cry to me in any distress, \* I will hear them, and I will be their *Lord* for ever.

FIRST READING Hg 2: 1-9 One moment yet and I will fill this house with glory.

RESP Ps 43 (42): 1, 2, 3, 4 Hope in God; I will praise him, my savior and my God.

Gospel Lk 9: 18-22 You are the Christ of God. The Son of Man must suffer greatly.

COMMUNION Ps 119 (118): 4-5 · V You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; \* may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

Or: In 10: 14 · 11 I am the Good Shepherd, says the Lord; \* I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs - Optional Memorial -

ENTRANCE

The souls of the Saints are rejoicing in heaven, \* the Saints who followed the footsteps of Christ, / and since for love of him they *shed* their blood, \* they now exult with Christ for ever.

IV

Holy men shed their glorious blood for the Lord; \* they loved Christ in their

Or:

life, / they imitated him *in* their death,\* and therefore were *crowned* in triumph.

FIRST READING Wis 3: 1-9 As sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.

RESP *Ps 126 (125): 1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6* Those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

GOSPEL Mt 10: 28-33 Do not be afraid of those who kill the body.

COMMUNION *Lk 22: 28-30* · VIII It is you who have stood by me in my trials; † and I confer a kingdom on you, *says* the Lord, \* that you may eat and drink at my table *in* my kingdom.

*Or:* VIII See how rich is the Saints' re*ward* from God; \* they died for Christ and will *live* for ever.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Saint Vincent De Paul, Priest

Memorial —

ENTRANCE

*Cf. Lk 4: 18* · 1

The Spirit of the Lord *is* upon me, \* for he *has* anointed me / and sent me to preach the good news *to* the poor, \* to heal the bro*ken*-hearted.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Zec 2: 5-9, 14-15a See, I am coming to dwell among you.

RESPJer 31: 10, 11-12ab, 13The Lord will guard us, as a shepherdguards his flock.

GOSPEL Lk 9: 43b-45 The Son of Man is to be handed over to men. They were afraid to ask him about this saying.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 107 (106): 8-9* · VIII Let them thank the Lord *for* his mercy, \* his wonders for the chil*dren* of men, / for he satisfies the *thirsty* soul, \* and the hungry he fills *with* good things.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Cor 1: 26-31 God chose the weak of the world.

RESP *Ps 112 (111): 1bc-2, 3-4, 5-7, 7-8, 9* Blessed the man who fears the Lord.

# Alleluia.

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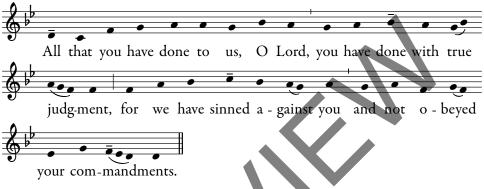
GOSPEL Mt 9: 35-38 The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few.

# TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — sunday, september 28, 2025 —

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Dan 3: 31, 29, 30, 43, 42 · III

All that you have done to *us*, O Lord, \* you have done *with* true judgment, / for we have sinned *a*gainst you \* and not obeyed *your* commandments. / But give glory *to* your name \* and deal with us according to the bounty *of* your mercy.



## COLLECT

O God, who manifest your almighty power / above all by pardoning and showing mercy, / bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us / and make those hastening to attain your promises / heirs to the treasures of heaven. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

Amos 6: 1a, 4-7

Thus says the LORD, the God of hosts: / Woe to the complacent in Zion! / Lying upon beds of ivory, / stretched comfortably on their couches, / they eat lambs taken from the flock, / and calves from the stall! / Improvising to the music of the harp, / like David, they devise their own accompaniment. / They drink wine from bowls / and anoint themselves with the best oils; / yet they are not made ill by the collapse of Joseph! / Therefore, now they shall be the first to go into exile, / and their wanton revelry shall be done away with.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM



*Ps 146 (145): 7, 8-9, 9-10* · VIII

Or: Alleluia.

v. Blessed he who keeps faith forever, / secures justice for the oppressed, / gives food to the hungry. / The LORD sets captives free.

 $\hat{y}$ . The LORD gives sight to the blind; / the LORD raises up those who were bowed down. / The LORD loves the just; / the LORD protects strangers.

ŷ. The fatherless and the widow he sustains, / but the way of the wicked he thwarts. / The LORD shall reign forever; / your God, O Zion, through all generations. Alleluia. ▲

# SECOND READING

But you, man of God, pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness. Compete well for the faith. Lay hold of eternal life, to which you were called when you made the noble confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you before God, who gives life to all things, and before Christ Jesus, who gave testimony under Pontius Pilate for the noble confession, to keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ that the blessed and only ruler will make manifest at the proper time, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, and whom no human being has seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal power. Amen.

ALLELUIA

Cf. 2 Cor 8: 9 · 1

v . Though our Lord Jesus Christ was rich, he became poor, / so that by his poverty you might become rich.

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# GOSPEL

Lk 16: 19-31

Jesus said to the Pharisees: "There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores. When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus

1 Tm 6: 11-16

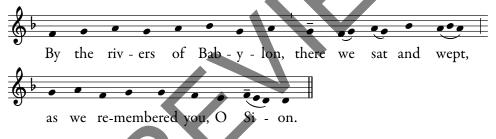
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at his side. And he cried out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.' Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to ours.' He said, 'Then I beg you, father, send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment.' But Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them.' He said, 'Oh no, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead."

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 137 (136): 1* • 1

By the rivers of Babylon, † there we sat and wept, \* as we remembered you, O Sion.



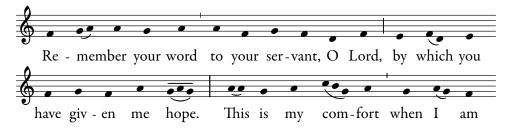
## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant us, O merciful God, / that this our offering may find acceptance with you / and that through it the wellspring of all blessing / may be laid open before us. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 119 (118): 49-50 · IV

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, † by which you have given me hope. \* This is my comfort when I am brought low.

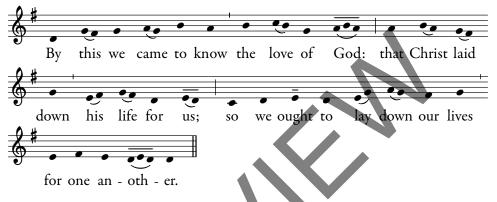




#### Or:

1 Jn 3: 16 · VII

By this we came to know the love of God: † that Christ laid down his *life* for us; \* so we ought to lay down our lives for *one* another.



### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

May this heavenly mystery, O Lord, / restore us in mind and body, / that we may be coheirs in glory with Christ, / to whose suffering we are united / whenever we proclaim his Death. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael,
Archangels
Feast —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 103 (102): 20* · 111 Bless the Lord, all you his angels, mighty in power, \* fulfilling his word and heed*ing* his voice.

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

FIRST READING Dn 7: 9-10, 13-143 Thousands upon thousands were ministering to him. Or: Rev 12: 7-12ab Michael and his angels battled against the dragon.

RESP *Ps 138 (137): 1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5* In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

GOSPEL Jn 1: 47-51 You will see the sky opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.

COMMUNION *Ps 138 (137): 1* · 1 I will thank you, Lord, with *all* my heart; \* in the presence of the Angels *I* will praise you. TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 1:  $2-3 \cdot 111$ Blessed indeed is he  $\dagger$  who ponders the law of the Lord *day* and night: \* he will yield his fruit *in* due season.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Zec 8: 20-23 Many peoples shall come to seek the Lord in Jerusalem.

RESP *Ps 87 (86): 1b-3, 4-5, 6-7* God is with us.

GOSPEL Lk 9: 51-56 He resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem.

COMMUNION Cf. Jer 15:  $16 \cdot VI$ Lord God, your words were found \* and I consumed them; / your word became the joy \* and the happiness of my heart.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING 2 Tim 3: 14-17 All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching.

RESP *Ps 119 (118): 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14* Lord, teach me your statutes.

GOSPEL *Mt 13: 47-52 Both the new and the old.*  WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER I Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church — Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Dt* 32: 10-12 · 11 The Lord led *her* and taught her, \* and kept her as the apple *of* his eye. / Like an eagle spreading its wings † he took her up and bore her *on* his shoulders. \* The Lord alone *was* her guide.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Neh 2: 1-8 If it please the king, send me to the city of my ancestors and I will rebuild it.

RESP *Ps 137 (136): 1-2, 3, 4-5, 6* Let my tongue be silenced if I ever forget you!

Gospel Lk 9: 57-62 I will follow you wherever you go.

COMMUNION Mt 18: 3 · IV Thus says the Lord: † Unless you turn and be*come* like children, \* you will not enter the King*dom* of Heaven.

#### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Is 66: 10-14c I will spread prosperity over her like a river.

RESP *Ps 131 (130): 1bcde, 2, 3* In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

GOSPEL Mt 18: 1-4 Unless you become like children, you will not enter the Kingdom of heaven.

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2 The Holy Guardian Angels — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf.  $Dn_{3:58 \cdot VI}$ Angels of the Lord, bless the Lord, \* praise and exalt him above all for ever.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Neb 8: 1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12 Ezra opened the book of the law, blessed the Lord, and all the people answered, Amen! Amen!

RESP *Ps 19 (18): 8, 9, 10, 11* The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

GOSPEL Mt 18: 1-5, 10 Their angels in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps* 138 (137): 1 · VI In the presence *of* the Angels \* I will praise *you*, my God.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READINGEx 23: 20-23My angel will go before you.

RESP *Ps 91 (90): 1-2, 3-4ab, 4c-6, 10-11* The Lord has put angels in charge of you, to guard you in all your ways.

GOSPEL Mt 18: 1-5, 10 Their angels in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father.

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3 Friday of the Twenty-Sixth Week

ENTRANCE *Dan 3: 31, 29, 30, 43, 42* · III All that you have done to *us*, O Lord, \* you have done *with* true judgment, / for we have sinned *a*gainst you \* and not obeyed *your* commandments. / But give glory *to* your name \* and deal with us according to the bounty *of* your mercy.

FIRST READING Bar 1: 15-22 We have sinned in the Lord's sight and disobeyed him.

RESP *Ps 79* (78): *1b-2*, *3-5*, *8*, *9* For the glory of your name, O Lord, deliver us.

GOSPEL *Lk 10: 13-16* Whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 119 (118): 49-50* · IV Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,  $\dagger$  by which you have giv*en* me hope. \* This is my comfort when I *am* brought low.

*Or:* I Jn 3: 16 · VII By this we came to know the love of God: † that Christ laid down his *life* for us; \* so we ought to lay down our lives for *one* another.

> SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4 Saint Francis of Assisi — Memorial —

ENTRANCE VI Francis, the man of God, left his home behind, † abandoned his inheritance and became *poor* and penniless, \* but the Lord *raised* him up.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Bar 4: 5-12, 27-29 He who brought disaster upon you will bring you back enduring joy.

RESP *Ps 69 (68): 33-35, 36-37* The Lord listens to the poor.

GOSPEL *Lk* 10: 17-24 *Rejoice because your names are written in heaven.* 

COMMUNION $Mt 5: 3 \cdot I$ Blessed are the *poor* in spirit, \* for theirsis the King*dom* of Heaven.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Gal 6: 14-18 Through the cross the world has been crucified.

RESP *Ps 16 (15): 1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11* You are my inheritance, O Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 11: 25-30 You have hidden these things from the wise and revealed them to the childlike.

## TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — Sunday, october 5, 2025 —

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Esth 4: 17* • IV

Within your will, O Lord, all things *are* established, \* and there is none that can re*sist* your will. / For you have made all things, the heaven *and* the earth, † and all that is held within the circle of heaven; \* you are the *Lord* of all.



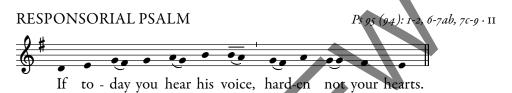
### COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, / who in the abundance of your kindness / surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, / pour out your mercy upon us / to pardon what conscience dreads / and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

#### Hb 1: 2-3; 2: 2-4

How long, O LORD? I cry for help / but you do not listen! / I cry out to you, "Violence!" / but you do not intervene. / Why do you let me see ruin; / why must I look at misery? / Destruction and violence are before me; / there is strife, and clamorous discord. / Then the LORD answered me and said: / Write down the vision clearly upon the tablets, / so that one can read it readily. / For the vision still has its time, / presses on to fulfillment, and will not disappoint; / if it delays, wait for it, / it will surely come, it will not be late. / The rash one has no integrity; / but the just one, because of his faith, shall live.



v. Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD; / let us acclaim the Rock of our salvation. / Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; / let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

v. Come, let us bow down in worship; / let us kneel before the LORD who made us. / For he is our God, / and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides.

v. Oh, that today you would hear his voice: / "Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, / as in the day of Massah in the desert, / Where your fathers tempted me; / they tested me though they had seen my works."

