

Saturday, 3rd September: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection: We celebrate the self-sacrificing love of Christ, the unfathomable wisdom of God, who was prepared to give up everything out of love for man. It seems like a tall order for us to do the things Jesus asks us to in the gospel. He is not looking for passive disciples, He is looking for people who are passionately desiring to become like Him. Say you loved your dog, would you forsake everything you have and become a dog so that you can share the animal instincts of a dog with your pet? Well, that's what the Son of God did when he came down to become Jesus. He gave up everything for us.

Entrance: Organ prelude & **585 Praise to the Lord**

Entrance Ant.: *You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.*

Ordinaries: **Mass VIII (de Angelis)**

Psalm: *O Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to the next.*

Gospel Acc.: *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!* (Jubilate Deo)

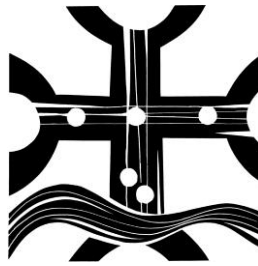
Offertory: **737 God, Whose Glory Reigns Eternal**

Communion Ant.: *Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.*

Communion: **454 Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord**

Recessional: **712 There's A Wideness in God's Mercy**

Marian Anthem: **485 Salve, Regina** (Simple Tone)



Conductor:

Cantor:
Organist:

On Leave:

New Songs:
O Salutaris Hostia (Chant)

Saturday, 10th September: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection: Jesus Christ is like the second Moses. He has come to ransom us from the chains of sin through His death and resurrection so that all of us can be in communion with the Father in the Garden of Eden again. Jesus shows us that the mercy of the Father is immense. When a soul repents and starts his/her journey back to the Father, there will be great rejoicing. Will you repent of your ways and begin your journey back to the Father? Or if you see yourself already rejoicing in the presence of God, will you also join in the celebrations when someone else encounters God?

Entrance: Organ prelude & **712 There's A Wideness in God's Mercy**

Entrance Ant.: *Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.*

Ordinaries: **Mass VIII (de Angelis)**

Psalm: *I will leave this place and go to my Father.*

Gospel Acc.: *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!* (Jubilate Deo)

Offertory: **699 My Shepherd Will Supply My Need**

Communion Ant.: *The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.*

Communion: **O Salutaris Hostia (Chant)**

Recessional: **462 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name**



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New Songs:

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Understanding Church Documents
Tra le Sollecitudini (Pope St. Pius X, 1903)

Gregorian Chant – Proper to the Liturgy

Anticipating Vatican II, Pope Saint Pius X affirms that Gregorian chant has pride of place in the Church, and that sacred polyphony (which is similar to Gregorian chant, but has multiple voices) is also permitted:

3. These qualities [proper to the liturgy] are to be found, in the highest degree, in Gregorian Chant, which is, consequently the Chant proper to the Roman Church, the only chant she has inherited from the ancient fathers, which she has jealously guarded for centuries in her liturgical codices, which she directly proposes to the faithful as her own, which she prescribes exclusively for some parts of the liturgy, and which the most recent studies have so happily restored to their integrity and purity.

Perhaps most importantly, he proclaims that all sacred music must be measured by the standard set by Gregorian chant; a form of music is appropriate for use in Church to the degree that it is similar to Gregorian Chant.

3. ... On these grounds Gregorian Chant has always been regarded as the supreme model for sacred music, so that it is fully legitimate to lay down the following rule: the more closely a composition for church approaches in its movement, inspiration and savor the Gregorian form, the more sacred and liturgical it becomes; and the more out of harmony it is with that supreme model, the less worthy it is of the temple.

The ancient traditional Gregorian Chant must, therefore, in a large measure be restored to the functions of public worship, and the fact must be accepted by all that an ecclesiastical function loses none of its solemnity when accompanied by this music alone.

(to be continued...)

Saturday, 6th August: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection: The Lord has chosen us to be His people. Through the examples of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, we have seen how God has been faithful in giving them each the blessings that they required. To follow the example of Jesus' parable, will you wait for the Father in faith and continue to persist in doing the things that will bring these blessings upon you? Or will you be like the skiving servant who pretends to do good when the master is present? Be at your best always, because since God has called us as His own, to not give of our best is to sacrifice our inheritance.

