# SATURDAY Weekday

O Antiphons: O Root of Jesse

### Entrance Antiphon:

He who is to come will come and will not delay, and now there will be no fear within our land, for he is our Saviour.

First Reading: Judges 13: 2-7, 24-25

The birth of Samson was announced by an angel.

## Responsorial Psalm:

My lips are filled with your praise, with your glory all the day long.

# Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! Root of Jesse, set up as a sign to the peoples, come to save us, and delay no more. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 1: 5-25

The birth of John the Baptist was announced by Gabriel.

## Communion Antiphon:

The Dawn from on high will visit us, guiding our feet in the way of peace.

[SUNDAY O Antiphons: O Key of David]

# A PRAYER IN TIME OF DANGER & ILLNESS

God Our Father, each person is precious to You. You are the Giver of life.

Have mercy on us and protect us at this time, as the Coronavirus threatens health and life. You are an ever-present Helper in time of trouble. Watch over those who are suffering, give strength to those who are aiding the sick and give courage to all in this time of anxiety. We ask this of you in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen

# 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.

and Malcolm, our Archbishop.

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

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**



# THIRD WEEK OF ADVENT

13th December -19th December 2020

### **OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

During Advent and Christmastide we pray especially for: Openness to the Word of God, Migrants and Refugees and Expectant Mothers.

### THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS

Evangelisation - For a life of prayer We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.

# **MONDAY**

# St John of the Cross Priest and Doctor of the Church

Born in 1542 at Fontiverios in Spain, John died in Ubedea on this day. A Carmelite, he joined St Teresa of Jesus in the work of Carmelite reform and despite opposition and imprisonment organised the Carmelites. He is remembered for his mystical writings, which combine theology and poetry to describe the spiritual journey through darkness to union with God.

### **Entrance Antiphon**:

May I never boast, except in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

<u>First Reading</u>: Numbers 24:2 - 7.25-17 A star from Jacob takes the leadership.

<u>Responsorial Psalm</u>: Lord, make me know your ways.

<u>Gospel Acclamation</u>: Alleluia, Alleluia! The Lord will come, go out to meet him. Great is his beginning and his reign will have no end. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 21:23-27

John's baptism: where did it come from?

# **Communion Antiphon:**

Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross and follow me, says the Lord.

# TUESDAY Weekday

**Entrance Antiphon**: Christ our King is coming, he is the Lamb foretold by John.

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:5-8

I will raise a virtuous Branch for David.

<u>Response to the Psalm</u>: In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails.

<u>Gospel Acclamation</u>: Alleluia, Alleluia! Look, the Lord will come to save his people. Blessed those who are ready to meet him. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 1:18-24

How Jesus Christ came to be born.

<u>Communion Antiphon</u>: His name will be called Emmanuel which means God-with-us.

# WEDNESDAY Weekday

<u>Entrance Antiphon</u>: The Lord will come and will not delay. He will illumine what is hidden in darkness and reveal himself to all the nations.

<u>First Reading</u>: Isaiah 45:6-8,18,21-25 *I, the Lord, shall create deliverance* 

<u>Response to the Psalm</u>: Send victory like a dew, you heavens, and let the clouds rain it down.

<u>Gospel Acclamation</u>: Alleluia, Alleluia! Seek the Lord while he is still to be found, call to him while he is still near. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 7:19-23

"Are you the one who is to come?"

<u>Communion Antiphon</u>: Behold, our Lord will come with power and will enlighten the eyes of his servants.

# THURSDAY Weekday

O Antiphons: O Wisdom

<u>Entrance Antiphon</u>: Rejoice, O heavens, and exult, O earth, for our Lord will come to show mercy to his poor.

<u>First Reading</u>: Genesis 49: 2.8-10 The sceptre shall not pass from Judah.

<u>Responsorial Psalm:</u> In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails.

<u>Gospel Acclamation:</u> Alleluia, Alleluia! Wisdom of the Most High, ordering all things with strength and gentleness, come and teach us the way of truth. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 1: 1-17

A genealogy of Jesus Christ son of David.

<u>Communion Antiphon:</u> Behold, the Desired of all the nations will come, and the house of the Lord will be filled with glory.

# FRIDAY Weekday

O Antiphons: O Adonai

## Entrance Antiphon:

Christ our King is coming, he is the Lamb foretold by John.

First Reading: Jeremiah 23: 5-8

I will raise a virtuous Branch for David.

# Responsorial Psalm:

In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails.

# **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, Alleluia! Ruler of the House of Israel, who gave the law to Moses on Sinai, come and save us with outstretched arm. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 1: 18-24

Jesus is born of Mary who was betrothed to Joseph, son of David.

### Communion Antiphon:

His name will be called Emmanuel, which means God-with-us.