## SECOND READING

2 Tim 1: 6-8, 13-14

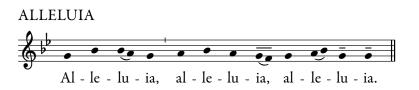
Beloved: I remind you, to stir into flame the gift of God that you have through the imposition of my hands. For God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control. So do not be ashamed of your testimony to our Lord, nor of me, a prisoner for his sake; but bear your share of hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God.

Take as your norm the sound words that you heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard this rich trust with the help of the Holy Spirit that dwells within us.

1 Pt 1: 25 · 11

Lk 17: 5-10

Jb 1: 2: 7 • 11



 ${\bf \hat{y}}.$  The word of the Lord remains for ever. / This is the word that has been proclaimed to you.

## GOSPEL

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your servant who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here immediately and take your place at table'? Would he not rather say to him, 'Prepare something for me to eat. Put on your apron and wait on me while I eat and drink. You may eat and drink when I am finished'? Is he grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded? So should it be with you. When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.""

## OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

In that land there was a *man* named Job: \* blameless, upright, and *God*-fearing. / Satan *sought* to tempt him, \* and the Lord gave him power over his possessions *and* his body. / And so he destroyed all of Job's possessions *and* his children; \* and indeed, he ravaged his flesh with *griev*ous sores.



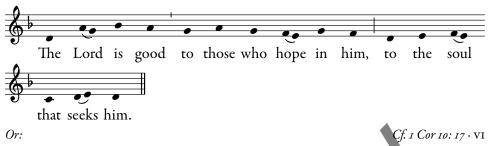
## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, we pray, / the sacrifices instituted by your commands / and, through the sacred mysteries, / which we celebrate with dutiful service, / graciously complete the sanctifying work / by which you are pleased to redeem us. / Through Christ our Lord.

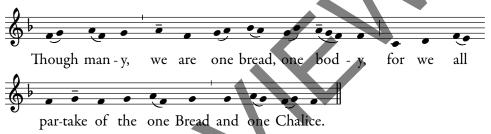
#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Lam 3: 25 • I

The Lord is good to those who *hope* in him, \* to the *soul* that seeks him.



Though many, we are one *bread*, one body, \* for we all partake of the one Bread *and* one Chalice.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant us, almighty God, / that we may be refreshed and nourished / by the Sacrament which we have received, / so as to be transformed into what we consume. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 6 Monday of the Twenty-Seventh Week ENTRANCE Cf. Esth 4: 17 · IV	RESP Jon 2: 3, 4, 5, 8 You will rescue my life from the pit, O Lord.
Within your will, O Lord, all things <i>are</i> established, * and there is none that	GOSPELLk 10: 25-37Who is my neighbor?
can resist your will. / For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, † and all that is held within the circle of heaven; * you are the <i>Lord</i> of all. FIRST READING Jon 1: 1–2: 1-2, 11 But Jonah made ready to flee away from the Lord.	COMMUNIONLam 3: $25 \cdot 1$ The Lord is good to those who hope inhim, * to the soul that seeks him.Or:Cf. 1 Cor 10: $17 \cdot VI$ Though many, we are one bread, onebody, * for we all partake of the oneBread and one Chalice.

VI

*Saint Bruno, Priest* — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE

Where brothers unite to glo*ri*fy God, \* there the Lord *will* give blessing.

*Or: Cf. Ps*<sub>71</sub> (70): 8, 23 · VI Let my mouth be filled with your praise, † that I may *sing* aloud; \* my lips shall shout for joy, when I *sing* to you.

FIRST READING Phil 3: 8-14 Because of Christ, I consider everything as a loss, being conformed to his death.

RESP *Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4 and 6* Blessed are they who hope in the Lord. *Or:* 

Blessed are they who delight in the law of the Lord.

Or:

The just will flourish like the palm tree in the garden of the Lord.

GOSPEL Lk I will follow you wherever you go.

COMMUNION Cf. Lk 8:  $15 \cdot 1V$ Those who keep God's word  $\dagger$  with a good and *per*fect heart \* patiently *bring* forth fruit.

Or: Cf. Ps 84 (83): 5 · 1 Blessed are they who dwell *in* your house, \* for ever sing*ing* your praise.

Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin — Optional Memorial —

#### ENTRANCE

VI

Lk 9: 57-6

Here is a wise virgin, from among the number *of* the prudent, \* who went forth with lighted lamp *to* meet Christ.

Or:

How beautiful you are, O virgin of Christ, † who were worthy to receive *the* Lord's crown, \* the crown of perpetu*al* virginity.

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Any reading from the Common of Virgins (#731–736) may be used

COMMUNION *Cf. Mt 25: 6* · VI Behold, the Bride*groom* is coming; \* come out to meet *Christ* the Lord.

Or: Cf. Ps 27 (26):  $4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, \* only this do I seek: / to live in the house of the Lord \* all the days of my life.

> **IUESDAY, OCTOBER** 7 Our Lady of the Rosary — Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Lk 1: 28, 42* · I Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. † Blessed are you *a*mong women \* and blessed is the fruit *of* your womb.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Jon 3: 1-10 The Ninevites turned from their evil way and God repented of the evil he had threatened.

RESP *Ps 130 (129): 1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8* If you, O Lord, mark iniquities, who can stand?

GOSPEL Lk 10: 38-42 Martha welcomed him. Mary has chosen the better part. COMMUNION *Lk 1: 31* · I Behold, you will conceive in your womb and *bear* a son, \* and you shall *name* him Jesus.

#### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Acts 1: 12-14 All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer together with Mary, the Mother of Jesus.

RESP *Lk 1: 46-47, 48-49, 50-51, 52-53, 54-55* The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

Or:

O Blessed Virgin Mary, you carried the Son of the eternal Father.

GOSPEL *Lk 1: 26-38 You will conceive in your womb and bear a son.* 

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

Wednesday of the Twenty-Seventh Week ENTRANCE Cf. Esth 4: 17 · IV Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, \* and there is none that can resist your will. / For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, † and all that is held within the circle of heaven; \* you are the Lord of all.

FIRST READING Jon 4: 1-11 You are concerned over a plant. And should I not be concerned over Nineveh, the great city?

RESP *Ps 86 (85): 3-4, 5-6, 9-10* Lord, you are merciful and gracious.

GOSPEL *Lk* 11: 1-4 *Lord, teach us to pray.*  COMMUNIONLam 3:  $25 \cdot I$ The Lord is good to those who *hope* inhim, \* to the *soul* that seeks him.

Or: Cf. 1 Cor 10:  $17 \cdot VI$ Though many, we are one bread, one body, \* for we all partake of the one Bread *and* one Chalice.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9 Thursday of the Twenty-Seventh Week

ENTRANCE *Cf. Esth 4: 17* · IV Within your will, O Lord, all things *are* established, \* and there is none that can resist your will. / For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth,  $\dagger$ and all that is held within the circle of heaven; \* you are the *Lord* of all.

FIRST READING Mal 3: 13-20b The day is coming, blazing like an oven.

RESP *Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4, 6* Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.

Lk 11: 5-13

GOSPEL Ask and you will receive.

COMMUNION Lam 3: 25 · 1 The Lord is good to those who *hope* in him, \* to the *soul* that seeks him.

Or: Cf. 1 Cor 10:  $17 \cdot VI$ Though many, we are one *bread*, one body, \* for we all partake of the one Bread *and* one Chalice.

Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs — Optional Memorial — ENTRANCE 1 The souls of the Saints are rejoic*ing* in

heaven, \* the Saints who followed the

foots*teps* of Christ, / and since for love of him they *shed* their blood, \* they now exult with *Christ* for ever.

Or:

Holy men shed their glorious blood *for* the Lord; \* they loved Christ *in* their life, / they imitated him *in* their death, \* and therefore were *crowned* in triumph.

FIRST READING 2 Cor 6: 4-10 We are treated as dying and behold we live.

RESP *Ps 126 (125): 1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6* Those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

GOSPEL Mt 5: 13-16 You are the light of the world.

COMMUNION *Lk 22: 28-30* • VIII It is you who have stood by me in my trials; † and I confer a kingdom on you, *says* the Lord, \* that you may eat and drink at my table *in* my kingdom.

*Or:* VIII See how rich is the Saints' re*ward* from God; \* they died for Christ and will *live* for ever.

> Saint John Leonardi, Priest — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. 1 Pt 2:  $g \cdot VII$ O chosen people, proclaim the mighty *works* of him \* who called you out of darkness into his won*der*ful light.

Or: Cf. Ps 18 (17): 50; 22 (21): 23  $\cdot$  VI I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; \* I will tell of your name to my kin. FIRST READING 2 Cor 4: 1-2, 5-7 We preach Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake.

RESP *Ps 96 (95): 1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8c, 10* Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.

GOSPEL *Lk 5: 1-11 At your command I will lower the nets.* 

COMMUNION Ez 34: 15 I will pas*ture* my sheep; \* I myself will give them rest, *says* the Lord.

Or: Mt 10: 27 • IV What I say to you in the darkness \* speak in the light, says the Lord; / what you hear whispered \* proclaim on the housetops.

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10 Friday of the Twenty-Seventh Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Esth 4:  $17 \cdot 1V$ Within your will, O Lord, all things *are* established, \* and there is none that can resist your will. / For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, † and all that is held within the circle of heaven; \* you are the *Lord* of all.

FIRST READING Jl 1: 13-15; 2: 1-2 The day of the Lord is coming, a day of darkness and of gloom.

RESP *Ps g: 2-3, 6, 16, 8-9* The Lord will judge the world with justice.

GOSPEL Lk 11: 15-26 If it is by the finger of God that I drive out demons, then the Kingdom of God has come upon you. COMMUNIONLam 3:  $25 \cdot 1$ The Lord is good to those who hope in<br/>him, \* to the soul that seeks him.Or:Cf. 1 Cor 10:  $17 \cdot VI$ Though many, we are one bread, one<br/>body, \* for we all partake of the one<br/>Bread and one Chalice.

## SATURDAY, OCTOBER II

Saturday of the Twenty-Seventh Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Esth 4:  $17 \cdot 1V$ Within your will, O Lord, all things *are* established, \* and there is none that can resist your will. / For you have made all things, the heaven *and* the earth, † and all that is held within the circle of heaven; \* you are the *Lord* of all.

First Reading

Jl 4: 12-21

Apply the sickle, for the harvest is ripe.

RESP *Ps 97 (96): 1-2, 5-6, 11-12* Rejoice in the Lord, you just!

GOSPEL Lk 11: 27-28 Blessed is the womb that carried you. Rather, blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it.

COMMUNIONLam 3:  $25 \cdot 1$ The Lord is good to those who hope inhim, \* to the soul that seeks him.

Or: Cf. 1 Cor 10:  $17 \cdot VI$ Though many, we are one bread, one body, \* for we all partake of the one Bread and one Chalice.

## Saint John XXIII, Pope — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE II The Lord chose him for himself as high priest, † and, open*ing* his treasure house, \* made him rich in *all* good things.

*Or: Cf. Sir 50:1; 44:16, 22 · VII* Behold a great priest, who in his days pleased God; † therefore, in accordance *with* his promise, \* the Lord gave him growth for the good *of* his people.

FIRST READING Ezek 34: 11-16 I myself will pasture my sheep and I myself will give them rest.

RESP *Ps 23 (22): 1b-3a, 4, 5, 6* The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

GOSPELCf. Jn 21: 15-17Feed my lambs, feed my sheep.

COMMUNION *Cf. Jn 10: 11*. VII The Good Shepherd *has* laid down \* his life *for* his sheep.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday — Optional Memorial —

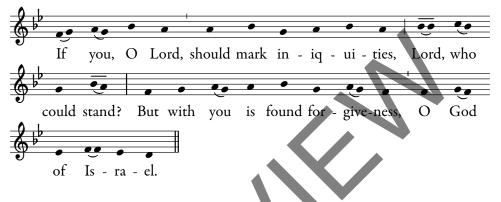
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## TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2025 —

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 130 (129): 3, 4* • III

If you, O Lord, should *mark* iniquities, \* Lord, *who* could stand? / But with you is *found* forgiveness, \* O *God* of Israel.



## COLLECT

May your grace, O Lord, we pray, / at all times go before us and follow after / and make us always determined / to carty out good works. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

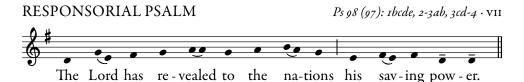
## FIRST READING

2 Kgs 5: 14-17

Naaman went down and plunged into the Jordan seven times at the word of Elisha, the man of God. His flesh became again like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean of his leprosy.

Naaman returned with his whole retinue to the man of God. On his arrival he stood before Elisha and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth, except in Israel. Please accept a gift from your servant."

Elisha replied, "As the LORD lives whom I serve, I will not take it;" and despite Naaman's urging, he still refused. Naaman said: "If you will not accept, please let me, your servant, have two mule-loads of earth, for I will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any other god except to the LORD."



