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# East Hendred Catholic Parish

## September 2023



The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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 SUNDAY 22A
 [Green]

 3th September
 9.30am
 Parish Mass (Canon Peter)
 Pro populo

 11.15am
 Mass at St Patrick's (Canon Peter)

 6pm
 Holy Mass (Fr David)

Friday 8th SeptemberThe Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary8.30amHoly Mass at Hendred House Chapel(Fr Matthew Topham)6pmHoly Mass at St Mary's (Fr Matthew)

#### SUNDAY 23A

10<sup>th</sup> September

[Green] 9.30am Parish Mass (Fr Matthew) Pro populo 11.15am Mass at St Patrick's (Fr Matthew) 6pm Holy Mass (Fr Matthew)

 Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September
 Holy Cross Day

 6pm
 Holy Mass
 (Fr Matthew Topham)

## SUNDAY 24A

17<sup>th</sup> September

[Green] 9.30am Parish Mass (Fr Matthew) Pro populo 11.15am Mass at St Patrick's (Fr Matthew) 6pm Holy Mass (Fr Matthew)

 Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September
 Saint Matthew

 6pm
 Holy Mass
 (Fr Matthew Topham)

SUNDAY 25A 24<sup>th</sup> September [Green] 9.30am Parish Mass (Fr Matthew) Pro populo 11.15am Mass at St Patrick's (Fr Matthew) 6pm Holy Mass (Fr Matthew)

 Friday 29th September
 Michaelmas

 6pm
 Holy Mass
 (Fr Matthew Topham)

# **Pastoral Letter**

# **Contact Details**

# Y Dear People,

How very good it is to be with you today, and to begin with you a new chapter in the Catholic life of East Hendred and its parish.

For my part, I am very much looking forward to getting stuck into the life of this place: I hope I may count on your benevolence, at least!

The arrival of a new priest is a chance for a renewal of zeal, a consolidation of what has been done, and a time to look forward in hope to what the Lord is doing here.

It is quite impossible for any priest, least of all me, to do any of this alone: we will need to work together to help the parish grow and flourish, and bear true witness to the Catholic Faith which we have received.

With God's blessings,

Fr. Matthew

If you need to speak to a priest, please contact Fr David O'Sullivan, Parish Priest of Wantage, on 07554 427063 until the 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

Further details will follow to contact Fr Matthew Topham from the  $12^{\text{th}}$  September on.

Arrangements for Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals or other meetings are most conveniently made by e-mail to the Parish Secretary:

Ma Lluïsa Jarne: <a href="mailto:office@hendredcatholicparish.org.uk">office@hendredcatholicparish.org.uk</a>

or after Sunday mass or on Mondays, 6pm-8pm, on 07983045824.

# Year of Prayer to the Holy Spirit

**ON** 1<sup>st</sup> February 2023. Bishop Philip presented us with the challenge to 'to establish or pledge to develop six holy habits':

- to keep Sunday special, a family day, by attending Mass.
- to spend five minutes a day in prayer using the Scriptures
- to do penance on Fridays, and to serve the poor and needy
- every fortnight to make a Holy Half Hour before the Blessed Sacrament
- to go to Confession once a month
- join a small group for formation, prayer, and fellowship

# GIVING

#### SECOND COLLECTIONS

# The Second Collection on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September is for Education Sunday and is for the Catholic Education Service.

Catholic schools make up 10% of the national total of maintained schools in England and Wales, educating over 850,000 pupils.

If you would like to give to the collection, please donate online at: <u>https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/catholic-education-service-</u> <u>second-collection-2023</u>. This collection will open on 4<sup>th</sup> September and will close on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2023.

There is a Second Collection for Home Mission on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September.

#### DIDCOT

To help with supplying the Didcot Foodbank, contact Veronica Paget: <u>veronicapaget@hotmail.com</u> or leave suitable food outside her front door.

