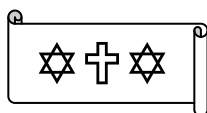
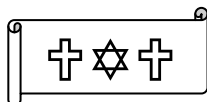


HEBREW CATHOLIC LUACH (LITURGICAL CALENDAR)



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Each week day has a set of readings taken from the Vatican II Weekday Missal. Time did not permit separating readings for particular Saints of the day. The readings for the Responsorial Psalms used during the daily Mass are simply written with the Psalms number, rather than divided into the verses. The verse given for each day is from the Antiphon or Alleluia of the Mass.

BOLD CAPITALS ARE USED FOR CATHOLIC SOLEMNITIES

Special care has been taken to include Catholic Saints of Jewish background and Saints of particular interest to Hebrew Catholics.

Dates that are of particular importance for Hebrew Catholics as given by Fr. Elias Friedman, founder of AHC are in parenthesis.

Italics are used for the Jewish Calendar.

Each **Shabbat** a **portion (parsha)** of the Torah is read. In a Chumash (Torah), the verses of each parsha are divided into daily reading and then on Shabbat, the entire parsha is read in the Shul (Synagogue).

The **Haftorah** (Reading from the Prophets) is sometimes different among the Ashkenazi and Sefardi communities. Ashkenazi is the custom followed by Jews of European descent, whereas Sefardi is the custom followed by Jews of Middle Eastern, Spanish, etc. descent. These readings are indicated by (A) for Ashkenazi and (S) for Sefardi.

In the Jewish tradition, the Book of Psalms is divided to be read cover to cover each month. The daily Psalms readings are included in the Luach

The Hebrew Calendar is a lunar calendar and each day begins at nightfall before the date shown. The first day of each month – Rosh Chodesh (“beginning / head” of the month) is when the full moon appears. In some months, there are two days designated for Rosh Chodesh, the last day of the month and the first day of the new month. The Talmud (Megillah 22b) exempts women from work on Rosh Chodesh.

The forty-nine days between the holidays of Pesach (Passover) and Shavuot (Pentecost), are verbally counted each night as “counting of the Omer.” The Omer was a sacrifice containing an omer-measure of barley that was offered in the Beit HaMikdash (Temple) in Jerusalem up until the day before an offering of wheat was brought to the Temple on Shavuot. The idea of counting each day represents spiritual preparation and anticipation for the giving of the Torah which was given by G-d on Mount Sinai at the beginning of the month of Sivan, on Shavuot. (The blessing for counting the Omer can be found at the end of this Luach.)

Isru Chag, to “Bind the Festival”, follows each of the Three Pilgrim Festivals (Pesach, Shavuot, Sukkot) and serves to bridge the respective holidays to the rest of the year. It begins the night immediately following the festival and ends the following day at nightfall. The Talmud (Sukkah 45b) states: Whosoever makes an addition to the Festival by eating and drinking is regarded by Scripture as though he had built an altar and offered thereon a sacrifice.

CAPITALISED PRINT IS USED FOR SAINTS OF THE EASTERN ORTHODOX TRADITION.

The Saints chosen from the Eastern Orthodox Tradition are individuals from the Bible, unless otherwise stated. The Julian calendar dates have been set according to the Gregorian calendar as found at the Holy Trinity Russian Orthodox Church website (<http://www.holytrinityorthodox.com/calendar/>). Please note that some Saints are listed under more than one date when a difference exists between Roman and Eastern Rites.

Feedback is most welcome to improve the Calendar in any way so that it best meets the needs and interest of the Hebrew Catholic community.

This Luach begins with the week of Rosh Hashanah. Rosh Hashanah is the first day of the Jewish year, which begins on Wednesday, September 28th, 2011. The Catholic Calendar for 2011 is Year A for Sundays and Solemnities and Year 1 for Weekdays. The Catholic Calendar begins its count each year with the first day of Advent, which begins Sunday, November 27th, 2011. The Catholic Calendar for 2012 is Year B for Sundays and Solemnities and Year 2 for Weekdays.

25 – 28 SEPTEMBER 2011
26 – 29 ELUL 5771

26TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday September 25 / Elul 26

“O L-rd, you had just cause to judge men as you did: because we sinned against you and disobeyed your will. But now show us your greatness of heart, and treat us with your unbounded kindness.”

Ezekiel 18:25-28; Psalms 125; Philippians 2:1-11; Matthew 21:28-32

Psalms 119:97-176

Monday 26 / 27

“I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the L-rd; no one comes to the Father, except through me.”

Zechariah 8:1-8; Psalms 102; Luke 9:46-50

Psalms 120-134

Cosmas and Damian

CORNELIUS THE CENTURION (1ST C.)

Tuesday 27 / 28

“Turn my heart to do your will; teach me your law, O G-d.”

Zechariah 8:20-23; Psalms 87; Luke 9:51-56

Psalms 135-139

Vincent de Paul

Wednesday 28 / 29

“Speak, O L-rd, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life.”

Nehemiah 2:1-8; Psalms 137; Luke 9:57-62

Psalms 140-150

Erev Rosh Hashanah

29 SEPTEMBER – 1 OCTOBER 2011
1 - 3 TISHREI 5772

Thursday 29 / Tishrei 1

“Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life.”

Nehemiah 8:1-12; Psalms 19; Luke 10:1-12

Psalms 1-9

Rosh Hashanah 1

Genesis 21:1-34; Numbers 29:1-6; 1 Samuel 1:1-2:10

Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

SEBASTIANA, DISCIPLE OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE,
MARTYRED AT HERACLEA (86)

Friday 30 / 2

“Your laws are all made firm, O L-rd, established for ever more.”

Baruch 1:15-22; Psalms 79; Luke 10:13-16

Psalms 10-17

Rosh Hashanah 2

Genesis 22:1-24; Numbers 29:1-6; Jeremiah 31:1-19

Jerome

Saturday October 1 / 3

“Blessed are you, Father, L-rd of heaven and earth, you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.”

Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29; Psalms 69; Luke 10:17-24

Psalms 18-22

Parsha Ha'azinu

Deuteronomy 32:1-52; 2 Samuel 22:1-51

Theresa of the Child Jesus

2 - 6 OCTOBER 2011

4 - 8 TISHREI 5772

27TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 2 / 4

“O L-rd, you have given everything its place in the world, and no one can make it otherwise. For it is your creation, the heavens and the earth and the stars: you are the L-rd of all.”

Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalms 80; Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43

Psalms 23-28

Fast of Gedaliah

Monday 3 / 5

“If anyone loves me, he will hold to my words, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.”

Jonah 1:1-2:1, 11; Jonah 2:2-5, 8; Luke 10:25-37

Psalms 29-34

Tuesday 4 / 6

“Your word is a lamp for my feet, and a light on my path.”

Jonah 3:1-10; Psalms 130; Luke 10:38-42

Psalms 35-38

Francis of Assisi

APOSTLE QUADRATUS OF THE SEVENTY (130 A.D.)

Wednesday 5 / 7

“I hope in the L-rd, I trust in his word.”

Jonah 4:1-11; Psalms 86; Luke 11:1-4

Psalms 39-43

JONAH, PROPHET (9TH C. B.C.)

Thursday 6 / 8

“Your words, O L-rd, give joy to my heart, your teaching is light to my eyes.”

Malachi 3:13-20; Psalms 1; Luke 11:5-13

Psalms 44-48

THE CONCEPTION OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

7 - 10 OCTOBER 2011

9 - 12 TISHREI 5772

Friday 7 / 9

“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.”

Joel 1:13-15, 2:1-2; Psalms 9; Luke 11:15-26

Psalms 49-54

Erev Yom Kippur

Our Lady of the Rosary

THECLA OF ICONIUM (1ST C. A.D.)

Saturday 8 / 10

**“Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart,
and yield a harvest through perseverance.”**

Joel 4:12-21; Psalms 97; Luke 11:27-28

Psalms 55-59

Yom Kippur

Morning: Leviticus 16:1-34; Numbers 29:7-11; Isaiah 57:14-58:14;

Afternoon: Leviticus 18:1-30; Jonah 1:1-4:11; Micah 7:18-20

28TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 9 / 11

**“If you, O L-rd, laid bare our guilt, who could endure it? But
you are forgiving, G-d of Israel.”**

Isaiah 25:6-10; Psalms 23; Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20; Matthew
22:1-14

Psalms 60-65

GIDEON, JUDGE OF ISRAEL

Monday 10 / 12

**“O praise the L-rd, Jerusalem; he sends out his word to the
earth.”**

Romans 1:1-7; Psalms 98; Luke 11:29-32

Psalms 66-68

MARK, ARISTARCHUS AND ZENAS OF THE SEVENTY

11 - 14 OCTOBER 2011
13 - 16 TISHREI 5772

Tuesday 11 / 13

“Teach me your way, O L-rd, and lead me on a straight road.”

Romans 1:16-25; Psalms 19; Luke 11:37-41

Psalms 69-71

BARUCH, PROPHET (6TH C. B.C.)

Wednesday 12 / 14

“If today you hear his voice, harden not your heart.”

Romans 2:1-11; Psalms 62; Luke 11:42-46

Psalms 72-76

Erev Sukkot

Thursday 13 / 15

“The word of G-d is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.”

Romans 3:21-29; Psalms 130; Luke 11:47-54

Psalms 77-78

Sukkot 1

Leviticus 22:26-23:44; Numbers 29:12-16; Zechariah 14:1-21

Friday 14 / 16

“Unveil my eyes, O L-rd, and I will see the marvels of your law.”

Romans 4:1-8; Psalms 32; Luke 12:1-7

Psalms 79-82

Sukkot 2

Leviticus 22:26-23:44; Numbers 29:12-16; 1 Kings 8:2-21

THE PROTECTION OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY THE
THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MIRIAM (MARY)

ANANIAS OF THE SEVENTY (1ST C.)

15 - 17 OCTOBER 2011
17 - 19 TISHREI 5772

Saturday 15 / 17

“He who keeps the word of Christ, grows perfect in the love of G-d.”

Romans 4:13, 16-18; Psalms 105; Luke 12:8-12

Psalms 83-87

Chol Hamoed 1

Exodus 33:12-34:26; Numbers 29:17-25; Book of Ecclesiastes

Teresa of Avila

DAMARIS OF ATHENS (1ST C.)

29TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 16 / 18

“I call upon you, G-d, for you will answer me; bend your ear and hear my prayer. Guard me as the pupil of your eye; hide me in the shade of your wings.”

Isaiah 45:1, 4-6; Psalms 96; 1st Thessalonians 1:1-5; Matthew 22:15-21

Psalms 88-89

Chol Hamoed 2

Numbers 29:20-28

DIONYSIUS THE AREOPAGITE, AND WITH HIM, RUSTICUS
AND ELEUTHERIUS, MARTYRS (96)

Monday 17 / 19

“Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of G-d.”

Romans 4:20-25; Luke 1:69-75; Luke 12:13-21

Psalms 90-96

Chol Hamoed 3

Numbers 29:23-31

Ignatius of Antioch

18 - 21 OCTOBER 2011

20 - 23 TISHREI 5772

Tuesday 18 / 20

“Your words, L-rd, are spirit and life, you have the words of everlasting life.”

Romans 5:12, 15, 17-21; Psalms 40; Luke 12:35-38

Psalms 97-103

Chol Hamoed 4

Numbers 29:26-34

Luke

Wednesday 19 / 21

“Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws.”

Romans 6:12-18; Psalms 124; Luke 12:39-48

Psalms 104-105

Hoshanah Rabbah

Numbers 29:32-34

THOMAS (1ST C.)

Thursday 20 / 22

“I am the light of the world, says the L-rd; the man who follows me will have the light of life.”

Romans 6:19-23; Psalms 1; Luke 12:49-53

Psalms 106-107

Shemini Atzeret

Deuteronomy 14:22-16:17; Numbers 29:35-30:1; 1 Kings 8:54-66

Friday 21 / 23

“Teach me your way, O L-rd, and lead me on a straight road.”

Romans 7:18-25; Psalms 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Luke 12:54-59

Psalms 108-112

Simchat Torah

Deuteronomy 33:1-34:12; Genesis 1:1-2:3; Numbers 29:35-30:1;

Joshua 1:1-18 (A); Joshua 1:1-9 (S)

22 - 25 OCTOBER 2011

24 – 27 TISHREI 5772

Saturday 22 / 24

“The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.”

Romans 8:1-11; Psalms 24; Luke 13:1-9

Psalms 113-118

Parsha Bereishit

Genesis 1:1-6:8; Isaiah 42:5-43:10 (A); Isaiah 42:5-21 (S)

JAMES, SON OF ALPHEUS (1ST C.)

ABRAHAM AND HIS NEPHEW LOT (2000 B.C.)

30TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 23 / 25

“Let hearts rejoice who search for the L-rd. Seek the L-rd and his strength, seek always the face of the L-rd.”

Exodus 22:20-26; Psalms 18; 1st Thessalonians 1:5-10; Matthew 22:34-40

Psalms 119:1-96

Monday 24 / 26

“Instruct me in the way of your rules, and I will reflect on all your wonders.”

Romans 8:12-17; Psalms 68; Luke 13:10-17

Psalms 119:97-176

PHILIP OF THE SEVENTY, ONE OF THE SEVEN DEACONS (1ST C.)

Tuesday 25 / 27

“Receive and submit to the word planted in you, it can save your souls.”

Romans 8:18-25; Psalms 126; Luke 13:18-21

Psalms 120-134

26 - 29 OCTOBER 2011
28 TISHREI – 1 CHESHVAN 5772

Wednesday 26 / 28

“O praise the L-rd, Jerusalem; he sends out his word to the earth.”

Romans 8:26-30; Psalms 13; Luke 13:22-30

Psalms 135-139

Pope St. Evaristus (Hebrew Catholic)

Thursday 27 / 29

“Our Saviour Yeshua HaMashiach has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel.”

Romans 8:31-39; Psalms 109; Luke 13:31-35

Psalms 140-144

Friday 28 / 30

“Unveil my eyes, O L-rd, and I will see the marvels of your law.”

Romans 9:1-5; Psalms 147; Luke 14:1-6

Psalms 145-150

Rosh Chodesh 1

Numbers 28:1-15

Simon and Jude

Saturday 29 / Cheshvan 1

“Blessed are you, Father, L-rd of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.”

Romans 11:1-2, 11-12, 25-29; Psalms 94; Luke 14:1, 7-11

Psalms 1-9

Rosh Chodesh 2

Numbers 28:1-15

Parsha Noah

Genesis 6:9-11:32; Isaiah 54:1-55:5 (A); Isaiah 54:1-10 (S)

LONGINUS THE CENTURION, WHO STOOD AT THE CROSS OF THE L-RD (1ST C.)

ISAURUS AND APHRODISIUS, WHO SUFFERED WITH ST. LONGINUS (1ST C.)

30 OCTOBER – 2 NOVEMBER 2011
2 - 5 CHESHVAN 5772

31ST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 30 / 2

**“Do not abandon me, L-rd. My G-d, do not go away from me!
Hurry to help me, L-rd, my Saviour.”**

Malachi 1:14-2:2, 8-10; Psalms 131; 1st Thessalonians 2:7-9, 13;
Matthew 23:1-12

Psalms 10-17

HOSEA, PROPHET (820 B.C.)

Monday 31 / 3

“Your word is a lamp for my feet, and a light on my path.”

Romans 11:29-36; Psalms 69; Luke 14:12-14

Psalms 18-22

Vigil of All Saints

LUKE (1ST C.)

Tuesday November 1 / 4

ALL SAINTS

**“Let us all rejoice in the L-rd and keep a festival in honour of
all the saints. Let us join with the angels in joyful praise to the
Son of G-d.”**

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; Psalms 24; 1st John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12

Psalms 23-28

JOEL, PROPHET (800 B.C.)

Wednesday 2 / 5

All Souls

“Open our hearts, O L-rd, to listen to the words of your Son.”

Romans 13:8-10; Psalms 112; Luke 14:25-33

Psalms 29-34

3 - 6 NOVEMBER 2011
6 - 9 CHESHVAN 5772

Thursday 3 / 6

“My sheep listen to my voice, says the L-rd; I know them, and they follow me.”

Romans 14:7-12; Psalms 27; Luke 15:1-10

Psalms 35-38

Martin de Porres

Friday 4 / 7

“Teach me the meaning of your law, O L-rd, and I will guard it with all my heart.”

Romans 15:14-21; Psalms 98; Luke 16:1-8

Psalms 39-43

Charles Borromeo

Saturday 5 / 8

“The word of G-d is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.”

Romans 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Psalms 145; Luke 16:9-15

Psalms 44-48

Parsha Lech Lecha

Genesis 12:1-17:27; Isaiah 40:27-41:16

JAMES THE BROTHER OF THE L-RD (63)

32ND WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 6 / 9

“Let my prayer come before you, L-rd; listen, and answer me.”

Wisdom 6:12-16; Psalms 63; 1st Thessalonians; Matthew 25:1-13

Psalms 49-54

7 - 11 NOVEMBER 2011
10 - 14 CHESHVAN 5772

Monday 7 / 10

“Receive this message not as the words of man, but as truly the word of G-d.”

Wisdom 1:1-7; Psalms 139; Luke 17:1-6

Psalms 55-59

TABITHA, THE WIDOW RAISED FROM THE DEAD BY THE APOSTLE PETER (1ST C.)

Tuesday 8 / 11

“Your word, O L-rd, is truth; make us holy in the truth.”

Wisdom 2:23-3:9; Psalms 34; Luke 17:7-10

Psalms 60-65

Wednesday 9 / 12

“Give thanks to G-d our Father through Yeshua HaMashiach our L-rd, and may the fullness of his message live within you.”

Wisdom 5:2-11; Psalms 82; Luke 17:11-19

Psalms 66-68

PROCLA, WIFE OF PONTIUS PILATE (1ST C.)

Thursday 10 / 13

“The L-rd is faithful in all his words and holy in his deeds.”

Wisdom 7:22-8:1; Psalms 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175; Luke 17:20-25

Psalms 69-71

Leo the Great

CYRIACUS, A JEWISH CONVERT WHO BECAME PATRIARCH OF JERUSALEM (363) AND HIS MOTHER ANNA.

Friday 11 / 14

“Turn my heart to do your will; teach me your law, O G-d.”

Wisdom 13:1-9; Psalms 19; Luke 17:26-37

Psalms 72-76

Martin of Tours

12 - 14 NOVEMBER 2011
15 - 17 CHESHVAN 5772

Saturday 12 / 15

“Teach me your paths, my G-d, and lead me in your truth.”

Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Psalms 105; Luke 18:1-8

Psalms 77-78

Parsha Vayeira

Genesis 18:1-22:24; 2nd Kings 4:1-37 (A); 2nd Kings 4:1-23 (S)

Josaphat

TERTIUS, MARK, JUSTUS AND ARTEMAS OF THE SEVENTY
(1ST C.)

CLEOPAS (1ST C.)

33RD WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 13 / 16

**“The L-rd says: my plans for you are peace and not disaster;
when you call to me, I will listen to you, and I will bring you
back to the place from which I exiled you.”**

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Psalms 128; 1st Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30

Psalms 79-82

STACHYS, AMPLIAS, URBAN, NARCISSUS, APELLES, AND
ARTISTOBULUS OF THE SEVENTY (1ST C.)

Monday 14 / 17

**“I am the light of the world, says the L-rd; the man who follows
me will have the light of life.”**

1st Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Psalms 119:53, 61,
134, 150, 155, 158; Luke 18:35-43

Psalms 83-87

15 - 19 NOVEMBER 2011
18 - 22 CHESHVAN 5772

Tuesday 15 / 18

**“G-d has called us with the gospel; the people won for him by
Yeshua HaMashiach our L-rd.”**

2nd Maccabees 6:18-31; Psalms 3; Luke 19:1-10

Psalms 88-89

Albert the Great

Wednesday 16/ 19

**“Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart,
and yield a harvest through perseverance.”**

2nd Maccabees 7:1, 20-31; Psalms 17; Luke 19:11-28

Psalms 90-96

Thursday 17 / 20

**“G-d was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the
Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.”**

1st Maccabees 2:15-19; Psalms 50; Luke 9:41-44

Psalms 97-103

Elizabeth of Hungary

Friday 18 / 21

**“I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the L-rd; no one
comes to the Father, except through me.”**

1st Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59; 1st Chronicles 29:10-12; Luke 19:45-
48

Psalms 104-105

PATROBUS, DERMAS, LINUS, GAIVS, AND PHILOGUS OF
THE SEVENTY (1ST C.)

Saturday 19 / 22

**“The word of the L-rd stand for ever; it is the word given to
you, the Good News.”**

1st Maccabees 6:1-13; Psalms 9; Luke 20:27-40

Psalms 106-107

Parsha Chayei Sarah

Genesis 23:1-25:18; 1 Kings 1:1-31

20 - 23 NOVEMBER 2011

23 - 26 CHESHVAN 5772

34TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 20 / 23

CHRIST THE KING

“The Lamb who was slain is worthy to receive strength and godhead, wisdom and power and honour; to him be glory and power forever.”

