

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! I chose you from the world, to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last says the Lord. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Mark 16:15-18

Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News.

Communion Antiphon: **I live by faith in the Son of God, who has loved me and given himself up for me.**

Saturday, 26th January

Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops

Timothy and Titus were companions of St Paul. He addressed letters to them. Timothy was a bishop in Ephesus and Titus a bishop in Crete. Timothy is reputed to be the favourite disciple of Paul and was born of a Greek father and Jewish mother, whereas Titus came from a pagan family and converted to Christianity during Paul's first missionary journey.

Entrance Antiphon: **Tell among the nations his glory, and his wonders among all the peoples, for the Lord is great and highly to be praised.**

First Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-8

I am reminded of the sincere faith which you have.

Alternative First Reading: Titus 1:1-5

To Titus, true child of mine in the faith that we share.

Responsorial Psalm: **Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Luke 10:1-9

The harvest is rich but the labourers are few.

Communion Antiphon: **Go into all the world, and proclaim the Gospel. I am with you always, says the Lord.**

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WEEKDAY

MASS SHEET

21st – 26th January

Week Two, Year I

Monday, 21st January

Weekday

Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

304 saw the martyrdom of Agnes, a young girl of 12. He name is mentioned in the Roman Canon and the Greek calendar of Saints. Agnes was an illustrious martyr who has been honoured since 354.

Entrance Antiphon: **Behold she now follows the Lamb who was crucified for us, powerful in virginity, modesty her offering, a sacrifice on the altar of chastity.**

First Reading: Hebrews 5:1-10

Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering.

Responsorial Psalm: **You are a priest for ever, a priest like Melchizedek of old.**

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

Gospel: Mark 2:18-22

The bridegroom is with them.

Communion Antiphon: **The lamb who is at the centre of the throne, will lead them to the springs of the waters of life.**

Tuesday, 22nd January

Weekday or St Vincent, Deacon & Martyr

St Vincent was a deacon in Saragossa, Spain. He suffered martyrdom at Valencia during the Diocletian persecution around the year 304. He was Spain's first martyr and is patron of Valencia, Lisbon and wine-makers.

Entrance Antiphon: **All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!**

First Reading: Hebrews 6:10-20

In the hope that is held out to us we have an anchor for our soul, as sure as it is firm.

Responsorial Psalm: **The Lord keeps his covenant ever in mind.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Open my eyes, O Lord, that I may consider the wonders of your law. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Mark 2:23-28

The sabbath was made for man, not man for the sabbath.

Communion Antiphon: **You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.**

Wednesday, 23rd January

Saint Nicholas Owen, Martyr

Nicholas Owen was captured on 23 January 1606 at Hindlip House in Worcester and died during brutal torture on 2 March. Working with the Jesuits, Nicholas constructed many priest-holes using his many gifts. In 1600 he became a lay Jesuit brother.

Entrance Antiphon: **All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!**

Owen Antiphon: **You have been granted the privilege for Christ's sake not only of believing in him but of suffering for him as well.**

First Reading: Hebrews 7:1-3. 15-17

You are a priest of the order of Melchizedek, and for ever.

Responsorial Psalm: **You are a priest for ever, a priest like Melchizedek of old.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! The word of God is something alive and active; it can judge secret emotions and thoughts. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Mark 3:1-6

Is it against the law on the sabbath day to save life?

Communion Antiphon: **You have prepared a table before me, and how precious is the chalice that quenches my thirst.**

Owen Antiphon: **No one has greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.**

Thursday, 24th January

Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop

Francis died in 1622 whilst Bishop of Geneva. He is noted as a spiritual director and author. He founded, with St Jane Frances de Chantal, the Visitation Sisters.

Entrance Antiphon: **I will look after my own sheep, says the Lord, and I will appoint a shepherd to pasture them, and I the Lord will be their God.**

First Reading: Hebrews 7:23-8:6

He offered sacrifices by offering himself once and for all.

Responsorial Psalm: **Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Mark 3:7-12

The unclean spirits would shout, 'You are the son of God!' But he warned them strongly not to make him known.

Communion Antiphon: **It was not you who chose me, says the Lord, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last.**

Friday, 25th January

THE CONVERSION OF SAINT PAUL THE APOSTLE

Entrance Antiphon: **I know the one in whom I have believed and I am sure that he, the just judge, the mighty, will keep safe what is my due until that day.**

The Gloria is said.

First Reading: Acts 22:3-16

It is time you were baptised and had your sins washed away while invoking the name of Jesus.

Alternative First Reading: Acts 9:1.22

Lord, what will you have me do?

Responsorial Psalm: **Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News.**