**GIVING TO THE PARISH** (*NB some changes here w.e.f.* 1<sup>st</sup> January) BY REGULAR STANDING ORDER OR GIFT

#### BANK DETAILS: CDP East Hendred, St Mary Sort Code: 309304 Account Number: 00877183

Please note: though the Bank Account Name has changed, the Sort Code and Account Number have not changed. New arrangements need to specify 'CDP East Hendred, St Mary': the prefix PRCDT has been superseded.

#### To arrange Gift Aid, contact : <a href="mailto:office@hendredcatholicparish.org.uk">office@hendredcatholicparish.org.uk</a>

Please let us know (if you are a UK Taxpayer) if you are happy for us to claim Gift Aid. At the start of the tax year we need anybody in Gift Aid to let us know if they are no longer taxpayers. In that case we should not make a claim.

Donations to the parish: <u>www.hendredcatholicparish.org.uk</u> <u>The Donate button links to 'Give as you Live'</u>

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS



#### THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

#### THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED

Annie Furlong, Gwenda, Martha, Helen Lewis, John Castle, Daniel Cuevas, John Stringer, Louise Woodhouse, Brenda Paddon, Karen Greig, Mary McNichol, Des McNichol, Meg Clark, Madeline Brand, Mary Dorothy Ruple and Peter Kilgarriff.

#### **FR MATTHEW TOPHAM**

Fr Matthew will start his service as Priest in Charge of Hendred Catholic Parish from the 8<sup>th</sup> September 2023. Please pray for him and for Suzie, his wife, and for their children Ambrose (4), Frances (3), and Perpetua (1).

#### THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

**Week 27<sup>th</sup> August – 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2023:** Matilda Dearlove, Charles Arthur France, Charles Thomas Western, Gertrude Murphy, Percy Barry, Fr Abban Quinn P.P.

**Week 3<sup>rd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> September 2023:** Helena Brown, Eddie Reedy, Sidney Harris, Maureen Eyston, Thomas Smyth, Catherine Kent, Joyce McKenzie, Fred Anns, Peter&Gill Acton, Madeleine Mary Egan, Joseph Champ, Irene Jane Gilbert, Nenita Young, Norman Mulford.

**Week 10<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> September 2023:** Georgina Atkinson, Agnes Froud, Eddie Kelly, Vincento Fosella, Michael Higgins, Wilfrid Mulford, James Davies, George Castle, John Henry Savile, Eileen Harper, Bob Ryan.

**Week 17<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2023:** Albert Wheatley, James Bridger, Gertrude Keenex, William Castle, Edward Reavey.

**Week 24<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023:** Fr Anthony Birrer, Janer Curley, Charles Francis Eyston, Ida Stafford Northcote, Bride Gertrude Hudson, Horace Tuson.

## **NOTICEBOARD**

#### Weekday Mass re-commences at St Mary's with changes:

With Fr Matthew's arrival, Sunday Mass will continue as present with 9:30am in St Mary's, 11:15am in St Patrick's and 6pm in St Mary's.

Weekday masses will re-commence at St Mary's **from Tuesday 12th September** as follows:

Tuesdays:	Mass at 9:15am
Wednesdays:	Mass at 9.15am
Thursdays:	Mass at 9.00am
Fridays:	Mass at 8.30am in Hendred House Chapel
Saturdays:	Mass at 9.15am

There will be **no weekday Mass on Mondays** as this will be Fr Matthew's day off.

The time of Mass on Thursdays will change to 9am, to better accommodate S. Amand's School, who attend on that day during Term. The first school Mass will be on the 7<sup>th</sup> September.

#### There will be additional masses at 6pm at S. Mary's on the:

14<sup>th</sup> September (Holy Cross Day), 21<sup>st</sup> September (S. Matthew), and

29<sup>th</sup> September (Michaelmas)

#### ST MARY'S YOUTH GROUP!

We will meet on 12<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023 from 7.30pm to 9pm in the Parish Rooms.

We invite the young people to a space where they can chill out from school, have a bit of fun with people their own age, and explore their faith. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please reach out to David or Gemma Guest on <u>davegem2022@gmail.com</u> or 07717417835. Please support our young people and group in your prayers.