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; Psalms 23; 1st Corinthians 15:20-26, 28;
Matthew 25:31-46

Psalms 108-112

Monday 21 / 24

“Be faithful until death, says the L-rd, and I will give you the crown of life.”

Daniel 1:1-6, 8-20; Daniel 3:52-56; Luke 21:1-4

Psalms 113-118

Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Miriam (Mary)

Tuesday 22 / 25

“Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming.”

Daniel 2:31-45; Daniel 3:57-61; Luke 21:5-11

Psalms 119:1-96

Wednesday 23 / 26

“Be watchful, pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man.”

Daniel 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Daniel 3:62-67; Luke 21:12-19

Psalms 119:97-176

ERASTUS, OLYMPAS, HERODOION, SOSIPATER, QUARTUS,
AND TERTIUS OF THE SEVENTY (1ST C.)

24 - 27 NOVEMBER 2011
27 CHESHVAN – 1 KISLEV 5772

Thursday 24 / 27

“Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand.”

Daniel 6:12-28; Daniel 3:68-74; Luke 21:20-28

Psalms 120-134

Friday 25 / 28

“Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming.”

Daniel 7:2-14; Daniel 3:75-81; Luke 21:29-33

Psalms 135-139

AHIJAH (ACHIAS), PROPHET (960 B.C.)

Saturday 26 / 29

“Be watchful, pray constantly, that you may be worthy to stand before the Son of Man.”

Daniel 7:15-27; Daniel 3:82-87; Luke 21:34-36

Psalms 140-150

Parsha Toldot

Genesis 25:19-28:9; Malachi 1:1-2:7

1ST WEEK OF ADVENT

Sunday 27 / Kislev 1

“To you, my G-d, I lift my soul, I trust in you; let me never come to shame. Do not let my enemies laugh at me. No one who waits for you is ever put to shame.”

Isaiah 63:16-17, 19; 64:2-7; Psalms 80; 1ST Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37

Psalms 1-9

Rosh Chodesh

Numbers 28:1-15

PHILIP (1ST C.)

28 NOVEMBER - 2 DECEMBER 2011
2 - 6 KISLEV 5772

Monday 28 / 2

“Come and save us, L-rd our G-d; let us see your face, and we shall be saved.”

Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalms 122; Matthew 8:5-11

Psalms 10-17

Tuesday 29 / 3

“L-rd, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.”

Isaiah 11:1-10; Psalms 72; Luke 10:21-24

Psalms 18-22

MATTHEW, APOSTLE (60)

Wednesday 30 / 4

“The L-rd will judge us by his law; he is our King and Saviour.”

Isaiah 25:6-10; Psalms 23; Matthew 15:29-37

Psalms 23-28

Andrew

Thursday December 1 / 5

“Raise your voice and tell the Good News: the L-rd our G-d comes in strength.”

Isaiah 26:1-6; Psalms 118; Matthew 7:21, 24-27

Psalms 29-34

Friday 2 / 6

“Let the clouds rain down the Just One, and the earth bring forth a Saviour.”

Isaiah 29:17-24; Psalms 27; Matthew 9:27-31

Psalms 35-38

OBADIAH, PROPHET (9TH C. B.C.)

3 - 6 DECEMBER 2011
7 – 10 KISLEV 5772

Saturday 3 / 7

“Seek the L-rd while he can be found. Call on him while he is near.”

Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26; Psalms 147; Matthew 9:35-10:1, 6-8

Psalms 39-43

Parsha Vayetzei

Genesis 28:10-32:3; Hosea 12:13-14:10 (A); 11:7-12:12 (S)

Francis Xavier

2ND WEEK OF ADVENT

Sunday 4 / 8

“People of Zion, the L-rd will come to save all nations, and your hearts will exult to hear his majestic voice.”

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; Psalms 85; 2nd Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

Psalms 44-48

Monday 5 / 9

“Prepare the way for the L-rd, make straight his paths: all mankind shall see the salvation of G-d.”

Isaiah 35:1-10; Psalms 85; Luke 5:17-26

Psalms 49-54

PHILEMON AND ARCHIPPUS, MARTYR APPHIA, WIFE OF
PHILEMON, AND ONESIMUS, DISCIPLE OF ST. PAUL (CA. 109)

Tuesday 6 / 10

“Come, O L-rd, do not delay: forgive the sins of your people.”

Isaiah 40:1-11; Psalms 96; Matthew 18:12-14

Psalms 55-59

7 - 10 DECEMBER 2011
11 - 14 KISLEV 5772

Wednesday 7 / 11

“Behold, our L-rd shall come with power, he will enlighten the eyes of his servants.”

Isaiah 40:25-31; Psalms 103; Matthew 11:18-30

Psalms 60-65

Ambrose

Thursday 8 / 12

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MIRIAM (MARY)

“I exult for joy in the L-rd, my soul rejoices in my G-d; for he has clothed me in the garment of salvation and robed me in the cloak of justice, like a bride adorned with her jewels.”

Genesis 3:9-15, 20; Psalms 98; Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12; Luke 1:26-38

Psalms 66-68

Friday 9 / 13

“Behold, the king will come, the L-rd of earth: and he will set us free.”

Isaiah 48:17-19; Psalms 1; Matthew 11:16-19

Psalms 69-71

Juan Diego

Saturday 10 / 14

“The day of the L-rd is near; he comes to save us.”

Isaiah 48:1-4, 9-11; Psalms 80; Matthew 17:10-13

Psalms 72-76

Parsha Vayishlach

Genesis 32:4-36:43; Hosea 11:7-12:12 (A); Obadiah 1:21 (S)

11 - 14 DECEMBER 2011
15 - 18 KISLEV 5772

3RD WEEK OF ADVENT

Sunday 11 / 15

“Rejoice in the L-rd always; again I say, rejoice! The L-rd is near.”

Isaiah 61:1-2, 10-11; Luke 1:46-50, 53-54; 1st Thessalonians 5:16-24; John 1:6-8, 19-28

Psalms 77-78

Monday 12 / 16

“The L-rd will come; go out to meet him! He is the prince of peace.”

Numbers 24:2-7, 15-17; Psalms 25; Matthew 21:23-27

Psalms 79-82

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Tuesday 13 / 17

“The L-rd is coming to save his people; happy are those prepared to meet him.”

Zephaniah 3:1-2, 9-13; Psalms 34; Matthew 21:28-32

Psalms 83-87

Lucy

ANDREW, THE FIRST-CALLED (62)

Wednesday 14 / 18

“Raise your voice and tell the Good News: the L-rd our G-d comes in strength.”

Isaiah 45:6-8, 18, 21-25; Psalms 85; Luke 7:18-23

Psalms 88-89

John of the Cross

NAHUM, PROPHET (7TH C. B.C.)

15 - 18 DECEMBER 2011
19 - 22 KISLEV 5772

Thursday 15 / 19

“Prepare the way for the L-rd, make straight his paths: all mankind shall see the salvation of G-d.”

Isaiah 54:1-10; Psalms 30; Luke 7:24-30

Psalms 90-96

HABAKKUK, PROPHET (7TH C. B.C.)

Friday 16 / 20

“Behold, the king will come, the L-rd of earth: and he will set us free.”

Isaiah 56:1-3, 6-8; Psalms 67; John 5:33-36

Psalms 97-103

ZEPHANIAH, PROPHET (635 B.C.)

Saturday 17 / 21

“Come, Wisdom of our G-d Most High, guiding creation with power and love; teach us to walk in the paths of knowledge.”

Genesis 49:2, 8-10; Psalms 72; Matthew 1:1-17

Psalms 104-105

Parsha Vayeshev

Genesis 37:1-40:23; Amos 2:6-3:8

4TH WEEK OF ADVENT

Sunday 18 / 22

“Let the clouds rain down the Just One, and the earth bring forth a Saviour.”

2nd Samuel 7:1-5, 8-11, 16; Psalms 89; Romans 16:25-27; Luke 1:26-38

Psalms 106-107

19 - 22 DECEMBER 2011
23 - 26 KISLEV 5772

Monday 19 / 23

“Come, Flower of Jesse’s stem, sign of G-d’s love for all his people: save us without delay!”

Judges 13:2-7, 24-25; Psalms 71; Luke 1:5-25

Psalms 108-112

Tuesday 20 / 24

“Come, Key of David, opening the gates of G-d’s eternal Kingdom: free the prisoners of darkness!”

Isaiah 7:10-14; Psalms 24; Luke 1:26-38

Psalms 113-118

Wednesday 21 / 25

“Come, Radiant Dawn, splendour of eternal light, sun of justice: shine on those lost in the darkness of death!”

Song of Songs 2:8-14 or Zephaniah 3:14-18; Psalms 33; Luke 1:39-45

Psalms 119:1-96

Chanukah 1

Numbers 7:1-17

SOSTHENES, APOLLOS, CEPHAS, TYCHICUS, EPAPHRODITUS,
CAESAR AND ONESIPHORUS, APOSTLES OF THE SEVENTY

Thursday 22 / 26

“Come, King of all nations, source of your Church’s unity and faith: save all mankind, your own creation!”

1st Samuel 1:24-28; 1st Samuel 2:1, 4-8; Luke 1:46-56

Psalms 119:97-176

Chanukah 2

Numbers 7:18-29

HANNAH, PROPHETESS (1100 B.C.), MOTHER OF THE
PROPHET SAMUEL

23 - 24 DECEMBER 2011
27 - 28 KISLEV 5772

Friday 23 / 27

“Come, Emmanuel, G-d’s presence among us, our King, our Judge: save us, L-rd our G-d!”

Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24; Psalms 25; Luke 1:57-66

Psalms 120-134

Chanukah 3

Numbers 7:24-35

Saturday 24 / 28

MASS IN THE MORNING:

“Come, Emmanuel, G-d’s presence among us, our King, our Judge: save us, L-rd our G-d!”

2nd Samuel 7:1-5, 8-11, 16; Psalms 89; Luke 1:67-79

Psalms 135-139

CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASS:

“Tomorrow the wickedness of the earth will be destroyed: the Saviour of the world will be our king.”

Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalms 89; Acts of the Apostles 13:16-17, 22-25; Matthew 1:1-25

CHRISTMAS MASS AT MIDNIGHT:

“Good News and great joy to all the world: today is born our Saviour, Christ the L-rd.”

Isaiah 9:1-6; Psalms 96; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14

Parsha Mikeitz

Genesis 41:1-44:17; 1 Kings 3:15-4:1

Chanukah 4

Numbers 7:30-41

25 - 26 DECEMBER 2011
29 - 30 KISLEV 5772

WEEK OF CHRISTMAS

Sunday 25 / 29

CHRISTMAS MASS AT DAWN:

“Glory to G-d in heaven, peace and grace to his people on earth.”

Isaiah 62:11-12; Psalms 97; Titus 3:4-7; Luke 2:15-20

CHRISTMAS MASS DURING THE DAY:

“A holy day has dawned upon us. Come, you nations and adore the L-rd. Today a great light has come upon the earth.”

Isaiah 52:7-10; Psalms 98; Hebrews 1:1-6; John 1:1-18

Psalms 140-144

Chanukah 5

Numbers 7:36-47

Monday 26 / 30

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the L-rd, the L-rd G-d shines upon us.”

Acts of the Apostles 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Psalms 31; Matthew 10:17-22

Psalms 145-150

Chanukah 6

Numbers 28:1-15; Numbers 7:42-47

Rosh Chodesh 1

Numbers 28:1-15

Stephen, first Martyr (34)

CONSTANTINE OF SYNNAWA WAS A JEW WHO CAME TO THE CHRISTIAN FAITH. WHEN THE CROSS WAS MADE ON HIS HEAD AT HIS BAPTISM, IT REMAINED VISIBLE THERE TILL HIS DEATH IN CONSTANTINOPLE IN THE SEVENTH CENTURY. HE IS FAMED FOR HIS FASTING AND FOR HIS MANY MIRACLES. FOR SEVEN YEARS BEFORE HIS DEATH, HE FORETOLD THE DAY OF IT.

27 - 30 DECEMBER 2011
1 - 4 TEVET 5772

Tuesday 27 / Tevet 1

“We praise you, G-d; we acknowledge you as L-rd; your glorious band of apostles extols you.”

1st John 1:1-4; Psalms 97; John 20:2-8

Psalms 1-9

Chanukah 7

Numbers 28:1-15; Numbers 7:42-47

Rosh Chodesh 2

Numbers 28:1-15

John

Wednesday 28 / 2

“We praise you, G-d; we acknowledge you as L-rd; the radiant army of martyrs acclaims you.”

1st John 1:5-2:2; Psalms 124; Matthew 2:13-18

Psalms 10-17

Chanukah 8

Numbers 7:54-8:4

Holy Innocents

Thursday 29 / 3

“The Word of G-d became a man and lived among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of G-d.”

1st John 2:3-11; Psalms 96; Luke 2:22-35

Psalms 18-22

PROPHET HAGGAI (500 B.C.)

Friday 30 / 4

HOLY FAMILY

“May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts; and the fullness of his message live within you.”

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14; Psalms 128; Colossians 3:12-21; Luke 2:22-40

Psalms 23-28

DANIEL, PROPHET (600 B.C.) AND THE THREE HOLY YOUTHS: ANANIAS, AZARIAS AND MISHAEL

31 DECEMBER - 3 JANUARY 2012
5 - 8 TEVET 5772

Saturday 31 / 5

“A holy day has dawned upon us. Come, you nations, and adore the L-rd. Today a great light has come upon the earth.”

1st John 2:18-21; Psalms 96; John 1:1-18

Psalms 29-34

Parsha Vayigash

Genesis 44:18-47:27; Ezekiel 37:15-28

WEEK AFTER CHRISTMAS

Sunday January 1 / 6

MIRIAM (MARY), MOTHER OF G-D

“Hail, holy Mother! The child to whom you gave birth is the King of heaven and earth forever.”

Numbers 6:22-27; Psalms 67; Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 2:16-21

Psalms 35-38

The Circumcision of Our L-rd Yeshua HaMashiach

Monday 2 / 7

“The Word of G-d became a man and lived among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of G-d.”

1st John 2:22-28; Psalms 98; John 1:19-28

Psalms 39-43

Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen

Tuesday 3 / 8

“In the past G-d spoke to our fathers through the prophets; now he speaks to us through his Son.”

1st John 2:29-3:6; Psalms 98; John 1:29-34

Psalms 44-48

Most Holy Name of Jesus

4 - 7 JANUARY 2012

9 - 12 TEVET 5772

Wednesday 4 / 9

“A holy day has dawned upon us. Come, you nations, and adore the L-rd. Today a great light has come upon the earth.”

1st John 3:7-10; Psalms 98; John 1:35-42

Psalms 49-54

Elizabeth Ann Seton

Thursday 5 / 10

“The Word of G-d became a man and lived among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of G-d.”

1st John 3:11-21; Psalms 100; John 1:43-51

Psalms 55-59

Fast of Tevet

John Neumann

Friday 6 / 11

“In the past G-d spoke to our fathers through the prophets; now he speaks to us through his Son.”

1st John 5:5-11; Psalms 147; Mark 1:7-11

Psalms 60-65

The Epiphany of the L-rd (Traditional Date)

Saturday 7 / 12

“A holy day has dawned upon us. Come, you nations, and adore the L-rd. Today a great light has come upon the earth.”

1st John 5:14-21; Psalms 149; John 2:1-12

Psalms 66-68

Parsha Vayechi

Genesis 47:28-50:26; 1st Kings 2:1-12

8 - 11 JANUARY 2012
13 - 16 TEVET 5772

1ST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 8 / 13

THE EPIPHANY OF THE L-RD

“We have seen his star in the east, and have come to adore the L-rd.”

Isaiah 60:1-6; Psalms 72; Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12

Psalms 69-71

Baptism of the L-rd (Traditional Date)

RIGHTEOUS JOSEPH THE BETROTHED, HOLY RIGHTEOUS
DAVID

THE KING, AND JAMES THE BROTHER OF THE L-RD

Monday 9 / 14

BAPTISM OF THE L-RD

“The heavens were opened and the Father’s voice was heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.”

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Psalms 29; Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38; Mark 1:7-11

Psalms 72-76

Tuesday 10 / 15

“Instruct me in the way of your rules, and I will reflect on all your wonders.”

1st Samuel 1:9-20; 1st Samuel 2:1, 4-8; Mark 1:21-28

Psalms 77-78

NICANOR THE DEACON (34)

Wednesday 11 / 16

“Our Saviour Yeshua HaMashiach has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel.”

1st Samuel 3:1-10, 19-20; Psalms 40; Mark 1:29-39

Psalms 79-82

**12 - 16 JANUARY 2012
17 - 21 TEVET 5772**

Thursday 12 / 17

“Give me life, O L-rd, and I will do your commands.”

1st Samuel 4:1-11; Psalms 44; Mark 1:40-45

Psalms 83-87

TIMON THE DEACON (1ST C.)

Friday 13 / 18

“The L-rd is faithful in all his words and holy in his deeds.”

1st Samuel 8:4-7, 10-22; Psalms 89; Mark 2:1-12

Psalms 88-89

Saturday 14 / 19

“Teach me your way, O L-rd, and lead me on a straight road.”

1st Samuel 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Psalms 21; Mark 2:13-17

Psalms 90-96

Parsha Shemot

Exodus 1:1- 6:1; Isaiah 27:6-28:13; 29:22-23 (A); Jeremiah 1:1-2:3 (S)

2ND WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 15 / 20

“May all the earth give you worship and praise, and break into song to your name, O G-d, Most High.”

1st Samuel 3:3-10, 19; Psalms 40; 1st Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20;

John 1:35-42

Psalms 97-103

Monday 16 / 21

“Open our hearts, O L-rd, to listen to the words of your Son.”

1st Samuel 15:16-23; Psalms 50; Mark 2:18-22

Psalms 104-105

MALACHI, PROPHET (400 B.C.)

17 - 20 JANUARY 2012
22 - 25 TEVET 5772

Tuesday 17 / 22

“Teach me the meaning of your law, O L-rd, and I will guard it with all my heart.”

1st Samuel 16:1-13; Psalms 89; Mark 2:23-28

Psalms 106-107

Anthony

Wednesday 18 / 23

“Receive this message not as the words of man, but as truly the word of G-d.”

1st Samuel 17:23-33, 37, 40-51; Psalms 144; Mark 3:1-6

Psalms 108-112

MICAH, PROPHET (9TH C. B.C.)

Thursday 19 / 24

“I hope in the L-rd, I trust in his word.”

1st Samuel 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Psalms 56; Mark 3:7-12

Psalms 113-118

THE HOLY THEOPHANY OF OUR L-RD, G-D AND SAVIOUR
YESHUA HAMASHIACH (BAPTISM OF THE L-RD)

Friday 20 / 25

“I call your my friends, says the L-rd, for I have made known to you all that he Father has told me.”

1st Samuel 24:3-21; Psalms 57; Mark 3:13-19

Psalms 119:1-96

(Miriam (Mary) converts Alphonse Ratisbonne)

21 - 24 JANUARY 2012

26 - 29 TEVET 5772

Saturday 21 / 26

“The word of G-d is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.”

2nd Samuel 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Psalms 80; Mark 3:20-21

Psalms 119:97-176

Parsha Va'eira

Exodus 6:2-9:35; Ezekiel 28:25-29:21

Agnes

3RD WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 22 / 27

“Sing a new song to the L-rd! Sing to the L-rd, all the earth. Truth and beauty surround him, he lives in holiness and glory.”

Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalms 25; 1st Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20

Psalms 120-134

SHEMAIAH, PROPHET (10TH C. B.C.)

Monday 23 / 28

“Your word, O L-rd, is truth; make us holy in the truth.”

2nd Samuel 5:1-7, 10; Psalms 89; Mark 3:22-30

Psalms 135-139

Tuesday 24 / 29

“Turn my heart to do your will; teach me your law, O G-d.”

2nd Samuel 6:12-15, 17-9; Psalms 24; Mark 3:31-35

Psalms 140-150

Francis de Sales

25 - 28 JANUARY 2012
1 - 4 SHEVAT 5772

Wednesday 25 / Shevat 1

“Speak, O L-rd, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life.”

2nd Samuel 7:4-17; Psalms 89; Mark 4:1-20

Psalms 1-9

Rosh Chodesh

Numbers 28:9-15

Conversion of St. Paul

Thursday 26 / 2

“Your word is a lamp for my feet, and a light on my path.”

2nd Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29; Psalms 132; Mark 4:21-25

Psalms 10-17

Timothy and Titus

Friday 27 / 3

“Give thanks to G-d our Father though Yeshua HaMashiach our L-rd, and may the fullness of his message live within you.”

2nd Samuel 11:1-4, 5-10, 13-17; Psalms 51; Mark 4:26-34

Psalms 18-22

Saturday 28 / 4

“Your laws are all made firm, O L-rd, established forevermore.”

2nd Samuel 12:1-7, 10-17; Psalms 51; Mark 4:35-41

Psalms 23-28

Parsha Bo

Exodus 10:1-13:16; Jeremiah 46:13-28

Thomas Aquinas

29 JANUARY - 1 FEBRUARY 2012
5 - 8 SHEVAT 5772

4TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 29 / 5

“Save us, L-rd our G-d, and gather us together from the nations, that we may proclaim your holy name and glory in your praise.”

Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalms 95; 1st Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28

Psalms 29-34

Monday 30 / 6

“G-d was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.”

2nd Samuel 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Psalms 3; Mark 5:1-20

Psalms 35-38

Tuesday 31 / 7

“Unveil my eyes, O L-rd, and I will see the marvels of your law.”

2nd Samuel 18:9-10, 14, 24-25, 30-19:3; Psalms 86; Mark 5:21-43

Psalms 39-43

John Bosco

Wednesday February 1 / 8

“May the Father of our L-rd Yeshua HaMashiach enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.”

2nd Samuel 24:2, 9-17; Psalms 32; Mark 6:1-6

Psalms 44-48

2 - 5 FEBRUARY 2012
9 – 12 SHEVAT 5772

Thursday 2 / 9

PRESENTATION OF THE L-RD

“This is the light of revelation to the nations, and the glory of your people, Israel.”

Malachi 3:1-4; Psalms 24; Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40

Psalms 49-54

Friday 3 / 10

“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.”

Sirach 47:2-11; Psalms 18; Mark 6:14-29

Psalms 55-59

Saturday 4 / 11

“My sheep listen to my voice, says the L-rd; I know them, and they follow me.”

1st Kings 3:4-13; Psalms 119:9-14; Mark 6:30-34

Psalms 60-65

Parsha Beshalach

Exodus 13:17-17:16; Judges 4:4-5:31 (A); Judges 5:1-31 (S)

TIMOTHY OF THE SEVENTY (C. 96)

5TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 5 / 12

“Come, let us worship the L-rd. Let us bow down in the presence of our maker, for he is the L-rd our G-d.”

Job 7:1-4, 6-7; Psalms 147; 1st Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23; Mark 1:29-39

Psalms 66-68

6 - 10 FEBRUARY 2012
13 - 17 SHEVAT 5772

Monday 6 / 13

“O praise the L-rd, Jerusalem; he sends out his word to the earth.”

1st Kings 8:1-7, 9-13; Psalms 132; Mark 6:53-56

Psalms 69-71

Tuesday 7 / 14

“Receive and submit to the word planted in you; it can save your souls.”

1st Kings 8:22-23, 27-30; Psalms 84; Mark 7:1-13

Psalms 72-76

Wednesday 8 / 15

“Teach me your paths, my G-d, and lead me in your truth.”

1st Kings 10:1-10; Psalms 37; Mark 7:14-23

Psalms 77-78

Tu B'Shevat

Thursday 9 / 16

“Your words, L-rd, are spirit and life, you have the words of everlasting life.”

1st Kings 11:4-13; Psalms 106; Mark 7:24-30

Psalms 79-82

Friday 10 / 17

“I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the L-rd; no one comes to the Father, except through me.”

1st Kings 11:29-32; 12:19; Psalms 81; Mark 7:31-37

Psalms 83-87

Scholastica

11 - 14 FEBRUARY 2012
18 - 21 SHEVAT 5772

Saturday 11 / 18

“Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of G-d.”

1st Kings 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Psalms 106; Mark 8:1-10

Psalms 88-89

Parsha Yitro

Exodus 18:1-20:26; Isaiah 6:1-7:6, 9:5-6 (A); Isaiah 6:1-13 (S)

Our Lady of Lourdes

6TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 12 / 19

“L-rd, be my rock of safety, the stronghold that saves me. For the honour of your name, lead me and guide me.”

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; Psalms 32; 1st Corinthians 10:31-11:1; Mark 1:40-45

Psalms 90-96

Monday 13 / 20

“Receive this message not as the words of man, but as truly the word of G-d.”

James 1:1-11; Psalms 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76; Mark 8:11-13

Psalms 97-103

Tuesday 14 / 21

“Blessed are you, Father, L-rd of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.”

James 1:12-18; Psalms 94; Mark 8:14-21

Psalms 104-105

Cyril, monk and Methodius

15 - 18 FEBRUARY 2012
22 – 25 SHEVAT 5772

Wednesday 15 / 22

“Your words, O L-rd, give joy to my heart, your teaching is light to my eyes.”

James 1:19-27; Psalms 15; Mark 8:22-26

Psalms 106-107

Thursday 16 / 23

“If anyone loves me, he will hold to my words, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.”

James 2:1-9; Psalms 34; Mark 8:27-33

Psalms 108-112

SYMEON (SIMON) THE G-D-RECEIVER AND ANNA THE
PROPHETESS (1ST C.)

AZARIAS, PROPHET (10TH C. B.C.)

Friday 17 / 24

“Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart, and yield a harvest through perseverance.”

James 2:14-24, 26; Psalms 112; Mark 8:34-9:1

Psalms 113-118

Saturday 18 / 25

“I am the light of the world, says the L-rd; the man who follows me will have the light of life.”

James 3:1-10; Psalms 12; Mark 9:2-13

Psalms 119:1-96

Parsha Mishpatim

Exodus 21:1-24:18; Jeremiah 34:8-22; 33:25-26

**19 - 22 FEBRUARY 2012
26 - 29 SHEVAT 5772**

7TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 19 / 26

“L-rd, your mercy is my hope, my heart rejoices in your saving power. I will sing to you, L-rd, for your goodness to me.”

Isaiah 43:18-19, 21-22, 24-25; Psalms 41; 2nd Corinthians 1:18-22; Mark 2:1-12

Psalms 119:97-176

BUCOLUS, BISHOP OF SMYRNA, DISCIPLE OF ST. JOHN THE THEOLOGIAN (C. 100)

Monday 20 / 27

“Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws.”

James 3:13-18; Psalms 19; Mark 9:14-29

Psalms 120-134

Tuesday 21 / 28

“The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.”

James 4:1-10; Psalms 55; Mark 9:30-37

Psalms 135-139

ZECHARIAH, PROPHET (520 B.C.)

Wednesday 22 / 29

ASH WEDNESDAY

“L-rd, you are merciful to all, and hate nothing you have created. You overlook the sins of men to bring them to repentance. You are the L-rd our G-d.”

Joel 2:12-18; Psalms 51; 2nd Corinthians 5:20-6:2; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Psalms 140-144

23 - 26 FEBRUARY 2012
30 SHEVAT – 3 ADAR 5772

Thursday 23 / 30

“Seek good and not evil so that you may live, and the L-rd will be with you.”

Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalms 1; Luke 9:22-25

Psalms 145-150

Rosh Chodesh 1

Numbers 28:1-15

Polycarp, Bishop

Friday 24 / Adar 1

“Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of G-d.”

Isaiah 58:1-9; Psalms 51; Matthew 9:14-15

Psalms 1-9

Rosh Chodesh 2

Numbers 28:1-15

Saturday 25 / 2

“Rid yourselves of all your sins; and make a new heart and a new spirit.”

Isaiah 58:9-14; Psalms 86; Luke 5:27-32

Psalms 10-17

Parsha Teruma

Exodus 25:1-27:19; 1st Kings 5:26-6:13

1ST WEEK OF LENT

Sunday 26 / 3

“When he calls to me, I will answer; I will rescue him and give him honour. Long life and contentment will be his.”

Genesis 9:8-15; Psalms 25; 1st Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15

Psalms 18-22

27 FEBRUARY – 2 MARCH 2012
4 - 8 ADAR 5772

Monday 27 / 4

“Your words, L-rd, are spirit and life; you have the message of eternal life.”

Leviticus 19:1-2, 11-18; Psalms 19; Matthew 25:31-46

Psalms 23-28

Tuesday 28 / 5

“I hope in the L-rd, I trust in his word; with him there is mercy and fullness of redemption.”

Isaiah 55:10-11; Psalms 34; Matthew 6:7-15

Psalms 29-34

Wednesday 29 / 6

“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.”

Jonah 3:1-10; Psalms 51; Luke 11:29-32

Psalms 35-38

Thursday March 1 / 7

“With all your heart turn to me for I am tender and compassionate.”

Esther C: 12, 14-16, 23-25; Psalms 138; Matthew 7:7-12

Psalms 39-43

MARIAMNE, SISTER OF APOSTLE PHILIP (1ST C.)

Friday 2 / 8

“I do not wish the sinner to die, says the L-rd, but to turn to me and live.”

Ezekiel 18:21-28; Psalms 130; Matthew 5:20-26

Psalms 44-48

3 - 6 MARCH 2012

9 - 12 ADAR 5772

Saturday 3 / 9

“G-d loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.”

Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Psalms 119:1-8; Matthew 5:43-48

Psalms 49-54

Parsha Tetzavei

Exodus 27:20-30:10; Ezekiel 43:10-27

ARCHIPPUS AND PHILEMON OF THE SEVENTY, AND MARTYR
APPHIA (1ST C.)

2ND WEEK OF LENT

Sunday 4 / 10

“Remember your mercies, L-rd, your tenderness from ages past. Do not let our enemies triumph over us; O G-d, deliver Israel from all her distress.”

Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18; Psalms 116; Romans 8:31-34; Mark 9:2-10

Psalms 55-59

Monday 5 / 11

“I will rise and go to my father and tell him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you.”

Daniel 9:4-10; Psalms 79; Luke 6:36-38

Psalms 60-65

Tuesday 6 / 12

“Create a clean heart in me, O G-d; give back to me the joy of your salvation.”

Isaiah 1:10, 16-20; Psalms 50; Matthew 23:1-12

Psalms 66-68

7 – 9 MARCH 2012
13 - 15 ADAR 5772

Wednesday 7 / 13

**“Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart,
and yield a harvest through perseverance.”**

Jeremiah 18:18-20; Psalms 31; Matthew 20:17-28

Psalms 69-71

Fast of Esther

Exodus 32:11-14, 34:1-10

Perpetua and Felicity

Thursday 8 / 14

**“I am the resurrection and the life, said the L-rd: he who
believes in me will not die forever.”**

Jeremiah 17:5-10; Psalms 1; Luke 16:19-31

Psalms 72-76

Purim

Exodus 17:8-16; Book of Esther

John of G-d

Friday 9 / 15

**“Seek good and not evil so that you may live, and the L-rd will
be with you.”**

Genesis 37:3-4, 12-13, 17-28; Psalms 105; Matthew 21:33-43, 45-46

Psalms 77-78

Shushan Purim

Frances of Rome

10 - 13 MARCH 2012

16 - 19 ADAR 5772

Saturday 10 / 16

“With all your heart turn to me for I am tender and compassionate.”

Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Psalms 103; Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Psalms 79-82

Parsha Ki Tisa

Exodus 30:11-34:35; 1st Kings 18:1-39 (A); 1st Kings 18:20-39 (S)

PHOTINA, THE SAMARITAN WOMAN, AND HER SISTERS ANATOLA, PHOTA, PHOTIS, PARASCEVA, AND CYRIACA, HER SONS PHOTINUS AND JOSES, AND SEBASTIAN THE DUKE, VICTOR AND CHRISTODULUS – ALL MARTYRED UNDER NERO (66)

3RD WEEK OF LENT

Sunday 11 / 17

“My eyes are ever fixed on the L-rd, for he releases my feet from the snare. O look at me and be merciful, for I am wretched and alone.”

Exodus 20:1-17; Psalms 19; 1st Corinthians 1:22-25; John 2:13-25

Psalms 83-87

(Elias Friedman OCD, AHC Founder, born 1916)

Monday 12 / 18

“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.”

2nd Kings 5:1-15; Psalms 42; Luke 4:24-30

Psalms 88-89

Tuesday 13 / 19

“Repent, says the L-rd, the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Psalms 25; Matthew 18:21-35

Psalms 90-96

14 - 17 MARCH 2012

20 - 23 ADAR 5772

Wednesday 14 / 20

“Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of G-d.”

Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Psalms 147; Matthew 5:17-19

Psalms 97-103

Thursday 15 / 21

“I do not wish the sinner to die, says the L-rd, but to turn to me and live.”

Jeremiah 7:23-28; Psalms 95; Luke 11:14-23

Psalms 104-105

Friday 16 / 22

“Your words, L-rd, are spirit and life; you have the message of eternal life.”

Hosea 14:2-10; Psalms 81; Mark 12:28-34

Psalms 106-107

Saturday 17 / 23

“Create a clean heart in me, O G-d; give back to me the joy of your salvation.”

Hosea 6:1-6; Psalms 51; Luke 18:9-14

Psalms 108-112

Parsha Vayakhel - Pekudei

Exodus 35:1-38:20; 38:21-40:38; 1st Kings 7:40-50; 7:51-8:21 (A);

1st Kings 7:13-26; 7:40-50 (S)

Patrick, Bishop

18 - 22 MARCH 2012

24 - 28 ADAR 5772

4TH WEEK OF LENT

Sunday 18 / 24

“Rejoice, Jerusalem! Be glad for her, you who love her; rejoice with her, you who mourned for her, and you will find contentment at her consoling breasts.”

2nd Chronicles 36:14-17, 19-23; Psalms 137; Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21

Psalms 113-118

Monday 19 / 25

JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF MIRIAM (MARY)

“How happy they who dwell in your house, O L-rd; continually they sing your praise!”

2nd Samuel 7:4-5, 12-14, 16; Psalms 89; Romans 4:13, 16-18, 22; Matthew 1:16, 18-21, 24

Psalms 119:1-96

Tuesday 20 / 26

“I hope in the L-rd, I trust in his word; with him there is mercy and fullness of redemption.”

Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12; Psalms 46; John 5:1-3, 5-16

Psalms 119:97-176

Wednesday 21 / 27

“G-d loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.”

Isaiah 49:8-15; Psalms 145; John 5:17-30

Psalms 120-134

Thursday 22 / 28

“The seed is the word of G-d, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live forever.”

Exodus 32:7-14; Psalms 106; John 5:31-47

Psalms 135-139

23 - 26 MARCH 2012
29 ADAR – 3 NISSAN 5772

Friday 23 / 29

“G-d loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.”

Wisdom 2:1, 12-22; Psalms 34; John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Psalms 140-150

Saturday 24 / Nissan 1

“If today you hear his voice; harden not your hearts.”

Jeremiah 11:18-20; Psalms 7; John 7:40-53

Psalms 1-9

Parsha Vayikra

Leviticus 1:1-5:26; Isaiah 43:21-44:23

Rosh Chodesh

Numbers 28:1-15

5TH WEEK OF LENT

Sunday 25 / 2

“Give me justice, O G-d, and defend my cause against the wicked; rescue me from deceitful and unjust men. You, O G-d, are my refuge.”

Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalms 51; Hebrews 5:7-9; John 12:20-33

Psalms 10-17

Monday 26 / 3

THE ANNUNCIATION

“The Word of G-d became man and lived among us; and we saw his glory.”

Isaiah 7:10-14; Psalms 40; Hebrews 10:4-10; Luke 1:26-38

Psalms 18-22

27 - 31 MARCH 2012
4 - 8 NISSAN 5772

Tuesday 27 / 4

“I am the light of the world, says the L-rd; he who follows me will have the light of life.”

Numbers 21:4-9; Psalms 102; John 8:21-30

Psalms 23-28

Wednesday 28 / 5

“Rid yourselves of all your sins; and make a new heart and a new spirit.

Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Daniel 3:52-56; John 8:31-42

Psalms 29-34

Thursday 29 / 6

“Seek good and not evil so that you may live, and the L-rd will be with you.”

Genesis 17:3-9; Psalms 105; John 8:51-59

Psalms 35-38

ARISTOBULUS OF THE SEVENTY, BISHOP OF BRITAIN (1ST C.)

Friday 30 / 7

“The seed is the word of G-d, Christ is the sower; all who come to him will live forever.”

Jeremiah 20:10-13; Psalms 18; John 10:31-42

Psalms 39-43

Saturday 31 / 8

“I hope in the L-rd, I trust in his word; with him there is mercy and fullness of redemption.”

Ezekiel 37:21-28; Jeremiah 31:10-13; John 11:45-57

Psalms 44-48

Shabbat HaGadol

Parsha Tzav

Leviticus 6:1-8:36; Jeremiah 7:21-8:3; 9:22-23

1 – 4 APRIL 2012
9 - 12 NISSAN 5772

HOLY WEEK

Sunday April 1 / 9

PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY

“Six days before the solemn Passover the L-rd came to Jerusalem, and children waving palm branches ran out to welcome him. They loudly praised the L-rd: Blessed are you who have come to us so rich in love and mercy.”

Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16; Isaiah 50:4-7; Psalms 22; Philipians 2:6-11; Mark 14:1-15:47

Psalms 49-54

Monday 2 / 10

“Let us greet our king; he alone showed mercy for our sins.”

Isaiah 42:1-7; Psalms 27; John 12:1-11

Psalms 55-59

Tuesday 3 / 11

“Hail to our king, obedient to his Father; he went to his crucifixion like a gentle lamb.”

Isaiah 49:1-6; Psalms 71; John 13:21-33, 36-38

Psalms 60-65

Wednesday 4 / 12

“Let us greet our king; he alone showed mercy for our sins.”

Isaiah 50:4-9; Psalms 69; Matthew 26:14-25

Psalms 66-68

5 - 7 APRIL 2012
13 - 15 NISSAN 5772

Thursday 5 / 13

Chrism Mass

“The spirit of the L-rd is upon me; he sent me to bring Good News to the poor.”

Isaiah 61:1-3, 6, 8-9; Psalms 89; Revelation 1:5-8; Luke 4:16-21

Evening Mass of the L-rd’s Supper

“I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you.”

Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14; Psalms 116; 1st Corinthians 11:23-26; Luke 13:1-15

Psalms 69-71

Friday 6 / 14

GOOD FRIDAY

“Christ became obedient for us even to death, dying on the cross. Therefore G-d raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.”

Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalms 31; Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9; John 18:1-19:42

Psalms 72-76

Erev Pesach

Fast of the First-born

Exodus 32:11-14, 34:1-10

Saturday 7 / 15

EASTER VIGIL

“Alleluia”

Genesis 1:1-2:2; Psalms 104; Genesis 22:1-18; Psalms 16; Exodus 14:15-15:1; Exodus 15:1-6, 17-18; Isaiah 54:5-14; Psalms 30; Isaiah 55:1-11; Isaiah 12:2-6; Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4; Psalms 19; Ezekiel 36:16-28; Psalms 42; Romans 6:3-11; Psalms 118; Mark 16:1-8

Psalms 77-78

Pesach I

Exodus 12:21-51; Numbers 28:16-25; Joshua 3:5-7, 5:2-6:1, 6:27 (A); Joshua 5:2-6:1 (S)

Hegesippus, Hebrew Catholic

8 - 9 APRIL 2012
16 - 17 NISSAN 5772

OCTAVE OF EASTER

Sunday 8 / 16

EASTER SUNDAY

“I have risen: I am with you once more; you placed your hand on me to keep me safe. How great is the depth of your wisdom, alleluia!”

Acts of the Apostles 10:34, 37-43; Psalms 118; Colossians 3:1-4 or 1st Corinthians 5:6-8; John 20:1-9

Psalms 79-82

Pesach 2

Leviticus 22:26-23:44; Numbers 28:16-25; 2nd Kings 23:1-9, 21-25

Day 1 of the Omer

Today is one day of the Omer

Sefirah: Chesed ShebeChesed

Monday 9 / 17

“The L-rd brought you to a land flowing with milk and honey, so that his Law would always be given honour among you, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 22-32; Psalms 16; Matthew 28:8-15

Psalms 83-87

Chol Hamoed 1

Exodus 13:1-16; Numbers 28:19-25

Day 2 of the Omer

Today is two days of the Omer

Sefirah: Gevurah ShebeChesed

10 - 11 APRIL 2012
18 - 19 NISSAN 5772

Tuesday 10 / 18

“If men desire wisdom, she will give them the water of knowledge to drink. They will never waver from the truth; they will stand firm forever, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 2:36-41; Psalms 33; John 20:11-18

Psalms 88-89

Chol Hamoed 2

Exodus 22:24-23:19; Numbers 28:19-25

Day 3 of the Omer

Today is three days of the Omer

Sefirah: Tiferet ShebeChesed

Wednesday 11 / 19

“Come, you whom my Father has blessed; inherit the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 3:1-10; Psalms 105; Luke 24:13-35

Psalms 90-96

Chol Hamoed 3

Exodus 33:12-34:26; Numbers 28:19-25; Ezekiel 37:1-14 (A);

Ezekiel 26:37-37:14 (S); Book of Song of Songs

Day 4 of the Omer

Today is four days of the Omer

Sefirah: Netzach ShebeChesed

12 - 13 APRIL 2012
20 - 21 NISSAN 5772

Thursday 12 / 20

“Your people praised your great victory, O L-rd. Wisdom opened the mouth that was dumb, and made the tongues of babies speak, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 3:11-26; Psalms 8; Luke 24:35-48

Psalms 97-103

Chol Hamoed 4

Exodus 9:1-14; Numbers 28:19-25

Day 5 of the Omer

Today is five days of the Omer

Sefirah: Hod ShebeChesed

JOAD, PROPHET WHO DWELT IN BETHEL (1ST KINGS 13:11)
(10TH C. B.C.)

SOSTHENES, APOLLOS, CEPHAS, CAESAR AND
EPAPHRODITUS, OF THE SEVENTY (1ST C.)

