

# Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

Lectionary: 572A

Reading I

Gn 3:9-15, 20

After Adam had eaten of the tree,

the LORD God called to him and asked him, “Where are you?”

He answered, “I heard you in the garden;

but I was afraid, because I was naked,

so I hid myself.”

Then he asked, “Who told you that you were naked?

You have eaten, then,

from the tree of which I had forbidden you to eat!”

The man replied, “The woman whom you put here with me—

she gave me fruit from the tree, and so I ate it.”

The LORD God then asked the woman,

“Why did you do such a thing?”

The woman answered, “The serpent tricked me into it, so I ate it.”

Then the LORD God said to the serpent:

“Because you have done this, you shall be banned

from all the animals

and from all the wild creatures;

On your belly shall you crawl,

and dirt shall you eat

all the days of your life.

I will put enmity between you and the woman,

and between your offspring and hers;

He will strike at your head,  
while you strike at his heel.”  
The man called his wife Eve,  
because she became the mother of all the living.

OR:

[Acts 1:12-14](#)

After Jesus had been taken up to heaven,  
the Apostles returned to Jerusalem  
from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem,  
a sabbath day’s journey away.

When they entered the city  
they went to the upper room where they were staying,  
Peter and John and James and Andrew,  
Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew,  
James son of Alphaeus, Simon the Zealot,  
and Judas son of James.

All these devoted themselves with one accord to prayer,  
together with some women,  
and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

## Responsorial Psalm

87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7

R. (3) Glorious things are told of you, O city of God.  
His foundation upon the holy mountains  
the LORD loves:  
The gates of Zion,  
more than any dwelling of Jacob.

R. Glorious things are told of you, O city of God.

Glorious things are said of you,

O city of God!

And of Zion they shall say:

“One and all were born in her;

And he who has established her

is the Most High LORD.”

R. Glorious things are told of you, O city of God.

They shall note, when the peoples are enrolled:

“This man was born there.”

And all shall sing, in their festive dance:

“My home is within you.”

R. Glorious things are told of you, O city of God.

**Alleluia**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

O happy Virgin, you gave birth to the Lord;<sup>[L]</sup><sub>[SEP]</sub>

O blessed mother of the Church,<sup>[L]</sup><sub>[SEP]</sub>

you warm our hearts with the Spirit of your Son Jesus Christ.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel**

**Jn 19:25-34**

Standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother

and his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Clopas,

and Mary of Magdala.

When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple there whom he loved,

he said to his mother, “Woman, behold, your son.”

Then he said to the disciple,

“Behold, your mother.”

And from that hour the disciple took her into his home.

After this, aware that everything was now finished,

in order that the Scripture might be fulfilled,

Jesus said, "I thirst."

There was a vessel filled with common wine.

So they put a sponge soaked in wine on a sprig of hyssop

and put it up to his mouth.

When Jesus had taken the wine, he said,

"It is finished."

And bowing his head, he handed over the spirit.

Now since it was preparation day,

in order that the bodies might not remain on the cross on the sabbath,

for the sabbath day of that week was a solemn one,

the Jews asked Pilate that their legs be broken

and they be taken down.

So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first

and then of the other one who was crucified with Jesus.

But when they came to Jesus and saw that he was already dead,

they did not break his legs,

but one soldier thrust his lance into his side,

and immediately Blood and water flowed out.

## Tuesday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

Lectionary: 348

Reading I

Sir 35:1-12

To keep the law is a great oblation,  
and he who observes the  
commandments sacrifices a peace offering.  
In works of charity one offers fine flour,  
and when he gives alms he presents his sacrifice of praise.  
To refrain from evil pleases the LORD,  
and to avoid injustice is an atonement.  
Appear not before the LORD empty-handed,  
for all that you offer is in fulfillment of the precepts.  
The just one's offering enriches the altar  
and rises as a sweet odor before the Most High.  
The just one's sacrifice is most pleasing,  
nor will it ever be forgotten.  
In a generous spirit pay homage to the LORD,  
be not sparing of freewill gifts.  
With each contribution show a cheerful countenance,  
and pay your tithes in a spirit of joy.  
Give to the Most High as he has given to you,  
generously, according to your means.  
For the LORD is one who always repays,  
and he will give back to you sevenfold.  
But offer no bribes, these he does not accept!  
Trust not in sacrifice of the fruits of extortion.  
For he is a God of justice,  
who knows no favorites.

## Responsorial Psalm

50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23

R. (23b) To the upright I will show the saving power of God.

“Gather my faithful ones before me,

those who have made a covenant with me by sacrifice.”

And the heavens proclaim his justice;

for God himself is the judge.

R. To the upright I will show the saving power of God.

“Hear, my people, and I will speak;

Israel, I will testify against you;

God, your God, am I.

Not for your sacrifices do I rebuke you,

for your burnt offerings are before me always.”

R. To the upright I will show the saving power of God.

“Offer to God praise as your sacrifice

and fulfill your vows to the Most High.

He that offers praise as a sacrifice glorifies me;

and to him that goes the right way I will show the salvation of God.”

R. To the upright I will show the saving power of God.

**Alleluia**

**See Mt 11:25**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;

you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the Kingdom.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel**

**Mk 10:28-31**

Peter began to say to Jesus,

‘We have given up everything and followed you.’”

Jesus said, “Amen, I say to you,

there is no one who has given up house or brothers or sisters  
or mother or father or children or lands  
for my sake and for the sake of the Gospel  
who will not receive a hundred times more now in this present age:  
houses and brothers and sisters  
and mothers and children and lands,  
with persecutions, and eternal life in the age to come.  
But many that are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

## Memorial of Saint Philip Neri, Priest

Lectionary: 349

Reading I

Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17

Come to our aid, O God of the universe,  
look upon us, show us the light of your mercies,  
and put all the nations in dread of you!

Thus they will know, as we know,  
that there is no God but you, O Lord.

Give new signs and work new wonders.

Gather all the tribes of Jacob,  
that they may inherit the land as of old,  
Show mercy to the people called by your name;  
Israel, whom you named your firstborn.

Take pity on your holy city,  
Jerusalem, your dwelling place.

Fill Zion with your majesty,  
your temple with your glory.

Give evidence of your deeds of old;  
fulfill the prophecies spoken in your name,  
Reward those who have hoped in you,  
and let your prophets be proved true.

Hear the prayer of your servants,  
for you are ever gracious to your people;  
and lead us in the way of justice.

Thus it will be known to the very ends of the earth  
that you are the eternal God.

## Responsorial Psalm

79:8, 9, 11 and 13

R. (Sirach 36:1b) Show us, O Lord, the light of your kindness.  
Remember not against us the iniquities of the past;  
may your compassion quickly come to us,  
for we are brought very low.

R. Show us, O Lord, the light of your kindness.  
Help us, O God our savior,  
because of the glory of your name;  
Deliver us and pardon our sins  
for your name's sake.

R. Show us, O Lord, the light of your kindness.  
Let the prisoners' sighing come before you;  
with your great power free those doomed to death.  
Then we, your people and the sheep of your pasture,  
will give thanks to you forever;

through all generations we will declare your praise.

R. Show us, O Lord, the light of your kindness.

**Alleluia**

**Mk 10:45**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Son of Man came to serve,  
and to give his life as a ransom for many.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel**

**Mk 10:32-45**

The disciples were on the way, going up to Jerusalem,  
and Jesus went ahead of them.

They were amazed, and those who followed were afraid.

Taking the Twelve aside again, he began to tell them  
what was going to happen to him.

“Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man  
will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes,  
and they will condemn him to death  
and hand him over to the Gentiles who will mock him,  
spit upon him, scourge him, and put him to death,  
but after three days he will rise.”

Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee,  
came to Jesus and said to him,

“Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.”

He replied, “What do you wish me to do for you?”

They answered him,

“Grant that in your glory  
we may sit one at your right and the other at your left.”

Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking.  
Can you drink the chalice that I drink  
or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?”  
They said to him, ‘We can.’  
Jesus said to them, “The chalice that I drink, you will drink,  
and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized;  
but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give  
but is for those for whom it has been prepared.”  
When the ten heard this, they became indignant at James and John.  
Jesus summoned them and said to them,  
“You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles  
lord it over them,  
and their great ones make their authority over them felt.  
But it shall not be so among you.  
Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant;  
whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all.  
For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve  
and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

## Thursday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

Lectionary: 350

Reading I

Sir 42:15-25

Now will I recall God’s works;  
what I have seen, I will describe.  
At God’s word were his works brought into being;

they do his will as he has ordained for them.  
As the rising sun is clear to all,  
so the glory of the LORD fills all his works;  
Yet even God's holy ones must fail  
in recounting the wonders of the LORD,  
Though God has given these, his hosts, the strength  
to stand firm before his glory.  
He plumbs the depths and penetrates the heart;  
their innermost being he understands.  
The Most High possesses all knowledge,  
and sees from of old the things that are to come:  
He makes known the past and the future,  
and reveals the deepest secrets.  
No understanding does he lack;  
no single thing escapes him.  
Perennial is his almighty wisdom;  
he is from all eternity one and the same,  
With nothing added, nothing taken away;  
no need of a counselor for him!  
How beautiful are all his works!  
even to the spark and fleeting vision!  
The universe lives and abides forever;  
to meet each need, each creature is preserved.  
All of them differ, one from another,  
yet none of them has he made in vain,  
For each in turn, as it comes, is good;  
can one ever see enough of their splendor?