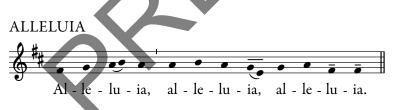
ŷ. Sing to the LORD a new song, / for he has done wondrous deeds; / His right hand has won victory for him, / his holy arm.

℣. The LORD has made his salvation known: / in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice. / He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness / toward the house of Israel.

v. All the ends of the earth have seen / the salvation by our God. / Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands; / break into song; sing praise.

#### SECOND READING

Beloved: Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David: such is my gospel, for which I am suffering, even to the point of chains, like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained. Therefore, I bear with everything for the sake of those who are chosen, so that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, together with eternal glory. This saying is trustworthy: / If we have died with him / we shall also live with him; / if we persevere / we shall also reign with him. / But if we deny him / he will deny us. / If we are unfaithful / he remains faithful, / for he cannot deny himself.



v. In all circumstances, give thanks, / for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.

#### GOSPEL

Lk 17: 11-19

1 Thes 5: 18 · IV

2 Tim 2: 8-13

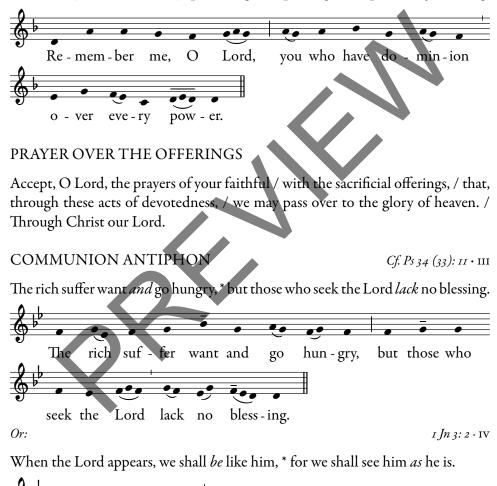
As Jesus continued his journey to Jerusalem, he traveled through Samaria and Galilee. As he was entering a village, ten lepers met him. They stood at a distance from him and raised their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!" And when he saw them, he said, "Go show yourselves to the priests." As they were going they were cleansed. And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned,

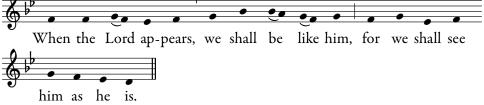
glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. He was a Samaritan. Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Remember *me*, O Lord, \* you who have dominion over *every* power. / Put fitting words *in* my mouth, \* that my speech might be pleasing in the presence *of* the King.

Esth 14: 12, 13 · I





### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We entreat your majesty most humbly, O Lord, / that, as you feed us with the nourishment / which comes from the most holy Body and Blood of your Son, / so you may make us sharers of his divine nature. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

#### MONDAY, OCTOBER 13 Monday of the Twenty-Eighth Week

ENTRANCE *Ps 130 (129): 3-4* · III If you, O Lord, should *mark* iniquities, \* Lord, *who* could stand? / But with you is *found* forgiveness, \* O *God* of Israel.

FIRST READING Rom 1: 1-7 Through Christ Jesus we have received the grace of apostleship, to bring about the obedience of faith among the Gentiles.

RESPPs 98 (97): 1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4The Lord has made known his salvation.

GOSPEL *Lk 11: 29-32* No sign will be given to this generation except the sign of Jonah.

COMMUNION *Cf. Ps 34 (33): 11* · 111 The rich suffer want *and* go hungry, \* but those who seek the Lord *lack* no blessing.

*Or: I Jn 3: 2 · IV* When the Lord appears, we shall *be* like him, \* for we shall see him *as* he is.

## **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14** *Tuesday of the Twenty-Eighth Week*

ENTRANCE *Ps 130 (129): 3-4* · III If you, O Lord, should *mark* iniquities, \* Lord, *who* could stand? / But with you is *found* forgiveness, \* O *God* of Israel.

FIRST READING Rom 1: 16-25 Although they knew God they did not accord him glory as God.

RESP *Ps 19 (18): 2-3, 4-5* The heavens proclaim the glory of God.

GOSPEL Lk 11: 37-41 Give alms and behold, everything will be clean for you.

**COMMUNION** *Cf. Ps* 34 (33): 11 · 111 The rich suffer want *and* go hungry, \* but those who seek the Lord *lack* no blessing.

*Or:* If *n* 3: 2 · IV When the Lord appears, we shall *be* like him, \* for we shall see him *as* he is.

Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE VI This holy man fought *to* the death \* for the law *of* his God / and did not fear the words *of* the godless, \* for he was built on *sol*id rock.

*Or: Cf. Wis 10: 12* • III The Lord granted him *a* stern struggle, \* that he might know that wisdom is mightier *than* all else.

Or:

FIRST READING 1 Pt 5: 1-4 Tend the flock of God in your midst.

RESP *Ps 40 (39): 2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11* Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

GOSPEL Lk 22: 24-30 I confer a kingdom on you, just as my Father has conferred one on me.

COMMUNIONCf. Mt 16:  $24 \cdot I$ Whoever wishes to come after me,<br/>must deny himself, \* take up his cross,<br/>and follow me, says the Lord.

*Or: Mt 10: 39 · 11* Whoever loses his life *for* my sake, \* will find it in eternity, *says* the Lord.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15 Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $42 (44) r_{2-3} \cdot I$ Like the deer that yearns for running streams,  $\dagger$  so my soul is yearning for you, my God; \* my soul is thirsting for God, the *liv*ing God.

Readings of the Day.

FIRST READING Rom 2: 1-11 God will repay each according to his works, Jew first and then Greek.

RESP *Ps 62 (61): 2-3, 6-7, 9* Lord, you give back to everyone according to his works.

GOSPEL Lk 11: 42-46 Woe to you Pharisees! Woe also to you scholars of the law! COMMUNION Ps 89 (88): 2 · IV I will sing for ever of your mer*cies*, O Lord; \* through all ages my mouth will proclaim *your* fidelity.

#### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Rom 8: 22-27 The Spirit himself intercedes with inexpressible groanings.

RESP *Ps 19 (18): 8, 9, 10, 11* The judgments of the Lord are true, and all of them are just.

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

GOSPEL Jn 15: 1-8 Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit.

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16 Thursday of the Twenty-Eighth Week

ENTRANCE *Ps 130 (129): 3, 4* · 111 If you, O Lord, should *mark* iniquities, \* Lord, *who* could stand? / But with you is *found* forgiveness, \* O *God* of Israel.

FIRST READING Rom 3: 21-30 A person is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

RESP *Ps 130 (129): 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab* With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

GOSPEL Lk 11: 47-54 The blood of the prophets is required, from the blood of Abel to the blood of Zechariah. COMMUNION *Cf. Ps* 34 (33): 11 · 111 The rich suffer want *and* go hungry, \* but those who seek the Lord *lack* no blessing.

*Or:* I Jn 3: 2 · IV When the Lord appears, we shall *be* like him, \* for we shall see him *as* he is.

> *Saint Hedwig, Religious* — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Hos 2: 21-22* · 11 The Lord has taken her as his *bride* for ever \* in faithful*ness* and mercy.

FIRST READING Sir 26: 1-4, 13-16 Like the sun rising in the Lord's heavens, the beauty of a virtuous wife is the radiance of her home.

RESP *Ps 128 (127)*, *J-2*, *3*, *4-5* Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

GOSPEL Mk 3: 31-35 Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.

COMMUNION Cf. Lam 3:  $24-25 \cdot VI$ The Lord is my portion: \* he is good to the soul that seeks him.

Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin — Optional Memorial —

#### Entrance

Here is a wise virgin, from among the number *of* the prudent, \* who went forth with lighted lamp *to* meet Christ. *Or:* v How beautiful you are, O virgin of

How beautiful you are, O virgin of Christ, † who were worthy to receive *the* Lord's crown, \* the crown of perpetu*al* virginity.

FIRST READING Eph 3: 14-19 To know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge.

RESP *Ps 23 (22): 1b-3a, 4, 5, 6* The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

GOSPEL Mt 11: 25-30 You have hidden these things from the wise and revealed them to the childlike.

Сомминіон *Cf. Mt 25: 6* · vi Behold, the Bride*groom* is coming; \* come out to meet *Christ* the Lord.

Or: Cf. Ps 27 (26):  $4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, \* only this do I seek: / to live in the house of the Lord \* all the days of my life.

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Gal 2:  $19-20 \cdot 11$ I am crucified with Christ, yet I live; \* no longer I, but Christ *lives* in me. / I live by faith in the *Son* of God, \* who has loved me and given himself *up* for me.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Rom 4: 1-8 Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.

RESP *Ps 32 (31): 1b-2, 5, 11* I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

VI

GOSPEL *Lk* 12: 1-7 *Even the hairs of your head have all been counted.* 

Communion

I am the wheat of Christ † to be ground by the *teeth* of beasts, \* that I may be found to *be* pure bread.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Phil 3: 17–4: 1 Our citizenship is in heaven.

RESP *Ps 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9* The Lord delivered me from all my fears.

GOSPEL Jn 12: 24-26 If it dies, it produces much fruit.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18 Saint Luke, Evangelist

- Feast -

ENTRANCE Cf. Is 52: 7 · 1 How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him † who brings glad tid*ings* of peace, \* bearing good news, announc*ing* salvation!

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

FIRST READING 2 Tim 4: 10-17b Luke is the only one with me.

RESP *Ps 145 (144).10-11, 12-13, 17-18* Your friends make known, O Lord, the glorious splendor of your Kingdom.

GOSPEL *Lk 10: 1-9* The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few.

COMMUNIONCf. Lk 10: 1,  $g \cdot VII$ The Lord sent out disciples  $\dagger$  toproclaim through *out* the towns: \* Thekingdom of God is at *hand* for you.

## TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - sunday, october 19, 2025 —

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Ps 17 (16): 6, 8* • 111

To you I call, for you will surely heed *me*, O God; \* turn your ear to me; *hear* my words. / Guard me as the apple *of* your eye; \* in the shadow of your *wings* protect me.



## COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, / grant that we may always conform our will to yours / and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

In those days, Amalek came and waged war against Israel. Moses, therefore, said to Joshua, "Pick out certain men, and tomorrow go out and engage Amalek in battle. I will be standing on top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand." So Joshua did as Moses told him: he engaged Amalek in battle after Moses had climbed to the top of the hill with Aaron and Hur. As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight, but when he let his hands rest, Amalek had the better of the fight. Moses' hands, however, grew tired; so they put a rock in place for him to sit on. Meanwhile Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side and one on the other, so that his hands remained steady till sunset. And Joshua mowed down Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword.

# **RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps 121 (120): 1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 · VIII

Our help is from the Lord, who made heav-en and earth.

Y. I lift up my eyes toward the mountains; / whence shall help come to me? / My help is from the LORD, / who made heaven and earth.

V. May he not suffer your foot to slip; / may he slumber not who guards you: / indeed he neither slumbers nor sleeps, / the guardian of Israel.

Y. The LORD is your guardian; the LORD is your shade; / he is beside you at your right hand. / The sun shall not harm you by day, / nor the moon by night.

). The LORD will guard you from all evil; / he will guard your life. / The LORD will guard your coming and your going, / both now and forever.

## SECOND READING

Beloved: Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed, because you know from whom you learned it, and that from infancy you have known the sacred Scriptures, which are capable of giving you wisdom for salvation through

Ex 17: 8-13

2 Tim 3: 14-4: 2

faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for refutation, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that one who belongs to God may be competent, equipped for every good work.

I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingly power: proclaim the word; be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient; convince, reprimand, encourage through all patience and teaching.



y. The word of God is living and effective, / discerning reflections and thoughts of the heart.

#### GOSPEL

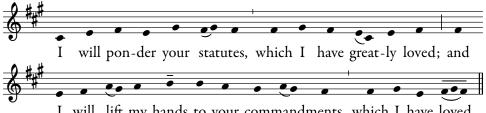
Jesus told his disciples a parable about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary. He said, "There was a judge in a certain town who neither feared God nor respected any human being. And a widow in that town used to come to him and say, 'Render a just decision for me against my adversary.' For a long time the judge was unwilling, but eventually he thought, 'While it is true that I neither fear God nor respect any human being, because this widow keeps bothering me I shall deliver a just decision for her lest she finally come and strike me." The Lord said, "Pay attention to what the dishonest judge says. Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 119 (118): 47, 48* • 11

Lk 18: 1-8

I will ponder your statutes, \* which I have greatly loved; / and I will lift my hands to *your* commandments, \* which I have loved.