Friday 13 / 21

“The L-rd led his people out of slavery. He drowned their enemies in the sea, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 4:1-12; Psalms 118; John 21:1-14

Psalms 104-105

Pesach 7

Exodus 13:17-15:26; Numbers 28:19-25; 2nd Samuel 22:1-51

Day 6 of the Omer

Today is six days of the Omer

Sefirah: Yesod ShebeChesed

14 – 16 APRIL 2012
22 - 24 NISSAN 5772

Saturday 14 / 22

“The L-rd led his people to freedom and they shouted with joy and gladness, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 4:13-21; Psalms 118; Mark 16:9-15

Psalms 106-107

Pesach 8

Deuteronomy 15:19-16:17; Numbers 28:19-25; Isaiah 10:32-12:6

Day 7 of the Omer

Today is seven days, which is one week of the Omer

Sefirah: Malkut ShebeChesed

2ND WEEK OF EASTER

Sunday 15 / 23

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

“Rejoice to the full in the glory that is yours, and give thanks to G-d who called you to his kingdom, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35; Psalms 118; 1st John 5:1-6; John 20:19-31

Psalms 108-112

Isru Chag

Day 8 of the Omer

Today is eight days, which is one week and one day of the Omer

Sefirah: Chesed ShebeGevurah

Monday 16 / 24

“Christ now raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has power over him, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 4:23-31; Psalms 2; John 3:1-8

Psalms 113-118

Day 9 of the Omer

Today is nine days, which is one week and two days of the Omer

Sefirah: Gevurah ShebeGevurah

17 - 19 APRIL 2012
25 – 27 NISSAN 5772

Tuesday 17 / 25

“Let us shout out our joy and happiness, and give glory to G-d, the L-rd of all, because he is our King, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 4:32-37; Psalms 93; John 3:77-15

Psalms 119:1-96

Day 10 of the Omer

Today is ten days, which is one week and three days of the Omer

Sefirah: Tiferet ShebeGevurah

Wednesday 18 / 26

“I will be a witness to you in the world, O L-rd, I will spread the knowledge of your name among my brothers, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 5:17-26; Psalms 34; John 3:16-21

Psalms 119:97-176

Day 11 of the Omer

Today is eleven days, which is one week and four days of the Omer

Sefirah: Netzach ShebeGevurah

Thursday 19 / 27

“When you walked at the head of your people, O G-d, and lived with them on their journey, the earth shook at your presence, and the skies poured forth their rain, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 5:27-33; Psalms 34; John 3:31-36

Psalms 120-134

Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Day)

Day 12 of the Omer

Today is twelve days, which is one week and five days of the Omer

Sefirah: Hod ShebeGevurah

20 - 21 APRIL 2012
28 - 29 NISSAN 5772

Friday 20 / 28

“By your blood, O L-rd, you have redeemed us from every tribe and tongue, from every nation and people: you have made us into the kingdom of G-d, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 5:34-42; Psalms 27; John 6:1-15

Psalms 135-139

Day 13 of the Omer

Today is thirteen days, which is one week and six days of the Omer

Sefirah: Yesod ShebeGevurah

Saturday 21 / 29

“You are a people G-d claims as his own, to praise him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7; Psalms 33; John 6:16-21

Psalms 140-144

Parsha Shemini

Leviticus 9:1-11:47; 2nd Samuel 6:1-7:17 (A); 2nd Samuel 6:1-19 (S)

Day 14 of the Omer

Today is fourteen days, which is two weeks of the Omer

Sefirah: Malkut ShebeGevurah

Anselm

HERODION, AGABUS, ASYNCRITUS, RUFUS, PHLEGON,
HERMES, OF THE SEVENTY, AND THOSE WITH THEM (1ST C.)

22 - 23 APRIL 2012
30 NISSAN - 1 IYYAR 5772

3RD WEEK OF EASTER

Sunday 22 / 30

“Let all the earth cry out to G-d with joy; praise the glory of his name; proclaim his glorious praise, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15, 17-19; Psalms 4; 1st John 2:1-5; Luke 24:35-48

Psalms 145-150

Rosh Chodesh 1

Numbers 28:1-15

Day 15 of the Omer

Today is fifteen days, which is two weeks and one day of the Omer

Sefirah: Chesed ShebeTiferet

Monday 23 / Iyyar 1

“The Good Shepherd is risen! He who laid down his life for his sheep, who died for his flock, he is risen, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 6:8-15; Psalms 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; John 6:22-29

Psalms 1-9

Rosh Chodesh 2

Numbers 28:1-15

Day 16 of the Omer

Today is sixteen days, which is two weeks and two days of the Omer

Sefirah: Gevurah ShebeTiferet

HULDAH, PROPHETESS (2ND KINGS 22:14)

24 - 26 APRIL 2012

2 - 4 IYYAR 5772

Tuesday 24 / 2

“All you who fear G-d, both the great and the small, give praise to him! For his salvation and strength have come, the power of Christ, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 7:51-8:1; Psalms 31; John 6:30-35

Psalms 10-17

Day 17 of the Omer

Today is seventeen days, which is two weeks and three days of the Omer

Sefirah: Tiferet ShebeTiferet

ANTIPAS, BISHOP OF PERGAMUS, DISCIPLE OF ST. JOHN THE THEOLOGIAN (92)

Wednesdy 25 / 3

“Fill me with your praise and I will sing your glory; songs of joy will be on my lips, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 8:1-8; Psalms 66; John 6:35-40

Psalms 18-22

Memorial Day

Day 18 of the Omer

Today is eighteen days, which is two weeks and four days of the Omer

Sefirah: Netzach ShebeTiferet

Mark the Evangelist

Thursday 26 / 4

“Let us sing to the L-rd, he has covered himself in glory! The L-rd is my strength, and I praise him: he is the Saviour of my life, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 8:26-40; Psalms 66; John 6:44-51

Psalms 23-28

Independence Day

Day 19 of the Omer

Today is nineteen days, which is two weeks and five days of the Omer

Sefirah: Hod ShebeTiferet

27 - 28 APRIL 2012
5 - 6 IYYAR 5772

Friday 27 / 5

“The Lamb who was slain is worthy to receive strength and divinity, wisdom and power and honour, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 9:1-20; Psalms 117; John 6:52-59

Psalms 29-34

Day 20 of the Omer

Today is twenty days, which is two weeks and six days of the Omer

Sefirah: Yesod ShebeTiferet

Saturday 28 / 6

“In baptism we have died with Christ, and we have risen to new life in him, because we believed in the power of G-d who raised him from the dead, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 9:31-42; Psalms 116; John 6:60-69

Psalms 35-38

Parsha Tazria - Metzora

Leviticus 12:1-13:59; 14:1-15:33; 2nd Kings 4:42-5:19; 2nd Kings 7:3-20

Day 21 of the Omer

Today is twenty-one days, which is three weeks of the Omer

Sefirah: Malkut ShebeTiferet

Louis Mary de Montfort

ARISTARCHUS, PUDENS AND TROPHIMUS, OF THE SEVENTY
(67)

BASILLISSA AND ANASTASIA OF ROME, DISCIPLES OF
APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL (1ST C.)

29 APRIL - 1 MAY 2012
7 – 9 IYYAR 5772

4TH WEEK OF EASTER

Sunday 29 / 7

“The earth is full of the goodness of the L-rd; by the word of the L-rd the heavens were made, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12; Psalms 118; 1ST John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18

Psalms 39-43

Day 22 of the Omer

Today is twenty-two days, which is three weeks and one day of the Omer

Sefirah: Chesed ShebeNetzach

MARY AND MARTHA, SISTERS OF LAZARUS (1ST C.)

Monday 30 / 8

“I am the good shepherd, says the L-rd; I know my sheep and mine know me.”

Acts of the Apostles 11:1-18; Psalms 42; John 10:1-10

Psalms 44-48

Day 23 of the Omer

Today is twenty-three days, which is three weeks and two days of the Omer

Sefirah: Gevurah ShebeNetzach

Pope Pius V

Tuesday May 1 / 9

“Let us shout out our joy and happiness, and give glory to G-d, the L-rd of all, because he is our King, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 11:19-26; Psalms 87; John 10:22-30

Psalms 49-54

Day 24 of the Omer

Today is twenty-four days, which is three weeks and three days of the Omer

Sefirah: Tiferet ShebeNetzach

Joseph the Worker

2 - 4 MAY 2012
10 - 12 IYYAR 5772

Wednesday 2 / 10

“I will be a witness to you in the world, O L-rd, I will spread the knowledge of your name among my brothers, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 12:24-13:5; Psalms 67; John 12:44-50

Psalms 55-59

Day 25 of the Omer

Today is twenty-five days, which is three weeks and four days of the Omer

Sefirah: Netzach ShebeNetzach

Athanasius

ZACCHEUS, BISHOP OF CAESAREA (1ST C.)

Thursday 3 / 11

“When you walked at the head of your people, O G-d, and lived with them on their journey, the earth shook at your presence and the skies poured forth their rain, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 13:13-25; Psalms 89; John 13:16-20

Psalms 60-65

Day 26 of the Omer

Today is twenty-six days, which is three weeks and five days of the Omer

Sefirah: Hod ShebeNetzach

Philip and James, Apostles

Friday 4 / 12

“By your blood, O L-rd, you have redeemed us from every tribe and tongue, from every nation and people: you have made us into the kingdom of G-d, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 13:26-33; Psalms 2; John 14:1-6

Psalms 66-68

Day 27 of the Omer

Today is twenty-seven days, which is three weeks and six days of the Omer

Sefirah: Yesod ShebeNetzach

6 - 7 MAY 2012
14 - 15 IYYAR 5772

Saturday 5 / 13

“You are a people G-d claims as his won, to praise him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 13:44-52; Psalms 98; John 14:7-14

Psalms 69-71

Parsha Acharei Mot – Kedoshim

Leviticus 16:1-18:30; 19:1-20:27; Ezekiel 22:1-19 (A); Ezekiel 22:1-16 (S); Amos 9:7-15 (A); Ezekiel 20:2-20 (S)

Day 28 of the Omer

Today is twenty-eight days, which is four weeks of the Omer

Sefirah: Malkut ShebeNetzach

5TH WEEK OF EASTER

Sunday 6 / 14

“Sing to the L-rd a new song, for he has done marvellous deeds; he has revealed to the nations his saving power, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 9:26-31; Psalms 22; 1ST John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8

Psalms 72-76

Day 29 of the Omer

Today is twenty-nine days, which is four weeks and one day of the Omer

Sefirah: Chesed ShebeHod

TABITHA (1ST C.)

Monday 7 / 15

“The Good Shepherd is risen! He who laid down his life for his sheep, who died for his flock, he is risen, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 14:5-18; Psalms 115; John 14:21-26

Psalms 77-78

Day 30 of the Omer

Today is thirty days, which is four weeks and two days of the Omer

Sefirah: Gevurah ShebeHod

8 - 9 MAY 2012
16 - 17 IYYAR 5772

Tuesday 8 / 16

“All you who fear G-d, both the great and the small, give praise to him! For his salvation and strength have come, the power of Christ, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 14:19-28; Psalms 145; John 14:27-31

Psalms 79-82

Day 31 of the Omer

Today is thirty-one days, which is four weeks and three days of the Omer

Sefirah: Tiferet ShebeHod

MARK, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST (63)

Wednesday 9 / 17

“Fill me with your praise and I will sing your glory; songs of joy will be on my lips, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 15:1-6; Psalms 122; John 15:1-8

Psalms 83-87

Day 32 of the Omer

Today is thirty-two days, which is four weeks and four days of the Omer

Sefirah: Netzach ShebeHod

10 - 11 MAY 2012
18 - 19 IYYAR 5772

Thursday 10 / 18

“Let us sing to the L-rd, he has covered himself in glory! The L-rd is my strength, and I praise him: he is the Saviour of my life, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 15:7-21; Psalms 96; John 15:9-11

Psalms 88-89

Lag B’Omer

Death of 24,000 of Rabbi Akiva’s students

Yahrzeit (anniversary of death) of Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai (one of 5 students of Rabbi Akiva after the death of the 24,000 and author of the Zohar)

Day 33 of the Omer

Today is thirty-three days, which is four weeks and five days of the Omer

Sefirah: Hod ShebeHod

SYMEON, SON OF CLEOPAS (107)

Friday 11 / 19

“The Lamb who was slain is worthy to receive strength and divinity, wisdom and power and honour, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 15:22-31; Psalms 57; John 15:12-17

Psalms 90-96

Day 34 of the Omer

Today is thirty-four days, which is four weeks and six days of the Omer

Sefirah: Yesod ShebeHod

JASON AND SOSIPATER, OF THE SEVENTY AND THEIR COMPANIONS: SATURNINUS, JAKISCHOLUS (INISCHOLUS), FAUSTIANUS, JANUARIUS, MARSALIUS, EUPHRASIUS, MAMMIUS, THE VIRGIN CERCYRA AND CHRISTOLDOLUS THE ETHIOPIAN AT CORFU (1ST C.)

12 - 13 MAY 2012
20 - 21 IYYAR 5772

Saturday 12 / 20

“In baptism we have died with Christ, and we have risen to new life in him, because we believed in the power of G-d who raised him from the dead, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 16:1-10; Psalms 100; John 15:18-21

Psalms 97-103

Parsha Emor

Leviticus 21:1-24:23; Ezekiel 44:15-31

Day 35 of the Omer

Today is thirty-five days, which is five weeks of the Omer

Sefirah: Malkut ShebeHod

6TH WEEK OF EASTER

Sunday 13 / 21

“Speak out with a voice of joy; let it be heard to the ends of the earth: The L-rd has set his people free, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Psalms 98; 1st John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17

Psalms 104-105

Day 36 of the Omer

Today is thirty-six days, which is five weeks and one day of the Omer

Sefirah: Chesed ShebeYesod

JAMES, APOSTLE AND BROTHER OF ST. JOHN THE
THEOLOGIAN (44)

14 - 16 MAY 2012
22 - 24 IYYAR 5772

Monday 14 / 22

“Nailed to the cross for our sake, the L-rd is now risen from the grave.”

Acts of the Apostles 16:11-15; Psalms 149; John 15:26-16:4

Psalms 106-107

Day 37 of the Omer

Today is thirty-seven days, which is five weeks and two days of the Omer

Sefirah: Gevurah ShebeYesod

Matthias, Apostle

JEREMIAH, PROPHET (650 B.C.)

Tuesday 15 / 23

“Let us shout out our joy and happiness, and give glory to G-d, the L-rd of all, because he is our King, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 16:22-34; Psalms 138; John 16:5-11

Psalms 108-112

Day 38 of the Omer

Today is thirty-eight days, which is five weeks and three days of the Omer

Sefirah: Tiferet ShebeYesod

Wednesday 16 / 24

“I will be a witness to you in the world, O L-rd, I will spread the knowledge of your name among my brothers, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 17:15, 22-18:1; Psalms 148; John 16:12-15

Psalms 113-118

Day 39 of the Omer

Today is thirty-nine days, which is five weeks and four days of the Omer

Sefirah: Netzach ShebeYesod

17 - 19 MAY 2012
25 - 27 IYYAR 5772

Thursday 17 / 25

ASCENSION OF THE L-RD

“Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking in the sky? The L-rd will return, just as you have seen him ascend, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11; Psalms 47; Ephesians 1:17-23; Mark 16:15-20

Psalms 119:1-96

Day 40 of the Omer

Today is forty days, which is five weeks and five days of the Omer

Sefirah: Hod ShebeYesod

Friday 18 / 26

“The L-rd said: I will not leave you orphans. I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice.”

Acts of the Apostles 18:9-18; Psalms 47; John 16:20-23

Psalms 119:97-176

Day 41 of the Omer

Today is forty-one days, which is five weeks and six days of the Omer

Sefirah: Yesod ShebeYesod

John I, Pope

Saturday 19 / 27

“You are a people G-d claims as his own, to praise him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 18:23-28; Psalms 47; John 16:23-28

Psalms 120-134

Parsha Behar – Bechukotai

Leviticus 25:1-26:2; 26:3-27:34; Jeremiah 32:6-27; 16:19-17:14

Day 42 of the Omer

Today is forty-two days, which is six weeks of the Omer

Sefirah: Malkut ShebeYesod

JOB, THE LONG-SUFFERING

20 - 21 MAY 2012
28 - 29 IYYAR 5772

7TH WEEK OF EASTER

Sunday 20 / 28

“L-rd, hear my voice when I call to you. My heart has prompted me to seek your face; I seek it, L-rd; oh, do not hide from me, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 1:15-17, 20-26; Psalms 103; 1ST John 4:11-16;
John 17:11-19

Psalms 135-139

Jerusalem Day

Day 43 of the Omer

Today is forty-three days, which is six weeks and one day of the Omer

Sefirah: Chesed ShebeMalkut

LYDIA OF PHILIPPI (1ST C.)

Monday 21 / 29

“You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. You will be my witnesses to all the world, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 19:1-8; Psalms 68; John 16:29-33

Psalms 140-150

Day 44 of the Omer

Today is forty-four days, which is six weeks and two days of the Omer

Sefirah: Gevurah ShebeMalkut

JOHN THE THEOLOGIAN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

22 - 24 MAY 2012

1 - 3 SIVAN 5772

Tuesday 22 / Sivan 1

“I am the beginning and the end of all things. I have met death, but I am alive, and I shall live for eternity, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 20:17-27; Psalms 68; John 17:1-11

Psalms 1-9

Rosh Chodesh

Numbers 28:1-15

Day 45 of the Omer

Today is forty-five days, which is six weeks and three days of the Omer

Sefirah: Tiferet ShebeMalkut

ISAIAH, PROPHET (8TH C. B.C.)

Wednesday 23 / 2

“All nations, clap your hands. Show with a voice of joy to G-d, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 20:28-38; Psalms 68; John 17:11-19

Psalms 10-17

Day 46 of the Omer

Today is forty-six days, which is six weeks and four days of the Omer

Sefirah: Netzach ShebeMalkut

SIMON THE ZEALOT, APOSTLE (1ST C.)

Thursday 24 / 3

“Let us come to G-d’s presence with confidence, because we will find mercy, and strength when we need it, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 22:30; 23:6-11; Psalms 16; John 17:20-26

Psalms 18-22

Day 47 of the Omer

Today is forty-seven days, which is six weeks and five days of the Omer

Sefirah: Hod ShebeMalkut

25 - 26 MAY 2012

4 - 5 SIVAN 5772

Friday 25 / 4

“Christ loved us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and has made us a kingdom of priests to serve his G-d and Father, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 25:13-21; Psalms 103; John 21:15-19

Psalms 23-28

Day 48 of the Omer

Today is forty-eight days, which is six weeks and six days of the Omer

Sefirah: Yesod ShebeMalkut

Venerable Bede

Gregory VII, Pope

Mary Magdalene de Pazzi

Saturday 26 / 5

“The disciples were constantly at prayer together, with Miriam (Mary) the mother of Jesus, the other women, and the brothers of Jesus, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 28:16-20, 30-31; Psalms 11; John 21:20-25

Psalms 29-34

Parsha Bamidbar

Numbers 1:1-4:20; Hosea 2:1-22

Day 49 of the Omer

Today is forty-nine days, which is seven weeks of the Omer

Sefirah: Malkut ShebeMalkut

Philip Neri

27 – 29 MAY 2012
6 - 8 SIVAN 5772

8TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 27 / 6

PENTECOST

“The love of G-d has been poured into our hearts by his Spirit living in us, alleluia.”

Vigil Mass

Genesis 11:1-9 / Exodus 19:3-8, 16-20 / Ezekiel 37:1-14 / Joel 3:1-5; Psalms 104; Romans 8:22-27; John 7:37-39

Mass During the Day

“The Spirit of the L-rd fills the whole world. It holds all things together and knows every word spoken by man, alleluia.”

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11; Psalms 104; 1st Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23

Psalms 35-38

Shavuot 1

Exodus 19:1-20-23; Numbers 28:26-31; Ezekiel 1:1-28, 3:12; Book of Ruth

Monday 28 / 7

“The L-rd has been my strength; he has led me into freedom. He saved me because he loves me.”

1st Peter 1:3-9; Psalms 111; Mark 10:17-27

Psalms 39-43

Shavuot 2

Deuteronomy 15:19-16:17; Numbers 28:26-31; Habbakuk 2:20-3:19

Tuesday 29 / 8

“He who keeps the word of Christ, grows perfect in the love of G-d.”

1st Peter 1:10-16; Psalms 98; Mark 10:28-31

Psalms 44-48

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MENACHEM, COMPANION OF HEROD THE TETRARCH

30 MAY – 2 JUNE 2012
9 - 12 SIVAN 5772

Wednesday 30 / 9

“I call you my friends, says the L-rd, for I have made known to you all that the Father has told me.”

1st Peter 1:18-25; Psalms 147; Mark 10:32-45

Psalms 49-54

ANDRONICUS OF THE SEVENTY AND HIS FELLOW LABOURER
JUNIA (1ST C.)

Thursday 31 / 10

VISITATION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MIRIAM (MARY)

“Come, all you who fear G-d, and hear the great things the L-rd has done for me.”

Zephaniah 3:14-18 / Romans 12:9-16; Isaiah 12:2-6; Luke 1:39-56

Psalms 55-59

Friday June 1 / 11

“Your words, L-rd, are spirit and life, you have the words of everlasting life.”

1st Peter 4:7-13; Psalms 96; Mark 11:11-26

Psalms 60-65

Justin

Saturday 2 / 12

“Turn my heart to do your will; teach me your law, O G-d.”

Jude 17, 20-25; Psalms 63; Mark 11:27-33

Psalms 66-68

Parsha Naso

Numbers 4:21-7:89; Judges 13:2-25

3 - 7 JUNE 2012
13 - 17 SIVAN 5772

9TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 3 / 13

TRINITY SUNDAY

“Blessed be G-d the Father and his only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit: for he has shown that he loves us.”

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40; Psalms 33; Romans 8:14-17;
Matthew 28:16-20

Psalms 69-71

Monday 4 / 14

“Receive and submit to the word planted in you; it can save your souls.”

2nd Peter 1:2-7; Psalms 91; Mark 12:1-12

Psalms 72-76

Tuesday 5 / 15

“The word of G-d is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.”

2nd Peter 3:12-15, 17-18; Psalms 90; Mark 12:13-17

Psalms 77-78

Boniface

Wednesday 6 / 16

“Your laws are all made firm, O L-rd, established forever more.”

2nd Peter 1:1-3, 6-12; Psalms 123; Mark 12:18-27

Psalms 79-82

Thursday 7 / 17

“Teach me the meaning of your law, O L-rd, and I will guard it with all my heart.”

2nd Timothy 2:8-15; Psalms 25; Mark 12:28-34

Psalms 83-87

8 - 11 JUNE 2012
18 - 21 SIVAN 5772

Friday 8 / 18

“May the Father of our L-rd Yeshua HaMashiach enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.”

2nd Timothy 3:10-1; Psalms 119:157, 160-161, 165-166, 168; Mark 12:35-37

Psalms 88-89

CARPUS OF THE SEVENTY AND ALPHEAUS (1ST C.)

ABERCUS AND HELEN, CHILDREN OF ALPHEAUS (1ST C.)

Saturday 9 / 19

“Unveil my eyes, O L-rd, and I will see the marvels of your law.”

2nd Timothy 4:1-8; Psalms 71; Mark 12:38-44

Psalms 90-96

Parsha Beha'alotcha

Numbers 8:1-12:16; Zechariah 2:14-4:7

10TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 10 / 20

CORPUS CHRISTI

“The L-rd fed his people with the finest wheat and honey; their hunger was satisfied.”

Exodus 24:3-8; Psalms 116; Hebrews 9:11-15; Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

Psalms 97-103

Monday 11 / 21

“Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of G-d.”

1st Kings 17:1-7; Psalms 121; Matthew 5:1-12

Psalms 104-105

Barnabas, Apostle

12 - 15 JUNE 2012
22 - 25 SIVAN 5772

Tuesday 12 / 22

“Your word is a lamp for my feet, and a light on my path.”

1st Kings 17:7-16; Psalms 4; Matthew 5:13-16

Psalms 106-107

Wednesday 13 / 23

**“Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart
and yield a harvest through perseverance.”**

1st Kings 18:20-39; Psalms 16; Matthew 5:17-19

Psalms 108-112

Anthony of Padua

HERMES OF THE SEVENTY (1ST C.)

Thursday 14 / 24

**“If anyone loves me, he will hold to my words, and my Father
will love him, and we will come to him.”**

1st Kings 18:41-46; Psalms 65; Matthew 5:20-26

Psalms 113-118

Friday 15 / 25

SACRED HEART OF Jesus

**“The thoughts of his heart last through every generation, that
he will rescue them from death and feed them in the time of
famine.”**

Hosea 11:1, 3-4, 8-9; Isaiah 12:2-6; Ephesians 3:8-12, 14-19; John
19:31-37

Psalms 119:1-96

**16 - 20 JUNE 2012
26 – 30 SIVAN 5772**

Saturday 16 / 26

IMMACULATE HEART OF MIRIAM (MARY)

“My heart rejoices in your saving power. I will sing to the L-rd for his goodness to me.”

1st Kings 19:19-21; Psalms 16; Luke 2:41-51

Psalms 119:97-176

Parsha Shelach Lecha

Numbers 13:1-15:41; Joshua 2:1-24

11TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 17 / 27

“L-rd, hear my voice when I call to you. You are my help; do not cast me off, do not desert me, my Saviour G-d.”

Ezekiel 17:22-24; Psalms 92; 2nd Corinthians 5:6-10; Mark 4:26-34

Psalms 120-134

Monday 18 / 28

“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.”

1st Kings 21:1-16; Psalms 5; Matthew 5:38-42

Psalms 135-139

Tuesday 19 / 29

“He who keeps the word of Christ, grows perfect in the love of G-d.”

1st Kings 21:17-29; Psalms 51; Matthew 5:43-48

Psalms 140-144

Wednesday 20 / 30

“Your words, O L-rd, give joy to my heart, your teaching is light to my eyes.”

2nd Kings 2:1, 6-14; Psalms 31; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Psalms 145-150

Rosh Chodesh 1

Numbers 28:1-15

21 - 23 JUNE 2012
1 – 3 TAMMUZ 5772

Thursday 21 / Tammuz 1

“Speak, O L-rd, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life.”

Sirach 48:1-14; Psalms 97; Matthew 6:7-15

Psalms 1-9

Rosh Chodesh 2

Numbers 28:1-15

Aloysius Gonzaga

Friday 22 / 2

“Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws.”

2nd Kings 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Psalms 132; Matthew 6:19-23

Psalms 10-17

Saturday 23 / 3

“The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.”

2nd Chronicles 24:17-25; Psalms 89; Matthew 6:24-34

Psalms 18-22

Parsha Korach

Numbers 16:1-18:23; 1st Samuel 11:4-12:22

24 – 27 JUNE 2012
4 - 7 TAMMUZ 5772

12TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 24 / 4

BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

Vigil Mass

“From his mother’s womb, he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, he will be great in the sight of the L-rd, and many will rejoice at his birth.”

Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalms 71; 1st Peter 1:8-12; Luke 1:5-17

Mass During the Day

“There was a man sent from G-d whose name was John. He came to bear witness to the light, to prepare an upright people for the L-rd.”

Isaiah 49:1-6; Psalms 139; Acts of the Apostles 13:22-26; Luke 1:57-66, 80

Psalms 23-28

BARTHOLOMEW AND BARNABAS, APOSTLES (1ST C.)

Monday 25 / 5

“I hope in the L-rd, I trust in his word.”

2nd Kings 17:5-8, 13-15, 18; Psalms 60; Matthew 7:1-5

Psalms 29-34

Tuesday 26 / 6

“I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the L-rd; no one comes to the Father, except through me.”

2nd Kings 19:9-11, 14-21, 31-36; Psalms 48; Matthew 7:6, 12-14

Psalms 35-38

Wednesday 27 / 7

“My sheep listen to my voice, says the L-rd; I know them, and they follow me.”

2nd Kings 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Psalms 119:33-37, 40; Matthew 7:15-20

Psalms 39-43

Cyril of Alexandria

ELISHA, PROPHET (10TH C. B.C.)

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28 – 30 JUNE 2012
8 - 10 TAMMUZ 5772

Thursday 28 / 8

“The word of the L-rd stands forever; it is the word given to you, the Good News.”

2nd Kings 24:8-17; Psalms 79; Matthew 7:21-29

Psalms 44-48

Irenaeus

AMOS, PROPHET (8TH C. B.C.)

Friday 29 / 9

PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

Vigil Mass

“Peter the apostle and Paul the teacher of the Gentiles have brought us to know the law of the L-rd.”

Acts of the Apostles 3:1-10; Psalms 19; Galatians 1:11-20; John 21:15-19

Mass During the Day

“These men, conquering all human frailty, shed their blood and helped the Church to grow. By sharing the cup of the L-rd’s suffering, they became the friends of G-d.”

Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11; Psalms 34; 2nd Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18; Matthew 16:13-19

Psalms 49-54

Saturday 30 / 10

“Our Saviour Yeshua HaMashiach has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel.”

Lamentations 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Psalms 74; Matthew 8:5-17

Psalms 55-59

Parsha Chukat

Numbers 19:1-22:1; Judges 11:1-33

AETIUS, THE EUNUCH, ENLIGHTENER OF ETHIOPIA,
BAPTISED BY PHILIP THE APOSTLE (1ST C.)

1 - 5 JULY 2012
11 - 15 TAMMUZ 5772

13TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday July 1 / 11

“All nations, clap your hands. Shout with a voice of joy to G-d.”

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Psalms 30; 2nd Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15;

Mark 9:21-43

Psalms 60-65

Monday 2 / 12

“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.”

Amos 2:6-10, 13-16; Psalms 50; Matthew 8:18-27

Psalms 66-68

JUDE, APOSTLE (80)

MARY, MYRRH-BEARER, MOTHER OF THE APOSTLE JAMES
(1ST C.)

Tuesday 3 / 13

“O praise the L-rd, Jerusalem; he sends out his word to the earth.”

Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Psalms 5; Matthew 8:23-27

Psalms 69-71

Thomas, Apostle

Wednesday 4 / 14

“The L-rd is faithful in all his words and holy in his deeds.”

Amos 5:14-15, 21-24; Psalms 50; Matthew 8:28-34

Psalms 72-76

Thursday 5 / 15

“Give thanks to G-d our Father through Yeshua HaMashiach our L-rd, and may the fullness of his message live within you.”

Amos 7:10-17; Psalms 19; Matthew 9:1-8

Psalms 77-78

6 - 9 JULY 2012
16 - 19 TAMMUZ 5772

Friday 6 / 16

“Your word, O L-rd, is truth; make us holy in the truth.”

Amos 8:4-6, 9-12; Psalms 119:2, 10, 20, 30, 40, 131; Matthew 9:9-13

Psalms 79-82

Saturday 7 / 17

“Teach me the meaning of your law, O L-rd, and I will guard it with all my heart.”

Amos 9:11-15; Psalms 85; Matthew 9:14-17

Psalms 83-87

Parsha Balak

Numbers 22:2-25:9; Micah 5:6-6:8

14TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 8 / 18

“Within your temple, we ponder your loving-kindness, O G-d. As your name, so also your praise reaches to the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with justice.”

Ezekiel 2:2-5; Psalms 123; 2nd Corinthians 12:7-10; Mark 6:1-6

Psalms 88-89

Fast of Tammuz

Exodus 32:11-14, 34:1-10

Monday 9 / 19

“Give me life, O L-rd, and I will do your commands.”

Hosea 2:16-18, 21-22; Psalms 145; Matthew 9:18-26

Psalms 90-96

10 - 14 JULY 2012
20 - 24 TAMMUZ 5772

Tuesday 10 / 20

**“G-d has called us with the gospel; the people won for him by
Yeshua HaMashiach our L-rd.”**

Hosea 8:4-7, 11-13; Psalms 115; Matthew 9:32-38

Psalms 97-103

JOANNA, MYRHH-BEARER (1ST C.)

Wednesday 11 / 21

**“Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the
word of life.”**

Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Psalms 105; Matthew 10:1-7

Psalms 104-105

Benedict

Thursday 12 / 22

**“Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart,
and yield a harvest through perseverance.”**

Hosea 11:1, 3-4, 8-9; Psalms 80; Matthew 10:7-15

Psalms 106-107

MARY, MOTHER OF JOHN-MARK, NEPHEW OF BARNABAS
THE APOSTLE, AT JERUSALEM (1ST C.)

Friday 13 / 23

**“If anyone loves me, he will hold to my words, and my Father
will love him, and we will come to him.”**

Hosea 14:2-10; Psalms 51; Matthew 10:16-23

Psalms 108-112

Saturday 14 / 24

“I hope in the L-rd, I trust in his word.”

Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalms 93; Matthew 10:24-33

Psalms 113-118

Parsha Pinchas

Numbers 25:10-29:40; 1st Kings 18:46-19:21

Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha

15 - 19 JULY 2012
25 - 29 TAMMUZ 5772

15TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 15 / 25

“In my justice I shall see your face, O L-rd; when your glory appears, my joy will be full.”

Amos 7:12-15; Psalms 85; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:7-13

Psalms 119:1-96

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Monday 16 / 26

“Receive this message not as the words of man, but as truly the word of G-d.”

Isaiah 1:10-17; Psalms 50; Matthew 10:34-11:1

Psalms 119:97-176

Tuesday 17 / 27

“Open our hearts, O L-rd, to listen to the words of your Son.”

Isaiah 7:1-9; Psalms 48; Matthew 11:20-24

Psalms 120-134

Wednesday 18 / 28

“Blessed are you, Father, L-rd of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.”

Isaiah 10:5-7, 13-16; Psalms 94; Matthew 11:25-27

Psalms 135-139

Thursday 19 / 29

“I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the L-rd; no one comes to the Father, except through me.”

Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Psalms 102; Matthew 11:28-30

Psalms 140-150

20 - 22 JULY 2012

1 – 3 AV 5772

Friday 20 / Av 1

“The word of G-d is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.”

Isaiah 38:1-8, 21-22; Isaiah 38:10-12, 16; Matthew 12:1-8

Psalms 1-9

Rosh Chodesh

Numbers 28:1-15

MOTHER MARIA SKOBTSOVA AND SON YURI AND FATHER DIMITRI KLEPININ WHO WERE KILLED BY THE NAZIS FOR ASSISTING AND PROTECTING FRENCH JEWS. MOTHER MARIA WAS SENT TO RAVENSBRÜCK CONCENTRATION CAMP AND DIED ON HOLY SATURDAY 1945 WHEN SHE TOOK THE PLACE OF A JEWISH WOMAN WHO WAS GOING TO BE SENT TO THE GAS CHAMBERS. FR DIMITRI AND YURI BOTH DIED AT THE DORA CONCENTRATION CAMP.

Saturday 21 / 2

“Our Saviour Yeshua HaMashiach has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel.”

Micah 2:1-5; Psalms 10; Matthew 12:14-21

Psalms 10-17

Parsha Matot – Mase'ei

Numbers 30:1-32:42; 33:1-36:13; Jeremiah 1:1-2:3; 2:4-28, 3:4 (A); Jeremiah 2:4-28, 4:1-2 (S)

16TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 22 / 3

“G-d himself is my help. The L-rd upholds my life. I will offer you a willing sacrifice; I will praise your name, O L-rd, for its goodness.”

Jeremiah 23:1-6; Psalms 23; Ephesians 2:13-18; Mark 6:30-34

Psalms 18-22

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Monday 23 / 4

“Instruct me in the way of your rules, and I will reflect on all your wonders.”

Micah 6:1-4, 6-8; Psalms 50; Matthew 12:38-42

Psalms 23-28

Tuesday 24 / 5

“Teach me your paths, my G-d, and lead me in your truth.”

Micah 7:14-15, 18-20; Psalms 85; Matthew 12:46-50

Psalms 29-34

Wednesday 25 / 6

Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of G-d.”

Jeremiah 1:1, 4-10; Psalms 71; Matthew 13:1-9

Psalms 35-38

James, Apostle

Thursday 26 / 7

“Unveil my eyes, O L-rd, and I will see the marvels of your law.”

Jeremiah 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Psalms 36; Matthew 13:10-17

Psalms 39-43

Joachim and Anna, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Miriam (Mary)

Friday 27 / 8

“Receive and submit to the word planted in you; it can save your souls.”

Jeremiah 3:14-17; Jeremiah 31:10-13; Matthew 13:18-23

Psalms 44-48

AQUILA OF THE SEVENTY AND PRISCILLA (1ST C.)

28 - 31 JULY 2012

9 - 12 AV 5772

Saturday 28 / 9

“O praise the L-rd, Jerusalem; he sends out his word to the earth.”

Jeremiah 7:1-11; Psalms 84; Matthew 13:24-30

Psalms 49-54

Parsha Devarim

Deuteronomy 1:1-3:22; Isaiah 1:1-27

17TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 29 / 10

“G-d is in his holy dwelling; he will give a home to the lonely, he gives power and strength to his people.”

2nd Kings 4:42-44; Psalms 145; Ephesians 4:1-6; John 6:1-15

Psalms 55-59

Fast of Tisha B'Av

Morning: Deuteronomy 4:25-40; Jeremiah 8:13-9:23

Afternoon: Exodus 32:11-13, 34:1-10; Isaiah 55:6-56:8 (A); Hosea 14:2-10; Micah 7:18-20 (S); Book of Lamentations

Monday 30 / 11

“Your words, O L-rd, give joy to my heart, your teaching is light to my eyes.”

Jeremiah 13:1-11; Deuteronomy 32:18-21; Matthew 13:31-35

Psalms 60-65

Peter Chrysologus

Tuesday 31 / 12

“I call you my friends, says the L-rd, for I have made known to you all that the Father has told me.”

Jeremiah 14:17-22; Psalms 79; Matthew 13:35-43

Psalms 66-68

Ignatius of Loyola

1 - 4 AUGUST 2012
13 - 16 AV 5772

Wednesday August 1 / 13

“May the Father of our L-rd Yeshua HaMashiach enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.”

Jeremiah 15:10, 16-21; Psalms 59; Matthew 13:44-46

Psalms 69-71

Alphonsus Liguori

(AHC Novena to St. Teresa Benedicta – Day 1)

Thursday 2 / 14

“Give thanks to G-d our Father through Yeshua HaMashiach our L-rd, and may the fullness of his message live within you.”

Jeremiah 18:1-6; Psalms 146; Matthew 13:47-53

Psalms 72-76

ELIJAH, PROPHET (9TH C. B.C.)

(AHC Novena to St. Teresa Benedicta – Day 2)

Friday 3 / 15

“The L-rd is faithful in all his words and holy in his deeds.”

Jeremiah 26:1-9; Psalms 69; Matthew 13:54-58

Psalms 77-78

Tu B'Av

EZEKIEL, PROPHET (6TH C. B.C.)

(AHC Novena to St. Teresa Benedicta – Day 3)

Saturday 4 / 16

“Turn my heart to do your will; teach me your law, O G-d.”

Jeremiah 26:11-16, 24; Psalms 69; Matthew 14:1-12

Psalms 79-82

Parsha Va'etchanan

Deuteronomy 3:23-7:11; Isaiah 40:1-26

John Vianney

MARY MAGDALEN, MYRRH-BEARER (1ST C.)

(AHC Novena to St. Teresa Benedicta – Day 4)

5 - 8 AUGUST 2012
17 - 20 AV 5772

18TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 5 / 17

“G-d, come to my help. L-rd, quickly give me assistance. You are the one who helps me and sets me free: L-rd, do not be long in coming.

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15; Psalms 78; Ephesians 4:17, 20-24; John 6:24-35

Psalms 83-87

(AHC Novena to St. Teresa Benedicta – Day 5)

Monday 6 / 18

TRANSFIGURATION

“In the shining cloud the Spirit is seen; from it the voice of the Father is heard: This is my Son, my beloved, in whom I delight. Listen to him.”

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalms 97; 2nd Peter 1:16-19; Mark 9:2-10

Psalms 88-89

(AHC Novena to St. Teresa Benedicta – Day 6)

Tuesday 7 / 19

“Your words, L-rd, are spirit and life, you have the words of everlasting life.”

Jeremiah 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Psalms 102; Matthew 14:22-36

Psalms 90-96

Sixtus II, Pope and companions

(AHC Novena to St. Teresa Benedicta – Day 7)

Wednesday 8 / 20

“My sheep listen to my voice, says the L-rd; I know them, and they follow me.”

Jeremiah 31:1-7; Jeremiah 31:10-13; Matthew 15:21-28

Psalms 97-103

Dominic

(AHC Novena to St. Teresa Benedicta – Day 8)

9 - 12 AUGUST 2012
21 - 24 AV 5772

Thursday 9 / 21

“G-d was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.”

Jeremiah 31:31-34; Psalms 51; Matthew 16:13-23

Psalms 104-105

Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein)
(AHC Novena to St. Teresa Benedicta – Day 9)

Friday 10 / 22

“Teach me your way, O L-rd, and lead me on a straight road.”

Nahum 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Deuteronomy 32:35-36, 39, 41; Matthew 16:24-28

Psalms 106-107

Lawrence

PHOCHORUS, NICANOR, TIMON AND PARMENAS OF THE SEVENTY AND DEACONS (1ST C.)

Saturday 11 / 23

“Your word is a lamp for my feet, and a light on my path.”

Habakkuk 1:12-2:4; Psalms 9; Matthew 17:14-20

Psalms 108-112

Parsha Ekev

Deuteronomy 7:12-11:25; Isaiah 49:14-51:3

Clare

19TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 12 / 24

“L-rd, be true to your covenant, forget not the life of your poor ones forever. Rise up, O G-d, and defend your cause; do not ignore the shouts of your enemies.

1st Kings 19:4-8; Psalms 34; Ephesians 4:30-5:2; John 6:41-51

Psalms 113-118

SILAS AND SILVANUS OF THE SEVENTY AND THOSE WITH THEM: CRESCENS, EPENETUS AND ANDRONICUS (1ST C.O)

13 - 15 AUGUST 2012
25 – 27 AV 5772

Monday 13 / 25

**“G-d has called us with the gospel; the people won for him by
Yeshua HaMashiach our L-rd.”**

Ezekiel 1:2-5, 24-28; Psalms 148; Matthew 17:22-27

Psalms 119:1-96

JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA AND NICODEMUS (1ST C.)

