FRIDAY Easter Weekday

Entrance Antiphon

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour, alleluia.

First Reading

Acts 15:22-31: It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond essentials.

Response to the Psalm

I will thank you, Lord, among the peoples.

Gospel Acclamation

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them and they follow me.

Gospel Reading

John 15:12-17: What I command you is to love one another.

Communion Antiphon

The Crucified is risen from the dead and has redeemed us. alleluia.

SATURDAY Easter Weekday

Entrance Antiphon

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, alleluia.

First Reading

Acts 16:1-10: Come across to Macedonia and help

Response to the Psalm

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Gospel Acclamation

The Lord who hung for us upon the tree, has risen from the tomb.

Gospel Reading

John 15:18-21: You do not belong to the world because my choice withdrew you from the world.

Communion Antiphon

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.

COMMON MASS TEXTS

THE CONFITEOR: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

THE GLORIA: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

MARIAN ANTHEM



Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia! For he whom thou didst merit to bear, alleluia! Has risen as he said, alleluia! Pray for us to God, alleluia!



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WEEKDAY MASS SHEET

FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER 3rd—8th May 2021

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Please sanitise your hands on entering Church, and remember social distancing, remaining at least two metres away from each other person at all times. Masks or face coverings are mandatory (for all who are not exempt). There will be no singing at Mass and certain other elements are omitted or abbreviated, in order to minimise the amount of time spent inside.

Please pay attention to the guidance of stewards, especially on entering Church, and for the distribution of Holy Communion (which may happen either at the usual moment in the Mass or as you leave Church.)

Communion is given silently in the hand only, with the communicant standing, and avoiding any physical contact. Please wait in your place until invited to move forward for Holy Communion by the Stewards, always being aware of social distancing and remaining at least two metres away from the person in front of you. When you approach the priest or minister, do so with arms at "full stretch" so that there is a good distance between you. Your hands, palms upwards, one of top of the other, should be extended as flatly as possible.

THE SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

"During the Easter Season, there is a semi-continuous reading of the Gospel of John, but with texts that have a paschal character in order to complete the reading from John during Lent. This paschal reading is made up in large part of the Lord's discourse and prayer at the Last Supper. The first reading is a semi-continuous reading from the Acts of the Apostles." (GIL 101)

OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We pray especially for: new members of the Church; vocations; the right use of the media; the Church; human work.

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS (April)

Fundamental Rights: We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.



MONDAY Saint Philip and Saint James, Apostles

Saints Philip and James: Philip was born at Bethsaida. Formerly a disciple of John the Baptist, he became a follower of Christ. James, the son of Alphaeus and cousin of the Lord, ruled the Church at Jerusalem, wrote a Letter and was martyred in the year 62.

Entrance Antiphon

These are the holy men whom the Lord chose in his own perfect love; to them he gave eternal glory, alleluia.

The Gloria is sung or recited.

First Reading

1 Corinthians 15:1-8: The Lord appeared to James, and then to all the apostles.

Response to the Psalm

Their word goes forth through all the earth.

Gospel Acclamation

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord. Philip to have seen me is to have seen the Father.

Gospel Reading

John 14:6-14: Have I been with you all this time, and you still do not know me?

Communion Antiphon

Lord, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us. Whoever has seen men, Philip, has seen the Father also. alleluia.

TUESDAY The English Martyrs

The English Martyrs: on this day in 1535 there died at Tyburn three Carthusian monks, the first of many martyrs. Of these martyrs, forty-two have been canonised and a further 242 declared blessed, but the number of those who died on the scaffold, perished in prison, or suffered harsh persecution for their faith in the course of a century and a half cannot now be reckoned. They came from every walk of life; there are among them rich and poor, married and single, women and men. They are remembered for the example they gave of constancy in their faith, and courage in the face of persecution.

Entrance Antiphon

These who are clothed in white robes are they who have survived the time of great distress and have washed their robes in the blood of the Lamb. alleluia.

First Reading

Acts 7:55-60: Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.

Responsorial Psalm

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

We praise you, O God, we acknowledge you to be the Lord; the noble army of martyrs praise you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 10:17-20: You will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them and the pagans.

Communion Antiphon

To this victor I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of my God, alleluia.



WEDNESDAY Easter Weekday

Entrance Antiphon

Let my mouth be filled with your praise, that I may sing aloud; my lips shall shout for joy, when I sing to you, alleluia.

First Reading

Acts 15:1-6: It was arranged that they should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Response to the Psalm

I rejoiced when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house.'

Gospel Acclamation

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord, I know my sheep and my own know me.

Gospel Reading

John 15:1-8: Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty.

Communion Antiphon

The Lord has risen and shone his light upon us whom he has redeemed by his Blood, alleluia.

THURSDAY Easter Weekday

Entrance Antiphon

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 15:7-21: I rule that we do not make things difficult or pagans who turn to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.

Gospel Acclamation

Christ has risen: he who created all things, and has granted his mercy to men.

Gospel Reading

John 15:9-11: Remain in my love, and let your joy be complete.

Communion Antiphon

Christ died for all, that those who live may live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and is risen, alleluia.