#### **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO STEWARD AT 9.30am SUNDAY MASS:**

A volunteer (or more) is needed to complete the rota for Sunday Mass stewarding at 9.30am. If you are willing to do it, we will explain everything that the stewarding intails.

Please contact us through the parish email: <u>office@hendredcatholicparish.org.uk</u> We need you!!!!!

#### COFFEE AFTER 9.30am MASS AT ST MARY'S:

Coffee after the 9.30 Mass will resume on the first Sunday of September. **Volunteers are needed!!!!** for the after-Mass coffee so if anyone would like to volunteer, please contact Francia Kilgarriff on 07899 675784.

#### **PORTSMOUTH CATHEDRAL WEST WINDOW:**

Due to deterioration in the leadwork of the Cathedral West window specialist contractors have removed the glass for restoration costing more than  $\pounds100,000$ . Local parishioners and the wider Diocese are encouraged to help fundraise and donate to help with the costs. People may text WINDOW to 70560 to donate  $\pounds10$  to the appeal. email to:fundraising@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Note for newsletters: Parishioners are invited to join Fr Mark Hogan and the Dominican Sisters on 30th September for a free day of thanksgiving, prayer, fellowship, and formation in Winchester. To register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/diocesan-day-for-catechists-registration-598927286637

#### MARRIAGE FAMILY LIFE: Event coming up:

If you have been married for at least 10 years, then why not treat yourselves to a marriage enrichment workshop? Workshop includes Lunch St John's Cathedral hall - Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2023. 9:30am-4pm. rsvp: <u>marriagefamilylife@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk</u>, by 30th August 2023, to register. Cost £20/couple. Donations welcome.

## CAFOD HARVEST MEETINGS: CAFOD Catholic Agency for Overseas Developmen

Come and find out about CAFOD's work.

CAFOD Portsmouth is hosting two meetings in September so that volunteers and supporters can find out more about our work. **The first meeting is on Saturday 9th September at St Bedes Church hall, Popley Way, Basingstoke RG24 9DX from 10:30 am to 12:30pm** where Philippe Mougin CAFOD's Emergency Response Leader will talk about our work in Pakistan after last year's floods.

The second meeting is on Saturday 16th September at St Michael & All Angels Church Hall, Dunsbury Way, Leigh Park PO9 5BD from 10:30am to 1:30pm (lunch is provided) where Sara Moreno from CAFOD's Partner **SIEMBRA** from Colombia will speak about her work with human and environmental rights defenders.

Everyone is welcome but please book so that we have an idea of numbers by emailing Jo Lewry <a href="mailto:portsmouth@cafod.org.uk">portsmouth@cafod.org.uk</a>

#### THE SEASON OF CREATION

The Season of Creation runs **from 1st September to 4th October**, the feast day of St Francis of Assisi. The theme is 'Let Justice and Peace Flow' Amos (5:24). To help, Caritas has created a specific webpage (<u>https://caritasportsmouth.org.uk/season-of-creation/</u>) to share ideas, resources, and events. Further information can be found on the Season of Creation (<u>https://seasonofcreation.org/</u>) website.

# **FORTHCOMING KNOCK PILGRIMAGE ON THE 2<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER 2023** for parishioners within the Diocese:

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, **2nd October 2023**. £699.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight, all transfers, 4 nights in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single supplement £150.00. Contact Patricia or Natali on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

#### **ONLINE SEMINAR FOR ALL CATHOLICS to explore strategies to fulfil** their mission to bring people closer to Christ:

The Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth in partnership with the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales is delighted to release details of an **online seminar on Tuesday 21st November** exploring strategies for all Catholics to fulfil their mission to bring people closer to Christ. The keynote address will be given by internationally acclaimed and bestselling author Sherry Anne Weddell from the Catherine of Siena Institute. Sherry has developed numerous unique formation resources that are used around the world and trained and helps lead an international team who have worked directly with over 130,000 lay, religious, and ordained Catholics in hundreds of parishes in 150 (arch)dioceses on 5 continents. Her book Forming Intentional Disciples has sold more than 150,000 copies. Tickets are priced at £10 per person and can be purchased by scanning the QR with your Smart Phone or by clicking on the following link:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/engaging-the-disengaged-how-toaccompany-non-religious-persons-tickets-646139539757

# **DIOCESE POSITION VACANCY:** PA to Vicar for Clergy and Administrator for Clergy Support Team

Please find the whole description at the end of the Bulletin.



Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) Antiphons, Prayers and Readings

### **Entrance Antiphon**

Miserere mihi, Domine

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you. *Cf Ps 86:3, 5* 

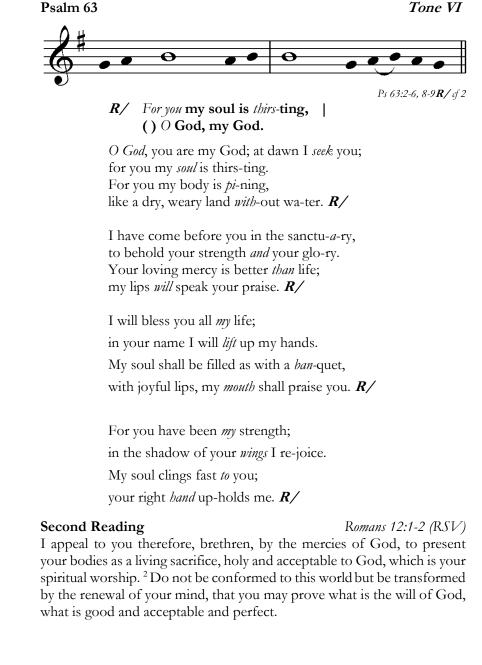
## Collect

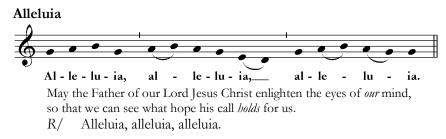
God of might, giver of every good gift, put into our hearts the love of your name, so that, by deepening our sense of reverence, you may nurture in us what is good and, by your watchful care, keep safe what you have nurtured. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever

## **First Reading**

Jeremiah 20:7-9 (RSV)

O LORD you have deceived me, and I was deceived; you are stronger than I, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all the day; every one mocks me. <sup>8</sup> For whenever I speak, I cry out, I shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. <sup>9</sup> If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.





## *Matthew* 16:21-27 (RSV)

<sup>21</sup> From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. <sup>22</sup> And Peter took him and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid, Lord! This shall never happen to you." <sup>23</sup> But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me; for you are not on the side of God, but of men." <sup>24</sup>Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. <sup>25</sup> For whoever would save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. <sup>26</sup> For what will it profit a man, if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? <sup>27</sup> For the Son of man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay every man for what he has done.

#### Prayer over the Offerings

May this sacred offering, O lord, confer on us always the blessing of salvation, that what it celebrates in mystery it may accomplish in power. Through Christ our Lord.

## Preface VI

## (De pignore æterni Paschali)

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. For in you we live and move and have our being, and while in this body we not only experience the daily effects of your care, but even now possess the pledge of life eternal. Form having received the first fruits of the Spirit, through whom you raised up Jesus from the dead, we hope for an everlasting share in the Paschal Mystery. And so, with all the Angels, we praise you, as in joyful celebration we acclaim: Holy, holy, holy &c.

### **Communion Antiphon**

Quam magna multitudo How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

Ps 31:20

## **Prayer after Communion**

Renewed by this bread from the heavenly table, we beseech you, Lord, that, being the food of charity, I may confirm our hearts and stir us to serve you in our neighbour. Through Christ our Lord.

## Salve Regina

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy! Hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!