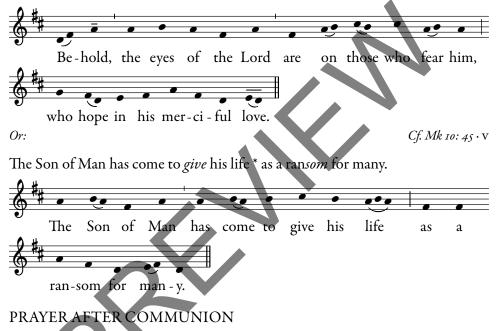
## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant us, Lord, we pray, / a sincere respect for your gifts, / that, through the purifying action of your grace, / we may be cleansed by the very mysteries we serve. / Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Cf. Ps 33 (32): 18-19* • V

Behold, the eyes *of* the Lord \* are on *those* who fear him, / who hope in his merciful love, † to rescue their *souls* from death, \* to keep them a*live* in famine.



Grant, O Lord, we pray, / that, benefiting from participation in heavenly things, / we may be helped by what you give in this present age / and prepared for the gifts that are eternal. / Through Christ our Lord.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 20 Monday of the Twenty-Ninth Week

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 17 (16): 6, 8* · 111 To you I call, for you will surely heed *me*, O God; \* turn your ear to me; *hear* my words. / Guard me as the apple *of* your eye; \* in the shadow of your *wings* protect me. FIRST READING Rom 4: 20-25 It was written for us when it says that our faith in God will be counted.

RESP *Lk 1: 69-70, 71-72, 73-75* Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel; he has come to his people. GOSPEL *Lk 12: 13-21* And the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?

COMMUNION Cf. Ps  $_{33}$  ( $_{32}$ ):  $_{18-19} \cdot v$ Behold, the eyes of the Lord \* are on *those* who fear him, / who hope in his merciful love, † to rescue their *souls* from death, \* to keep them a*live* in famine.

Or:Cf. Mk 10:  $45 \cdot V$ The Son of Man has come to give hislife \* as a ransom for many.

Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest — Optional Memorial — ENTRANCE Cf. 1 Cor 2: 2 II I resolved to know nothing while I was with you \* except for Jesus Christ, and him crucified.

FIRST READING 1 Cor 1: 18-25 It was the will of God through the foolishness of the proclamation to save those who have faith.

RESP *Ps 117 (116): 1bc, 2* Go out to all the world and tell the Good News.

GOSPEL Mt 16: 24-27 Whoever loses his life for my sake will save it.

COMMUNION *Cf. 1 Cor 1: 23-24*. I We proclaim Christ crucified; † Christ, the pow*er* of God \* and the wis*dom* of God.

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

Tuesday of the Twenty-Ninth WeekENTRANCECf. Ps 17 (16): 6, 8 · 111To you I call, for you will surely heed

*me*, O God; \* turn your ear to me; *hear* my words. / Guard me as the apple *of* your eye; \* in the shadow of your *wings* protect me.

#### First Reading

Rom 5: 12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21

If by the transgressions of one person death came to reign, how much more will those who receive grace come to reign in life.

RESP *Ps* 40 (39): 7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 Here I am, Lord; I come to do your will.

GOSPEL Lk 12: 35-38 Blessed are those servants whom the master finds vigilant on his arrival.

**COMMUNION** *Cf. Ps*  $_{33}$  ( $_{32}$ ):  $_{18-19} \cdot v$ Behold, the eyes *of* the Lord \* are on *those* who fear him, / who hope in his merciful love, † to rescue their *souls* from death, \* to keep them *alive* in famine.

Or: Cf. Mk 10: 45 · V The Son of Man has come to give his life \* as a ransom for many.

## WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

Wednesday of the Twenty-Ninth Week

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 17 (16): 6, 8* · III To you I call, for you will surely heed *me*, O God; \* turn your ear to me; *hear* my words. / Guard me as the apple *of* your eye; \* in the shadow of your *wings* protect me.

FIRST READING Rom 6: 12-18 Present yourselves to God as raised from the dead to life. RESP *Ps 124 (123): 1b-3, 4-6, 7-8* Our help is in the name of the Lord.

GOSPEL Lk 12: 39-48 Much will be required of the person entrusted with much.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps  $_{33}$  ( $_{32}$ ):  $_{18-19} \cdot v$ Behold, the eyes of the Lord \* are on those who fear him, / who hope in his merciful love, † to rescue their souls from death, \* to keep them alive in famine.

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Saint John Paul II, Pope — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE

The Lord chose him for himself as high priest, † and, open*ing* his treasure house, \* made him rich in *all* good things.

Or: Cf. Sir 50:1; 44:16, 22 · VII Behold a great priest, who in his days pleased God; † therefore, in accordance with his promise, \* the Lord gave him growth for the good of his people.

FIRST READING Is 52: 7-10 All the ends of the earth will behold the salvation of our God.

RESP *Ps 96 (95): 1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10* Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.

GOSPEL Jn 21: 15-17 Feed my lambs, feed my sheep. COMMUNION *Cf. Jn 10: 11*. VII The Good Shepherd *has* laid down \* his life *for* his sheep.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23 Thursday of the Twenty-Ninth Week

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ps 17 (16): 6, 8* · 111 To you I call, for you will surely heed *me*, O God; \* turn your ear to me; *hear* my words. / Guard me as the apple *of* your eye; \* in the shadow of your *wings* protect me.

FIRST READING Rom 6: 19-23 Now you have been freed from sin and have been become slaves of God.

RESP *Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4, 6* Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.

GOSPEL Lk 12: 49-53 I have not come to establish peace but division.

COMMUNION Cf. Ps  $_{33}$  ( $_{32}$ ):  $_{18-19} \cdot v$ Behold, the eyes of the Lord \* are on those who fear him, / who hope in his merciful love, † to rescue their souls from death, \* to keep them alive in famine.

Or:Cf. Mk 10: 45 · VThe Son of Man has come to give hislife \* as a ransom for many.

Saint John of Capistrano, Priest — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. 1 Pt 2: 9* · VII O chosen people, proclaim the mighty *works* of him \* who called you out of darkness into his won*der*ful light. Or:Cf. Ps  $18 (17): 50; 22 (21): 23 \cdot VI$ I will praise you, Lord, among the<br/>nations; \* I will tell of your name to my kin.

FIRST READING 2 Cor 5: 14-20 God has given us the ministry of reconciliation.

RESP *Ps 16 (15): 1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11* You are my inheritance, O Lord.

GOSPEL Lk 9: 57-62 I will follow you wherever you go.

COMMUNION Ez 34: 15 I will pas*ture* my sheep; \* I myself will give them rest, *says* the Lord.

Or: Mt 10: 27 • IV What I say to you *in* the darkness \* speak in the light, *says* the Lord; / what *you* hear whispered \* proclaim *on* the housetops.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24

Friday of the Twenty-Ninth Week ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 17 (16): 6, 8 · HI To you I call, for you will surely heed me, O God; \* turn your ear to me; hear my words. / Guard me as the apple of your eye; \* in the shadow of your wings protect me.

FIRST READING Rom 7: 18-25a Who will deliver me from this mortal body?

RESP *Ps 119 (118): 66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94* Lord, teach me your statutes.

GOSPEL *Lk* 12: 54-59 You know how to interpret the appearance of the earth and sky; why do you not know how to interpret the present time? COMMUNION Cf. Ps  $_{33}$  ( $_{32}$ ):  $_{18-19} \cdot v$ Behold, the eyes of the Lord \* are on those who fear him, / who hope in his merciful love, † to rescue their souls from death, \* to keep them alive in famine.

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Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop — Optional Memorial —

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RESP Ps 96 (95): 1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8c, 10 Proclaim God's marvelous deeds to all the nations.

GOSPEL Mk 1: 14-20 I will make you fishers of men.

COMMUNION $Ez 34: I5 \cdot VI$ I will pasture my sheep; \* I myself will<br/>give them rest, says the Lord.Or: $Mt 10: 27 \cdot IV$ What I say to you in the darkness \*<br/>speak in the light, says the Lord; / what<br/>you hear whispered \* proclaim on the<br/>housetops.

### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25** *Saturday of the Twenty-Ninth Week*

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps I7(16): 6, 8 · III To you I call, for you will surely heed me, O God; \* turn your ear to me; hear my words. / Guard me as the apple of your eye; \* in the shadow of your wings protect me.

FIRST READING Rom 8: 1-11 The Spirit of the one who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you.

RESP *Ps 24 (23): 1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6* Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

GOSPEL Lk 13: 1-9 If you do not repent, you will all perish as they did! COMMUNION Cf. Ps  $_{33}$  ( $_{32}$ ):  $_{18-19} \cdot v$ Behold, the eyes of the Lord \* are on those who fear him, / who hope in his merciful love, † to rescue their souls from death, \* to keep them alive in famine.

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Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday — Optional Memorial —

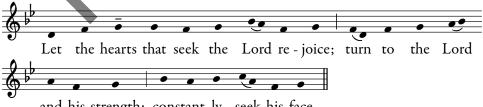
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THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - sunday, october 26, 2025 -

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Ps 105 (104): 3, 4* • 11

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; † turn to the Lord *and* his strength; \* constantly *seek* his face.



## and his strength; constant-ly seek his face.

## COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, / increase our faith, hope and charity, / and make us love what you command, / so that we may merit what you promise. / Through

our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

Sir 35: 12-14, 16-18

The LORD is a God of justice, / who knows no favorites. / Though not unduly partial toward the weak, / yet he hears the cry of the oppressed. / The Lord is not deaf to the wail of the orphan, / nor to the widow when she pours out her complaint. / The one who serves God willingly is heard; / his petition reaches the heavens. / The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; / it does not rest till it reaches its goal, / nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds, / judges justly and affirms the right, / and the Lord will not delay.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 2-3, *17-18*, *19*, 23 · II (33 The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

 $\hat{y}$ . I will bless the LORD at all times; / his praise shall be ever in my mouth. / Let my soul glory in the LORD; / the lowly will hear me and be glad.

v. The LORD confronts the evildoers, / to destroy remembrance of them from the earth. / When the just cry out, the LORD hears them, / and from all their distress he rescues them.

v. The LORD is close to the brokenhearted; / and those who are crushed in spirit he saves. / The LORD redeems the lives of his servants; / no one incurs guilt who takes refuge in him.

## SECOND READING

2 Tim 4: 6-8, 16-18

Beloved: I am already being poured out like a libation, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me, which the Lord, the just judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but to all who have longed for his appearance.

At my first defense no one appeared on my behalf, but everyone deserted me. May it not be held against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the proclamation might be completed and all the Gentiles might hear it. And I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me

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from every evil threat and will bring me safe to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory forever and ever. Amen.



ŷ. God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, / and entrusting to us the message of salvation.

#### GOSPEL

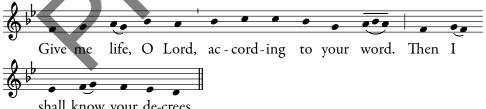
Jesus addressed this parable to those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else. "Two people went up to the temple area to pray; one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector. The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity—greedy, dishonest, adulterous—or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.' But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

#### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Ps 119 (118): 107, 125 · 111

Lk 18: 9-14

Give me life, O Lord, according to your word. \* Then I shall know your decrees.



shall know your de-crees.

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Look, we pray, O Lord, / on the offerings we make to your majesty, / that whatever is done by us in your service / may be directed above all to your glory. / Through Christ our Lord.

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FIRST READING Rom 8: 12-17 You have received a spirit of adoption through which we cry, Abba, Father!

RESP *Ps 68 (67): 2, 4, 6-7ab, 20-21* Our God is the God of salvation.

GOSPEL Lk 13: 10-17 This daughter of Abraham, ought she not to have been set free on the sabbath day? TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28 Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles — Feast —

— Feast –

These are the holy men † whom the Lord chose in his own *per*fect love; \* to them he gave *eter*nal glory.

ENTRANCE

The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

FIRST READING Eph 2: 19-22 Built upon the foundation of the Apostles.

RESP *Ps 19 (18): 2-3, 4-5* Their message goes out through all the earth.

GOSPEL Lk 6: 12-16 From them Jesus chose Twelve, whom he also named Apostles.

COMMUNION  $Jn 14: 23 \cdot IV$ Whoever loves me will keep my word, says the Lord; † and my Father will love him, and we will *come* to him, \* and make our *home* with him.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29 Wednesday of the Thirtieth Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps los (104): 3, 4 \cdot II$ Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; † turn to the Lord *and* his strength; \* constantly *seek* his face.

FIRST READING Rom 8: 26-30 All things work to the good for those who love God.

RESP Ps 13 (12): 4-5, 6 My hope, O Lord, is in your mercy.

GOSPEL *Lk* 13: 22-30 And people will come from the east and the west and will recline at the table in the Kingdom of God.

COMMUNIONCf. Ps 20 (19): 6 · IIWe will ring out our joy at your saving<br/>help \* and exult in the name of our God.

Or:  $Eph 5: 2 \cdot VIII$ Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, \* as a fragrant offer*ing* to God.

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30 Thursday of the Thirtieth Week

ENTRANCE Ps 105 (104): 3,  $4 \cdot 11$ Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice;  $\dagger$  turn to the Lord *and* his strength; \* constantly seek his face.

