

Gospel Acclamation

The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds.

Gospel: Matthew 8:1-4

If you want to, you can cure me.

Communion Antiphon

The eyes of all look to you, O Lord, and you give them food in due season.

SATURDAY

Weekday

or **Saint Cyril of Alexandria, bishop & doctor**
or **Saturday Mass of Our Lady**

Saint Cyril of Alexandria: born in Alexandria in 370, Cyril became Patriarch of the city in 412; he fought against heresies (notably Nestorianism), and presided over the Council of Ephesus in 431. He is thus primarily remembered in the West for defending Our Lady's divine motherhood, expressed in the title "Theotokos". Cyril died in 444.

Entrance Antiphon

God is the strength of his people. In him, we his chosen live in safety. Save us, Lord, who share in your life, and give us your blessing; be our shepherd for ever.

[BVM: Hail, holy Mother! The child to whom you gave birth is the King of heaven and earth for ever.]

First Reading: Genesis 18:1-15

Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? I shall visit you again and Sarah will have a son.

Response to the Psalm

The Lord remembered his mercy.

Gospel Acclamation

Our Saviour Jesus Christ abolished death, and he has proclaimed life through the Good News.

Gospel: Matthew 8:5-17

Many will come from east and west to take their places with Abraham and Isaac and Joseph.

Communion Antiphon

The eyes of all look to you, O Lord, and you give them food in due season.

[BVM: Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary; she carried the Son of the eternal Father.]



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Weekday Mass Sheet



**TWELFTH WEEK
OF ORDINARY TIME**

22—27 June 2009

THE SCRIPTURES

For the next three weeks we follow the story of the Patriarchs in Genesis 12-49; this will take us from Abraham all the way to the death of Joseph. This week we hear of the call of Abram and his journey to Canaan, and the promise of his son Isaac.

The Gospel readings conclude the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 7-8) and begin the narrative section that follows, with the story of two miracles of healing.

CYCLE OF PRAYER THIS WEEK (Part 5)

We pray especially for a Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews, those who Suffer Persecution, Oppression and Denial of Human Rights, Europe, Human Life, Seafarers

MONDAY

Saint John Fisher, bishop, and Saint Thomas More, martyrs

Saint John Fisher was born at Beverley (Yorkshire) in 1469, and died at London on 22 June 1535. He was appointed bishop of Rochester and combined pastoral ministry with study and writing, especially in defence of Catholic doctrine. Saint Thomas More was born in London in 1478, and died there on this day in 1535. An Oxford scholar and an incorruptible judge who served as Speaker and Lord Chancellor. Both were drawn into conflict with Henry VIII over his remarriage and papal supremacy. Both were imprisoned and beheaded for treason.

Entrance Antiphon

These are the brave who resisted the king's command, saying: in this matter it is our duty to disobey.

The Gloria is recited or sung

First Reading: 2 Maccabees 6:18.21.24-31

I am glad to suffer because of the awe which he inspires in me.

Responsorial Psalm

Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.

Gospel Acclamation

Happy the man who stands firm when trials come. He has proved himself and will win the crown of life.

Gospel: Matthew 24:4-13

You will be hated by all nations on account of my name.

Communion Antiphon

Eternal life is this: to know you, the one, true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

TUESDAY

Weekday

or **Saint Etheldreda (Audrey), abbess**

Saint Etheldreda: born in Suffolk, died at Ely in 679. She was the founder of the monastery there. Most popular of Anglo-Saxon saints, famed for her virginity (despite being married twice) and austerity.

Entrance Antiphon

God is the strength of his people. In him, we his chosen live in safety. Save us, Lord, who share in your life, and give us your blessing; be our shepherd for ever.

First Reading: Genesis 13:2.5-18

Let there be no dispute between me and you, for we are brothers.

Response to the Psalm

The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.

Gospel: Matthew 7:26.12-14

Always treat others as you would like them to treat you.

Communion Antiphon

The eyes of all look to you, O Lord, and you give them food in due season.

WEDNESDAY

THE BIRTH OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

Entrance Antiphon

There was a man sent from God whose name was John. He came to bear witness to the light, to prepare an upright people for the Lord.

First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-6

I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

Response to the Psalm

I thank you for the wonder of my being.

Second Reading: Acts 13:22-26

Jesus, whose coming was heralded by John.

Gospel Acclamation

As for you, little child, you shall be called a prophet of God the Most High. You shall go ahead of the Lord to prepare his ways before him.

Gospel: Luke 1:57-66.80

His name is John.

Communion Antiphon

Through the tender compassion of our God, the dawn from on high shall break upon us.

THURSDAY

Weekday

Entrance Antiphon

God is the strength of his people. In him, we his chosen live in safety. Save us, Lord, who share in your life, and give us your blessing; be our shepherd for ever.

First Reading: Genesis 16:1-12.15-16

Hagar bore Abram a son, and Abram gave him the name Ishmael.

Response to the Psalm

O give thanks to the Lord for he is good.

Gospel Acclamation

The word of the Lord is something alive and active; it can judge secret emotions and thoughts.

Gospel: Matthew 7:21-29

The house built on rock and the house built on sand.

Communion Antiphon

The eyes of all look to you, O Lord, and you give them food in due season.

FRIDAY

Weekday

Entrance Antiphon

God is the strength of his people. In him, we his chosen live in safety. Save us, Lord, who share in your life, and give us your blessing; be our shepherd for ever.

First Reading: Genesis 17:1.9-10.15-22

All your males must be circumcised, and this shall be the sign of the Covenant. Sarah shall bear you a son.

Response to the Psalm

Indeed thus shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord.