

Friday, 3rd August

Weekday

Entrance Antiphon: **God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.**

First Reading: Jeremiah 26:1-9

The people were all crowding round in the Temple of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: **In your great love, answer me, O God.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Accept God's message for what it really is: God's message, and not some human thinking. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 13:54-58

This is the carpenter's son, surely? Where did the man get this wisdom and these miraculous powers?

Communion Antiphon: **Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.**

Saturday, 4th August

St John Vianney, Priest

John died in 1859, universally known as the Cure d'Ars. He is a model and patron of Parish Priests and was born near Lyons in 1786. He struggled with studies in the seminary but finally was ordained in 1815. He was assigned to the parish of Ars. He remained there for 42 years because the people repeatedly opposed his transfer.

Entrance Antiphon: **God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.**

First Reading: Jeremiah 26:11-16. 24

The Lord has truly sent me to you to say all these words.

Responsorial Psalm: **In your great love, answer me, O God.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are those who, with noble and generous heart, take the word of God to themselves and yield a harvest through their perseverance. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 14:1-12

Herod sent and had John beheaded. John's disciples went off to tell Jesus.

Communion Antiphon: **Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.**

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WEEKDAY MASS SHEET

30th July – 4th August
Week Seventeen, Year II



Monday, 30th July

Weekday or

**St Peter Chrysologus, Bishop
and Doctor of the Church**

It was because of his great ability as a preacher that Peter was given the name Chrysologus, meaning 'Golden Tongued'. He was bishop of Ravenna and died in 450.

Entrance Antiphon: **God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.**

First Reading: Jeremiah 13:1-11

The people will become like this loincloth, good for nothing.

Responsorial Psalm: **You forget the God who fathered you.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Through the Good News God called us to share the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 13:31-35

A mustard seed becomes a tree so that the birds of the air shelter in its branches.

Communion Antiphon: **Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.**

Tuesday, 31st July

St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest

Ignatius was born at Loyola (Spain) in 1491 and died on this day in 1556. He was a soldier who converted after being injured in battle. Ignatius founded the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits) and developed the Spiritual Exercises, where he invites us to become Soldiers of Christ. His motto, and that of the Jesuits, is 'the greater glory of God'.

Entrance Antiphon: At the name of Jesus, every knee should bend of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

First Reading: Jeremiah 14:17-22
Remember, Lord, do not break your covenant with us.

Responsorial Psalm: Rescue us, O Lord, for the glory of your name.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The word of the Lord remains for ever: What is the word? It is the Good News that has been brought to you. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 13:36-43
Just as the darnel is gathered up and burnt in the fire, so it will be at the end of the time.

Communion Antiphon: Thus says the Lord: I have come to cast fire on the earth, and how I wish that it were kindled!

Wednesday, 1st August

**St Alphonsus Mary de Ligouri,
Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

Alphonsus founded the Redemptorists in 1732, an order famed for its preaching and giving of missions. He was a most able preacher who had been a lawyer, obtaining doctorates in both civil and church law before pursuing his vocation to the priesthood. He published books on moral theology and was a much sought after confessor. He was a bishop but resigned and died aged 91 in 1787.

Entrance Antiphon: God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

First Reading: Jeremiah 15:10. 16-21
Why is my suffering continual? If you come back, I will take you back into my service.

Responsorial Psalm: O God, you have been a refuge in the day of my distress.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! You word is a lamp for my steps and a light for my path. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 13:44-46
He sells everything he owns and buys the field.

Communion Antiphon: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

Thursday, 2nd August

Weekday or

**St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop or
St Peter Julian Eymard, Priest**

Eusebius died in 371 and was founder of the Canons Regular (Augustinians) in the west.

Peter died in 1868 and was a friend of St John Vianney. He founded the Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament.

Entrance Antiphon: God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

First Reading: Jeremiah 18:1-6
As the clay is in the potter's hand, so are you in mine.

Responsorial Psalm: He is happy who is helped by Jacob's God.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 13:47-53
They collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use.

Communion Antiphon: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.