

from heaven.

Gospel Acclamation

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

Gospel Reading

Mark 9:2-10: *This is my Son, the Beloved.*

Communion Antiphon

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

SATURDAY

Weekday or Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs or Saint Cajetan, Priest or Saturday Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary

[OPTIONAL MEMORIALS]

Saint Sixtus II and companions: Sixtus became Pope in 257; celebrating Mass in the catacombs, he and his deacons were arrested and executed there and then.

Saint Cajetan: Cajetan, a brilliant lawyer, founded the Congregation of Clerks Regular or "Theatines", to work with the poor and needy. The order spread and its work also embraced the earliest 'credit unions' to assist the poor. Cajetan died in 1547.

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.

[BVM The rod of Jesse has blossomed; the Virgin has brought forth one who is both God and man. God has restored peace, reconciling in himself the depths and the heights.]

First Reading

Deuteronomy 6:4-13: *You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart.*

Response to the Psalm

I love you, Lord, my strength.

Gospel Acclamation

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.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 17:14-20: *If you had faith, nothing would be impossible for you.*

Communion Antiphon

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

[BVM: Graciousness is poured out upon your lips, for God has blessed you for ever more.]

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.

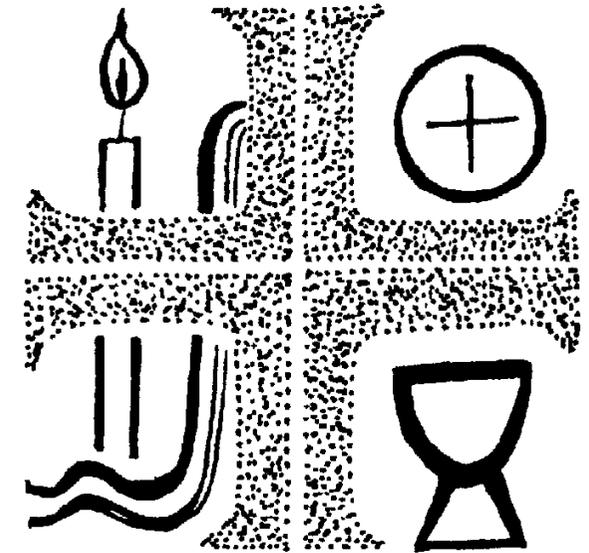


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WEEKDAY MASS SHEET

EIGHTEENTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

2nd—7th August 2021



THE SCRIPTURES THIS WEEK

We follow the story of Israel's journey through the wilderness in the book of Numbers and Deuteronomy: we hear of the problems: the people are fractious and disobedient; they are condemned to wander for 40 years; Moses teaches them the law of God.

The Gospels (Matthew 14-17) relate various events: Jesus feeds the 5,000; he walks on the water; he journeys to Caesarea Philippi, where Peter professes his faith.

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.

THE 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 Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop or Saint Peter Julian Eymard, Priest

[OPTIONAL MEMORIALS]

Saint Eusebius of Vercelli: fourth century bishop, who preached and worked against Arianism; he was exiled for his opposition and suffered greatly. He returned to Vercelli before his death in 371.

Saint Peter Julian Eymard: born in France in 1811, ordained in 1834; after 20 years in the Society of Mary he was dispensed from vows to found the "Priests of the Blessed Sacrament", dedicated to fostering devotion to the Blessed Eucharist. St John Vianney assisted him in his labours. Peter died in 1868.

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

Numbers 11:4-15: *I am not able to carry this nation by myself alone.*

Response to the Psalm

Ring out your joy to God our strength.

Gospel Acclamation

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

Gospel Reading

Matthew 14:13-21: *Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said the blessing. He handed the loaves to his disciples who gave them to the crowds.*

Communion Antiphon

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

TUESDAY

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

Numbers 12:1-13: *There has never been such a*

prophet as Moses; how have you dared to speak against him?

Response to the Psalm

Have mercy on us, Lord, for we have sinned.

Gospel Acclamation

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

Gospel Reading

Matthew 14:22-36: *Tell me to come to you across the water.*

Communion Antiphon

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

WEDNESDAY

Saint John Mary Vianney, Priest [MEMORIAL]

Saint John Mary Vianney: born in Lyons in 1786; after years of struggle he was ordained and was sent to Ars, where by preaching and example of holiness he drew people back to the sacraments, especially the Sacrament of Penance. He died in 1859.

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

Numbers 13:1-2. 25-14:1. 26-29. 34-35: *They refused a land of delight.*

Response to the Psalm

O Lord, remember me out of the love you have for your people.

Gospel Acclamation

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.

Gospel Reading

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

Weekday or The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major [OPTIONAL MEMORIAL]

Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major: the doctrine of Mary, Mother of God was proclaimed at the Council of Ephesus (431); afterwards Pope Sixtus III erected a Basilica on the Esquiline Hill in Rome to honour her, later to be known as St Mary Major.

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

Numbers 20:1-13: *Make water flow for the community out of the rock.*

Response to the Psalm

O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

Gospel Acclamation

The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 16:13-23: *You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.*

Communion Antiphon

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

FRIDAY

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

[FEAST]

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 is recited.

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.

Second Reading

2 Peter 1:16-19: *We heard this ourselves, spoken*