

WEEKDAY MASS SHEET

LENT WEEK 4

27 March – 1 April 2017

THE SCRIPTURES

“Beginning with Monday of the Fourth week of Lent, there is a semicontinuous reading of the Gospel of Saint John, made up of texts that correspond more closely to the themes proper to Lent.” (GIL 98)

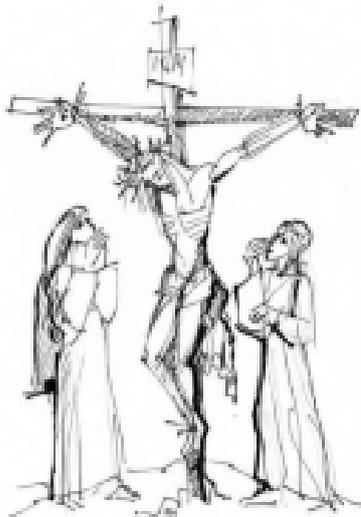
OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Candidates for the Sacraments; the Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers

THE HOLY FATHER’S INTENTIONS

MARCH: Support for Persecuted Christians.

That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.



In Lent we do not sing or say “Alleluia”: before the Gospel there are a variety of sung acclamations, but one that may be used every day of Lent, to the tune of the simple Alleluia is:
“Praise to you, Lord! Glory to you, Christ! You are the Word of God!”

MONDAY

Lent Weekday

Entrance Antiphon

As for me, I trust in the Lord. Let me be glad and rejoice in your mercy, for you have seen my affliction.

First Reading: Isaiah 65:17-21: *No more will the sound of weeping or the sound of cries be heard.*

Responsorial Psalm

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.

Gospel Acclamation

My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on his word, because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Gospel: John 4:43-54: *Go home, your son will live.*

Communion Antiphon

I will place my spirit within you and make you walk according to my laws; and my judgements you shall keep and observe, says the Lord.

TUESDAY

Lent Weekday

Entrance Antiphon

All who are thirsty, come to the waters, says the Lord. Though you have no money, come and drink with joy.

First Reading: Ezekiel 47:1-9. 12: *I saw a stream of water coming from the Temple, bringing life to all wherever it flowed.*

Response to the Psalm

The Lord of hosts is with us: the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Gospel Acclamation

A pure heart create for me, O God, and give me again the joy of your help.

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Gospel: John 5:1-3, 5-16: *The man was cured at once.*

Communion Antiphon

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

WEDNESDAY

Lent Weekday

Entrance Antiphon

I pray to you, O Lord, for a time of your favour. In your great mercy, answer me, O God, with your salvation that never fails.

First Reading: Isaiah 49:8-15 *I have appointed you as covenant of the people to restore the land.*

Response to the Psalm

The Lord is kind and full of compassion.

Gospel Acclamation

God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son; everyone who believes in him has eternal life.

Gospel John 5:17-30 *As the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so the Son gives life to those he chooses.*

Communion Antiphon

God did not send his Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

THURSDAY

Lent Weekday

Entrance Antiphon

Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

First Reading: Exodus 32:7-14 *Do not bring this disaster on your people.*

Responsorial Psalm

O Lord, remember me out of the love you have for your people.

Gospel Acclamation

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life; you have the message of eternal life.

Gospel: John 5:31-47 You place your hope in Moses, and Moses will be your accuser.

Communion Antiphon

I will place my law within them, and I will write it upon their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people, says the Lord.

FRIDAY

Lent Weekday

Entrance Antiphon

O God, save me by your name; by your power, defend my cause. O God, hear my prayer; give ear to the words of my mouth.

First Reading: Wisdom 2:1, 12-22: *Let us condemn him to a shameful death.*

Response to the Psalm

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted.

Gospel Acclamation

Now, now- it is the Lord who speaks- come back to me with all your heart, for I am all tenderness and compassion.

Gospel: John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30: *They would have arrested him, but his time had not yet come.*

Communion Antiphon

In Christ, we have redemption by his Blood, and forgiveness of our sins, in accord with the riches of his grace.

SATURDAY

Lent Weekday

Entrance Antiphon

The waves of death rose about me; the pains of the netherworld surrounded me. In my anguish I called to the Lord, and from his holy temple he heard my voice.

First Reading: Jeremiah 11:18-20: *I was like a trustful lamb being led to the slaughter-house.*

Response to the Psalm

Lord God, I take refuge in you.

Gospel Acclamation

I take pleasure, not in the death of a wicked man, - it is the Lord who speaks- but in the turning back of a wicked man who changes his ways to win life.

Gospel: John 7:40-52: *Would the Christ be from Galilee?*

Communion Antiphon

By the precious Blood of Christ, the Blood of a spotless and unblemished Lamb, we have been redeemed.