

### Entrance Antiphon

**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 Thessalonians 4:1-8: *What God wants is for you all to be holy.*

### Responsorial Psalm

**Rejoice, you just, in the Lord.**

### Gospel Acclamation

**My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on his word.**

### Gospel Reading

Matthew 25:1-13: *The bridegroom is here, go out and meet him.*

### Communion Antiphon

**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.**

## SATURDAY

### Saint Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church [MEMORIAL]

**Saint Augustine:** born in 354, and thanks to the example and prayers of his mother Monica became a Christian and was chosen as bishop of Hippo, in North Africa. His pastoral care, teaching and writings were exemplary. He died in 430, leaving many works, the most famous being his “Confessions”.

### Entrance Antiphon

**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.**

### First Reading

1 Thessalonians 4:9-11: *You have learnt from God yourselves to love one another.*

### Response to the Psalm

**The Lord comes to rule the people with fairness.**

### Gospel Acclamation

**You will shine in the world like bright stars because you are offering it the word of life.**

### Gospel Reading

Matthew 25:14-30: *You have shown you can be*

*faithful in small things, come and join in your master's happiness.*

### Communion Antiphon

**Thus says the Lord: you have but one teacher, the Christ, and you are all brothers.**

## SOME COMMON MASS TEXTS

### PENITENTIAL RITE

**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.**

### THE MARIAN ANTHEM

**Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn, then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us; and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus: O clement, O loving, O sweet virgin Mary.**

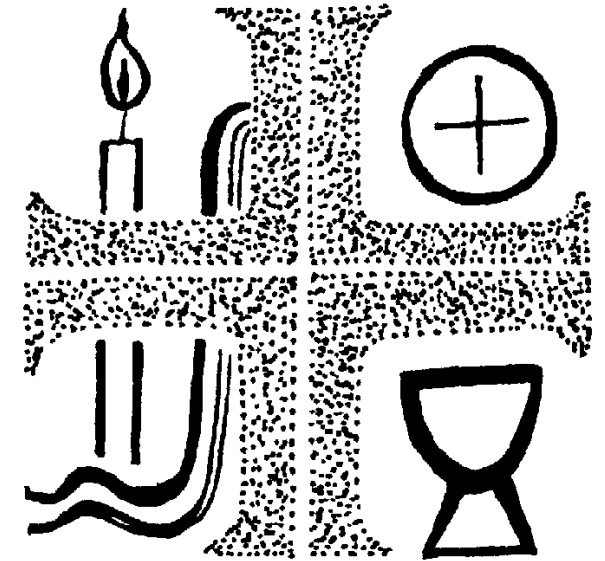


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# WEEKDAY MASS SHEET

## TWENTY FIRST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

### 23rd–28th August 2021



## THE SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

We begin reading Saint Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians; he explains his ministry among them and thanks God and them for their faith; he encourages them to live holy lives. In the Gospel (Matthew 23-25) Jesus attacks the hypocrisy of the scribes and Pharisees; we look forward to the “Day of the Lord” which will come when we do not expect it - so we should use all our talents wisely.

## OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

During Ordinary Time (Summer) we are asked to pray for these intentions: A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews; Those Who Suffer Persecution, Oppression and Denial of Human Rights; Europe; Human Life; Seafarers.

## HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS (August)

The Church: Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.

## MONDAY

### Weekday *or* Saint Rose of Lima, Virgin

[OPTIONAL MEMORIAL]

**Saint Rose of Lima:** born in Peru in 1586, she entered the third order of Saint Dominic and became known as a great mystic, all the time living at home. She died, aged 31, in 1617.

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#### First Reading

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5. 8-10: *You broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and you are waiting for his Son, whom he raised from the dead.*

#### Response to the Psalm

**The Lord takes delight in his people.**

#### Gospel Acclamation

**Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth.**

#### Gospel Reading

Matthew 23:13-22: *Alas for you, blind guides!*

#### Communion Antiphon

**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.**

## TUESDAY

### Saint Bartholomew, Apostle [FEAST]

**Saint Bartholomew:** also known as Nathaniel, born at Cana in Galilee; he was led to Jesus by the apostle Philip, and after the Lord's Ascension tradition has it that he preached the Gospel in India and there suffered martyrdom

#### Entrance Antiphon

**Proclaim the salvation of God day by day; tell among the nations his glory.**

*The Gloria is sung or recited.*

#### First Reading

Apocalypse 21:9-14: *Each of the twelve foundation stones bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.*

#### Responsorial Psalm

**Your friends, O Lord, make known the glorious splendour of your reign.**

#### Gospel Acclamation

**Rabbi, you are the Son of God, you are the King of Israel.**

#### Gospel Reading

John 1:45-51: *There is an Israelite who deserves the name, incapable of deceit.*

#### Communion Antiphon

**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, says the Lord.**

## WEDNESDAY

### Weekday *or* Saint Louis *or* Saint Joseph of Calasanz, Priest

[OPTIONAL MEMORIALS]

**Saint Louis:** born in 1214, he became King Louis IX of France in 1236; he undertook Crusades to the Holy Land, and was famed for humility and love of the Church. He died in Carthage in 1270.

**Saint Joseph Calasanz:** born in Spain in 1557, he went to Rome as a priest devoting great energy to the education of the children of the poor. He faced opposition to this work, but was finally vindicated by the Pope.

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#### First Reading

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13: *Slaving night and day, we were proclaiming the Good News to you.*

#### Response to the Psalm

**O Lord, you search me and you know me.**

#### Gospel Acclamation

**Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.**

#### Gospel Reading

Matthew 23:27-32: *You are the sons of those who murdered the prophets.*

#### Communion Antiphon

**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.**

## THURSDAY

### Weekday *or* Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God [OPTIONAL MEMORIAL]

**Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God (Dominic Barberi):** born in Viterbo in 1792; he became a Passionist and travelled to England in 1841; here he laboured tirelessly, establishing four Passionist houses and bringing many people into the Church by his preaching and writing; he received John Henry (later Cardinal) Newman into the Church. He died at Reading in 1849.

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#### First Reading

1 Thessalonians 3:7-13: *May the Lord be generous in increasing your love and make you love one another and the whole human race.*

#### Responsorial Psalm

**Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.**

#### Gospel Acclamation

**I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.**

#### Gospel Reading

Matthew 24:42-51: *Stand ready.*

#### Communion Antiphon

**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.**

## FRIDAY

### Saint Monica [MEMORIAL]

**Saint Monica:** born in North Africa in 233, she married a pagan called Patricius, with whom she had three children, one of whom was Augustine. Eventually, thanks to her patience and prayer, Patricius was baptised. Monica also prayed for her son Augustine, living an unregulated and wild life; he was baptised in Milan in 387, but as he returned with Monica to Ostia to embark for Africa she fell ill and died.