

SATURDAY

St Dominic, Priest

Dominic (c1170-1221) established the Order of Preachers (Dominicans) to revitalise the church through study, teaching, preaching, and prayer. He is remembered as a preacher, organiser and patron of learning.

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: Habbakkuk 1:12-2:4

If the vision comes slowly, wait: it will come without fail.

Responsorial Psalm:

You will never forsake those who seek you, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our mind, so that we can see what hope his call holds for us. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 16:24-28

If your faith were the size of a mustard seed, the mountain would move.

Communion Antiphon:

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.

SYNOD PRAYER

Father, we thank you
for the love you have shown us
in the gift of Jesus, your Son.
We thank you for the gift of the Church,
through which you show us
that you are always with us
and are always at work in our lives.

As we journey together to Synod 2020
help us to become the Church that you are calling us to be.
May your Holy Spirit be powerfully at work among us.
Strengthen each of us and guide Francis, our Pope
and Malcolm, our Archbishop.

Help us to respond
to the challenges of our times in new ways
to bring your love to all our sisters and brothers.
We make this prayer through Jesus Christ Our Lord.
Amen

A PRAYER IN TIME OF DANGER & ILLNESS

God Our Father, each person is precious to You.
You are the Giver of life.
Have mercy on us and protect us at this time,
as the Coronavirus threatens health and life.
You are an ever-present Helper in time of trouble.
Watch over those who are suffering,
give strength to those who are aiding the sick
and give courage to all in this time of anxiety.
We ask this of you in the name of your Son,
Jesus Christ. Amen

WEEKDAY MASS SHEET

ORDINARY TIME WEEK XVIII

2nd August - 8th August 2020

OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We pray especially for: A Deeper Understanding between Christians and others; Those who Suffer Persecution; Oppression and Denial of Human Rights; Europe; Human Life; Seafarers.

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS

Universal - The Maritime World

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

MONDAY Weekday

Entrance Antiphon:

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: Jeremiah 28: 1-17

Hananiah, the Lord has not sent you; and thanks to you this people are now relying on what is false.

Responsorial Psalm:

Lord, teach me your statutes.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; no one can come to the Father except through me. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 14: 22-36

Jesus walks on water.

Communion Antiphon:

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

TUESDAY

St John Vianney, Priest

Known as the Curé d'Ars, John Vianney was a great preacher and confessor, spending up to eighteen hours a day in the confessional. His holiness drew many people to him and he was named patron of parish clergy.

Entrance Antiphon:

Your priests, O Lord, shall be clothed with justice; your holy ones shall ring out their joy.

First Reading: Jeremiah 30: 1-2, 12-15, 18-22

So many are your sins, that I have done this to you. I will restore the tents of Jacob.

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord shall build up Zion again and appear in all his glory.

Gospel Acclamation:

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

Gospel: Matthew 15:1-2, 10-14

Any plant my Father has not planted will be pulled up by the roots.

Communion Antiphon:

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.

WEDNESDAY

Dedication of St Mary Major

St Mary Major is the oldest church in the west dedicated to Our Lady. At the council of Ephesus in 431 the Blessed Virgin Mary was proclaimed 'Theotokos' meaning Mother of God. It was shortly after this that Pope Sixtus II erected a basilica in Rome in her honour.

Entrance Antiphon:

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: Jeremiah 31: 1-7

I have loved you with an everlasting love.

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord will guard us as a shepherd guards his flock.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! By his own choice the Father made us his children by the message of the truth, so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he created. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 15: 21-28

Woman, you have great faith.

Communion Antiphon:

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

THURSDAY

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Entrance Antiphon:

In a resplendent cloud the Holy Spirit appeared. The Father's voice was heard: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased. Listen to him.

The Gloria

First Reading: Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14

His robe as white as snow.

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is king, most high above all the earth.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! This is my Son, the Beloved, he enjoys my favour; listen to him. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 17: 1-9

His face shone like the sun.

Communion Antiphon:

When Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

FRIDAY

Ss Sixtus II, Pope & Companions, Martyrs St Cajetan, Priest

Only twelve months after being elected Pope, Sixtus and six deacons were arrested and martyred in Rome.

Cajetan died in 1547. Together with Pope Paul IV he founded the first congregation of clerks regular. He also ran pawn shops for the poor of Naples to help those in difficulties.

Entrance Antiphon:

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: Nahum 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7

Woe to the city soaked in blood.

Responsorial Psalm:

It is the Lord who deals death and life.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 16: 24-28

What has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

Communion Antiphon:

You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.