

Gospel: Matthew 13: 18-23

*The man who hears the word and understands it, he is the one who yields a harvest.*

Communion Antiphon:

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

## SATURDAY ST JAMES, APOSTLE

*James was martyred in 44 and was the first of the Apostles to die. His tomb at Santiago de Compostella in Spain was one of the greatest medieval places of pilgrimage. Today it attracts thousands of pilgrims, including the Pope in 2010.*

Entrance Antiphon:

As he walked by the sea of Galilee, Jesus saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother mending their nets and he called them.

The Gloria

First Reading: 2 Corinthians 4: 7-15

*We always carry with us in our body the death of Jesus.*

Responsorial Psalm:

Those who are sowing in tears will sing when they reap.

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: Matthew 20: 20-28

*You shall drink my cup.*

Communion Antiphon:

They drank the chalice of the Lord, and became the friends of God.

### SYNOD PRAYER

Father, we thank you  
for the love you have shown us  
in the gift of Jesus, your Son.  
We thank you for the gift of the Church,  
through which you show us  
that you are always with us  
and are always at work in our lives.

As we journey together to Synod 2020  
help us to become the Church that you are calling us to be.  
May your Holy Spirit be powerfully  
at work among us.

Strengthen each of us and guide Francis, our Pope  
and Malcolm, our Archbishop.

Help us to respond  
to the challenges of our times in new ways  
to bring your love to all our sisters and brothers.  
We make this prayer through Jesus Christ Our Lord.  
Amen

## WEEKDAY MASS SHEET ORDINARY TIME WEEK XVI

19<sup>th</sup> July - 25<sup>th</sup> July 2020

### OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*We pray especially for: A Deeper Understanding between Christians and others; Those who Suffer Persecution; Oppression and Denial of Human Rights; Europe; Human Life; Seafarers.*

### THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS

**Universal - Our Families**

*We pray that today's families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.*

## MONDAY

### St Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr

*A native of Antioch, Apollinaris was martyred in the first century. He is said to have been appointed Bishop of Ravenna by St Peter himself. Apollinaris is patron of epilepsy and gout.*

Entrance Antiphon:

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

First Reading: Micah 6: 1-4, 6-8

*The Lord asks only this: to act justly, to love tenderly, to walk humbly.*

Responsorial Psalm:

I will show God's salvation to the upright.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ abolished death, and he has proclaimed life through the Good News. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 12: 38-42

*The Queen of the South will rise up with this generation and condemn it.*

Communion Antiphon:

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

## **TUESDAY**

### **St Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor**

*Lawrence was born in Italy in 1559 and died in Lisbon in 1619. He is remembered for his zealous teaching and promotions of the Catholic reform that followed the Council of Trent.*

#### Entrance Antiphon:

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

#### First Reading: Micah 7: 14-15, 18-20

*To the bottom of the sea throw all our sins.*

#### Responsorial Psalm:

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy.

#### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! When anyone obeys what Christ has said, God's love comes to perfection in him. Alleluia!

#### Gospel: Matthew 12: 46-50

*Stretching out his hand towards his disciples he said, 'Here are my mother and my brothers.'*

#### Communion Antiphon:

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful, has made a memorial of his wonders; he gives food to those who fear him.

## **WEDNESDAY**

### **ST MARY MAGDALENE**

*Mary became an ardent follower of Jesus and was present at the crucifixion. In St Mark's Gospel she is the first witness of the Risen Lord.*

#### Entrance Antiphon:

The Lord said to Mary Magdalene: Go to my brothers and tell them: I am going to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.

#### The Gloria

#### First Reading: Song of Songs 3: 1-4

*I found him whom my heart loves.*

#### Alternative: Corinthians 5:14-17

*We do not judge anyone by the standards of the flesh.*

#### Responsorial Psalm:

For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

#### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way. The tomb the Living did enclose; I saw Christ's glory as he rose. Alleluia!

#### Gospel: John 20: 1-2, 11-18

*Woman, why are you weeping? Who are you looking for?*

#### Communion Antiphon:

The love of Christ impels us, so that those who live may live no longer for themselves, but for him who died for them and was raised.

## **THURSDAY**

### **ST BRIDGET, RELIGIOUS PATRON OF EUROPE**

*Before she founded the Bridgettines she was married with eight children, one of whom was St Catherine of Sweden. She is remembered for her dedication to reform within the Church and her lifelong mystical experience of Christ's passion.*

#### Entrance Antiphon:

I am like an olive tree in the house of God. I trust in the mercy of God, for ever and ever.

#### The Gloria

#### First Reading: Galatians 2: 19-20

*I live now not with my own life but with the life of Christ who lives in me.*

#### Responsorial Psalm:

I will bless the Lord at all times.

#### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! Remain in my love, says the Lord; whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!

#### Gospel: John 15: 1-8

*Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty.*

#### Communion Antiphon:

My heart overflows with noble words. To the king I address the song I have made.

## **FRIDAY**

### **St Sharbel Makhluf, Priest**

*Born in Lebanon, Sharbel became a monk and had a great devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. Later he became a hermit until his death in 1898.*

#### Entrance Antiphon:

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

#### First Reading: Jeremiah 3: 14-17

*I will give you shepherds after my own heart; all the nations will gather in Jerusalem.*

#### Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord will guard us as a shepherd guards his flock.

#### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. Alleluia!