



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON *cf Psalm 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.

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COLLECT

O God, who cause the minds of the faithful
to unite in a single purpose,
grant your people to love what you command
and to desire what you promise,
that, amid the uncertainties of this world,
our hearts may be fixed on that place
where true gladness is found.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING *Isaiah 22:19–23*

I place the key of the House of David upon his shoulder.
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.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Psalm 137:1–3, 6, 8 response v 8*

**Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands.**

- 1 I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple.
- 2 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.

- 3 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.

SECOND READING *Romans 11:33–36*

All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him.

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.**

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *2 Corinthians 5:19*

Alleluia, alleluia!

**God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself,
and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled.**
Alleluia!

Or Matthew 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

**You are Peter
and on this rock I will build my Church.
And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it.**
Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Matthew 16:13–20*

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

You are Peter, and I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

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.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

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PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O Lord, who gained for yourself a people by adoption
through the one sacrifice offered once for all,
bestow graciously on us, we pray,
the gifts of unity and peace in your Church.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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COMMUNION ANTIPHON *cf Psalm 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.

Or cf John 6:54

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood
has eternal life, says the Lord,
and I will raise him up on the last day.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Complete within us, O Lord, we pray,
the healing work of your mercy
and graciously perfect and sustain us,
so that in all things we may please you.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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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.

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COLLECT

God of might, giver of every good gift,
put into our hearts the love of your name,
so that, by deepening our sense of reverence,
you may nurture in us what is good
and, by your watchful care,
keep safe what you have nurtured.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**