FIRST READING Rom 8: 31b-39 Nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

RESP *Ps 109 (108): 21-22, 26-27, 30-31* Save me, O Lord, in your mercy.

GOSPEL *Lk* 13: 31-35 It is impossible that a prophet should die outside of Jerusalem.

COMMUNIONCf. Ps 20 (19):  $6 \cdot II$ We will ring out our joy at your saving<br/>help \* and exult in the name of our God.Or:Eph 5:  $2 \cdot VIII$ Christ loved us and gave himself up for<br/>us, \* as a fragrant offering to God.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31 Friday of the Thirtieth Week

ENTRANCE Ps IOS(IO4): 3,  $4 \cdot II$ Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; † turn to the Lord *and* his strength; \* constantly *seek* his face.

FIRST READING Rom 9: 1-5 I could wish that I were accused for the sake of my own people. Resp COMMUNION Cf. Ps 20 (19): 6 · 11 Ps 147: 12-13, 14-15, 19-20 Praise the Lord, Jerusalem. We will ring out our joy at your *sav*ing help \* and exult in the name of our GOSPEL Lk 14: 1-6 God. Who among you, if your son or ox falls Or: Eph 5: 2 · VIII into a cistern, would not immediately Christ loved us and gave himself up for pull him out on the sabbath day? us, \* as a fragrant offering to God.

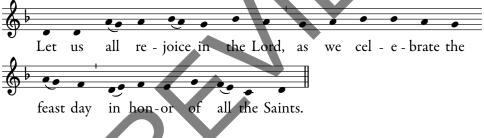
## ALL SAINTS

— SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2025 –

Solemnity

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Let us all rejoice in the Lord, † as we cele*brate* the feast day \* in honor of *all* the Saints, / at whose festival the An*gels* rejoice \* and praise the *Son* of God.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

## COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, / by whose gift we venerate in one celebration / the merits of all the Saints, / bestow on us, we pray, / through the prayers of so many intercessors, / an abundance of the reconciliation with you / for which we earnestly long. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING

Rev 7: 2-4, 9-14

I

I, John, saw another angel come up from the East, holding the seal of the living God. He cried out in a loud voice to the four angels who were given power to damage the land and the sea, "Do not damage the land or the sea or the trees until we put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God." I heard the number of those who had been marked with the seal, one hundred and forty-four thousand marked from every tribe of the children of Israel.

After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice:

"Salvation comes from our God, who is seated on the throne, / and from the Lamb."

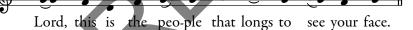
All the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They prostrated themselves before the throne, worshiped God, and exclaimed:

"Amen. Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, / honor, power, and might / be to our God forever and ever. Amen."

Then one of the elders spoke up and said to me, "Who are these wearing white robes, and where did they come from?" I said to him, "My lord, you are the one who knows." He said to me, "These are the ones who have survived the time of great distress; they have washed their robes and made them white in the Blood of the Lamb."

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Ps 24 (23): 1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6* · IV



 $\hat{y}$ . The LORD's are the earth and its fullness; / the world and those who dwell in it. / For he founded it upon the seas / and established it upon the rivers.

v. Who can ascend the mountain of the LORD? / or who may stand in his holy place? / One whose hands are sinless, whose heart is clean, / who desires not what is vain.

 $\hat{y}$ . He shall receive a blessing from the LORD, / a reward from God his savior. / Such is the race that seeks him, / that seeks the face of the God of Jacob.

### SECOND READING

1 Jn 3: 1-3

Beloved: See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God. Yet so we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed. We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for

we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope based on him makes himself pure, as he is pure.



ŷ. Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, / and I will give you rest, says the Lord.

## GOSPEL

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, / for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. / Blessed are they who mourn, / for they will be comforted. / Blessed are the meek, / for they will inherit the land. / Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, / for they will be satisfied. / Blessed are the merciful, / for they will be shown mercy. / Blessed are the clean of heart, / for they will see God. / Blessed are the peacemakers, / for they will be called children of God. / Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, / for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. / Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you / and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. / Rejoice and be glad, / for your reward will be great in heaven."

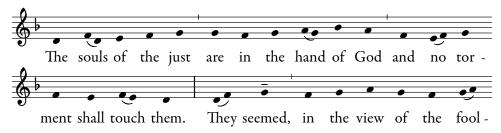
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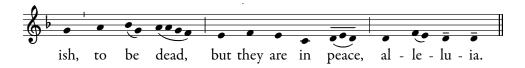
## OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Wis 3: 1, 2, 3 • I

Mt 5: 1-12a

The souls of the just are in the *hand* of God \* and no tor*ment* shall touch them. / They seemed, in the view *of* the foolish, \* to be dead, but they are in peace, *al*leluia.





## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May these offerings we bring in honor of all the Saints / be pleasing to you, O Lord, / and grant that, just as we believe the Saints / to be already assured of immortality, / so we may experience their concern for our salvation. / Through Christ our Lord.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Mt 5: 8-10* • 1

Blessed are the *clean* of heart, \* for they *shall* see God. / Blessed *are* the peacemakers, \* for they shall be called chil*dren* of God. / Blessed are they who are persecuted for the *sake* of righteousness, \* for theirs is the *Kingdom* of Heaven.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As we adore you, O God, who alone are holy / and wonderful in all your Saints, / we implore your grace, / so that, coming to perfect holiness in the fullness of your love, / we may pass from this pilgrim table / to the banquet of our heavenly homeland. / Through Christ our Lord.



# THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS' DAY)

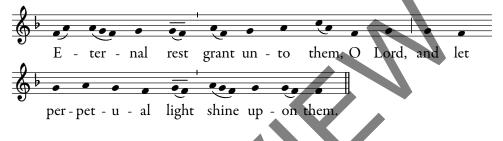
— SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2025 —

The following are a selection of the texts that may be chosen for this day.

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. 4 Esdr 2: 34-35* • VI

Eternal rest grant unto *them*, O Lord, \* and let perpetual light *shine* upon them.



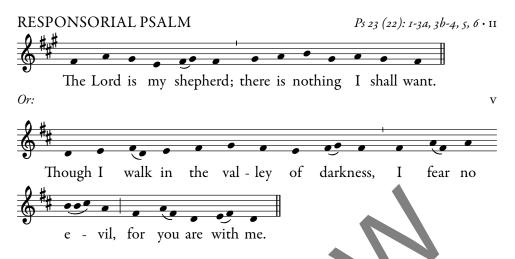
### COLLECT

Listen kindly to our prayers, O Lotd, / and, as our faith in your Son, / raised from the dead, is deepened, / so may our hope of resurrection for your departed servants / also find new strength. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

### FIRST READING

Wis 3: 1-9

The souls of the just are in the hand of God, / and no torment shall touch them. / They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead; / and their passing away was thought an affliction / and their going forth from us, utter destruction. / But they are in peace. / For if before men, indeed they be punished, / yet is their hope full of immortality; / Chastised a little, they shall be greatly blessed, / because God tried them / and found them worthy of himself. / As gold in the furnace, he proved them, / and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself. / In the time of their visitation they shall shine, / and shall dart about as sparks through stubble; / They shall judge nations and rule over peoples, / and the LORD shall be their King forever. / Those who trust in him shall understand truth, / and the faithful shall abide with him in love: / Because grace and mercy are with his holy ones, / and his care is with his elect.



v. The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. / In verdant pastures he gives me repose; / beside restful waters he leads me; / he refreshes my soul.

v. He guides me in right paths / for his name's sake. / Even though I walk in the dark valley / I fear no evil; for you are at my side / With your rod and your staff / that give me courage.

v. You spread the table before me / in the sight of my foes; / you anoint my head with oil; / my cup overflows.

 $\hat{v}$ . Only goodness and kindness follow me / all the days of my life; / and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD / for years to come.

## SECOND READING

Rom 5: 5-11

Brothers and sisters: Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. For Christ, while we were still helpless, died at the appointed time for the ungodly. Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us. How much more then, since we are now justified by his Blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath. Indeed, if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, how much more, once reconciled, will we be saved by his life. Not only that, but we also boast of God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.



v. Come, you who are blessed by my Father; / inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.

## GOSPEL

Mt 5: 1-12a

II

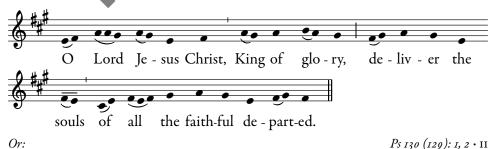
Mt 25: 34 · I

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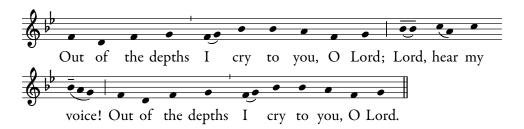
"Blessed are the poor in spirit, / for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. / Blessed are they who mourn, / for they will be comforted. / Blessed are the meek, / for they will inherit the land. / Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, / for they will be satisfied. / Blessed are the merciful, / for they will be shown mercy. / Blessed are the clean of heart, / for they will see God. / Blessed are the peacemakers, / for they will be called children of God. / Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, / for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. / Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you / and utter every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. / Rejoice and be glad, / for your reward will be great in heaven."

## OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

O Lord Jesus Christ, King of glory, † deliver the souls of all the faith*ful* departed \* from the punishments of hell and from the depths *of* the pit. / Deliver them from the mouth of the lion, † that the netherworld may *not* devour them, \* lest they fall in*to* the darkness. / But let Saint Michael, your standard-bearer, † lead them into heavenly light, \* as you once promised to Abraham and to *his* descendants.



Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord; † Lord, hear my voice! \* Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.



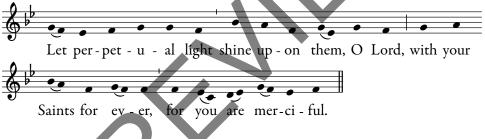
## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Look favorably on our offerings, O Lord, / so that your departed servants / may be taken up into glory with your Son, / in whose great mystery of love we are all united. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

f. 4 Esdr 2: 35, 34 • VIII

Let perpetual light shine upon *them*, O Lord, \* with your Saints for ever, for *you* are merciful.



# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant we pray, O Lord, that your departed servants, / for whom we have celebrated this paschal Sacrament, / may pass over to a dwelling place of light and peace. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3 Monday of the Thirty-First Week	RESP <i>Ps 69 (68): 30-31, 33-34, 36</i> Lord, in your great love, answer me.
ENTRANCE $Ps _38  (37): 22, 23 \cdot VII$ Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; * benot far from me! / Make haste and come	GOSPEL <i>Lk</i> 14: 12-14 Do not invite your friends, but those who are poor and crippled.
to my help, * O Lord, my strong salvation! FIRST READING Rom 11: 29-36 God delivered all to disobedience, that he might have mercy upon all.	COMMUNION <i>Cf. Ps 16 (15): 11</i> · VII You will show me the <i>path</i> of life, * the fullness of joy in your pres <i>ence</i> , O Lord.

*Or:* Jn 6: 58 · VII Just as the living Fa*ther* sent me \* and I have life because *of* the Father, / so whoever *feeds* on me \* shall have life because of me, *says* the Lord.

> Saint Martin De Porres, Religious — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 16 (15):  $5 \cdot VI$ O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; \* you yourself who secure my portion.

FIRST READING Phil 4: 4-9 Think about whatever is worthy of praise.

RESP *Ps 131 (130): 1bcde, 2, 3* In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

GOSPEL Mt 22: 34-40 You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart and your neighbor as yourself.

COMMUNION *Cf. Mt 19: 27-29* · 1 Amen I *say* to you: \* That you who have left all and *fol*lowed me / will receive a *hun*dredfold \* and possess *eter*nal life.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4 Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop — Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ez 34: 11, 23-24* · IV I will look after my sheep, says the Lord, † and I will appoint a shep*herd* to pasture them, \* and I, the Lord, will *be* their God. Or: Cf.  $Lk \ 12: 42 \cdot 1V$ This is the steward, faithful and prudent, † whom the Lord set over his household \* to give them their allowance of food at the *prop*er time.

### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Rom 12: 5-16ab We are individually parts of one another.

RESP *Ps 131 (130): 1bcde, 2, 3* In you, O Lord, I have found my peace.

GOSPEL Lk 14: 15-24 Go out quickly into highways and hedgerows and make people come in that my home may be filled.

COMMUNION *Cf. Jn 15: 16* • 1 It was not you who chose me, *says* the Lord, \* but I *who* chose you / and appointed you to go *and* bear fruit, \* fruit *that* will last.

Or: Cf. Lk 12: 36-37 • III Blessed is that servant, whom his lord *finds* awake \* when he comes and knocks *at* the gate.

#### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING *Rom 12: 3-13* We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us.

RESP *Ps 89 (88): 2-3, 4-5, 21-22, 25 and 27* For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL Jn 10: 11-16 A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5 Wednesday of the Thirty-First Week

ENTRANCE *Ps 38 (37): 22, 23* · VII Forsake me not, O *Lord*, my God; \* be not *far* from me! / Make haste and come *to* my help, \* O Lord, my *strong* salvation!

FIRST READINGRom 13: 8-10Love is the fulfillment of the law.

RESP *Ps II2 (III): 1b-2, 4-5, 9* Blessed the man who is gracious and lends to those in need.

*Or:* Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Lk* 14: 25-33 Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple.

COMMUNIONCf. Ps 16 (r5): 11 + VHYou will show me the path of life, \* the<br/>fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.Or: $Jn 6: 58 \cdot VH$ Just as the living Father sent me \* and<br/>I have life because of the Father, / so<br/>whoever feeds on me \* shall have life<br/>because of me, says the Lord.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 6 Thursday of the Thirty-First Week

ENTRANCE *Ps* 38 (37): 22, 23 · VII Forsake me not, O *Lord*, my God; \* be not *far* from me! / Make haste and come *to* my help, \* O Lord, my *strong* salvation!

FIRST READING Rom 14: 7-12 Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's. RESP *Ps 27 (26): 1bcde, 4, 13-14* I believe that I shall see the good things of the Lord in the land of the living.

GOSPEL *Lk* 15: 1-10 There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents.

COMMUNIONCf. Ps 16 (15): 11 · VIIYou will show me the path of life, \* the<br/>fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.Or:Jn 6: 58 · VIIJust as the living Father sent me \* and<br/>I have life because of the Father, / so<br/>whoever feeds on me \* shall have life<br/>because of me, says the Lord.

## **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER** 7 *Friday of the Thirty-First Week*

ENTRANCE  $Ps \ _{38} (_{37}): 22, 23 \cdot VII$ Forsake me not, O *Lord*, my God; \* be not *far* from me! / Make haste and come *to* myhelp, \* O Lord, my *strong* salvation!

FIRST READING Rom 15: 14-21 A minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles, so that the offering up of the Gentiles may be acceptable.

RESP *Ps 98 (97): 1bcde, 2-3ab, 3cd-4* The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

GOSPEL Lk 16: 1-8 For the children of this world are more prudent in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light.

COMMUNIONCf. Ps 16 (15):  $11 \cdot VII$ You will show me the *path* of life, \* thefullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

*Or:* Jn 6: 58 · VII Just as the living Fa*ther* sent me \* and I have life because *of* the Father, / so whoever *feeds* on me \* shall have life because of me, *says* the Lord.

# SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8

Saturday of the Thirty-First Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps \, _38 \, (_{37}): 22, 23 \cdot VII$ Forsake me not, O *Lord*, my God; \* be not *far* from me! / Make haste and come *to* myhelp, \*OLord, my*strong* salvation!

FIRST READING Rom 16: 3-9, 16, 22-27 Greet one another with a holy kiss.

RESP *Ps 145 (144): 2-3, 4-5, 10-11* I will praise your name for ever, Lord. GOSPEL *Lk* 16: 9-15 If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth?

COMMUNIONCf. Ps 16 (15): 11 • VIIYou will show me the path of life, \* the<br/>fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.Or:Jn 6:  $58 \cdot VII$ Just as the living Father sent me \* and<br/>I have life because of the Father, / so<br/>whoever feeds on me \* shall have life<br/>because of me, says the Lord.

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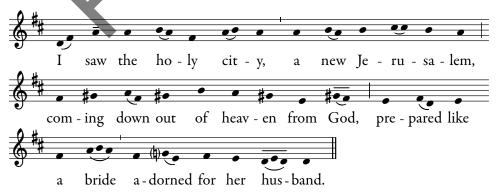
– SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2025 —

Feast

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Cf. Rev 21: 2* • V

I saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, † coming down out of heav*en* from God, \* prepared like a bride adorned *for* her husband.

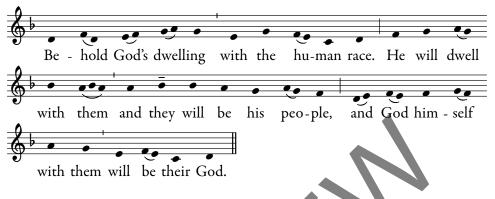


#### NOVEMBER 9

Or:

Cf. Rev 21: 3 · I

Behold God's dwelling with the human race. † He will dwell with them and they will *be* his people, \* and God himself with them will *be* their God.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said

## COLLECT

O God, who from living and chosen stones / prepare an eternal dwelling for your majesty, / increase in your Church the spirit of grace you have bestowed, / so that by new growth your faithful people / may build up the heavenly Jerusalem. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

#### Or:

O God, who were pleased to call your Church the Bride, / grant that the people that serves your name / may revere you, love you and follow you, / and may be led by you / to attain your promises in heaven. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

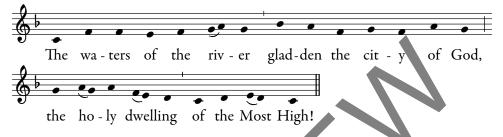
## FIRST READING

#### Ezek 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12

The angel brought me back to the entrance of the temple, and I saw water flowing out from beneath the threshold of the temple toward the east, for the façade of the temple was toward the east; the water flowed down from the southern side of the temple, south of the altar. He led me outside by the north gate, and around to the outer gate facing the east, where I saw water trickling from the southern side. He said to me, "This water flows into the eastern district down upon the Arabah, and empties into the sea, the salt waters, which it makes fresh. Wherever the river flows, every sort of living creature that can multiply shall live, and there shall be abundant fish, for wherever this water comes the sea shall be made fresh. Along both banks of the river, fruit trees of every kind shall grow; their leaves shall not fade, nor their fruit fail. Every month they shall bear fresh fruit, for they shall be watered by the flow from the sanctuary. Their fruit shall serve for food, and their leaves for medicine."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Ps 46 (45): 2-3, 5-6, 8-9* · VII



?. God is our refuge and our strength, / an ever-present help in distress. / Therefore we fear not, though the earth be shaken / and mountains plunge into the depths of the sea.

ŷ. There is a stream whose runlets gladden the city of God, / the holy dwelling of the Most High. / God is in its midst; it shall not be disturbed; / God will help it at the break of dawn.

v. The LORD of hosts is with us; / our stronghold is the God of Jacob. / Come! behold the deeds of the LORD, / the astounding things he has wrought on earth.

SECOND READING

1 Cor 3: 9c-11, 16-17

Brothers and sisters: You are God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a wise master builder I laid a foundation, and another is building upon it. But each one must be careful how he builds upon it, for no one can lay a foundation other than the one that is there, namely, Jesus Christ.

Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person; for the temple of God, which you are, is holy.



v . I have chosen and consecrated this house, says the Lord, / that my name may be there forever.

### GOSPEL

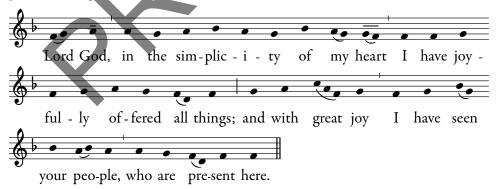
Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money-changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, *Zeal for your house will consume me*. At this the Jews answered and said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his Body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken.

The Creed is not said.

### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*I Chron 29: 17, 18* • VI

Lord God, in the simplicity *of* my heart \* I have joyfully of*fered* all things; / and with great joy I have seen your people, who are *present* here. \* O God of Israel, preserve this good intention, O *Lord* and God.



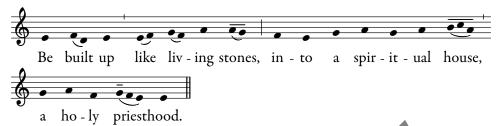
## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, we pray, O Lord, the offering made here / and grant that by it those who seek your favor / may receive in this place / the power of the Sacraments / and the answer to their prayers. / Through Christ our Lord.

Jn 2: 13-22

## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Be built up like *liv*ing stones, \* into a spiritual house, a *ho*ly priesthood.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, who chose to foreshadow for us / the heavenly Jerusalem / through the sign of your Church on earth, / grant, we pray, / that, by our partaking of this Sacrament, / we may be made the temple of your grace / and may enter the dwelling place of your glory. / Through Christ our Lord.

#### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10 Saint Leo the Great.

Pope and Doctor of the Church - Memorial -

ENTRANCE

*Cf. Sir 45:30* VI The Lord established for him a covenant of peace, † and made him the prince, \* that he might have the dignity of the priesthood for ever.

## Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Wis 1: 1-7 Wisdom is a kindly spirit, the Spirit of the Lord fills the world.

Resp Ps 139 (138): 1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 Guide me, Lord, along the everlasting way.

Gospel Lk 17: 1-6 If your brother wrongs you seven times in one day, and returns to you seven times

"I am sorry," you should forgive saying, him.

COMMUNION Cf. Mt 16: 16, 18 · VI Peter said to Jesus: \* You are the Christ, the Son of the *liv*ing God. / And Jesus replied: You are Peter, \* and upon this rock I will *build* my Church.

#### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Sir 39: 6-11 He who studies the law of the Most High will be filled with the spirit of understanding.

Resp Ps 37 (36): 3-4, 5-6, 30-31 The mouth of the just murmurs wisdom.

Gospel Mt 16: 13-19 You are Peter. I will give you the keys to the Kingdom of heaven.

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER II Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Cf. 1 Sm 2: 35  $\cdot$  11 I shall raise up for myself a *faith*ful priest \* who will act in accord with my heart and my mind, *says* the Lord.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Wis 2: 23-3: 9 In the view of the foolish they seemed to be dead, but they are in peace.

RESP *Ps* 34 (33): 2-3, 16-17, 18-19 I will bless the Lord at all times.

GOSPEL *Lk 17: 7-10* We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.

COMMUNION *Cf. Mt 25: 40* • VIII Amen, I say to you: † Whatever you did for one of the least *of* my brethren, \* you did it for me, *says* the Lord.

Readings for the Memorial.

FIRST READING Is 61: 1-3d The Lord anointed me and sent me to bring glad tidings to the lowly.

RESP *Ps 89 (88): 2-3, 4-5, 21-22, 25, 27* For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 25: 31-40 Whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me. WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12 Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr — Memorial —

VI

Because of the Lord's covenant and the ancestral laws, † the Saints of God persevered in *lov*ing brotherhood, \* for there was always one spirit in them, *and* one faith.

Readings of the Day:

ENTRANCE

FIRST READING Wis 6: 1-11 Hear, kings, that you may learn wisdom.

RESP Ps 82 (81): 3-4, 6-7 Rise up, O God, bring judgment to the earth.

GOSREL *Lk* 17: 11-19 Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?

COMMUNIONMt 10: 39 · IIWhoever loses his life for my sake, \*will find it in eternity, says the Lord.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Eph 4: 1-7, 11-13 For the work of ministry, for the building up of the Body of Christ.

RESP *Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4, 6* Blessed are they who hope in the Lord. *Or:* 

Blessed are they who delight in the law of the Lord.

Or:

The just will flourish like the palm tree in the garden of the Lord.

GOSPEL Jn 17: 20-26 I wish that where I am they also may be with me.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13 Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin — Memorial —

Entrance

VI

Here is a wise virgin, from among the number *of* the prudent, \* who went forth with lighted lamp *to* meet Christ. *Or:* v How beautiful you are, O virgin of Christ, † who were worthy to receive

*the* Lord's crown, \* the crown of perpetu*al* virginity.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Wis 7: 220-8: 1 For wisdom is the refulgence of eternal light, the spotless mirror of the power of God.

RESP *Ps 119 (118): 89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 179* Your word is for ever, O Lord.

GOSPEL Lk 17: 20-25 The Kingdom of God is among you.

COMMUNIONCf. Mt 25:  $6 \cdot VI$ Behold, the Bridegroom is coming; \*come out to meet Christ the Lord.Or:Cf. Ps 27 (26):  $4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, \*only this do I seek: / to live in the houseof the Lord \* all the days of my life.

Readings for the Memorial:

Any reading from the Common of Virgins or the Common of Holy Men and Women: For Religious, may be used. FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14 Friday of the Thirty-Second Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps \, 88 \, (8_7): 3 \cdot 111$ Let my prayer come in *to* your presence. \* Incline your ear to my cry for *help*, O Lord.

FIRST READING Wis 13: 1-9 For if they so far succeeded in knowledge that they could speculate about the world, how did they not more quickly find its Lord?

RESP *Ps 19 (18): 2-3, 4-5* The heavens proclaim the glory of God.

GOSPEL Lk 17: 26-37 So it will be on the day the Son of Man is revealed.

COMMUNIONCf. Ps 23 (22):  $1-2 \cdot 11$ The Lord *is* my shepherd; \* there isnothing I shall want. / Fresh and greenare the pastures † where he gives *me*repose, \* near restful waters he leads me.Or:Cf. Lk  $24: 35 \cdot VI$ The disciples recognized the LordJesus \* in the breaking of bread.

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15 Saturday of the Thirty-Second Week

ENTRANCE  $Ps \, 88 \, (8_7): 3 \cdot 111$ Let my prayer come in*to* your presence. \* Incline your ear to my cry for *help*, O Lord.

FIRST READING Wis 18: 14-16; 19: 6-9 Out of the Red Sea an unimpeded road appeared and they bounded about like lambs. RESP *Ps 105 (104): 2-3, 36-37, 42-43* Remember the marvels the Lord has done.

Or:

Alleluia.

GOSPEL Lk 18: 1-8 Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night?

COMMUNIONCf. Ps 23 (22):  $1-2 \cdot II$ The Lord *is* my shepherd; \* there isnothing I shall want. / Fresh and greenare the pastures † where he gives *me*repose, \* near restful waters he leads me.Or:Cf. Lk  $24: 35 \cdot VI$ The disciples recognized the LordJesus \* in the breaking of bread.

Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE *Cf. Ex 34: 11, 23-24* · IV I will look after my sheep, says the Lord,  $\dagger$  and I will appoint a shep*herd* to pasture them, \* and I, the Lord, will *be* their God.

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FIRST READING Sir 15: 1-6 He will be filled with the spirit of wisdom and understanding.

RESP *Ps 119 (118): 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14* Lord, teach me your statutes. GOSPELMt 13: 47-52Both the new and the old.

COMMUNION Cf. Jn 15: 16 · I It was not you who chose me, says the Lord, \* but I who chose you / and appointed you to go and bear fruit, \* fruit that will last.

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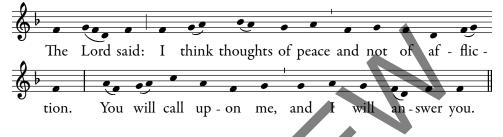
## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2025 —

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Jer 29: 11, 12, 14* • VI

Mal 3: 19-20a

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. † You will call upon me, and *I* will answer you, \* and I will lead back your captives from *every* place.

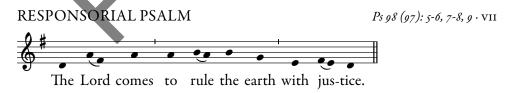


## COLLECT

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, / the constant gladness of being devoted to you, / for it is full and lasting happiness / to serve with constancy / the author of all that is good. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

## FIRST READING

Lo, the day is coming, blazing like an oven, / when all the proud and all evildoers will be stubble, / and the day that is coming will set them on fire, / leaving them neither root nor branch, / says the LORD of hosts. / But for you who fear my name, there will arise / the sun of justice with its healing rays.



℣. Sing praise to the LORD with the harp, / with the harp and melodious song. / With trumpets and the sound of the horn / sing joyfully before the King, the LORD.

 $\hat{y}$ . Let the sea and what fills it resound, / the world and those who dwell in it; / let the rivers clap their hands, / the mountains shout with them for joy.

 $\hat{y}$ . Before the LORD, for he comes, / for he comes to rule the earth; / He will rule the world with justice / and the peoples with equity.

## SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: You know how one must imitate us. For we did not act in a disorderly way among you, nor did we eat food received free from anyone. On the contrary, in toil and drudgery, night and day we worked, so as not to burden any of you. Not that we do not have the right. Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us. In fact, when we were with you, we instructed you that if anyone was unwilling to work, neither should that one eat. We hear that some are conducting themselves among you in a disorderly way, by not keeping busy but minding the business of others. Such people we instruct and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to work quietly and to eat their own food.

*Lk 21: 28* • V

Lk 21: 5-19

2 Thes 3: 7-12

ŷ. Stand erect and raise your heads ∕ because your redemption is at hand.

#### GOSPEL

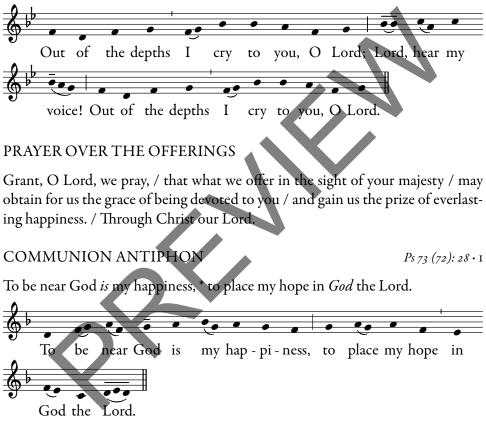
While some people were speaking about how the temple was adorned with costly stones and votive offerings, Jesus said, "All that you see here—the days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down."

Then they asked him, "Teacher, when will this happen? And what sign will there be when all these things are about to happen?" He answered, "See that you not be deceived, for many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he,' and 'The time has come.' Do not follow them! When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for such things must happen first, but it will not immediately be the end." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues from place to place; and awesome sights and mighty signs will come from the sky.

"Before all this happens, however, they will seize and persecute you, they will hand you over to the synagogues and to prisons, and they will have you led before kings and governors because of my name. It will lead to your giving testimony. Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute. You will even be handed over by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives."

### OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord; † Lord, *hear* my voice!\* Out of the depths I cry to *you*, O Lord.



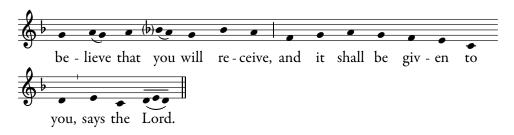
Or:

*Mk 11: 23-24* • I

Ps 130 (129): 1, 2 · II

Amen, I *say* to you: \* Whatever you *ask* in prayer, / believe that you *will* receive, \* and it shall be given to you, *says* the Lord.





### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We have partaken of the gifts of this sacred mystery, / humbly imploring, O Lord, / that what your Son commanded us to do / in memory of him / may bring us growth in charity. / Through Christ our Lord.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17 Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious — Memorial —

ENTRANCECf. Mt 25: 34, 36, 40  $\cdot$  IVCome, you blessed of my Father, saysthe Lord: \* I was sick, and you visitedme. / Amen, I say to you: Whateveryou did \* for one of the least of mybrethren you did it for me.Or:PS II2 (IU):  $g \cdot VII$ One of headed be given to the gray to the second to the

Open-handed, he gives to the poor; † his justice stands *firm* for ever. \* His might shall be exalted in glory.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING 1 Macc 1: 10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 Terrible affliction was upon Israel.

RESP *Ps 119 (118): 53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158* Give me life, O Lord, and I will do your commands.

GOSPEL Lk 18: 35-43 What do you want me to do for you? Lord, please let me see. COMMUNIONCf. In 15: 13  $\cdot$  IGreater love has no one \* than to lay<br/>down his life for his friends.

Or: Cf. Jn 13: 35 · VII This is how all will know that you *are* my disciples: \* if you have love for one another, *says* the Lord.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING 1 Jn 3: 14-18 We ought to lay down our lives for our brothers.

RESP *Ps* 34 (33): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 I will bless the Lord at all times. *Or*:

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL Lk 6: 27-38 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18 Tuesday of the Thirty-Third Week

ENTRANCE *Jer 29: 11, 12, 14* · VI The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. † You will call upon me, and *I* will answer you, \* and I will lead back your captives from *every* place.

FIRST READING 2 Macc 6: 18-31 I will leave to the young a noble example of how to die willingly and generously for the revered and holy laws.

RESP *Ps 3: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7* The Lord upholds me.

GOSPEL *Lk 19: 1-10* The Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost.

COMMUNION $Ps_{73}(72): 28 \cdot I$ To be near God *is* my happiness, \* toplace my hope in *God* the Lord.

Or: Mk 11: 23-24 · 1 Amen, I say to you: \* Whatever you ask in prayer, / believe that you will receive, \* and it shall be given to you, says the Lord.

> The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

- Optional Memorial -ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 45 (44): 17-18  $\cdot$  IV You will make them princes over all the earth; † they will remember your name through all *gene*rations. \* Thus the peoples will praise you for ever, from *age* to age.

The readings for this memorial are proper.

FIRST READINGActs 28: 11-16, 30-31And thus we came to Rome.

RESP *Ps 98 (97): 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6* The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power. GOSPEL Mt 14: 22-33 Command me to come to you on the water.

COMMUNIONCf. Jn 6:  $69, 70 \cdot v$ O Lord, you have the words of eternallife,  $\dagger$  and we have come to believe \*that you are the Christ, the Son of God.

Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin — Optional Memorial —

ENTRANCE VI Here is a wise virgin, from among the number *of* the prudent, \* who went forth with lighted lamp *to* meet Christ. *Or:* v How beautiful you are, O virgin of Christ, † who were worthy to receive *the* Lord's crown, \* the crown of perpetu*al* virginity.

Readings for the Memorial may be taken from the Common of Virgins, #731–736, or the Common of Holy Men and Women: for Religious, #737–742.

COMMUNION $Cf. Mt 25: 6 \cdot VI$ Behold, the Bridegroom is coming; \*come out to meet Christ the Lord.Or: $Cf. Ps 27 (26): 4 \cdot VII$ There is one thing I ask of the Lord, \*only this do I seek: / to live in the houseof the Lord \* all the days of my life.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19 Wednesday of the Thirty-Third Week

ENTRANCE Jer 29: 11, 12, 14  $\cdot$  VI The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. † You will call upon me, and *I* will answer you, \* and I will lead back your captives from *every* place. FIRST READING 2 Macc 7: 1, 20-31 The creator of the universe will give you back both breath and life.

RESP *Ps 17 (16): 1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15* Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

GOSPEL Lk 19: 11-28 Why did you not put my money in a bank?

COMMUNION $P_{S 73}(72): 28 \cdot 1$ To be near God *is* my happiness, \* toplace my hope in *God* the Lord.

Or: Mk 11: 23-24 · 1 Amen, I say to you: \* Whatever you ask in prayer, / believe that you will receive, \* and it shall be given to you, says the Lord.

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20 Thursday of the Thirty-Third Week

ENTRANCE  $Jer 2g: 11, 12, 14 \cdot VI$ The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. † You will call upon me, and I will answer you, \* and I will lead back your captives from *every* place.

FIRST READING 1 Macc 2: 15-29 We will keep to the covenant of our ancestors.

RESPPs 50 (49): 1b-2, 5-6, 14-15To the upright I will show the saving<br/>power of God.

GOSPEL *Lk* 19: 41-44 If you only knew what makes for peace.

COMMUNION $Ps_{73}(72): 28 \cdot I$ To be near God *is* my happiness, \* toplace my hope in *God* the Lord.

*Or: Mk 11: 23-24 · I* Amen, I *say* to you: \* Whatever you *ask* in prayer, / believe that you *will* receive, \* and it shall be given to you, *says* the Lord.

# FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary — Memorial —

ENTRANCE Sedulius • 11 Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth *to* the King, \* who rules heaven and *earth* for ever.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING 1 Macc 4: 36-37, 52-59 They celebrated the dedication of the altar and joyfully offered burnt offerings.

RESP *1 Chr 29: 10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd* We praise your glorious name, O mighty God.

GOSPEL *Lk 19: 45-48 You have made it a den of thieves.* 

COMMUNION *Lk 11: 27* · I Blessed is the womb of the *Vir*gin Mary, \* which bore the Son of the *eter*nal Father.

#### Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Zec 2: 14-17 Rejoice, O daughter of Zion! See, I am coming.

RESP *Lk 1: 46-47, 48-49, 50-51, 52-53, 54-55* The Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name. Or:

O Blessed Virgin Mary, you carried the Son of the eternal Father.

GOSPEL Mt 12: 46-50 Stretching out his hands toward his disciples, he said, Here are my mother and my brothers.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr — Memorial —

ENTRANCE v Behold, now she follows the Lamb who was crucified for us, † powerful in virginity, modes*ty* her offering, \* a sacrifice on the al*tar* of chastity. *Or:* III

Blessed *is* the virgin \* who by denying herself and taking *up* her cross / imitated the Lord, the *spouse* of virgins \* and *prince* of martyrs.

Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING 1 Macc 6: 1-13 On account of the evils I did in Jerusalem, I am dying in bitter grief.

RESP *Ps g: 2-3, 4, 6, 16, 19* I will rejoice in your salvation, O Lord.

GOSPEL Lk 20: 27-40 He is not God of the dead, but of the living.

COMMUNION *Rev 7: 17* · VIII The Lamb who is at the center *of* the throne \* will lead them to the springs of the wa*ters* of life. Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Hos 2: 16bc, 17cd, 21-22 I will espouse you to me forever.

RESP *Ps 45 (44): 11-12, 14-15, 16-17* Listen to me, daughter; see and bend your ear.

Or:

The bridegroom is here; let us go out to meet Christ the Lord.

GOSPEL Mt 25: 1-13 Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!

