

**and strength and honour, alleluia.**

First Reading: Acts 9:1-20

*This man is my chosen instrument to bring my name before pagans.*

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

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! It was ordained that Christ should suffer and rise from the dead, and so enter into his glory. Alleluia!**

Gospel: John 6:52-59

*My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.*

Communion Antiphon: **The Crucified is risen from the dead and has redeemed us, alleluia.**

**Saturday, 2nd May**

**St Athanasius, Bishop**

*Athanasius was Bishop of Alexandria in Egypt for forty five years. He was a great theologian and is considered on the Fathers of the Church. He chiefly fought against the heresy of Arianism, which says that Jesus is created and, therefore, less than the Father.*

Entrance Antiphon: **You have been buried with Christ in Baptism, through which you also rose again by faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead, alleluia.**

First Reading: Acts 9:31-42

*The churches built themselves up and were filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.*

Responsorial Psalm: **How can I repay the Lord for his goodness to me?**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! We know that Christ is truly risen from the dead; have mercy on us, triumphant King. Alleluia!**

Gospel: John 6:60-69

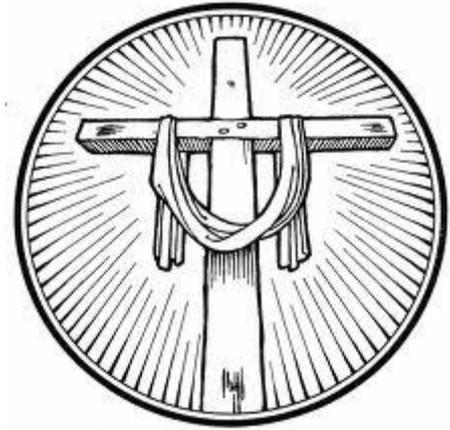
*They saw Jesus walking on the lake.*

Communion Antiphon: **No one can lay a foundation other than the one that is there, namely Jesus Christ, alleluia.**

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# WEEKDAY MASS SHEET

**27<sup>th</sup> April – 2nd May  
Easter Week Three**



**Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> April**

**Weekday in Easter**

Entrance Antiphon: **The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.**

First Reading: Acts 6:8-15

*They could not get the better of Stephen because of his wisdom, and because it was the Spirit that promoted what he said.*

Responsorial Psalm: **They are happy whose life is blameless.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! You believe, Thomas, because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe. Alleluia, alleluia!**

Gospel: John 6:22-29

*Do not work for food that cannot last, but work for food that endures to eternal life.*

Communion Antiphon: **Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you, says the Lord, alleluia.**

**Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> April**

**Weekday in Easter or  
St Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr or  
St Louise de Montfort, Priest**

*Peter was a Marist missionary active in South West Pacific. He was martyred in 1841 for attempting to convert the king's son. Peter was canonised in 1954*

*Louis was the founder of a religious order and was canonised in 1947. A French priest, he died in 1716, who was renowned for his study of Mary. Louis says 'through Mary to Jesus'.*

**Entrance Antiphon: Sing praise to our God, all you who fear God, both small and great, for now salvation and strength have come, and the power of his Christ, alleluia.**

**First Reading: Acts 7:51 – 8:1**  
*Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.*

**Responsorial Psalm: Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.**

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord, I know my sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!**

**Gospel: John 6:30-35**  
*It was not Moses who gave you bread from heaven, it is my Father who gives you the bread from heaven, the true bread.*

**Communion Antiphon: If we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Christ, alleluia.**

**Wednesday, 29<sup>th</sup> April**

**ST CATHERINE OF SIENA,  
VIRGIN & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH  
PATRON OF EUROPE**

*Born in 1347, Catherine entered the Third Order of St Dominic whilst a teenager. She was a leader in the renewal of the Religious Life, challenged Popes and was a mystic. She died in 1380.*

**Entrance Antiphon: Here is a wise virgin, from among the number of prudent, who went forth with lighted lamp to meet Christ, alleluia.**

The **Gloria** is said.

**First Reading: 1 John 1:5-2:2**  
*The blood of Christ purifies us from all sin.*

**Responsorial Psalm: My soul, give thanks to the Lord.**

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!**

**Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30**  
*You have hidden these things from the learned and have revealed them to mere children.*

**Communion Antiphon: If we walk in the light, as God is in the light, then we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of his Son Jesus Christ cleanses us from all sin, alleluia.**

**Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> April**

**Weekday in Easter or  
St Pius V, Pope**

*Pius died in 1572 having reigned as Pope for 6 years. He was a key figure of the Council of Trent, the Counter-Reformation and bringing about harmony within the liturgy. He is, perhaps, also remembered as the Pope who excommunicated Queen Elizabeth I.*

**Entrance Antiphon: Let us sing to the Lord, for he has gloriously triumphed. The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation, alleluia.**

**First Reading: Acts 8:26-40**  
*If you believe with all your heart, you may be baptised.*

**Responsorial Psalm: Cry out with joy to God all the earth.**

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord, who hung for us upon the tree, has risen from the tomb. Alleluia!**

**Gospel: John 6:44-51**  
*I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.*

**Communion Antiphon: Christ died for all, that those who live may live no longer for themselves, but for him, who died for them and is risen, alleluia.**

**Friday, 1st May  
Weekday of Easter or**

**St Joseph the Worker**

*Pope Pius XII established the feast of St Joseph the Worker in 1955. Joseph is patron of workers; being a model for all to follow, not least for his Christian virtues of patience, persistence and hard work.*

**Entrance Antiphon: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom**