



# WEEKDAY PRAYER SHEET

**26<sup>th</sup> August – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024**  
**21<sup>ST</sup> WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME**  
**YEAR B**

**MONDAY 26<sup>th</sup> August 2024**  
**Monday of the 21st Week of Ordinary Time**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;  
save the servant who trusts in you, my God.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

**FIRST READING:**

2 Thessalonians 1:1-5,11-12

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

*Ps 95:1-5*

**R.** Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

O sing a new song to the Lord,  
sing to the Lord all the earth.  
O sing to the Lord, bless his name. **R.**

Proclaim his help day by day,  
tell among the nations his glory  
and his wonders among all the peoples. **R.**

The Lord is great and worthy of praise,  
to be feared above all gods;  
the gods of the heathens are naught. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;  
I know them, and they follow me.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 23:13-22

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord;  
you bring forth bread from the earth  
and wine to cheer the heart.

**TUESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> August 2024**  
**St Monica**

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:**

Behold a wise woman who has built her house.

She feared the Lord and walked in the right path

**FIRST READING:**

2 Thessalonians 2:1-3,14-17

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

*Ps 95:10-13*

**R.** The Lord comes to judge the earth.

Proclaim to the nations: 'God is king.'  
The world he made firm in its place;  
he will judge the peoples in fairness. **R.**

Let the heavens rejoice and earth be glad,  
let the sea and all within it thunder praise,  
let the land and all it bears rejoice,  
all the trees of the wood shout for joy  
at the presence of the Lord for he comes,  
he comes to rule the earth. **R.**

With justice he will rule the world,  
he will judge the peoples with his truth. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
The word of God is living and active;  
it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 23:23-26

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

Whoever does the will of my heavenly Father is my brother, and sister, and mother, says the Lord

**WEDNESDAY 28th August 2024**  
**St Augustine**

**ENTRANCE ANTHIPHON:**

In the midst of the Church he  
opened his mouth,  
and the Lord filled him  
with the spirit of wisdom and  
understanding  
and clothed him in a robe of glory.

**FIRST READING:**

2 Thessalonians 3:6-10,16-18

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

*Ps 127:1-2, 4-5*

**R.** Happy are those who fear the  
Lord.

O blessed are those who fear the  
Lord  
and walk in his ways!  
By the labour of your hands you  
shall eat.  
You will be happy and prosper. **R.**

Indeed thus shall be blessed  
the man who fears the Lord.  
May the Lord bless you from Zion  
all the days of your life! **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Whoever keeps the word of Christ,  
grows perfect in the love of God.  
Alleluia!.

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 23:27-32

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

In the midst of the Church he  
opened his mouth,  
and the Lord filled him  
with the spirit of wisdom and  
understanding  
and clothed him in a robe of glory.

**THURSDAY 29th August 2024**  
**The Passion of St John the  
Baptist**

**ENTRANCE ANTHIPHON:**

I spoke, O Lord, of your decrees  
before kings,  
and was not confounded;  
I pondered your commands and loved  
them greatly.

**FIRST READING:** Jeremiah 1:17-19

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

*Ps 70:1-6, 15, 17*

**R.** I will sing your salvation.

In you, O Lord, I take refuge;  
let me never be put to shame.  
In your justice rescue me, free me:  
pay heed to me and save me. **R.**

Be a rock where I can take refuge,  
a mighty stronghold to save me;  
for you are my rock, my stronghold.  
Free me from the hand of the  
wicked. **R.**

It is you, O Lord, who are my hope,  
my trust, O Lord, since my youth.  
On you I have leaned from my birth,  
from my mother's womb you have  
been my help. **R.**

My lips will tell of your justice  
and day by day of your help.  
O God, you have taught me from my  
youth  
and I proclaim your wonders still. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy are they who suffer  
persecution for justice' sake;  
the kingdom of heaven is theirs.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Mark 6:17-29

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

John answered and said:  
He must increase; but I must  
decrease.