## Scripture Reading Week 22 [II]

Monday	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	Luke 4:16-30
Tuesday	1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11	Luke 4:31-37
Wednesday	Colossians 1:1-8	Luke 4:38-44
Thursday	Colossians 1:9-14	Luke 5:1-11
Friday	Colossians 1:15-20	Luke 5:33-39
Saturday	Colossians 1:21-23	Luke 6:1-5
Sunday 23A	Ezekiel 33:7-9	
-	Romans 13:8-10	Matthew 18:15-20

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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) Antiphons, Prayers and Readings

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

Iustus es, Domine

You are just, O Lord, and your judgment is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love. Ps 119:137, 124

#### Collect

O God, by whom we are redeemed and receive adoption, look graciously upon your beloved sons and daughters, that those who believe in Christ may receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever

#### **First Reading**

Ezekiel 33:7-9 (RSV)

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: <sup>7</sup> "So you, son of man, I have made a watchman for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. <sup>8</sup> If I say to the wicked, O wicked man, you shall surely die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand. <sup>9</sup> But if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way; he shall die in his iniquity, but you will have saved your life.



*R*/ O that today you would listen to his voice!Har - den not your hearts.

Come, let us ring out our joy to the Lord; hail the rock who saves us. Let us come into his presence, giv-ing thanks, let us hail him with a song of praise. R/

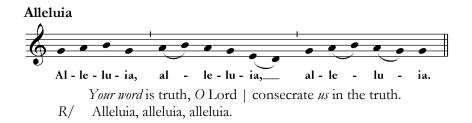
O come; let us bow and *bend* low. Let us kneel before the *God* who made us, for he is our God ~ and we the people who belong to his *pas*-ture, the flock that is *led* by his hand. **R**/

O that today you would listen to *his* voice! 'Harden not your hearts as *at* Me-ri-bah, as on that day at Massah in the *de*-sert when your forebears put me to the test; ~ when they tried me, though *they* saw my work.' *R*/

## Second Reading

Romans 13:8-10 (RSV)

<sup>8</sup>Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbour has fulfilled the law. <sup>9</sup>The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not kill, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this sentence, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." <sup>10</sup>Love does no wrong to a neighbour; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.



Matthew 18:15-20 (RSV)

Jesus said to his disciples: <sup>15</sup> "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. <sup>16</sup> But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. <sup>17</sup> If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. <sup>18</sup> Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. <sup>19</sup> Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. <sup>20</sup> For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

#### Prayer over the Offerings

O God, who give us the gift of true prayer and of peace, graciously grant that, through this offering, we may do fitting homage to your divine majesty and, by partaking of the sacred mystery, we may be faithfully united in mind and heart. Through Christ our Lord.

#### **Preface VII**

(De salute per obædientiam Christi)

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. For you so loved the world that in your mercy you sent us the Redeemer, to live like us in all things but sin, so that you might love in us what you have loved in your Son, by whose obedience we have been restored to those gifts of yours that, by sinning, we had lost in disobedience. And so, with all the Angels and Saints, we, too, give you thanks, as in exultation we acclaim: Holy, holy &c.

#### **Communion Antiphon**

Quemadmodum desiderat cervus

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God. *cf Ps 42:2, 3* 

#### Prayer after Communion

Grant that your faithful, O Lord, whom you nourish and endow with life through the food of your Word and heavenly Sacrament, may so benefit from your beloved Son's great gifts that we may merit an eternal share in his life. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

#### Salve Regina

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy! Hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!

## Scripture Reading (Week 23 Year 1)

	Romans 14:7-9	Matthew 18:21-35
Sunday 24A	ay 24A Ecclesiasticus 27:30 – 28:7	
Saturday	1 Timothy 1:15-17	Luke 6:43-49
Friday	1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14	Luke 6:39-42
Holy Cross Day	Philippians 2:6-11	John 3:13-17
Wednesday	Colossians 3:1-11	Luke 6:20-26
Tuesday	Colossians 2:6-15	Luke 6:12-19
Monday	Colossians 1:24 – 2:3	Luke 6:6-11

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## Twenty-Fourth Sunday in

Ordinary Time (A)

Antiphons,

**Prayers and Readings** 

### **Entrance Antiphon**

Da pacem, Domine

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel. *Cf Sir 36:18* 

### Collect

Look upon us, O God, Creator and ruler of all things, and, that we may feel the working of your mercy, grant that we may serve you with all our heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever

## **First Reading**

Sirach 27:30-28:7 (RSV)

Anger and wrath, these also are abominations,

and the sinful man will possess them.

