

First Reading

1 Maccabees 2:15-29: We follow the covenant of our ancestors.

Responsorial Psalm

I will show God's salvation to the upright.

Gospel Acclamation

Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your decrees.

Gospel Reading

Luke 19:41-44: If you had only understood the message of peace!

Communion Antiphon

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

[Memorial: O Lord, you have the words of eternal life, and we have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God.]

FRIDAY Weekday

Entrance Antiphon

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 Maccabees 4:36-37.52-59: They celebrated the dedication of the altar, joyfully offering holocausts.

Response to the Psalm

We praise your glorious name, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Our Saviour Christ Jesus abolished death, and he has proclaimed life through the Good News.

Gospel Reading

Luke 19:45-48: You have turned the house of God into a robber's den.

Communion Antiphon

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

SATURDAY

Weekday or Saturday Mass of Our Lady

Entrance Antiphon

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.

[BVM: Happy are you, holy Virgin 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.]

First Reading

1 Maccabees 6:1-13: I am dying of melancholy because of the wrong I did in Jerusalem.

Responsorial Psalm

I will rejoice in your saving help, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Blessed are those who, with a noble and generous heart, take the word of God to themselves and yield a harvest through their perseverance.

Gospel Reading

Luke 20:27-40: He is God, not of the dead, but of the living.

Communion Antiphon

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

[BVM: The Lord has looked on his lowly handmaid; behold, henceforth all generations will call me blessed.]

THE MARIAN ANTHEM (Salve Regina)

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

THIRTY THIRD WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

15th–20th November 2021



THE SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

This week we read the first and second books of Maccabees: a late story in the history of the people of Israel; oppressed by the Greek invaders, this is the story of their courage under persecution and the value of observing the traditions of Israel. We especially hear the stories of the martyrdoms of the Maccabees - remaining faithful to the Law even when faced with death. The Gospels (Luke 18-20) sees Jesus arrive in Jericho, where he meets the man born blind and Zacchaeus; he tells the parable of the talents, enters Jerusalem and clears the Temple. He engages in debate with the Sadducees.

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 (November)

People Who Suffer from Depression: We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

MONDAY

Weekday *or* **Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church** [OPTIONAL MEMORIAL]

Saint Albert the Great: a great scholar, Albert was born in 1206 and became a Dominican; he was made Bishop of Regensburg in 1260; his interest in natural science left many works. He also wrote much theology; he died in Cologne in 1280.

Entrance Antiphon

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First Reading

1 Maccabees 1:10-15.41-43.54-57.62-64: It was a dreadful wrath that visited Israel.

Response to the Psalm

Give me life, O Lord, and I will do your will.

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 18:35-43: What do you want me to do for you? Let me see again!

Communion Antiphon

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

TUESDAY

Weekday *or* **Saint Margaret of Scotland** *or* **Saint Gertrude, Virgin** *or* **Saint Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop** [OPTIONAL MEMORIALS]

Saint Margaret of Scotland: born in 1045, she was married to King Malcolm III of Scotland in 1070. They had 8 children. She was famed for her generosity to the poor – setting up hospitals and performing menial acts of charity. She died in 1093.

Saint Gertrude: born in Thuringia in 1256, Gertrude was placed in a Cistercian convent. She was exemplary in her

prayer, with a deep awareness of the love of God. She died in 1301.

Saint Edmund of Abingdon: born in 1175. He became archbishop of Canterbury in 1233. He had frequent disputes with the king and it was while on his way to ask for the Pope's support that he died in France in 1231.

Entrance Antiphon

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First Reading

2 Maccabees 6:18-31: I shall have left an example of how to make a good death for the holy laws.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord upholds me.

Gospel Acclamation

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

Gospel Reading

Luke 19:1-10: The Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.

Communion Antiphon

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

WEDNESDAY

Weekday *or* **Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious** *or* **Saint Hilda, Abbess** *or* **Saint Hugh of Lincoln, Bishop** [OPTIONAL MEMORIALS]

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary: born in 1207, daughter of the King of Hungary, she was married at the age of 14; after the death of her husband embraced poverty, caring for the sick in a hospital she herself had built. She died in 1231.

Saint Hilda: born in 614, she was abbess of Whitby, a great centre of learning. She hosted the Synod in 664 – she loyally accepted the Synod's decision and followed Roman traditions thereafter. She died in 680.

Saint Hugh of Lincoln: born in France in 1140 and a Carthusian; became bishop of Lincoln in 1185, and was de-

voted to the pastoral care of his flock – he even helped build the Cathedral with his own hands. He was a supporter of the oppressed, especially the Jewish community, for whom he risked his life. He was declared a saint in 1220.

Entrance Antiphon

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First Reading

2 Maccabees 7:1.20-31: The creator of the world will give you back both breath and life.

Response to the Psalm

I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

When anyone obeys what Christ has said, God's love comes to perfection in him.

Gospel Reading

Luke 19:11-28: Why did you not put my money in the bank?

Communion Antiphon

To be near God is my happiness, to place my hope in God the Lord.

THURSDAY

Weekday *or* **The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saint Peter and Saint Paul, Apostles** [OPTIONAL MEMORIAL]

From the twelfth century the dedications of the Vatican Basilica of Saint Peter and the Basilica of Saint Paul on the Via Ostiense have been kept on this day; it honours the memories of the two Princes of the Apostles.

Entrance Antiphon

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[Memorial: You will make them princes over all the earth; they will remember your name through all generations. Thus the peoples will praise you for ever, from age to age.]