**FRIDAY 30th August 2024**  
**Friday of the 21st Week in Ordinary Time**

**ENTRANCE ANTHIPHON:**

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;  
save the servant who trusts in you,  
my God.  
Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry  
to you all the day long.

**FIRST READING:** 1 Corinthians  
1:17-25

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** *Ps 32:1-2, 4-5, 10-11*

**R.** The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;  
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.  
Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp,  
with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. **R.**

For the word of the Lord is faithful  
and all his works to be trusted.  
The Lord loves justice and right  
and fills the earth with his love. **R.**

He frustrates the designs of the nations,  
he defeats the plans of the peoples.  
His own designs shall stand for ever,  
the plans of his heart from age to age. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Be watchful, pray constantly,  
that you may be worthy to stand  
before the Son of Man.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 25:1-13

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

The earth is replete with the fruits of  
your work, O Lord;  
you bring forth bread from the earth  
and wine to cheer the heart.

**SATURDAY 31st August 2024**  
**Saturday of the 21st week in Ordinary Time**

**ENTRANCE ANTHIPHON:**

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;  
save the servant who trusts in you,  
my God.  
Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry  
to you all the day long.

**FIRST READING:** 1 Corinthians  
1:26-31

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

*Ps 32:12-13, 18-21*

**R.** Happy the people the Lord has  
chosen to be his own.

They are happy, whose God is the  
Lord,  
the people he has chosen as his  
own.  
From the heavens the Lord looks  
forth,  
he sees all the children of men. **R.**

The Lord looks on those who revere  
him,  
on those who hope in his love,  
to rescue their souls from death,  
to keep them alive in famine. **R.**

Our soul is waiting for the Lord.  
The Lord is our help and our shield.  
To him do our hearts find joy.  
We trust in his holy name. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
I give you a new commandment:  
love one another as I have loved  
you.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL:** Matthew 25:14-30

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:**

The earth is replete with the fruits of  
your work, O Lord;  
you bring forth bread from the earth  
and wine to cheer the heart.

# Benediction Hymns and Prayer

## O SAVING VICTIM

O saving victim, op'ning wide  
The gate of heav'n to us below.  
Our foes press on from ev'ry side,  
Thine aid supply, thy strength  
bestow.

All praise and thanks to thee ascend  
For evermore, blest One in Three;  
O grant us life that shall not end,  
In our true native land with thee.  
Amen.

## HYMN OF ADORATION

Down in adoration falling,  
This great sacrament we hail;  
Ancient types have long departed  
Newer rites of grace prevail  
Faith for all defects supplying  
Where the feeble senses fail.

Glory let us give and blessing  
To the Father and the Son,  
honour, might and praise addressing  
while eternal ages run;  
Equal praise to him confessing  
who proceeds from both as one.

AMEN

V. You have given them bread from  
heaven

R. Having in itself all delight.

## SWEET SACRAMENT DIVINE

Sweet Sacrament Divine,  
hid in thy earthly home,  
Lo! Round thy lowly shrine,  
with suppliant hearts we come.  
Jesus, to thee our voice we raise  
in songs of love and heartfelt  
praise,  
Sweet Sacrament Divine.

Sweet Sacrament of Peace,  
dear home of every heart,  
where restless yearnings cease,  
and sorrows all depart.  
There in thine ear, all trustfully  
We tell our tale of misery  
Sweet Sacrament of Peace.

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## PRAYER FOR PRIESTLY & RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS

**Celebrant:** At the sight of the crowds, Jesus' heart was moved.

**Response:** For they were like sheep without a shepherd.

**Celebrant:** Jesus said, 'The harvest is ready.'

**Response:** But the labourers are few.

**Celebrant:** Ask the Lord to send our labourers for the harvest.

**Response:** O Lord, we pray for more young people to answer  
the call to become priests and religious in your harvest.

**Celebrant:** And shepherd for your people.

**Response:** Amen.