

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 85: 1-3

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

Isaiah 22:19-23

Thus says the Lord of Hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:
I dismiss you from your office,
I remove you from your post,
and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah.
I invest him with your robe,
gird him with your sash,
entrust him with your authority;
and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem
and to the House of Judah.
I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open. I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 137(138):1-3,6,8

Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart: you have heard the words of my mouth. In the presence of the angels, I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. **R**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love, which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. **R**

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. **R**

Second reading

Romans 11:33-36

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 16:13-20

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you

but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 103: 13-15

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.

21st WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

MONDAY 28th August

***Saint Augustine**

1 Thessalonians 1:1-5,8-10,
Psalm 149:1-6,9, Matthew
23:13-22

TUESDAY 29th August

***The Passion of St John the Baptist**

1 Thessalonians 2:1-8, Psalm
138(139):1-3,4-6, Mark 6:17-29

WEDNESDAY 30th August

1 Thessalonians 2:9-13, Psalm
138(139):7-12, Matthew 23:27-
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THURSDAY 31st August

1 Thessalonians 3:7-13, Psalm
89(90):3-4,12-14,17, Matthew
24:42-51

FRIDAY 1st September

1 Thessalonians 4:1-8, Psalm
96(97):1-2,5-6,10-12, Matthew
25:1-13

SATURDAY 2nd September

1 Thessalonians 4:9-11, Psalm
97(98):1,7-9, Matthew 25:14-30

SUNDAY 3rd September

Jeremiah 20:7-9, Psalm
62(63):2-6,8-9, Matthew 16:21-
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