**Responsorial Psalm**

33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

R. (6a) By the word of the Lord the heavens were made.

Give thanks to the LORD on the harp;

with the ten-stringed lyre chant his praises.

Sing to him a new song;

pluck the strings skillfully, with shouts of gladness.

R. By the word of the Lord the heavens were made.

For upright is the word of the LORD

and all his works are trustworthy.

He loves justice and right;

of the kindness of the LORD the earth is full.

R. By the word of the Lord the heavens were made.

By the word of the Lord the heavens were made;

by the breath of his mouth all their host.

He gathers the waters of the sea as in a flask;

in cellars he confines the deep.

R. By the word of the Lord the heavens were made.

Let all the earth fear the Lord;

let all who dwell in the world revere him.

For he spoke, and it was made;

he commanded, and it stood forth.

R. By the word of the Lord the heavens were made.

**Alleluia**

**Jn 8:12**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the light of the world, says the Lord;

whoever follows me will have the light of life.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

## Gospel

Mk 10:46-52

As Jesus was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a sizable crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind man, the son of Timaeus, sat by the roadside begging.

On hearing that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say,

“Jesus, son of David, have pity on me.”

And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent.

But he kept calling out all the more, “Son of David, have pity on me.”

Jesus stopped and said, “Call him.”

So they called the blind man, saying to him,

“Take courage; get up, Jesus is calling you.”

He threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus.

Jesus said to him in reply, “What do you want me to do for you?”

The blind man replied to him, “Master, I want to see.”

Jesus told him, “Go your way; your faith has saved you.”

Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way.

## Friday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

Lectionary: 351

Reading I

Sir 44:1, 9-13

Now will I praise those godly men,  
our ancestors, each in his own time.

But of others there is no memory,  
for when they ceased, they ceased.

And they are as though they had not lived,  
they and their children after them.

Yet these also were godly men  
whose virtues have not been forgotten;

Their wealth remains in their families,  
their heritage with their descendants;

Through God's covenant with them their family endures,  
their posterity, for their sake.

And for all time their progeny will endure,  
their glory will never be blotted out.

## Responsorial Psalm

149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b

R. (see 4a) The Lord takes delight in his people.  
or:

R. Alleluia.

Sing to the LORD a new song  
of praise in the assembly of the faithful.

Let Israel be glad in their maker,  
let the children of Zion rejoice in their king.

R. The Lord takes delight in his people.  
or:

R. Alleluia.

Let them praise his name in the festive dance,

let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.  
For the LORD loves his people,  
and he adorns the lowly with victory.

R. The Lord takes delight in his people.

or:

R. Alleluia.

Let the faithful exult in glory;

let them sing for joy upon their couches;  
Let the high praises of God be in their throats.

This is the glory of all his faithful. Alleluia.

R. The Lord takes delight in his people.

or:

R. Alleluia.

**Alleluia**

**See Jn 15:16**

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I chose you from the world,  
to go and bear fruit that will last, says the Lord.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel**

**Mk 11:11-26**

Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple area.  
He looked around at everything and, since it was already late,  
went out to Bethany with the Twelve.

The next day as they were leaving Bethany he was hungry.

Seeing from a distance a fig tree in leaf,  
he went over to see if he could find anything on it.

When he reached it he found nothing but leaves;

it was not the time for figs.

And he said to it in reply, "May no one ever eat of your fruit again!"

And his disciples heard it.

They came to Jerusalem,

and on entering the temple area

he began to drive out those selling and buying there.

He overturned the tables of the money changers

and the seats of those who were selling doves.

He did not permit anyone to carry anything through the temple area.

Then he taught them saying, "Is it not written:

*My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples?*

*But you have made it a den of thieves."*

The chief priests and the scribes came to hear of it

and were seeking a way to put him to death,

yet they feared him

because the whole crowd was astonished at his teaching.

When evening came, they went out of the city.

Early in the morning, as they were walking along,

they saw the fig tree withered to its roots.

Peter remembered and said to him, "Rabbi, look!

The fig tree that you cursed has withered."

Jesus said to them in reply, "Have faith in God.

Amen, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain,

'Be lifted up and thrown into the sea,'

and does not doubt in his heart

but believes that what he says will happen,

it shall be done for him.

