

First Reading: Leviticus 23:1. 4-11. 15-16. 27. 34-37
You are to call these the most solemn festivals of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: **Ring out your joy to God our strength.**

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 his wisdom and these miraculous powers?

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

Saturday, 3rd August

**Weekday or
Votive Mass of the BVM**

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.**

BVM Antiphon (3): **Blessed are you, O Virgin Mary, by the Lord God Most High, above all women on the earth; for he has so exalted your name, that your praise shall be undying on our lips.**

First Reading: Leviticus 25:1. 8-17
In the year of jubilee each of you is to return to his ancestral home.

Responsorial Psalm: **Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are those who, with a 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.**

BVM Antiphon (3): **All generations will call be blessed, for God has looked on his lowly handmaid.**

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WEEKDAY MASS SHEET

**29th July – 3rd August
Week 17, Year I**



Monday, 29th July

St Martha

Martha was not only a faithful disciple but a model of hospitality.

Entrance Antiphon: **Jesus entered a village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home.**

First Reading: Exodus 32:15-24. 30-34
The people who committed a grave sin, making themselves a god of gold.

Responsorial Psalm: **O give thanks to the Lord for he is good.**

NB Gospel for St Martha

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: John 11:19-27
I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of the living God.

Alternative Gospel: Luke 10:38-42
Martha, Martha, you worry and fret about so many things.

Communion Antiphon: **Martha said to Jesus: You are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into this world.**

Tuesday, 30th July

Weekday or

**St Peter Chrysologus, Bishop
& 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: Exodus 33:7-11; 34:5-9. 28
The Lord would speak to Moses face to face.

Responsorial Psalm: **The Lord is compassion and love.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! The word of the Lord remains for ever: What is this 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 time.

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

Wednesday, 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: Exodus 34:29-35
When they saw Moses, they would not venture near him.

Responsorial Psalm: **You are holy, O Lord our God.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! Your 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: **Thus says the Lord: I have come to cast fire on the earth, and how I wish that it were kindled!**

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

First Reading: Exodus 40:16-21. 34-38
The cloud covered the Tent of Meeting and the glory of the Lord God filled the tabernacle.

Responsorial Psalm: **How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord, God of hosts.**

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: **Blessed is that servant, whom his lord finds awake when he comes and knocks at the gate.**

Friday, 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.**