Tuesday 14 / 26

**“Blessed are you, Father, L-rd of heaven and earth; you have
revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.”**

Ezekiel 2:8-3:4; Psalms 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Matthew
18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Psalms 119:97-176

Maximilian Kolbe

HOLY SEVEN MACCABEES, MARTYRS ABIMUS, ANTONIUS,
GURIAS, ELEAZAR, EUSEBONUS, ALIMUS AND MARCELLUS,
THEIR MOTHER SOLOMONIA, AND THEIR TEACHER ELEAZAR
(166 B.C.)

Wednesday 15 / 27

**ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MIRIAM
(MARY)**

Vigil Mass

**“All honour to you, Miriam (Mary)! Today you were raised
above the choirs of angels to lasting glory with Christ.”**

1ST Chronicles 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Psalms 132; 1ST Corinthians
15:54-57; Luke 11:27-28

Mass During the Day

**“A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the
sun, the moon beneath her feet, and a crown of twelve stars on
her head.”**

Revelation 11:19; 12:1-6, 10; Psalms 45; 1ST Corinthians 15:20-26;
Luke 1:39-56

Psalms 120-134

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Thursday 16 / 28

“If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.”

Ezekiel 12:1-12; Psalms 78; Matthew 18:21-19:1

Psalms 135-139

SALOME, MYRRH-BEARER (1ST C.)

Friday 17 / 29

“Teach me your paths, my G-d, and lead me in your truth.”

Ezekiel 16:1-15, 60, 63; Isaiah 12:2-6; Matthew 19:3-12

Psalms 140-144

Saturday 18 / 30

“Your words, O L-rd, give joy to my heart, your teaching is light to my eyes.”

Ezekiel 18:1-10, 13, 30-32; Psalms 51; Matthew 19:13-15

Psalms 145-150

Parsha Re'eh

Deuteronomy 11:26-16:17; Isaiah 44:11-45:5

Rosh Chodesh 1

Numbers 28:1-15

20TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 19 / Elul 1

G-d, our protector, keep us in mind; always give strength to your people. For if we can be with you even one day, it is better than a thousand without you.”

Proverbs 9:1-6; Psalms 34; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58

Psalms 1-9

Rosh Chodesh 2

Numbers 28:1-15

20 - 24 AUGUST 2012
2 - 6 ELUL 5772

Monday 20 / 2

“Let your face shine on your servant, and teach me your laws.”

Ezekiel 24:15-24; Deuteronomy 32:18-21; Matthew 19:16-22

Psalms 10-17

Bernard

Tuesday 21 / 3

“He who keeps the word of Christ, grows perfect in the love of G-d.”

Ezekiel 28:1-10; Deuteronomy 32:26-28, 30, 35-36; Matthew 19:23-30

Psalms 18-22

Pius X, Pope

Wednesday 22 / 4

“The L-rd is faithful in all his words and holy in his deeds.”

Ezekiel 34:1-11; Psalms 34; Matthew 20:1-16

Psalms 23-28

Queenship of Miriam (Mary)

MATTHIAS, APOSTLE (63)

Thursday 23 / 5

“G-d has called us with the gospel; the people won for him by Yeshua HaMashiach our L-rd.”

Ezekiel 36:23-28; Psalms 51; Matthew 22:1-14

Psalms 29-34

Rose of Lima

Friday 24 / 6

“Speak, O L-rd, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life.”

Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalms 107; Matthew 22:34-40

Psalms 35-38

Bartholomew, Apostle

25 - 28 AUGUST 2012
7 - 10 ELUL 5772

Saturday 25 / 7

“I call you my friends, says the L-rd, for I have made known to you all that the Father has told me.”

Ezekiel 43:1-7; Psalms 85; Matthew 23:1-12

Psalms 39-43

Parsha Shoftim

Deuteronomy 16:18-21:9; Isaiah 51:12-52:12

21ST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 26 / 8

“Listen, L-rd, and answer me. Save your servant who trusts in you. I call to you all day long, have mercy on me, O L-rd.”

Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18; Psalms 34; Ephesians 5:21-32; John 6:60-69

Psalms 44-48

Monday 27 / 9

“Teach me your way, O L-rd, and lead me on a straight road.”

2nd Thessalonians 1:1-5, 11-12; Psalms 96; Matthew 23:13-22

Psalms 49-54

Monica

MICAH, PROPHET (8TH C. B.C.)

Tuesday 28 / 10

“The word of G-d is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart.”

2nd Thessalonians 2:1-3, 14-16; Psalms 96; Matthew 23:23-26

Psalms 55-59

Augustine

29 AUGUST - 2 SEPTEMBER 2012
11 - 15 ELUL 5772

Wednesday 29 / 11

BEHEADING OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

“L-rd, I shall expound your law before kings and not fear disgrace; I shall ponder your decrees, which I have always loved.”

Jeremiah 1:17-19; Psalms 71; Mark 6:17-29

Psalms 60-65

Thursday 30 / 12

“Happy are they who have kept the word with a generous heart, and yield a harvest through perseverance.”

1st Corinthians 1:1-9; Psalms 145; Matthew 24:42-51

Psalms 66-68

Friday 31 / 13

“Your word is a lamp for my feet, and a light on my path.”

1st Corinthians 1:17-25; Psalms 33; Matthew 25:1-13

Psalms 69-71

Saturday September 1 / 14

“Open our hearts, O L-rd, to listen to the words of your Son.”

1st Corinthians 1:26-31; Psalms 33; Matthew 25:14-30

Psalms 72-76

Parsha Ki Tetze

Deuteronomy 21:10-25:19; Isaiah 54:1-10

22ND WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 2 / 15

“I call to you all the day long, have mercy on me, O L-rd. You are good and forgiving, full of love for all who call to you.”

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8; Psalms 15; James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27;

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Psalms 77-78

SAMUEL, PROPHET (6TH C. B.C.)

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3 - 7 SEPTEMBER 2012
16 - 20 ELUL 5772

Monday 3 / 16

“G-d was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.”

1st Corinthians 2:1-5; Psalms 119:97-102; Luke 4:16-30

Psalms 79-82

Gregory the Great, Pope

THADDEUS OF THE SEVENTY (44)

Tuesday 4 / 17

“Our Saviour Yeshua HaMashiach has done away with death, and brought us life through his gospel.”

1st Corinthians 2:10-16; Psalms 145; Luke 4:31-37

Psalms 83-87

Wednesday 5 / 18

“Give me life, O L-rd, and I will do your commands.”

1st Corinthians 3:1-9; Psalms 33; Luke 4:38-44

Psalms 88-89

Thursday 6 / 19

“I am the light of the world, says the L-rd; the man who follows me will have the light of life.”

1st Corinthians 3:18-23; Psalms 24; Luke 5:1-11

Psalms 90-96

Friday 7 / 20

“I hope in the L-rd, I trust in his word.”

1st Corinthians 4:1-5; Psalms 37; Luke 5:33-39

Psalms 97-103

TITUS OF THE SEVENTY (1ST C.)

8 - 12 SEPTEMBER 2012
21 - 25 ELUL 5772

Saturday 8 / 21

Birth of The Blessed Virgin Miriam (Mary)

“Let us celebrate with joyful hearts, the birth of the Virgin Miriam (Mary), of whom was born the sun of justice, Christ our L-rd.”

Micah 5:1-4 / Romans 8:28-30; Psalms 13; Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23
Psalms 104-105

Parsha Ki Tavo

Deuteronomy 26:1-29:8; Isaiah 60:1-22

23RD WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 9 / 22

“L-rd, you are just, and the judgements you make are right. Show mercy when you judge me, your servant.”

Isaiah 35:4-7; Psalms 146; James 2:1-5; Mark 7:31-37
Psalms 106-107

Monday 10 / 23

“Unveil my eyes, O L-rd, and I will see the marvels of your law.”

1st Corinthians 5:1-8; Psalms 5; Luke 6:6-11
Psalms 108-112

Tuesday 11 / 24

“Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life.”

1st Corinthians 6:1-11; Psalms 149; Luke 6:12-19
Psalms 113-118

Wednesday 12 / 25

“The word of the L-rd stands forever; it is the word given to you, the Good News.”

1st Corinthians 7:25-31; Psalms 45; Luke 6:20-26
Psalms 119:1-96

13 - 15 SEPTEMBER 2012

26 - 28 ELUL 5772

Thursday 13 / 26

“If anyone loves me, he will hold to my words, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.”

1st Corinthians 8:1-7, 11-13; Psalms 139; Luke 6:27-38

Psalms 119:97-176

John Chrysostom

Friday 14 / 27

TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS

“We should glory in the cross of our L-rd Yeshua HaMashiach, for he is our salvation, our life and our resurrection; through him we are saved and made free.”

Numbers 21:4-9; Psalms 78; Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17

Psalms 120-134

JOSHUA, THE SON OF NUN (1400 B.C.)

Saturday 15 / 28

Our Lady of Sorrows

“Simeon said to Miriam (Mary): This child is destined to be a sign which men will reject; he is set for the fall and the rising of many in Israel; and your own soul a sword shall pierce.”

Hebrews 5:7-9; Psalms 31; John 19:25-27

Psalms 135-139

Parsha Nitzvaim

Deuteronomy 29:9-30:20; Isaiah 61:10-63:9

16 – 18 SEPTEMBER 2012
29 ELUL - 2 TISHREI 5773

24TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 16 / 29

“O L-rd, give peace to those who are faithful to you, and your prophets will proclaim you as you deserve. Hear the prayers of your servant and of your people Israel.”

Isaiah 50:4-9; Psalms 116; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35

Psalms 140-150

Erev Rosh Hashanah

PHOEBE, DEACONESS AT CENCHREAEE NEAR CORINTH (1ST C.)

Monday 17 / Tishrei 1

“O praise the L-rd, Jerusalem; he sends out his word to the earth.”

1ST Corinthians 11:17-26, 33; Psalms 40; Luke 7:1-10

Psalms 1-9

Rosh Hashanah 1

Genesis 21:1-34; Numbers 29:1-6; 1 Samuel 1:1-2:10

MOSES, PROPHET (1531 B.C.)

Tuesday 18 / 2

“Your words, L-rd, are spirit and life, you have the words of everlasting life.”

1ST Corinthians 12:12-14, 27-31; Psalms 100; Luke 7:11-17

Psalms 10-17

Rosh Hashanah 2

Genesis 22:1-24; Numbers 29:1-6; Jeremiah 31:1-19

ZACHARIAS AND ELIZABETH, PARENTS OF ST. JOHN THE FORERUNNER (THE BAPTIST) (1ST C.)

19 - 22 SEPTEMBER 2012

3 - 6 TISHREI 5773

Wednesday 19 / 3

“Give thanks to G-d our Father through Yeshua HaMashiach our L-rd, and may the fullness of his message live within you.”

1st Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Psalms 33; Luke 7:31-35

Psalms 18-22

Fast of Gedaliah

Thursday 20 / 4

“Receive and submit to the word planted in you; it can save your souls.”

1st Corinthians 15:1-11; Psalms 118; Luke 7:36-50

Psalms 23-28

Friday 21 / 5

“Instruct me in the way of your rules, and I will reflect on all your wonders.”

1st Corinthians 15:12-20; Psalms 17; Luke 8:1-3

Psalms 29-34

Saturday 22 / 6

“He who keeps the word of Christ, grows perfect in the love of G-d.”

1st Corinthians 15:35-37, 42-49; Psalms 56; Luke 8:4-15

Psalms 35-38

Parsha Vayelech

Deuteronomy 31:1-30; Hosea 14:2-10; Joel 2:11-27; Micah 7:18-20

23 - 27 SEPTEMBER 2012
7 - 11 TISHREI 5773

25TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 23 / 7

“I am the Saviour of all people, says the L-rd. Whatever their troubles, I will answer their cry, and I will always be their L-rd.”

Wisdom 2:17-20; Psalms 54; James 3:16-4:3; Mark 9:30-37

Psalms 39-43

Monday 24 / 8

“Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life.”

Proverbs 3:27-34; Psalms 15; Luke 8:16-18

Tuesday 25 / 9

“The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.”

Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13; Psalms 119:1, 27, 30, 34-35, 44; Luke 8:19-21

Psalms 49-54

Erev Yom Kippur

Wednesday 26 / 10

“I am the light of the world, says the L-rd; the man who follows me will have the light of life.”

Proverbs 30:5-9; Psalms 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163; Luke 9:1-6

Psalms 55-59

Yom Kippur

Morning: Leviticus 16:1-34; Numbers 29:7-11; Isaiah 57:14-58:14;

Afternoon: Leviticus 18:1-30; Jonah 1:1-4:11; Micah 7:18-20

Thursday 27 / 11

Open our hearts, O L-rd, to listen to the words of your Son.”

Ecclesiastes 1:2-11; Psalms 90; Luke 9:7-9

Psalms 60-65

28 - 30 SEPTEMBER 2012
12 - 14 TISHREI 5773

Friday 28 / 12

“Receive this message not as the words of man, but as truly the word of G-d.”

Ecclesiastes 3:1-11; Psalms 144; Luke 9:18-22

Psalms 66-68

Saturday 29 / 13

“Bless the L-rd, all you his angels, might in power, you obey his word and heed the sound of his voice.”

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 / Revelation 12:7-12; Psalms 138; John 1:47-51

Psalms 69-71

Parsha Ha'azinu

Deuteronomy 32:1-52; 2nd Samuel 22:1-51

Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

26TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 30 / 14

“O L-rd, you had just cause to judge men as you did: because we sinned against you and disobeyed your will. But now show us your greatness of heart, and treat us with your unbounded kindness.”

Numbers 11:25-29; Psalms 19; James 5:1-6; Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Psalms 72-76

Erev Sukkot

SIMCHAT TORAH – 9 OCTOBER 2012
23 TISHREI 5773

Note:

The yearly Torah reading is completed on Simchat Torah and the cycle begins again. In this Luach, Simchat Torah falls on October 9th, 2012 / Tishrei 23, 5773. The readings for Simchat Torah are:

Parsha Vezot HaBerachah

Deuteronomy 33:1-34:12; Joshua 1:-18 (A); Joshua 1:1-9 (S)

Parsha Bereishit

Genesis 1:1-6:8; Isaiah 42:5-43:10 (A); Isaiah 42:5-21 (S)

PRAYERS, BLESSINGS AND ADDITIONAL NOTES FOR THE JEWISH CALENDAR

SHABBAT

Shabbat is the sixth day of the week and the Jewish day of rest. As Jewish tradition follows the lunar calendar, as with all holidays, Shabbat begins in the evening at sundown. On Friday evening, 20 minutes before sundown, the woman of the house lights the two Shabbat candles. It is the tradition of many women to also light one candle for each member of the house. If there are daughters in the family, each daughter should light one candle of her own and say the blessing.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו, וְצִוָּנוּ
לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שַׁבָּת קֹדֶשׁ:

Barukh atah A-donai, E-loheinu Melekh Ha-olam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav, v'tzivanu l'had'lik shel Shabbat kodesh.

Blessed are you, O L-rd our G-d, King of the universe, who has sanctified us by your commandments, and commanded us to kindle the Sabbath light.

KIDDUSH

The sixth day. The heavens and the earth and all their hosts were completed. And G-d finished by the seventh day his work which he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had done. And G-d blessed the seventh day and made it holy, for on it he rested from all his work which G-d created to function.

It is tradition for all to stand while the head of the household recites Kiddush, the blessings over the festive meal.

OVER WINE

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, בּוֹרֵא פְּרֵי הַגֶּפֶן:

Barukh atah A-donai, E-loheinu Melekh Ha'olam, Borei P'ri Hagafen.

PRAYERS, BLESSINGS AND ADDITIONAL NOTES FOR THE JEWISH CALENDAR

Blessed are you, O L-rd our G-d, King of the universe, who creates the fruit of the vine.

OVER BREAD

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, הַמוֹצִיא לֶחֶם מִן הָאָרֶץ:

Barukh atah A-donai, E-loheinu Melekh Ha-olam, Hamotzi lekhem min ha'aretz.

Blessed are you, O L-rd our G-d, King of the universe, who brings forth bread from the earth.

Blessed are you, O L-rd our G-d, King of the universe, who has sanctified us by your commandments and has taken pleasure in us, and in love and favour has given us your holy Sabbath as an inheritance, a memorial of the creation – that day also the first of the holy convocations, in remembrance of the departure from Egypt. For you have chosen us and sanctified us above all nations, and in love and favour has given us your holy Sabbath as an inheritance. Blessed are you, O L-rd, who hallows the Sabbath.

HAVDALAH – SEPARATING SHABBAT FROM THE WEEKDAY

Just as the Shabbat is welcomed in a special way with special prayers, likewise is it ushered out in a special way. There are three specific parts of Havdalah: the blessing over the wine (or grape juice), the blessing over the flame of a candle (a special braided candle with at least three wicks in used for this blessing), and the blessing over the spices (any fragrant spices may be used and are placed in a container that can be passed around to all those present).

A cup of wine is taken in the right hand and the following is said:

Behold, G-d is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. For the L-rd G-d is my strength and song, and he is my salvation. Therefore with joy shall you

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draw water out of the wells of salvation. Salvation belongs to the L-rd: your blessing be upon your people (Selah). The L-rd of hosts is with us; the G-d of Jacob is our refuge (Selah). L-rd of hosts, happy is the man who trusts in you. L-rd help us, may the King answer us on the day we call.

For the Jews had light and joy and gladness and honour. So be it with us.

I will lift the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the L-rd.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, בּוֹרֵא פְּרֵי הַגָּפֶן:

Barukh atah A-donai, E-loheinu Melekh Ha-olam, Borei P'ri Hagafen.

Blessed are you, O L-rd our G-d, King of the universe, who creates the fruit of the vine.

The wine cup is placed on the table.

The following is said before smelling the fragrant spices. The head of the household holds the spices in the right hand while saying the blessing and then smells the spices and the container is passed to all present for each person to smell the spices.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, בּוֹרֵא מִיְּנֵי בְשָׂמִים:

Barukh atah A-donai, E-loheinu, Melekh Ha-olam, Borei Minei V'samim.

Blessed are you, O L-rd our G-d, King of the universe, who creates various kinds of spices.

The following blessing is said over the braided candle (if a braided candle is not available, two candles can be held so that the wicks come together). After the blessing, each persons folds his / her fingers over the thumb (the thumb should not be seen) and looks at the fingernails by the light of the

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flame. Then turns his / her hand over, extending the fingers (with the thumb folded beneath them) and looks at the fingernails by the light of the flame.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְהוָה, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, בּוֹרֵא מְאֹרֵי הָאֵשׁ:

Barukh atah A-donai, E-loheinu Melekh Ha-olam, Borei M'orei Ha'eish.
Blessed are you, O L-rd our G-d, King of the universe, who creates the light of the fire.

The wine cup is taken again the right hand and the following blessing said:

Blessed are you, O L-rd our G-d, King of the universe, who makes a distinction between holy and profane, between light and darkness, between Israel and other nations, between the seventh day and the six working days. Blessed are you, O L-rd, who makes a distinction between holy and profane.

After the blessing, the head of the household drinks the wine but leaves a small amount in the cup which is used to extinguish the flame.

CHANUKAH

The Feast of Dedication (Chanukah) lasts eight days. On the first evening a light is kindled on the menorah (Chanukiyah), the number of lights being increased by one on each consecutive evening. The lights are kindled from right to left using a single light (shamash). The Chanukah lights should be kindled as soon as possible after nightfall. On Shabbat (Friday night), the Chanukah lights are kindled before the Shabbat candles.

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Before kindling the lights, the following Blessings are said:

ברוך אתה יהוה, אלהינו מלך העולם, אשר קדשנו במצותיו, וצונו להדליק נר חנוכה:

Barukh atah A-donai, E-loheinu Melekh Ha-olam, asher kid'shanu b'mitzvotav, v'tzivanu l'hadlik ner Chanukah.

Blessed are you, L-rd our G-d, King of the universe, who has sanctified us by your commandments, and commanded us to kindle the light of Chanukah.

ברוך אתה יהוה, אלהינו מלך העולם, שעשה נסים לאבותינו, בימים ההם בזמן הזה:

Barukh atah A-donai, E-loheinu Melekh Ha-olam, She'asah Nisim La'avoteinu, bayamim haheim biz'man hazeh.

Blessed are you, L-rd our G-d, King of the universe, who has performed miracles for our fathers in days of old, at this season.

The following Blessing is said on the first evening only:

ברוך אתה יהוה, אלהינו מלך העולם, שהחיינו וקיימנו והגיענו לזמן הזה:

Blessed are you, L-rd our G-d, King of the universe, who has kept us in life, and has preserved us, and enabled us to reach this season.

After kindling the first light, the following is said:

We kindle these lights on account of the miracles, the deliverances and the wonders which you worked for our fathers, by means of your holy priests. During all the eight days of Chanukah these lights are sacred, neither is it permitted us to make any profane use of them; but we are only to look at

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them, in order that we may give thanks to your name for your miracles, your deliverances and your wonders.