Entrance: Organ prelude & **500 Lift High the Cross (*new)**

Entrance Ant.: *Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.*

Ordinaries: **Mass VIII (de Angelis)**

Psalm: *Happy are the people the Lord has chosen as his own.*

Gospel Acc.: *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!* (Jubilate Deo)

Offertory: **667 Faith of Our Fathers**

Communion Ant.: *O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.*

Communion: **806 Ave Verum Corpus**

Recessional: **646 Be Thou My Vision**

Marian Anthem: **485 Salve, Regina (Simple Tone)**



Conductor: Benjamin

Cantor: Ann
Organist:

On Leave: Kenneth, Chris, Valerie

New Songs:
An Irish Blessing

Misericordes sicut Pater (SATB)

O Salutaris Hostia (Chant)

Saturday, 20th August: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection: As sons and daughters of God, we submit ourselves to His loving discipline, remembering that it was not just the Jews, nor will it be just Christians whom the Lord will gather to himself. Many more worthy than us will come from East and West to share the banquet of His Kingdom. Pay attention to the words of encouragement of St. Paul's letters: "... do not get discouraged when He reprimands you. For the Lord trains the ones that he loves... Suffering is part of your training, but later in those on whom it has been used, it bears fruit in peace and goodness."

Entrance: Organ prelude & **570 All People That On Earth Do Dwell**

Entrance Ant.: *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.*

Ordinaries: **Mass VIII (de Angelis)**

Psalm: *Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News.*

Gospel Acc.: *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!* (Jubilate Deo)

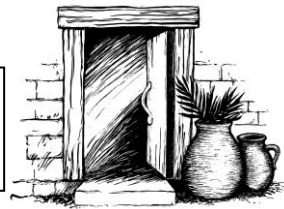
Offertory: **764 God is Here! As We His People**

Communion Ant.: *The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season.*

Communion: **806 Ave Verum Corpus**

Recessional: **646 Be Thou My Vision**

Marian Anthem: **485 Salve, Regina (Simple Tone)**



Conductor: Kenneth

Cantor: Chris
Organist: David

On Leave: Helen

New Songs:
An Irish Blessing

Misericordes sicut Pater (SATB)

O Salutaris Hostia (Chant)

Saturday, 13th August: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection: Jeremiah was so passionate about preaching the Word of God that he found displeasure with the people to whom he was trying to minister to. Even Jesus spoke of the rejection that Christians will undergo if they were to preach His gospel to others. The world's ways are not God's ways, and when we become bearers of light, we are like sore-thumbs that stick out of society. How will you stand when you are tested in your social environments? Will you rely on the Victory of Christ and His cross, or will you relent so as to escape embarrassment and try to "fit in"?

Entrance: Organ prelude & **674 A Mighty Fortress**

Entrance Ant.: *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.*

Ordinaries: **Mass VIII (de Angelis)**

Psalm: *Lord, come to my aid!*

Gospel Acc.: *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!* (Jubilate Deo)

Offertory: **746 The Church's One Foundation**

Communion Ant.: *With the Lord there is mercy; in him is plentiful redemption.*

Communion: **839 Soul Of My Saviour**

Recessional: **646 Be Thou My Vision**

Marian Anthem: **485 Salve, Regina (Simple Tone)**



Conductor: Kenneth

Cantor: Valerie
Organist: David

On Leave: Ann, Helen

New Songs:
An Irish Blessing

Misericordes sicut Pater (SATB)

O Salutaris Hostia (Chant)

Saturday, 27th August: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection: God made the new covenant of His love with the poor, the lowly, the down-trodden and the oppressed. It is therefore in a spirit of humility that we ask God to change our hearts and take away the pride, to transform us into a people of servant-hood. It is in the gentle heart and the humble ways of a person whom God favours – requiring us to exercise the sensibility of the parables that Jesus preached, and reflect on how to make alive the Wisdom of the bible in our lives. In God's eyes the greatest sinner will be the greatest miracle if he repents with humility and gentleness.

Entrance: Organ prelude & **586 Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven**

Entrance Ant.: *Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.*

Ordinaries: **Mass VIII (de Angelis)**

Psalm: *In your goodness, O God, you prepared a home for the poor.*

Gospel Acc.: *Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!* (Jubilate Deo)

Offertory: **455 Jesus, the Very Thought of You**

Communion Ant.: *How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.*

Communion: **Meditabor in Mandatis Tuis**

Recessional: **Misericordes sicut Pater (hymn - Jubilee of Mercy)**

Marian Anthem: **485 Salve, Regina (Simple Tone)**



Conductor: Chris

Cantor: Helen
Organist: Ken & Jacq

On Leave:

New Songs:
An Irish Blessing

O Salutaris Hostia (Chant)