

Gospel Acclamation: Glory and praise to you, O Christ! My soul is waiting for the Lord; I count on his word, because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption. Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

Gospel: Matthew 9:14-15

When the bridegroom is taken from them, then they will fast.

Communion Antiphon: O Lord, make me know your ways, teach me your paths.

Saturday, 9th March

**Saturday after Ash Wednesday
Comm St Frances of Rome**

Entrance Antiphon: Answer us, Lord, for your mercy is kind; in the abundance of your mercies, look upon us.

First Reading: Isaiah 58:9-14

Your light will rise in the darkness.

Responsorial Psalm: Show me, Lord, your way so that I may walk in your truth.

Gospel Acclamation: Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God! Harden not your hearts today, but listen to the voice of the Lord. Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

Gospel: Luke 5:27-32

I have not come to call the virtuous, but sinners to repentance.

Communion Antiphon: I desire mercy, not sacrifice, says the Lord, for I did not come to call the just but sinners.



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WEEKDAY MASS SHEET

**4th March – 9th March
Week 8, Year I
(Including Ash Wednesday)**

Monday, 4th March

**Weekday or
St Casimir, Patron of Poland**

Casimir died in 1484. He was a Prince of Poland and was renowned for his austerity and for being a good friend of the poor. He was elected King of Hungary at the age of 13: He was most chaste and refused marriage. When the Hungarians were reconciled to their own King he renounced the throne and became regent of Poland. He exemplified great piety, prudence and virtue.

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord became my protector. He brought me out to a place of freedom; he saved me because he delighted in me.

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 17:24-29

Return to the Lord and leave sin behind.

Responsorial Psalm: Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord, exult you just!

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

Gospel: Mark 10:17-27

Sell everything you own and follow me.

Communion Antiphon: I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me, sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High.

Tuesday, 5th March

Weekday

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord became my protector: He brought me out to a place of freedom; he saved me because he delighted in me.

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus 35:1-12
A man offers communion sacrifices by following the commandments.

Responsorial Psalm: **I will show God's salvation to the upright.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! You will shine in the world like bright stars because you are offering it the word of life. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Mark 10:28-31
You will be repaid a hundred times over, not without persecutions, now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.

Communion Antiphon: **I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me, sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High.**



ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, 6th March

The Season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and continues until the Mass of the Lord's Supper on the evening of Holy Thursday. The Season of Lent is a preparation for the celebration of Easter.

Entrance Antiphon: **You are merciful to all, O Lord, and despise nothing that you have made. You overlook people's sins, to bring them to repentance, and you spare them, for you are the Lord our God.**

The Gloria is omitted during the season of Lent.

First Reading: Joel 2:12-18
Let your hearts be broken, not your garments torn.

Responsorial Psalm: **Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we have sinned.**

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:20- 6:2
Be reconciled to God...now is the favourable time.

The word Alleluia is neither sung nor said throughout the season of Lent

Gospel Acclamation: **Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! A pure heart create for me, O God, and give me again the joy of your help. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**

Gospel: Matthew 6:1-6. 16-18
Your Father, who sees all that is done in secret, will reward you.

Communion Antiphon: **He who ponders the law of the Lord day and night will yield fruit in due season.**

Thursday, 7th March

**Thursday after Ash Wednesday or
Comm. Ss Perpetua and Lucy**

Entrance Antiphon: **When I cried to the Lord, he heard my voice; he rescued me from those who attack me. Entrust your cares to the Lord, and he will support you.**

First Reading: Deuteronomy 30: 15-20
See, I set before you today a blessing and a curse.

Responsorial Psalm: **Happy the man who has placed his trust in the Lord**

Gospel Acclamation: **Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus! A pure heart create for me, O God, and give me again the joy of your help. Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus!**

Gospel: Luke 9:22-25
Anyone who loses his life for my sake, that man will save it.

Communion Antiphon: **Create a pure heart for me, O God; renew a steadfast spirit within me.**

Friday, 8th March

**Friday after Ash Wednesday or
Comm St John of God**

Entrance Antiphon: **The Lord heard and had mercy on me; the Lord became my helper.**

First Reading: Isaiah 58:1-9
Is not this the sort of fast that pleases me?

Responsorial Psalm: **A humbled, contrite heart, O God, you will not spurn.**