Each night after kindling the Chanukah lights, the following Hymn is sung:

My refuge, my rock of salvation! 'Tis pleasant to sing to your praises. Let our house of prayer be restored. And there we will offer You our thanks. When You will have utterly silenced the loud-mouthed foe. Then we will celebrate with song and Psalms the altar's dedication.

My soul was sated with misery, my strength was spent with grief. They embittered my life with hardship, when enslaved under the rule of Egypt. But G-d with his mighty power brought out His treasured people. While Pharaoh's host and followers sank like a stone into the deep.

He brought me to His holy abode. Even there, I found no rest. The oppressor came and exiled me, because I served strange gods, and drank poisonous wine. Yet scarcely had I gone into exile, when Babylon fell and Zeruvavel took charge. Within seventy years I was saved.

The Agagite, son of Hammedatha, plotted to cut down the lofty fir tree. But is porvoed a snare to him, and his insolence was silenced. You raised the head of the Benjaminite, but the enemy's name You blotted out. His numerous sons and his household You hanged upon the gallows.

The Greeks gathered against me, in days of the Hasmoneans. They broke down the walls of my towers, and defiled all the oils. But from the last remaining flask, a miracle was wrought for the Jews. Therefore the sages of the day ordained these eight for songs of praise.

O bare Your holy arm, and hasten the time of salvation. Wreak vengeance upon the wicked nation, on behalf of Your faithful servants. For deliverance has too long been delayed, and the evil days are endless. O thrust the enemy into the shadows of death, and set up for us the seven Shepherds.

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COUNTING THE OMER

The following blessing is said as soon as it is definitely night, approximately 30 minutes after sundown.

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו, וְצִוָּנוּ עַל
סְפִירַת הָעוֹמֵר:

Barukh atah A-donai E-loheinu Melekh Ha-olam asher kid'shanu
b'mitzvotav v'tzivanu al S'firat Ha'omer.

Blessed are You, L-rd our G-d, King of the Universe, Who has sanctified us
with His commandments and commanded us to count the Omer.

*After saying the blessing, the person states the Omer-count in terms of both
total days and weeks and days, as found in the Luach.*

Kabbalistic symbolism for the period of Omer:

*The period of Omer is considered a time for potential inner growth. For a
person to work on one's middot (good characteristics) through reflection on
each day of the 49 days of counting. In the Kabbalah, each of the seven
weeks of the Omer-counting is associated with one of the seven lower **Sefirot**
(the 10 attributes or emanations through which G-d, referred to as Ein Sof
(the Infinite), reveals itself and continuously creates both the physical realm
and the chain of higher metaphysical realms): **Chesed (Kindness)**, **Gevurah**
(Severity), **Tiferet (Beauty)**, **Netzach (Eternity)**, **Hod (Splendour)**, **Yesod**
(Foundation) and **Malkut (Kingship)**. Each day of each week is also
associated with one of these same seven Sefirot, creating forty-nine
permutations.*

*Aside Note: The three "higher" Sefirot are: **Keter (Crown)**, **Chokhmah**
(Wisdom) and **Binah (Understanding)**.*

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Prayers after Counting each day of the Omer:

Psalms 67

For the choirmaster, a song with instrumental music, a Psalms. May G-d be gracious to us and bless us; may He make His countenance shine upon us forever, that Your way be known on earth, Your salvation among all nations. The nations will extol You, O G-d; all the nations will extol You. The nations will rejoice and sing for joy, for You will judge the peoples justly and guide the nations on earth forever. The peoples will extol You, O G-d; all the peoples will extol You, for the earth will have yielded its produce, and G-d, our G-d, will bless us. G-d will bless us; and all, from the farthest corners of the earth, shall fear Him.

We implore You, by the great power of Your right hand, release the captive. Accept the prayer of Your people, strengthen us, purify us, Awesome One. Mighty One, we beseech You, guard as the apple of the eye those who seek Your Oneness. Bless them, cleanse them; bestow upon them forever Your merciful righteousness. Powerful, Holy One, in Your abounding goodness, guide Your congregation. Only and Exalted One, turn to Your people who are mindful of Your holiness. Accept our supplication and hear our cry, You who knows secret thoughts. Blessed be the name of the glory of His kingdom forever and ever.

Master of the universe, You have commanded us through Moshe Your servant to count Sefirat Ha-omer, in order to purify us from our evil and uncleanness. As You have written in Your Torah: “You shall count for yourselves from the day following the day of rest, from the day on which you bring the Omer as a wave-offering; (the counting) shall be for seven full weeks. Until the day following the seventh week shall you count fifty days” (Leviticus 23:15-16), so that the souls of Your people Israel may be cleansed from their defilement. Therefore, may it be Your will, L-rd our G-d and G-d of our fathers, that in the merit of the Sefirat Ha-omer which I counted today, the blemish that I have caused in the sefirah (say the sefirah indicated below the Omer count for the day) be rectified, and that I may be purified and sanctified with supernal holiness. May abundant bounty thereby be bestowed

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upon all the worlds. May it rectify our nefesh (life), ruach (breath) and neshamah (soul) from every baseness and defect, and may it purify and sanctify us with Your supernal holiness. Amen. Selah.

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THE SHEMA

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל, יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ, יְהוָה אֶחָד:

Shema Yisrael, A-donai El-oheinu, A-donai Ekhod.

Hear, O Israel, the L-rd our G-d, the L-rd is One.

בָּרוּךְ שֵׁם כְּבוֹד מְלַכּוּתוֹ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד:

Barukh Shem K'vod Malkuto L'Olam Va'ed.

Blessed be His name, whose glorious kingdom is forever and ever.

וְאָהַבְתָּ אֶת יְהוָה אֱלֹהֶיךָ, בְּכָל לִבְבְּךָ, וּבְכָל נַפְשְׁךָ, וּבְכָל מְאֹדֶךָ: וְהָיוּ
הַדְּבָרִים הָאֵלֶּה אֲשֶׁר אֲנִי מְצַוְךָ הַיּוֹם, עַל לִבְבְּךָ: וְשִׁנַּנְתָּם לְבָנֶיךָ
וְדַבַּרְתָּ בָּם, בְּשִׁבְתְּךָ בְּבֵיתְךָ, וּבְלִקְחֶךָ בְּדַרְךָ, וּבְשֹׁכְבְּךָ, וּבְקוּמֶךָ:
וְקִשַּׁרְתָּם לְאוֹת עַל יָדְךָ, וְהָיוּ לְטֹטְפֹת בֵּין עֵינֶיךָ: וּכְתַבְתָּם עַל מְזוֹזוֹת
בֵּיתְךָ, וּבִשְׁעָרֶיךָ:

And you shall love the L-rd your G-d with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. And these words, which I command you this day, shall be upon your heart: and you shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall speak of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise up. And you shall bind them for a sign upon your hand, and they shall be for frontlets between your eyes. And you shall write them upon the doorposts of your house, and upon your gates. (Deuteronomy 6:5-9)

וְהָיָה אִם שָׁמַעַתְּ שְׁמַעוּ אֶל מְצֹוֹתַי אֲשֶׁר אֲנִי מְצַוְךָ אֶתְכֶם הַיּוֹם,
לְאַהֲבָה אֶת יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵיכֶם וּלְעִבְדוֹ, בְּכָל לִבְבְּכֶם וּבְכָל נַפְשְׁכֶם: וּנְתַתִּי
מִטֵּר אֲרֻצְכֶם בְּעֵתוֹ יוֹרֵה וּמִלְקוֹשׁ, וְאֶסְפֹּת דְגָנְךָ וְתִירֹשְׁךָ וְיִצְהָרְךָ:
וּנְתַתִּי עֵשֶׂב בְּשָׂדֶךָ לְבִהֶמְתְּךָ, וְאֶכְלֹת וּשְׂבַעְתָּ: הֲשִׁמְרוּ לְכֶם פֶּן יִפְתַּח
לְבַבְכֶם, וְסָרְתֶם וּעִבַדְתֶּם אֱלֹהִים אֲחֵרִים וְהִשְׁתַּחֲוִיתֶם לָהֶם: וְחָרָה
אִף יְהוָה בְּכֶם וְעָצַר אֶת הַשָּׁמַיִם וְלֹא יִהְיֶה מִטֵּר וְהָאֲדָמָה לֹא תִתֵּן אֶת

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יבולה, ואבדתם מהרה מעל הארץ הטבה אשר יהיה נתן לכם ושמעתם את דברי אלה על לבבכם ועל נפשכם, וקשרתם אתם לאות על ידכם והיו לטטפות בין עיניכם: ולמדתם אתם את בניכם לדבר בם, בשבתה בביתה ובלקחה בדרך ובשכבה ובקומה: וכתבתם על מזוזות ביתה ובשעריה: למען ירבו ימיכם וימי בניכם על האדמה אשר נשבע יהוה לאבותיכם לתת להם, כימי השמים על הארץ:

And it shall come to pass, if you will diligently obey my commandments which I command you this day, to love the L-rd your G-d, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul, that I will give the rain of your land in its season, the former rain and the latter rain, that you may gather in your corn, and your win, and your oil. And I will give grass in your field for your cattle, and you shall eat and be satisfied. Take care of yourselves so that your heart is not deceived, and you turn aside and serve other gods, and worship them; and the anger of the L-rd be flare up against you, and he shut up the heaven, that there be no rain, and that the land does not yield her fruit and you perish quickly from off the good land which the L-rd gives you. Therefore shall you lay up my words in your heart and in your soul; and you shall bind them for a sign upon your hand, and they shall be for frontlets between your eyes. And you shall teach them to your children, talking of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise up. And you shall write them upon the doorposts of your house, and upon your gates: that your days may be multiplied and the days of your children, upon the land which the L-rd has sworn to your fathers to give them, as the days of the heavens above the earth. (Deuteronomy 11:13-21)

ויאמר יהוה אל משה לאמר: דבר אל בני ישראל ואמרת אליהם ועשו להם ציצת על פנפי בגדיהם לזרתי, ונתנו על ציצת הפנף פתיל תכלת: והיה לכם לציצת, וראיתם אתו, וזכרתם את כל מצות יהוה, ועשיתם אתם, ולא תתורו אחרי לבבכם ואחרי עיניכם אשר אתם זנים אחריהם: למען תזכרו ועשיתם את כל מצותי, והייתם

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קדושים לאלהיכם: אני יהוה אלהיכם אשר הוצאתי אתכם מארץ
מצרים להיות לכם לאלהים, אני יהוה אלהיכם:

And the L-rd spoke to Moses, saying, Speak to the children of Israel, and tell them to make a fringe on the corners of their garments throughout their generations, and that they put upon the fringe of each corner a cord of blue. And it shall be to you for a fringe, that you may look upon it, and remember all the commandments of the L-rd, and do them; and that you do not go about after your own heart and your eyes, after which you use to go astray. That you may remember and do all my commandments and be holy to the L-rd. I am the L-rd your G-d, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your G-rd. I am the L-rd your G-d. (Numbers 15:37-41)

True and firm, established and enduring, right and faithful, beloved and precious, desirable and pleasant, revered and mighty, well-ordered and acceptable, good and beautiful is this your word to us forever and ever. It is true, the G-d of the universe is our King, the Rock of Ya'akov, the Shield of our salvation; throughout all generations he endures and his name endures. His throne is established, and his kingdom and his faithfulness endures forever. His words also live and endure; they are faithful and desirable forever and to all eternity, as for our fathers so also for us, our generations, and for all the generations of the seed of Israel his servants.

The Hebrew translations of the common Catholic prayers are those of the St. James Vicariate for Hebrew Speaking Catholics in Israel.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

אני מאמין באלהים, האב הכל-יכול, בורא שמים וארץ. ובישוע
המשיח בנו יחידו אדונינו, שהורה מרוח הקדוש, נולד למרים
הבתולה, סבל בימי פונציוס פילטוס, נצלב, מת ונקבר. ירד שאולה,
קם מבין המתים ביום השלישי ועלה השמימה. יושב לימין האב אל
שדי, משם יבוא לשפוט את החיים ואת המתים. אני מאמין ברוח

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הַקְדִּישׁ, בְּכַנְסִיָּה הַקְתּוֹלִית הַקְדוּשָׁה, בְּאַחֲדוֹת הַקְדוּשִׁים, בְּמַחֲלַת
הַחֲטָאִים, בְּתַחֲיַת הַגּוֹף וּבְחַיֵּי הַנִּצְחָה. אָמֵן.

Ani ma'amin Beilohim, ha'av hakol-yakol, borei shamayim va'aretz. Uv'Yeshua HaMashiach b'no y'khido Adoneinu, shehorah meiruakh hakodesh, nolad l'Miriam haBetulah, saval bimei Pontzus Pilatos, nitzlav, meit v'nikbar. Yarad Sh'olah, kam mibein hameitim bayom hash'lishi v'akah hashamayimah. Yosheiv limin Ha'av El Shaddai, misham yavo lish'pot et hakhayim v'et hameitim. Ani ma'amin b'Ruakh HaKodesh, ba'k'neisyah haKatolit Hak'dosha, b'akhdut hak'doshim, bim'khilat hakhata'im, bitkhiyat haguf uv'khayei haneitzakh. Amen.

I believe in G-d, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. And in Yeshua HaMashiach, His only Son, our L-rd. Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Miriam (Mary), suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of G-d, the Father Almighty. From thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the Forgiveness of Sins, the Resurrection of the Body, and Life Everlasting. Amen.

OUR FATHER

אָבִינוּ שְׁבַשְׁמַיִם, יִתְקַדֵּשׁ שְׁמֶךָ, תְּבוֹא מַלְכוּתְךָ, יַעֲשֵׂה רְצוֹנְךָ
כְּבַשְׁמַיִם, כִּן בְּאֶרֶץ. אֵת לְחֵם חַקְנוּ תֵן לָנוּ הַיּוֹם וְסַלַח לָנוּ עַל חַטָּאֵינוּ
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Avinu shebashamayim, yitkadeish shimkha, tavo malkhut'kha, yei'aseh r'tzon'kha k'vashamayim, kein ba'aretz. Et lekhem Khukeinu tein lanu hayom us'lakh lanu al khata'einu k'fi shesolkhim gam anakhnu lakhotim lanu v'al t'vi'einu lidei nisayon, ki im khaltzeinu min hara. Ki l'kha hamam'lakhah, hag'vurah v'hatiferet k'olmei olamim.

PRAYERS

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

HAIL MIRIAM (MARY)

שִׁמְחִי, מִרְיָם, בְּרוּכַת הַחֹסֶד, יְהוּה עִמָּךְ, בְּרוּכָה אַתְּ בְּנָשִׁים וּבְרוּיָה
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Simkhi, Miriam, B'rukhat hakhesed, A-donei imkha, b'rukhhah at banashim uvarukh p'ri bitneikh, Yeshua. Miriam HaK'doshah, eim Ha'E-lohim, hitpal'li Ba'adeinu, hakhotim, atah uvishat moteinu. Amen.

Hail (Miriam) Mary, full of grace, the L-rd is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Miriam (Mary), Mother of G-d, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

GLORY BE

כְּבוֹד לְאַב, וְלְבֵן וְלְרוּחַ הַקְּדוֹשׁ, כְּפִי שְׁהִיָּה בְּרֵאשִׁית וְעֲתָה וְלְעוֹלָמֵי
עוֹלָמִים. אָמֵן

Kavod L'Av, v'laBen, ulaRuakh HaKodesh, k'fi shehayah v'reishit v'atah ulolmei olamim. Amen.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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Preface

The novena was composed by Elias Friedman, O.C.D., founder of the Association of Hebrew Catholics (AHC), who recommends it to all devotees of Saint Edith. The most suitable time to observe it would be from August 1 to August 9, in annual remembrance of the days spent by our saintly martyr in the death train, accompanied by her sister, Rosa, and many other Hebrew Catholics, on the way to the gas chambers of Auschwitz-Birkenau.

We present the Novena to the public, hoping thus to further devotion to our holy Carmelite and as a model for Hebrew Catholics to imitate. Edith Stein offered herself, like Yeshua, our L-rd and Mashiach, as a victim of expiation for the redemption of her people and of mankind.

May our efforts hasten the day when all Israel shall proclaim:

Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the L-rd.

ברוך הבא בשם יהוה

(Barukh haba beShem A-donai)

David Moss, President
Association of Hebrew Catholics

Day 1 – Saturday, August 1st, 1942
Carmel of Echt, Holland

It was the last day of freedom for Saint Edith and her sister, Rosa. By then Saint Edith had reached a clear perception of the eschatological nature of the crisis affecting the Jews of Germany and the role she was called upon to play in the drama, as a victim of expiation for her people and for mankind.

As far back as March 26th, 1939, Edith had addressed a petition to her Prioress on a used postcard (for the motives of monastic poverty) asking

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permission to offer herself to Yeshua in expiation, that the sway of Antichrist be broken and peace ensue.

“I am asking this, today, because it is already the twelfth hour. I know I am nothing, but Yeshua wills it and He will call many more to the same sacrifice in these days.”

The manuscript of her book, *Science of the Cross*, lay on her table; it would never be finished, because the next day, the Gestapo would come to drag her away from the convent. What we read therein is proof of the clarity and courage with which she grasped the call to expiation, key to her earthly destiny.

Around her, the atmosphere was growing heavy with fear and foreboding. A few days earlier (July 28th), her brother Paul, his wife Eva and their daughter, were sent off to the Theresienstadt Camp. Hede Spiegel, her god-daughter, depressed and distraught, came to the grille of the convent, to pour out her anxieties for the future, anxieties which were shared by Saint Edith’s fellow-Nuns in the Carmel of Echt, where Edith had been sent by her superiors to take refuge from the persecution of the Jews raging in Germany. Edith, in contrast, maintained a rock-like composure and faith in G-d, which impressed all those in contact with her. The Church has since defined her virtue as heroic.

Gospel Reading

“They were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, Yeshua leading the way; the disciples were filled with foreboding, while those following behind were afraid. He took the Twelve aside and began to tell them what was to happen to him. ‘We are now going to Jerusalem,’ he said, ‘and the Son of Man will be given up to the Chief Priests and the doctors of the Law. They will condemn him to death and hand him over to the foreign power. He will be mocked and spat upon, flogged and killed.’” (Mark 10:32-34)

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Day 2 – Sunday, August 2nd, 1942
Carmel of Echt, Holland

What happened that day in the Carmel of Echt, is now known the world over; but the circumstances need to be recalled.

The Catholic Bishops of Holland had issued a joint protest against the deportation of Dutch Jews by the Nazis, which they instructed was to be read out at every Mass in all churches on Sunday, July 26th. Prior to that, the Bishops had procured an exemption from deportation for Catholics of Jewish origin, from the Nazi authorities, who accorded the privilege on condition that the persons concerned had belonged to a Christian organisation before January 1941.

The pastoral letter of the Bishops created apprehension about the possibility of a Nazi reaction; it was soon forthcoming. On August 2nd, Christians of Jewish origin of every religious community in the country were arrested and carried off by the Gestapo. The General-Commissar Schmidt announced publicly, that he was taking reprisals for the pastoral letter of the 26th of July. He specified, saying:

“We are compelled to regard the Catholic Jews as our worst enemies and consequently see to their deportation to the East with all possible speed.”

The savage reaction to the Nazis to the pastoral letter of the Dutch Bishops is what motivated His Holiness, Pius XII, to withhold and destroy his own protest which he had lately composed. If such be the reaction to the protest of the Dutch Bishops, he argued, what might not be the reaction to a protest of the Pope. On his orders, the monasteries and convents throughout Italy had taken in Jewish refugees fleeing the persecution of the Germans. The Vatican itself was filled to overflowing with Jews who had come to its doors seeking refuge.

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In execution of the decision of General-Commissar Schmidt, two S.S. men turned up at the Carmel of Echt to carry off our Saint Edith and her sister, Rosa, in a police-van.

The deportation of our Martyr and her sister was an act, undertaken in hatred of the faith, as a reprisal for the condemnation of the Nazi persecution of the Jews by the Catholic Hierarchy of Holland; that our Martyr was of Jewish origin, would not in itself, have furnished a sufficient cause for her deportation and death.

Gospel Reading

“Turning to the Chief Priests, the officers of the temple police and the leaders, who had come to seize him, he said: ‘Do you take me for a bandit that you have come out with swords and cudgels to arrest me? Day after day, when I was in the temple with you, you kept your hands off me. But this is your moment – the hour when darkness reigns!’ Then they arrested him and led him away.” (Luke 22:52-53)

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Day 3 – Sunday, August 2nd to August 3rd, 1942
From Echt to Amersfoort

The police van drove our Saint Edith and her sister, Rosa, from the Carmel of Echt to the police headquarters in Roermond, first station on their way of the cross. Late the same day, they were transported to the Amersfoort transit camp.

