

First Reading: 2 Corinthians 9:6-10

God loves a cheerful giver.

Responsorial Psalm: **Happy the man who takes pity and lends.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Anyone who follows me will not be walking in the dark, says the Lord, he will have the light of life. Alleluia!**

Gospel: John 12:24-26

If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him.

Communion Antiphon: **Whoever serves me must follow me and where I am there also will my servant be, says the Lord.**

Saturday, 11th August

St Clare, Virgin

Clare of Assisi died in 1252, a disciple of Francis. She founded the Poor Clare nuns as Abbess for 42 years.

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: Habakkuk 1:12 - 2:4

The upright man will live by his faithfulness.

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 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.**



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WEEKDAY MASS SHEET

**6th August – 11th August
Week Eighteen, Year II**

Monday, 6th August

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** is said.

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 from heaven.

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! This is my Son, the Beloved, he enjoys my favour; listen to him. Alleluia!**

Gospel: 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.**

Tuesday, 7th August

**Weekday or
St Sixtus II and companions, Martyrs or
St Cajetan, Priest**

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

Cajetan was born c. 1480 and died 1547. Together with Pope Paul IV he founded the first congregation of clerks regular. He also ran pawn shops for the poor of Naples, not for profit but to help those in temporary need.

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 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 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, 8th August

St Dominic, Priest

Dominic's first foundation was a monastery of cloistered nuns in 1215 that would support the preaching ministry by their prayers. Although the friars lived a monastic life, Dominic stated that the purpose of the Order was preaching for the salvation of souls. His preference was to make foundations in university cities, but was also interested in the missions. Dominic died in 1221.

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: 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: **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.**

Thursday, 9th August

ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS, VIRGIN AND MARTYR.

PATRON OF EUROPE

Teresa Benedicta was murdered in the gas chambers at Auschwitz in 1942. She was born Edith Stein and her journey to the faith led her from her Jewish roots, through agnosticism to Catholicism. She became a Carmelite nun renowned for her scholarship, life of intense prayer and compassionate to all. Canonised on October 11th 1998, by Blessed Pope John Paul II, she was named co-patroness of Europe in 2000.

Entrance Antiphon: **May I never boast, except in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.**

The **Gloria** is said.

*** Readings as St Cecilia, p 1273 LII, 22nd Nov ***

First Reading: Hosea 2:16-17. 21-22
I will betroth you to myself for ever.

Responsorial Psalm: **Listen, O daughter, give ear to my words.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! This is a wise virgin whom the Lord found watching; she went in to the wedding feast with him when he came. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13
The bridegroom is here; go out and meet him.

Communion Antiphon: **Through I should walk in the valley of the shadow of death, no evil will I fear, for you are with me.**

Friday, 10th August

ST LAWRENCE, DEACON AND MARTYR

Lawrence died in Rome in 258, just four days after Sixtus and his companions. He helped administer funds for the poor. It is said he was burnt to death on a grid iron. After Peter and Paul he is one the principal patrons of Rome.

Entrance Antiphon: **This is the blessed Lawrence who gave himself up for the treasure of the Church: for this he earned the suffering of martyrdom to ascend with joy to the Lord Jesus Christ.**

The **Gloria** is said.