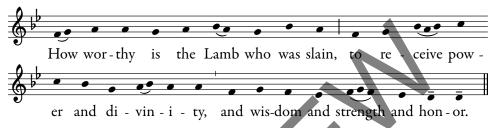
# OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE — sunday, november 23, 2025 —

Solemnity

### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Rev 5: 12; 1: 6* • III

How worthy is the Lamb *who* was slain, \* to receive power *and* divinity, / and wisdom and *strength* and honor. \* To him belong glory and power for ev*er* and ever.



The Gloria in excelsis (Glory to God in the highest) is said.

## COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, / whose will is to restore all things / in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, / grant, we pray, / that the whole creation, set free from slavery, / may render your majesty service / and ceaselessly proclaim your praise. / Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, / who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, / God, for ever and ever.

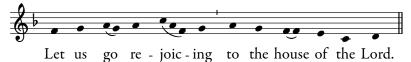
# FIRST READING

2 Sam 5: 1-3

In those days, all the tribes of Israel came to David in Hebron and said: "Here we are, your bone and your flesh. In days past, when Saul was our king, it was you who led the Israelites out and brought them back. And the LORD said to you, 'You shall shepherd my people Israel and shall be commander of Israel." When all the elders of Israel came to David in Hebron, King David made an agreement with them there before the LORD, and they anointed him king of Israel.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** 

*Ps 122 (121): 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 ·* I



v. I rejoiced because they said to me, / "We will go up to the house of the LORD." / And now we have set foot / within your gates, O Jerusalem.

 $\hat{y}$ . Jerusalem, built as a city / with compact unity. / To it the tribes go up, / the tribes of the LORD.

v. According to the decree for Israel, / to give thanks to the name of the LORD. / In it are set up judgment seats, / seats for the house of David.

## SECOND READING

Brothers and sisters: Let us give thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light. He delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, / the firstborn of all creation. / For in him were created all things in heaven and on earth, / the visible and the invisible, / whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; / all things were created through him and for him. / He is before all things, / and in him all things hold together. / He is the head of the body, the church. / He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, / that in all things he himself might be preeminent. / For in him all the fullness was pleased to dwell, / and through him to reconcile all things for him, / making peace by the blood of his cross / through him, whether those on earth or those in heaven.

ALLELUIA Mk 11: 9, 10 · VII al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

 $\hat{y}$ . Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! / Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!

# GOSPEL

Lk 23: 35-43

The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, "He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God." Even the soldiers jeered at him. As they approached to offer him wine they called out, "If you are King of the Jews, save yourself." Above him there was an inscription that read, "This is the King of the Jews."

Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us." The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply, "Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And

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Col 1: 12-20
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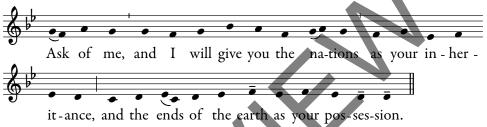
indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

#### The Creed is said.

## OFFERTORY ANTIPHON

*Ps 2: 8* • IV

Ask of me, and I will give you † the nations as *your* inheritance, \* and the ends of the earth as *your* possession.



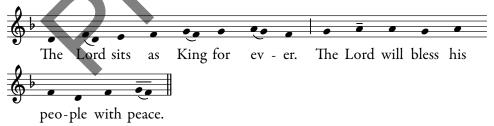
## PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

As we offer you, O Lord, the sacrifice / by which the human race is reconciled to you, / we humbly pray / that your Son himself may bestow on all nations / the gifts of unity and peace. / Through Christ our Lord.

# COMMUNION ANTIPHON

*Ps 29 (28): 10b, 11b* • VI

The Lord sits as King for ever. \* The Lord will bless his people with peace.



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having received the food of immortality, / we ask, O Lord, / that, glorying in obedience / to the commands of Christ, the King of the universe, / we may live with him eternally in his heavenly kingdom. / Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24 Saint Andrew Düng-lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs — Memorial —

COMMUNION *Cf. Gal 6: 14; I Cor I: 18* · IV May we *never* boast, \* except in the Cross of our Lord *Jesus* Christ. / For the word of the Cross is the power of God \* to us who *have* been saved.

#### Readings of the Day:

FIRST READING Dn 1: 1-6, 8-20 None were found equal to Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah.

RESP *Dn 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56* Glory and praise for ever!

GOSPEL Lk 21: 1-4 He noticed a poor widow putting in two small coins.

COMMUNION  $Mt s: 10 \cdot 1$ Blessed are they † who are persecuted for the *sake* of righteousness, \* for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Readings for the Memorial:

FIRST READING Wis 3: 1-9 As sacrificial offerings he took them to himself.

RESP *Ps 126 (125): 1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6* Those who sow in tears shall reap rejoicing.

GOSPEL Mt 10: 17-22 You will be led before governors and kings for my sake, as a witness before them and the pagans. **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25** *Tuesday of the Thirty-Fourth Week* 

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 85 (84):  $g \cdot IV$ The Lord speaks of peace  $\dagger$  to his people *and* his holy ones \* and to those who *turn* to him.

FIRST READING Dn 2: 31-45 The God of heaven will set up a kingdom that shall never be destroyed and shall put an end to all these kingdoms.

RESP *Dn 3: 57, 58, 59, 60, 61* Give glory and eternal praise to him.

GOSPEL Lk 21: 5-11 There will not be left a stone upon another stone.

COMMUNION *Ps 117 (116): 1, 2* · VII O praise the Lord, *all* you nations, \* for his merciful love towards *us* is great.

*Or: Mt 28: 20* · VIII Behold, I am *with* you always, \* even to the end of the age, *says* the Lord.

> Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr — Optional Memorial —

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Behold, now she follows the Lamb who was cruci*fied* for us, † powerful in virginity, modes*ty* her offering, \* a sacrifice on the al*tar* of chastity.

ENTRANCE

Blessed *is* the virgin \* who by denying herself and taking *up* her cross / imitated the Lord, the *spouse* of virgins \* and *prince* of martyrs.

Or:

FIRST READING Rev 21: 5-7 The victor will inherit these gifts.

RESP *Ps 124 (123): 2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8* Our soul has been rescued like a bird from the fowler's snare.

GOSPEL Mt 10: 28-33 Do not be afraid of those who kill the body.

COMMUNION *Rev 7: 17* · VIII The Lamb who is at the center *of* the throne \* will lead them to the springs of the wa*ters* of life.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26 Wednesday of the Thirty-Fourth Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $85 (84): 9 \cdot IV$ The Lord speaks of peace  $\dagger$  to his people *and* his holy ones \* and to those who *turn* to him.

FIRST READING

Dn 5: 1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 The fingers of a human hand appeared, writing on the plaster of the wall.

RESP *Dn 3: 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67* Give glory and eternal praise to him.

GOSPEL *Lk* 21: 12-19 You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed.

COMMUNION $P_{S \ II7} (I16): I, 2 \cdot VII$ O praise the Lord, *all* you nations, \* forhis merciful love towards *us* is great.Or: $Mt \ 28: \ 20 \cdot VIII$ Behold, I am *with* you always, \* even tothe end of the age, *says* the Lord.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27 Thursday of the Thirty-Fourth Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $85 (84): 9 \cdot IV$ The Lord speaks of peace  $\dagger$  to his people *and* his holy ones \* and to those who *turn* to him.

FIRST READING Dn 6: 12-28 My God has sent his angel and closed the lions' mouths.

RESP *Dn* 3: 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74 Give glory and eternal praise to him.

GOSPEL Lk 21: 20-28 Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

COMMUNION $P_{S \ II7}(I16): I, 2 \cdot VII$ O praise the Lord, *all* you nations, \* forhis merciful love towards *us* is great.Or: $Mt \ 28: 20 \cdot VIII$ Behold, I am *with* you always, \* even to

*Thanksgiving Day* — Optional Memorial —

the end of the age, says the Lord.

ENTRANCE *Eph 5: 19-20* · VII Sing *and* make music \* to the Lord *in* your hearts, / always thanking God the Father *for* all things \* in the name of our Lord *Je*sus Christ.

FIRST READINGSir 50: 22-24God has done wondrous things on earth.

RESP *Ps 145 (144): 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11* I will praise your name for ever, Lord. GOSPEL Lk 17: 11-19 He fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him.

COMMUNION *Ps 138 (137): 1* · 1 I will thank you, Lord, with *all* my heart, \* for you have heard the words *of* my mouth.

Or: $Ps II6 (II5): I2-I3 \cdot VI$ How can I repay the Lord for all hisgoodness to me? † The chalice ofsalvation I will raise, \* and I will call onthe name of the Lord.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Friday of the Thirty-Fourth Week

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps 85(84):  $9 \cdot IV$ The Lord speaks of peace  $\dagger$  to his people *and* his holy ones \* and to those who *turn* to him.

FIRST READING Dn 7: 2-14 I saw one like a son of man coming, on the clouds of heaven.

RESP *Dn 3: 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81* Give glory and eternal praise to him.

GOSPEL *Lk 21: 29-33* When you see these things happening, know that the Kingdom of God is near.

COMMUNION $P_{S \ II7} (I16): I, 2 \cdot VII$ O praise the Lord, *all* you nations, \* forhis merciful love towards *us* is great.Or: $Mt \ 28: \ 20 \cdot VIII$ Behold, I am *with* you always, \* even tothe end of the age, *says* the Lord.

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 29** *Saturday of the Thirty-Fourth Week* 

ENTRANCE Cf. Ps  $85 (84): 9 \cdot IV$ The Lord speaks of peace  $\dagger$  to his people *and* his holy ones \* and to those who *turn* to him.

FIRST READING Dn 7: 15-27 Kingship and domain shall be given to the holy people of the Most High.

RESP *Dn 3: 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87* Give glory and eternal praise to him.

GOSPEL Lk 21: 34-36 Be vigilant that you may have the strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent.

COMMUNION $Ps II7 (II6): I, 2 \cdot VII$ O praise the Lord, *all* you nations, \* forhis merciful love towards *us* is great.Or: $Mt 28: 20 \cdot VIII$ 

Behold, I am *with* you always, \* even to the end of the age, *says* the Lord.

Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday

— Optional Memorial —

See page 581 for the antiphons for this Memorial.

## MEMORIAL OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY ON SATURDAY

These texts may be used for celebrating the Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday, and in Votive Masses of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Any readings from Lectionary #707-712 may be chosen.

#### Option 1

ENTRANCE Sedulius • 11 Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth *to* the King, \* who rules heaven and *earth* for ever.

COMMUNION *Lk 11: 27* · 1 Blessed is the womb of the *Vir*gin Mary, \* which bore the Son of the *eter*nal Father.

#### Option 2

ENTRANCE

Blessed are you, O *Vir*gin Mary, \* who bore the Creator *of* all things. / You became the Mother *of* your Maker, \* and you remain for *ever* Virgin.

COMMUNION $Lk i: 4g \cdot VIII$ He who is mighty has done great *things*for me, \* and holy is his name.

#### Option 3

ENTRANCE *Cf. Jdt 13: 18-19* • 1 Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary, by the Lord *God* Most High, \* above all women *on* the earth; / for he has so exalt*ed* your name, \* that your praise shall be undying *on* our lips.

COMMUNION Cf. Lk I:  $48 \cdot vI$ All generations will *call* me blessed, \* for God has looked on his *low*ly handmaid.

#### Option 4

ENTRANCE Ps  $44: 13, 15, 16 \cdot 11$ All the richest of the people long to see your face: † behind her, her maiden companions are escorted to the King; \* her attendants are escorted to you amid gladness and joy.

COMMUNION IV Praise the Lord our God, † for in Mary his handmaid \* he has fulfilled his promise of mercy to the *house* of Israel.

#### Option 5

ENTRANCE Cf. Lk 1: 28,  $42 \cdot 1$ Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.  $\dagger$  Blessed are you *a*mong women \* and blessed is the fruit *of* your womb.

COMMUNION *Ps 87 (86): 3; Lk 1: 49* • VIII Glorious things are spoken of you, O *Vir*gin Mary, \* for he who is mighty has done great *things* for you.

#### Option 6

The rod of Jesse has blossomed; \* the Virgin has brought forth one who is both *God* and man. / God has *re*stored peace, \* reconciling in himself the depths *and* the heights.

ENTRANCE

COMMUNION  $Ps \, 45 \, (44): 3 \cdot VIII$ Graciousness is poured out upon your lips, \* for God has blessed you for *ever* more.

#### Option 7

ENTRANCE Cf. Lk 1:  $47-48 \cdot \text{VIII}$ Mary said: My spirit reoices in God my Savior, \* because the Lord has looked on his *low*ly handmaid.

COMMUNION $Lk 2: Ig \cdot VI$ Mary treasured *all* these words, \*reflecting on them *in* her heart.

#### **Option** 8

Entrance

Happy are you, holy *Vir*gin Mary, \* and most worthy *of* all praise, / for from you arose the sun of justice, *Christ* our God, \* through whom we have been saved *and* redeemed.

COMMUNION *Cf. Lk 1: 48* · VIII The Lord has looked on his *low*ly handmaid; \* behold, henceforth all generations will *call* me blessed.