Therefore I tell you, all that you ask for in prayer,  
believe that you will receive it and it shall be yours.  
When you stand to pray,  
forgive anyone against whom you have a grievance,  
so that your heavenly Father may in turn  
forgive you your transgressions.”

## Saturday of the Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

Lectionary: 352  
Reading I

Sir 51:12cd-20

I thank the LORD and I praise him;  
I bless the name of the LORD.  
When I was young and innocent,  
I sought wisdom openly in my prayer  
I prayed for her before the temple,  
and I will seek her until the end,  
and she flourished as a grape soon ripe.  
My heart delighted in her,  
My feet kept to the level path  
because from earliest youth I was familiar with her.  
In the short time I paid heed,  
I met with great instruction.  
Since in this way I have profited,  
I will give my teacher grateful praise.  
I became resolutely devoted to her—

the good I persistently strove for.  
My soul was tormented in seeking her,  
My hand opened her gate  
and I came to know her secrets.  
I directed my soul to her,  
and in cleanness I attained to her.

## Responsorial Psalm

19:8, 9, 10, 11

R. (9ab) The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.  
The law of the LORD is perfect,  
refreshing the soul.

The decree of the LORD is trustworthy,  
giving wisdom to the simple.

R. The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.  
The precepts of the LORD are right,  
rejoicing the heart.

The command of the LORD is clear,  
enlightening the eye.

R. The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.  
The fear of the LORD is pure,  
enduring forever;

The ordinances of the LORD are true,  
all of them just.

R. The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.  
They are more precious than gold,  
than a heap of purest gold;  
Sweeter also than syrup

or honey from the comb.

R. The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

**Alleluia**

See Col 3:16a, 17c

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly;  
giving thanks to God the Father through him.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel**

Mk 11:27-33

Jesus and his disciples returned once more to Jerusalem.

As he was walking in the temple area,  
the chief priests, the scribes, and the elders  
approached him and said to him,

“By what authority are you doing these things?  
Or who gave you this authority to do them?”

Jesus said to them, “I shall ask you one question.

Answer me, and I will tell you by what authority I do these things.

Was John’s baptism of heavenly or of human origin? Answer me.”

They discussed this among themselves and said,

“If we say, ‘Of heavenly origin,’ he will say,  
‘Then why did you not believe him?’

But shall we say, ‘Of human origin’?”—

they feared the crowd,

for they all thought John really was a prophet.

So they said to Jesus in reply, “We do not know.”

Then Jesus said to them,

“Neither shall I tell you by what authority I do these things.”

# The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Lectionary: 165

Reading I

Dt 4:32-34, 39-40

Moses said to the people:

"Ask now of the days of old, before your time,

ever since God created man upon the earth;

ask from one end of the sky to the other:

Did anything so great ever happen before?

Was it ever heard of?

Did a people ever hear the voice of God

speaking from the midst of fire, as you did, and live?

Or did any god venture to go and take a nation for himself

from the midst of another nation,

by testings, by signs and wonders, by war,

with strong hand and outstretched arm, and by great terrors,

all of which the LORD, your God,

did for you in Egypt before your very eyes?

This is why you must now know,

and fix in your heart, that the LORD is God

in the heavens above and on earth below,

and that there is no other.

You must keep his statutes and commandments that I enjoin on you today,

that you and your children after you may prosper,

and that you may have long life on the land  
which the LORD, your God, is giving you forever."

## Responsorial Psalm

33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22

R. (12b) Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Upright is the word of the LORD,  
and all his works are trustworthy.

He loves justice and right;  
of the kindness of the Lord the earth is full.

R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

By the word of the LORD the heavens were made;  
by the breath of his mouth all their host.

For he spoke, and it was made;  
he commanded, and it stood forth.

R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

See, the eyes of the LORD are upon those who fear him,  
upon those who hope for his kindness,

To deliver them from death  
and preserve them in spite of famine.

R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Our soul waits for the LORD,  
who is our help and our shield.

May your kindness, O LORD, be upon us  
who have put our hope in you.

R. Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

## Reading II

Rom 8:14-17

Brothers and sisters:

For those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.  
For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear,  
but you received a Spirit of adoption,  
through whom we cry, "Abba, Father!"  
The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit  
that we are children of God,  
and if children, then heirs,  
heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ,  
if only we suffer with him  
so that we may also be glorified with him.

**Alleluia**

Rv 1:8

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit;  
to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel**

Mt 28:16-20

The eleven disciples went to Galilee,  
to the mountain to which Jesus had ordered them.  
When they all saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted.  
Then Jesus approached and said to them,  
"All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me.  
Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations,  
baptizing them in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit,

teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.  
And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age."