

of the City of Rome, then deserted and threatened. He is called the "Apostle of England" because it was he who sent Augustine, the prior of Saint Andrew's to minister there, after encountering English slaves in the Forum.

Entrance Antiphon

Blessed Gregory, raised upon the throne of Peter, sought always the beauty of the Lord and lived in celebration of that love.

The Gloria is recited (see back page).

First Reading

1 Thessalonians 2:2-8: We were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our whole lives as well.

Responsorial Psalm

Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.

Gospel Acclamation

The Lord has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:13-19: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church.

Communion Antiphon

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.

SATURDAY

Weekday or Saint Cuthbert, Bishop or Saturday Mass of Our Lady [OPTIONAL MEMORIAL]

Saint Cuthbert: born about 634, Cuthbert died on Farne (Northumberland) on 20 March 687. By tradition a shepherd boy, he became monk and prior at Melrose. After the Synod of Whitby in 664, he became prior of Lindisfarne, and gradually won over the community to Roman customs. In 676 left the monastery to live in solitude on the island of Inner Farne. For the last two years of his life he served as bishop of Lindisfarne but returned to his island to die. He is remembered as the most popular of the Anglo-Saxon saints of Northern England.

Entrance Antiphon

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

[BVM: Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb.]

First Reading

Colossians 1:21-23: God has reconciled you so that you may appear holy and pure.

Response to the Psalm

I have God for my help.

Gospel Acclamation

Instruct me, Lord, in your way; on an even path lead me.

Gospel Reading

Luke 6:1-5: Why are you doing something that is forbidden on the sabbath day?

Communion Antiphon

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

[BVM: Glorious things are spoken of you, O Virgin Mary, for he who is mighty has done great things for you.]

SOME COMMON MASS TEXTS

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.

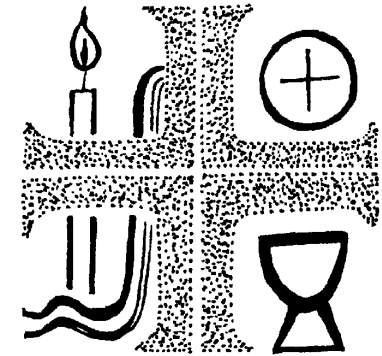


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WEEKDAY MASS SHEET

TWENTY SECOND WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

30th August—4th September 2021



THE SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

1 Thessalonians ends with thoughts about death and the Second Coming of the Lord. Then we move on to Colossians, a letter which encourages the people who have heard the Good News, and talks about the effects of receiving the faith.

The Gospel moves on to Saint Luke: we are taken right back to the beginning of Jesus' public ministry, as he is rejected in Nazareth, and so moves to Capernaum to begin his work. After working miracles, he calls Peter to follow him and begins to encounter opposition from the Pharisees of the town.

OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

During Ordinary Time (Autumn) we are asked to pray for these intentions: Students and Teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; The Harvest; The Fruits of Human Work and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and Their Families.

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS (September)

An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle: We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

MONDAY

Weekday or Saints Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward, Martyrs

[OPTIONAL MEMORIAL]

Margaret Middleton was born in York in 1556, lived there all her life, and died there on 25 March 1586. At 15 she married a butcher, John Clitherow, and three years later became a Catholic. Imprisoned for her non-attendance at church, she taught herself to read and later ran a small school for her own and neighbour's children. Her husband remained Protestant, but allowed her to hide priests at their house. In 1586 the secret hiding places were discovered, and Margaret was put on trial. She refused to plead, for which the punishment was being crushed to death. **Anne Heigham** was born at Dunmow (Essex) around 1565, and was hanged at Tyburn on 27 February 1601. In her teens she became a Catholic and was disinherited, and in 1585 married Roger Line, also a disinherited convert, who was subsequently imprisoned and exiled for his faith, leaving her destitute. She taught and embroidered, and also kept house for priests. After a large number of people had been seen gathering at her house for Mass, she was arrested, tried and condemned to death. **Margaret Ward** was born at Congleton (Cheshire), but entered into the service of a family in London. She was arrested after assisting a priest escape from prison, but refused under severe torture to reveal his hiding place or to renounce her faith. She was tried at the Old Bailey, and executed on this day in 1588.

Entrance Antiphon

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 Thessalonians 4:13-18: God will bring those who have died in Jesus with him.

Response to the Psalm

The Lord comes to rule the earth.

Gospel Acclamation

I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life.

Gospel Reading

Luke 4:16-30: He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor. No prophet is accepted in his own country.

Communion Antiphon

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

TUESDAY

Weekday or Saint Aidan and Saints of Lindisfarne [OPTIONAL MEMORIAL]

Saint Aidan and Saints of Lindisfarne: born in Ireland, Aidan died at Bamburgh (Northumberland) in 651. A monk of Iona, sent to Northumbria when King Oswald asked for help in converting his kingdom, established his monastery on Lindisfarne.

Entrance Antiphon

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 Thessalonians 5:1-6. 9-11: Christ died for us so that we should live united to him.

Response to the Psalm

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living.

Gospel Acclamation

The word of God is something alive and active; it can judge secret emotions and thoughts.

Gospel Reading

Luke 4:31-37: I know who you are, the Holy One of God.

Communion Antiphon

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

WEDNESDAY

Saint Edmund Arrowsmith, Priest and Martyr [FEAST]

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE CARE OF CREATION

Saint Edmund Arrowsmith: born in 1585 at Haydock, Edmund was ordained at Douai and began his work in Lancashire Mission, including Salmesbury and Walton-le-Dale; he was amazingly zealous in his work, despite one arrest; eventually arrested in 1628, he was imprisoned and martyred at Lancaster.

Entrance Antiphon

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 solid rock.

The Gloria is sung or recited (see back page).

First Reading

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

Response to the 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

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

THURSDAY

Weekday

Entrance Antiphon

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

Colossians 1:9-14: God has taken us out of the power of darkness and created a place for us in the kingdom of the Son that he loves.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord as made known his salvation.

Gospel Acclamation

Through the Good News God called us to share the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel Reading

Luke 5:1-11: They left everything and followed him.

Communion Antiphon

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

FRIDAY

Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church [FEAST]

Saint Gregory the Great: born in Rome in 540; he became a civil servant, and eventually was Prefect of the City. He entered the Abbey of Saint Andrew, and was ordained deacon in 578. On the death of Pope Pelagius II in 590 Gregory was elected Pope, showing marvellous pastoral care in preaching, writing, caring for the poor and working for the civil welfare