

Entrance Antiphon
Ps 83: 10-11

Turn your eyes, O God, our shield; and look on the face of your anointed one; one day within your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

First Reading
Isaiah 56:1,6-7

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest. Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 66(67):2-3,5-6,8

O God, let all the nations praise you!

O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. **R**

Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples you guide the nations on earth. **R**

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. **R**

Second Reading
Romans 11:13-15,29-32

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice. Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

Gospel Acclamation
Matthew 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

Gospel
Matthew 15:21-28

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.'

She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

Communion Antiphon
Ps 129: 7

With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.

20th Week In Ordinary Time

Monday 17th August

Ezekiel 24:15-24, Deuteronomy 32:18-21, Matthew 19:16-22

Tuesday 18th August

Ezekiel 28:1-10, Deuteronomy 32:26-28,30,35-36, Matthew 19:23-30

Wednesday 19th August

Ezekiel 34:1-11, Psalm 22(23), Matthew 20:1-16

Thursday 20th August

Saint Bernard

Ezekiel 36:23-28, Psalm 50(51):12-15,18-19, Matthew 22:1-14

Friday 21st August

Saint Pius X

Ezekiel 37:1-14, Psalm 106(107):2-9, Matthew 22:34-40

Saturday 22nd August

Our Lady, Mother and Queen

Ezekiel 43:1-7, Psalm 84(85):9-14, Matthew 23:1-12

Sunday 23rd August

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 22:19-23, Psalm 137(138):1-3,6,8, Romans 11:33-36, Matthew 16:13-20