

Gospel: John 1:45-51

There is an Israelite who deserves the name, incapable of deceit.

Communion Antiphon: **I confer a kingdom on you, just as my Father has conferred one on me, that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, says the Lord.**

Saturday, 25th August

**Weekday or
St Louis of France, King or
St Joseph Calasanz, Priest or
Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday**

Louis IX, King of France, died in 1270. He was a model ruler and the father of twelve children. He was a Franciscan Tertiary who cared for lepers. He built the Sainte Chappelle in Paris to house the 'Crown of Thorns'. He died of the plague in Tunis on the Second Crusade.

Entrance Antiphon: **Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.**

BVM Entrance Antiphon No. 7: **Mary said: My spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, because the Lord has looked on his lowly handmaid.**

First Reading: Ezekiel 43:1-7
The glory of the Lord arrived at the Temple.

Responsorial Psalm: **The glory of the Lord will dwell in our land.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Bend my heart to your will, O Lord, and teach me your law. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 23:1-12
They do not practise what they preach.

Communion Antiphon: **With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.**

BVM Communion Antiphon No. 7: **Mary treasured all these words, reflecting on them in her heart.**

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WEEKDAY

MASS SHEET

**20th August – 25th August
Week Twenty, Year II**



Monday, 20th August

St Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church

Bernard died in 1153. He was Abbot of Clairvaux and a spiritual writer, a renowned theologian and a reformer. At the time of his death over 500 Monasteries were following his reformed Cistercian order.

Entrance Antiphon: **Filled by the Lord with a spirit of understanding, blessed Bernard ministered streams of clear teaching to the people of God.**

First Reading: Ezekiel 24:15-24
Ezekiel is to be a sign for you. You are to do just as he has done.

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

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Train me, Lord, to observe your law, to keep it with my heart. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 19:16-22
If you wish to be perfect, sell what you own and you will have treasure in heaven.

Communion Antiphon: **As the Father loves me, so I also love you; remain in my love, says the Lord.**

Tuesday, 21st August

St Pius X, Pope

Born Guiseppe Sarto in Italy in 1835 and died in Rome in 1914. He reformed the liturgy, encouraged participation at Holy Communion, especially amongst the young, and railed against 'modernism'. His motto was 'to renew all things in Christ' and is remembered for his poverty.

Entrance Antiphon: **Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.**

First Reading: Ezekiel 28:1-10
Though you are a man and not a god, you consider yourself the equal of God.

Responsorial Psalm: **It is the Lord who deals death and life.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Teach me your paths, O God, make me walk in your truth. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 19:23-30
It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven.

Communion Antiphon: **With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.**

Wednesday, 22nd August

Queenship of Mary

The feast was introduced by Pope Pius XII to fall on the octave of the Assumption following the ancient tradition that the Mother of the King is, indeed, the Queen of Heaven.

Entrance Antiphon: **At your right stands the queen in robes of gold, finely arrayed.**

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:1-11
I am going to take my flock back from them and I shall not allow them to feed it.

Responsorial Psalm: **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your decrees. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16
Why be envious because I am generous.

Communion Antiphon: **Blessed are you who have believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord will be fulfilled.**

Thursday, 23rd August

ST JOHN WALL, MARTYR

John was martyred at Worcester in 1679. Originally from Lancashire, he became a Franciscan Friar at Douai in 1651. He worked tirelessly as a recusant priest throughout the county of Worcester for twenty-three years and was based for much of that time at Harvington Hall. During the 'Oates Plot' he was named and condemned to death.

Entrance Antiphon: **This holy man fought to the death for the law of his God, never cowed by the threats of the wicked; his house was built on solid rock.**

The **Gloria** is recited.

First Reading: 2 Corinthians 6:4-10
We are taken for paupers though we make others rich.

Responsorial Psalm: **Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Sell all that you own and distribute the money to the poor, then come, follow me. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Luke 18:28-30
We have left all we had to follow you.

Communion Antiphon: **When the storm is over, the wicked man is no more, but the virtuous stand firm for ever.**

Friday, 24th August

ST BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE

Bartholomew, generally identified with Nathanael in John's Gospel, he was called by Christ to become one of the twelve. Tradition has it that he travelled to India and Armenia to preach the Gospel.

Entrance Antiphon: **Proclaim the salvation of God day by day; tell among the nations his glory.**

The **Gloria** is recited.

First Reading: Apocalypse 21:9-14
Each of the twelve foundation stones bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

Responsorial Psalm: **Your friends, O Lord, make known the glorious splendour of your reign.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Rabbi, you are the Son of God, you are the King of Israel. Alleluia!**