He that takes vengeance will suffer vengeance from the Lord, and he will firmly establish his sins.

Forgive your neighbour the wrong he has done,

and then your sins will be pardoned when you pray.

Does a man harbour anger against another,

and yet seek for healing from the Lord?

Does he have no mercy toward a man like himself,

and yet pray for his own sins?

If he himself, being flesh, maintains wrath,

who will make expiation for his sins?

Remember the end of your life, and cease from enmity,

remember destruction and death, and be true to the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not be any with your

neighbour;

remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook ignorance.



## R/| The Lord is com-pas-sio-*nate* and gra-cious.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, *his* ho-ly name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all *his* be-ne-fits. **R**/

It is the Lord who forgives all *your* sins, who heals every *one* of your ills, who redeems your life from *the* grave, who crowns you with mercy *and* com-pas-sion, **R**/

He will not always *find* fault; nor persist in his an-*ger* for ever. He does not treat us according to *our* sins nor repay us accord-*ing* to our faults. R/

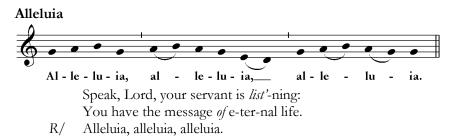
For as the heavens are high above *the* earth, So strong his mercy for those who fear him. As far as the east is from *the* west

so far from us does he remove our trans-gres-sions. R/

## Second Reading

Romans 14:7-9 (RSV)

None of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.



#### Matthew 18:21-35 (RSV)

Peter came up and said to Jesus, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. "Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat he said, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison till he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you besought me; and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord delivered him to the jailers, till he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

#### Prayer over the Offerings

Look with favour on our supplications, O Lord, and in your kindness accept these, your servants' offerings, that what each has offered to the honour of your Name, may serve the salvation of all. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface VIII

## (De Ecclesia adunata ex unitate Trinitatis)

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God. For, when your children were scattered afar by sin, through the Blood of your Son and the power of the Spirit, you gathered them again to yourself, that a people, formed as one by the unity of the Trinity, made the body of Christ and the temple of the Holy Spirit, might, to the praise of your manifold wisdom, be manifest as the Church. And so, in company with the choirs of Angels, we praise you, and with joy we proclaim: Holy, holy, holy &c.

Communion AntiphonQuam pretiosa est misericordia tuaHow precious is your mercy, O God!The children of men seek shelterin the shadow of your wings.cf Ps 36:8

#### Prayer after Communion

May the working of this heavenly gift, O Lord, we pray, take possession of our minds and bodies, so that its effects, and not our desires, may always prevail in us. Through Christ our Lord.

#### Salve Regina

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy! Hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!

## Scripture Reading (Week 24 Year 1)

	Philippians 1:20-24	Matthew 20:1-16
Sunday 25A	Isaiah 55: 6-9	
Saturday	1 Timothy 6:13-16	Luke 8:4-15
Friday	1 Timothy 6:2-12	Luke 8:1-3
Thursday	1 Timothy 4:12-16	Luke 7:36-50
Wednesday	1 Timothy 3:14-16	Luke 7:31-35
Tuesday	1 Timothy 3:1-13	Luke 7:11-17
Monday	1 Timothy 2:1-8	Luke 7:1-10

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Twenty-Fifth Sunday in
Ordinary Time (A)
Antiphons,
Prayers and Readings

#### **Entrance Antiphon**

Salus populi ego sum

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in any distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

#### Collect

O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbour, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever

## **First Reading**

Isaiah 55:6-9 (RSV)

Seek the LORD while he may be found,

call upon him while he is near;

<sup>7</sup> let the wicked forsake his way,

and the unrighteous man his thoughts;

let him return to the LORD, that he may have mercy on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

<sup>8</sup>For my thoughts are not your thoughts,

neither are your ways my ways, says the LORD.

<sup>9</sup> For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.



### R/The Lord is close to all who call him | ()

*I will* bless you day af - *ter* day and praise your name for ever *and* e-ver. *R*/ The Lord is great and highly to *be* praised; his greatness can-*not* be measured.

The Lord is kind and full of com- *pa* -ssion slow to anger, abounding *in* mer-cy. How good is the Lord *to* all, compassionate to all *his* crea-tures. **R**/

The Lord is just in all *his* ways, and holy in *all* his deeds. The Lord is close to all who call him, who call on *him* in truth. **R**/

#### Second Reading

Philippians 1:20-24, 27 (RSV)

Christ will be honoured in my body, whether by life or by death. <sup>21</sup> For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. <sup>22</sup> If it is to be life in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. <sup>23</sup> I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. <sup>24</sup> But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account.... <sup>27</sup> Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you stand firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel,

Alleluia



## Matthew 20:1-16 (RSV)

At that time, Jesus said to the disciples, 'the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard.<sup>2</sup> After agreeing with the labourers for a denarius a day, he sent them into his vineyard. <sup>3</sup> And going out about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place; <sup>4</sup> and to them he said, 'You go into the vineyard too, and whatever is right I will give you.' So they went. <sup>5</sup>Going out again about the sixth hour and the ninth hour, he did the same. <sup>6</sup> And about the eleventh hour he went out and found others standing; and he said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' <sup>7</sup>They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You go into the vineyard too.' 8 And when evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his steward, 'Call the labourers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last, up to the first.'9 And when those hired about the eleventh hour came, each of them received a denarius. <sup>10</sup> Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received a denarius.<sup>11</sup> And on receiving it they grumbled at the householder, <sup>12</sup> saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' <sup>13</sup> But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius? 14 Take what belongs to you, and go; I choose to give to this last as I give to you. <sup>15</sup> Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?' <sup>16</sup> So the last will be first, and the first last."

## Prayer over the Offerings

Receive with favour, O Lord, we pray, the offerings of your people, that what they profess with devotion and faith may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries. Through Christ our Lord.

#### Preface

(I De mysterio paschali et de populo Dei)

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Lord, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through Christ our Lord. For through his Paschal Mystery, he accomplished the marvellous deed, by which he has freed us from the yoke of sin and death, summoning us to the glory of being now called a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for your own possession, to proclaim everywhere your mighty works, for you have called us out of darkness into your own wonderful light. And so, with Angels and Archangels, with Thrones and Dominions, and with all the hosts and Powers of heaven, we sing the hymn of your glory, as without end we acclaim: Holy, holy, holy &cc. Communion AntiphonTu mandasti mandata tuaYou have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways befirm in keeping your statutes.of Ps 119:4-5

## Prayer after Communion

Graciously raise up, O Lord, those you renew with this Sacrament, that we may come to possess your redemption both in mystery and in the manner of our life. Through Christ our Lord.

## Salve Regina

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy! Hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!

## Scripture Reading (Week 25 Year 1)

Monday	Ezra 1:1-6	Luke 8:16-18		
Tuesday	Ezra 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20	Luke 8:19-21		
Wednesday Ezra 9:5-9		Luke 9:1-6		
Thursday	Haggai 1:1-8	Luke 9:7-9		
Friday	Haggai 2:1-9	Luke 9:18-22		
Saturday	Zechariah 2:1-5, 10-11a	Luke 9:43b-45		
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[907(2)] Genesis 2:4b-9, 15; [908(2)] 2 Thessalonians 3:6-12, 16 [911 (1)] Matthew 6:31-34

## ST PATRICK AND ST MICHAEL's Michaelmas (Feast of Title)

[647] Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 Revelation 12:7-12a John 1:47-51

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