That Sunday, August 2nd, the Nazis raffled about three hundred Hebrew Catholics throughout Holland, bringing them to Amersfoort, from the north and the south of the country. The transport from Roermond in the south was

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composed of two police vans, one packed with thirteen, the other with seventeen persons. The one in which our Edith travelled, was taking, apart from Rosa, six other female religious, all Hebrew Catholics. These included Sister Judith Mendez de Costa, a Dominican nun, and two Trappistines, Sisters Germain, from the remarkable family, Löb; of their three brothers, arrested with them, two were Trappists priests and one, a lay brother of the same Order. The wife and children of the writer Herman de Man travelled in the same transport.

The journey from Roermond to Amersfoort was usually a matter of three to four hours; but, on this occasion, the driver lost his way on account of the blackout and brought the prisoners to Amersfoort only at three o'clock the next morning, Monday, August 3rd.

Gospel Reading

“And Yeshua said to them: ‘The cup that I drink you will drink; and the baptism with which I am baptised, you will be baptised.’” (Mark 10:39)

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Day 4 – Monday, August 3rd to August 4th, 1942
At the Amersfoort Transit Camp

When the vans reached the camp, they emptied their passengers who were taken over by the S.S. guards. These began to drive them, cursing and swearing, beating them on their backs with their truncheons, into a hut where they were to pass the night without having had a meal.

The hut was divided into two sections, one for men, one for women. It was separated from the main lager by a barbed-wire fence. Altogether, the lager held at that moment, about three hundred men, women and children.

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The beds were iron frames arranged in a double tier, without mattresses of any kind. Our prisoners threw themselves on the bare springs trying to snatch a few minutes sleep; but few slept that night, if only because the guards kept switching the lights off and on, from time to time, as a precaution against attempts to escape, which was next to impossible in any case. Their cold harsh voices filled the prisoners with anxiety about the future and, in these circumstances, it is anxiety which can turn a prison into a hell on earth.

The religious grouped themselves spontaneously into a little community which regarded Saint Edith as its Superior, so unquestionable was the ascendancy of her spirit. Arrangements were made to recite the Breviary, the Rosary and to meditate. A copy of the Imitation of Christ which had been smuggled into the camp provided matter for meditation. The Confiteor was sung daily, despite the catcalls of the guards.

The two Trappist priests were unable to celebrate Holy Mass and distribute Holy Communion at Amersfoort; but they heard confessions and did what they could to redress the morale of the internees, shaken by the sudden change in their fortunes. Their presence was a blessing, all the more so, since it was generally felt that the journey was a ‘journey to heaven’ as one Sister put it; for them there would be no return. On one occasion, the guards stood the Trappist Fathers against a wall and pointed their guns at them, in the presence of the Sisters – all for a joke.

The prisoners were resigned to their fate; no one criticised the Dutch Bishops for the pastoral letter, the publication of which was the immediate cause of their distress, for no one knew whether there were not other causes at work.

Twice a day the prisoners were granted a respite; they were allowed to walk around inside their barbed-wire enclosure for ten to fifteen minutes under the watchful eyes of their German guards. The hygienic facilities in the camp can be left to the imagination. The guards forced them to stand for hours waiting for the roll-call to take place. One starving internee picked up a piece of dry bread that had been thrown away; for the ‘theft’, the entire camp

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was punished by being made to stand for hours on end in the barracks-square, until they began to drop down from sheer exhaustion. It was the signal for a series of kickings and beatings as the guards tried to force their prisoners onto their feet again.

Gospel Readings

“You will then be handed over for punishment and execution and men of all nations will hate you for your allegiance to me.” (Matthew 24:9)

“Yeshua was led off under arrest to the house of Caiaphas the High Priest, where the lawyers and elders were assembled ... The chief priests and the whole Council tried to find some allegation against Yeshua on which a death-sentence could be based, but they failed to find one ... The High Priest tore his robes and exclaimed, ‘Blasphemy! Need we call further witnesses? You have heard the blasphemy. What is your opinion?’ ‘He is guilty,’ they answered; ‘he should die.’ Then they spat in his face and beat him with their fists.” (Matthew 26:57)

“The men who were guarding Yeshua mocked him. They beat him, they blindfolded him and they kept asking him, ‘Now, prophet, who hit you? Tell us that.’ And so they went on, heaping insults upon him.” (Luke 22:63-65)

“Herod and his troops treated him with contempt and ridicule” (Luke 23:11)

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Day 5 – Tuesday, August 4th to August 5th, 1942
From Amersfoort to Westerbork

On Tuesday evening, August 4th, the prisoners were loaded on to a railway-coach and taken to the railway-station at Amersfoort, under strict orders not to raise the curtains of their compartments. From the cries of the station-

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master they gathered that their train was on its way to Westerbork. Passing Apeldoorn, Zwolle, Meppel Hogeveen, the train reached Hooghalen, in North Holland, so many fresh names on their way of the cross.

The Westerbork assembly camp may be five kilometres from the Hooghalen railway-station. The train carrying our prisoners came to a stop in an open stretch of country, where they descended from the coaches; it must have been about three o'clock in the morning. A detachment of twenty men wearing armbands was waiting to help them transfer their luggage to two horse-drawn wagons, on to which the sick, the old and the religious also mounted. The others were herded in the dark across fields, through woods and hedges for an hour till they reached the camp. By now, it was the morning of August 5th, Wednesday.

Gospel Reading

“Pilate’s soldiers then took Yeshua into the Governor’s headquarters, where they collected the whole company round him. First they stripped him and dressed him in a scarlet mantle; and plaiting a crown of thorns they placed it on his head, with a cane in his right hand. Falling on their knees before him they jeered at him: ‘Hail, King of the Jews!’ They spat on him and used the cane to beat him about the head. Finally, when the mockery was over, they took off the mantle and dressed him in his own clothes.” (Matthew 27:27-31)

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Day 6 – Wednesday, August 5th to August 6th, 1942
At the Westerbork Assembly Camp

The camp consisted of thousands and thousands of huts surrounded by a high barbed-wire fence, with many watchtowers manned by gendarmes with machine-guns and searchlights, to thwart any attempt to escape. In it were assembled at the time one thousand two hundred Hebrew Catholics, amongst

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whom were a dozen or so religious. These were still dressed in their religious habits, on which was sewn a yellow star-shaped patch, sign of their infamy in the eyes of the Nazis. Saint Edith encountered acquaintances and even members of her family in the camp.

The prisoners were looked after by a Jewish Council which showed particular kindness to the Hebrew Catholics, of which assistance the latter were quickly deprived when the Camp Commandant ordered them to be isolated from the others.

The morning began with a quick medical examination, after which a woman orderly led the religious to their barracks, a dirty hut full of mud. The Sisters washed at a little basin. They recited their morning prayers, followed by meditation, while the guards marched up and down outside their enclosure. The two Carmelites recited the full Office, while the others recited the Little Office of Our Lady, as they were accustomed to do.

At 7 a.m. there was a break, during which they were allowed to perambulate inside their enclosure for a while. After breakfast, they could obtain coffee in the kitchen. They were then instructed to clean their quarters.

At midday, the prisoners were stripped of their valuables, gold, silver, money, down to the smallest change, and were led to a huge wooden building to have their particulars registered. For the next four hours they filed through the building from table to table filling in forms about their personal effects and circumstances. Incidentally, there was in the same building a kitchen, used on occasion for concerts. After the registration was completed, each was photographed seated on a stool holding a slate in one hand on which his or her prison-number had been chalked. The sentiment of being in prison became overpowering at that moment.

Meals consisted of potatoes and carrots, invariably. The Sisters were allowed to distribute their ration from a tureen brought into their barracks; the others had to line up at the kitchen.

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The men were then finally separated from the women. Sister Judith Mendez da Costa, a Dominican, whose family, of Portuguese origin, had settled in Holland centuries before, was calm enough to remark, in a letter she wrote to her Superior from the camp, that the weather was beautiful.

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In the Westerbork Assembly Camp

We are fortunate to have several testimonies to the bearing of Saint Edith during her sojourn at the Westerbork camp.

Before leaving Westerbork, Saint Edith managed to send off two notes to her Prioress, written with a pencil on two sheets of paper torn out of a writing pad. In the first note, there is a sentence which reflects her inner attitude during the ordeal:

“One can only learn a Scientia Crucis, if one feels the Cross in one’s own person. I was convinced of this from the first and have said with all my heart: Ave Crux, spes unica” (Hail, O Cross, our only hope).”

Mrs. Bromberg, who together with her family, all Hebrew Catholics, accompanied Edith from Amersfoort to Westerbork, where she was in close contact with the Carmelite nun. As we noted, the family survived the war and Mrs. Bromberg gave the following testimony, which was written down by her son, Fr. Ignatius Bromberg, O.P.:

“The great difference between Edith Stein and her other Sisters lay in her silence. My personal impression is that she was deeply sorrowful, but without anxiety. I cannot express myself better than by saying that she gave the impression of bearing such an enormous load of sorrow that even when she did smile, it only made her look more sorrowful. She hardly ever spoke, but she often looked at her sister, Rosa, with indescribable sorrow. She was thinking of the suffering she foresaw awaited others, not of her own. Her whole appearance, as I picture her in my memory sitting in that hut,

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suggested only one thought to me, a Pietà without Christ, a Rachel weeping for her children.”

The next equally striking testimony comes from a Jewish businessman from Cologne, Julius Markan, who had been put in charge of the prisoners at Westerbork Camp and, along with his wife, was spared deportation. He wrote:

“Amongst the prisoners who were brought in on the 5th of August, Sister Benedicta stood out on account of calmness and composure. The distress in the barracks and the stir caused by the new arrivals were indescribable. Sister Benedicta was just like an angel, going around amongst the women, comforting them, helping them and calming them. Many of the mothers were near to distraction; they had not bothered about their children the whole day long, but just sat brooding in dumb despair. Sister Benedicta took care of the little children, washed them and combed them, attending to their feeding and other needs. During the whole of her stay there, she washed and cleaned for people, following one act of charity with another, until everyone wondered at her goodness.”

Our Saint spent as much time as she could in prayer, never complaining, neither about the food nor about the behaviour of the soldiers. Everyone, Rosa the first, benefited from her uplifting example.

Dr. Wielek, employed in office work at the Westerbork camp when the transport carrying Edith and her sister Rosa arrived there, was questioned in the course of the diocesan canonical process. He rendered the following testimony to her bearing during her stay in the camp:

“She went about, talking, praying, like a saint. In one conversation she said to me: ‘The world is made up of opposites, but in the end nothing remains of these contrasts. What only remains is great love. How is it possible for it to be otherwise?’ She spoke with such security and humility as to conquer all her listeners. A conversation with her was a voyage to another world. In those moments, Westerbork ceased to exist. By now there was no doubt that

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she and the other baptised (Jews) would be deported elsewhere in a few hours time. I asked her whom she wanted me to inform about what was happening and whether I could do anything to help her. She replied asking why should an exception be made for her or her group? It was only just that the fact of being baptised should not bring her any privilege. Her life would be ruined if she could not participate in the fate of the others.”

Gospel Readings

“So also the chief priests, with the scribes and the elders, mocked him saying, ‘He saved others, he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down now from the cross and we will believe in him. He trusts in G-d, let G-d deliver him now, if he desires him.’” (Matthew 27:41-42)

“And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.” (Mark 15:33)

“Pilate then called together the chief priests and the rulers and the people and said to them, ‘You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and after examining him I did not find this man guilty of any of your charges against him, neither did Herod for he sent him back to us. Behold, nothing deserving death has been done by him.’” (Luke 23:13-15)

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Day 7 – Friday, August 7th, 1942
Departure from Westerbork to Auschwitz

The transport had been due to leave on Thursday, August 6th, but the departure was postponed for one reason or another. On Thursday afternoon, a woman arrived at the camp carrying civilian clothes for the Sisters. It was supposed, therefore, that they would be obliged to change on their arrival at

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the frontier, though it does not appear that a change of habit actually took place.

During Thursday afternoon, the Jewish Council drew up lists of those persons due to be transported on the next convoy for Auschwitz, the lists being read out to them Thursday night, so that the people concerned could make what preparation they thought necessary. The Gestapo had given the Council stern instructions to make no exemptions from their particular transport. As a matter of fact, the Bromberg family and Sister Judith were left behind on some technical ground. The family was fortunate enough to survive the persecution; but Sister Judith was to die at Auschwitz later, in 1944.

On Friday morning, August 7th, at half-past three, a long row of prisoners, men, women and children, lined the road running through the camp. It included our Saint Edith, Rosa, and a thousand other Hebrew Catholics. The entire barracks had been cleared. S.S. men now took over from the Dutch gendarmes and gruffly ordered the line to start moving. They crowded them into goods-trains, filled to suffocation. Saint Edith and the other Sisters, still dressed in their habits, were in the middle section of the train. The other prisoners were in prison-uniform, though the fact is disputed. It is touching to learn that the train passed through Breslau, only 50 to 60 kilometres from Auschwitz, on its way to the Polish frontier. Breslau, was our Saint's birthplace, though the wagons were so well sealed that she might well have been unconscious of the fact. At Scifferstadt, however, a door might have been opened for a few moments, during which time, our Edith managed to recognise an ex-pupil standing on the platform and to convey to her greetings for her Sisters. "Tell them," she said, "I am on my way to the East." Perhaps she was unaware that she was on her way to Auschwitz.

Many died en route, though permission was not granted to remove the corpses. The thirst, hunger and suffering, both mental and physical, of the passengers in those "death-trains" can be imagined.

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“And taking the Twelve, he said to them, ‘Behold we are going to Jerusalem, and everything that is written of the Son of Man by the prophets will be accomplished. For he will be delivered to the Gentiles and will be mocked and shamefully treated and spat upon; they will scourge him and kill him and on the third day he will rise.’ But they understood nothing of these things; this saying was hid from them and they did not grasp what was said.” (Luke 18:31-34)

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Day 8 – August 7th to August 8th, 1942
In the Death Train to Auschwitz

Saint Edith and her fellow-prisoners spent two days in the wagons of a goods-train which took them from Westerbork in Holland through Germany to Auschwitz in Poland. The convoy being crowded with from fifty to eighty prisoners. Conditions inside the wagons were horrendous.

The train arrived at Auschwitz at ten o’clock on the evening of Saturday, August 8th, and was checked in as bringing a load of insane patients. Two workmen who noticed our Saint Edith on the platform in her Carmelite habit muttered to one another that she, at least, did not appear to be mad. Any communication with the victims was strictly forbidden.

Gospel Reading

“So they took Yeshua and he went out bearing his own cross to the place called the place of the skull, which is called in Hebrew Golgotha.”

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Day 9 – Sunday, August 9th, 1942

The Auschwitz Extermination Camp

Auschwitz was at that time a small provincial Polish town, which was to give its name to the notorious concentration camp, opened nearby by order of Himmler for political prisoners on April 27th, 1940. The first camp was rather small in size and was called, subsequently, Auschwitz I. In October 1941, a far more extensive camp was set up, named after a neighbouring village, Auschwitz II-Birkenau (Encyclopaedia Judaica Vol. 3, Coll. 854-871). From March 1942, Jews were directed to the second camp.

Mass murders of Jewish prisoners by Zyklon B (prussic acid) gas was instituted at Birkenau as from January 1942, at the instigation of Adolf Eichmann, who was in overall command of the execution of the “Final Solution” of the Jewish Problem by genocide, decided on by the Nazis at Wansee in 1941. The gassing continued for two years and ten months, during which time a million Jews perished in the camp.

The convoys arrived at the rate of three or four a day; they were usually met at the platform by the Camp Commandant, Rudolph Hoess, later executed for war-crimes, and the infamous Dr. Mengele, who performed the “Selektion”; strong prisoners being separated for forced labour in mines and factories, the remainder being consigned for immediate “elimination.”

The first transport of prisoners from Holland arrived in July 1942; the one carrying our Saint was, perhaps, the third, being preceded by a transport of men which had reached the camp that afternoon.

The newcomers were taken to barracks and told to leave their clothes on a numbered peg, to be retrieved after the shower, which they were falsely led to believe would follow. Women usually had their hair cut off. The prisoners had then to walk four hundred metres along a path till they came to a large room, with tubes running across the ceiling. Force was used to get

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them to enter, when necessary. The metal doors were locked, levers operated and the gas introduced into the rooms. Twenty to twenty-five minutes later, electric-pumps evacuated the gas, allowing special commando-units to enter and empty the chambers. Not all the victims were dead. Gold dentures were removed and the corpses carted away to be thrown into a common fosse. Crematoria had not yet been installed at Auschwitz; but, later, to obliterate traces of their crimes, the Nazis exhumed the corpses and had them burnt.

From the moment of the arrival of a convoy to the extermination of the victims, no more than an hour and a half would elapse, as a rule. The killing of human beings became a monotonous routine.

Saint Edith, her companions and a thousand other Hebrew Catholics died in the gas-chambers of Auschwitz II-Birkenau on the morning of August 9th from suffocation by prussic acid fumes. She then entered into her glory, accompanied, as we like to believe, by many others.

Some Hebrew Catholic Companions of Saint Edith in her Ordeal

Saint Edith Stein was accompanied by a group of Hebrew Catholics throughout her ordeal; they lived with her, prayed with her, shared her spiritual sentiments, and died, most of them, together with her in the same gas-chamber. They are the rays of light that scintillate around our Saint's crown of glory. Divine Providence wanted to give the world an example of an ideal Hebrew Catholic Community, though one assembled under duress and for a short period only.

We recall a few names, those most closely associated with Saint Edith in her trial.

Rosa, Edith's sister

She was the only member of the Stein family to follow Edith into the Church, delaying her entry until the death of her mother, so as to spare the latter the suffering her entry would have occasioned her. She became a Tertiary

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Carmelite and rendered service to the Nuns at Echt, from where she left with her sister, Edith, for Auschwitz.

Dr. Bromberg and his family

The Doctor, his wife, son and daughter travelled in the transport from Amersfoort to Westerbork. They survived the war, as by a miracle. Mrs. Bromberg, who was very close to Edith, left a fine testimony to her bearing during the two days Edith spent in the camp. The son was ordained a priest in the Dominican Order after the war: Fr. Ignatius Bromberg, O.P.

The Löb family

The father was a Dr. Löb; of his five children, two became Trappist priests, two Trappistines, and one, a Trappist lay-brother. The two priests deployed an admirable ministry amongst the prisoners, proving a benediction to them in their distress. All were to die with Edith and Rosa.

Sister Judith Mendez da Costa

Her family had left Portugal in the 16th century to settle in Amsterdam. She became a Dominican nun and was conventual in Bilthoven from where she was carried off by the Gestapo on August 2nd. Her distant Portuguese origin provided an excuse, so that she was set free for a while and returned to her convent on the 15th August. On the 25th February 1944, she and the entire Portuguese community was transferred from Westerbork to Theresienstadt camp and from there to Auschwitz (16th May) where they were all gassed. Her brother and sister died in the torment. Sister Judith managed to send her Superior a detailed description of her stay in Westerbork, from August 4th to August 15th, during which time she met Saint Edith.

Alice Reis

She entered the Church in 1932, Edith Stein standing as her godmother. Two years later she entered the Sisters of the Good Shepherd as a postulant.

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Circumstances in Germany being what they were at the time, she was sent to Holland. On account of her asthma, she was not accepted as a religious, but remained on as a lay-helper to the Sisters in several of their establishments. At 5 o'clock on the morning of August 2nd, she was snatched from her convent at Almelo by the Gestapo and sent to Amersfoort camp, from where she accompanied our Saint on the journey to Auschwitz.

Dr. Ruth Kantorowicz of the Ursuline Convent at Venlo

She had been an old friend of Edith's. She was arrested on August 2nd and carried off to Amersfoort and then in a goods-train to Hooghalen. She was one of those who were forced to walk across fields, woods and hedges to the Westerbork camp. In answer to an urgent note, the Ursulines sent her supplies with two gentlemen. These saw her in the camp with Edith Stein, both wearing the yellow star-shaped patch. She remarked that the Trappists priests had not been able to celebrate Holy Mass for them. She left with Edith for Auschwitz.

Dr. Meirowsky

Since 1940, she had been resident in the lodge of the Trappistine Abbey near Tilburg. She was a medical doctor of Polish-Jewish origin, acquainted with our Saint with whom she had exchanged several letters. At Tilburg, she rendered valuable services to the community as doorkeeper and community doctor. She was a member of the Dominican Third Order and was regarded by the Trappistines as one of themselves.

In a letter addressed to her confessor from Westerbork, dated "Transfiguratio, 6, VIII," she expressed the most admirable spiritual sentiments, showing to what extent our Saint was seconded in her intentions by other Hebrew Catholics.

We quote the following passages from her letter:

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“I want to send you my last greetings and to tell you that I have complete confidence in G-d and have surrendered myself entirely to His will. Even more – I regard it as a grace and privilege to be driven along this road under these conditions, a witness to the words of our good Fathers and shepherds in Christ.

If our sufferings have been increased somewhat then we have received a double portion of grace and a glorious crown is being prepared for us in heaven. Rejoice with me. I am going forward unshaken, confidently and joyfully – like the Sisters who are with me – to testify to Yeshua HaMashiach and to bear witness to the Truth in company with our Bishops. We are going as children of Our Holy Mother, the Church; we will unite our sufferings with the sufferings of our King, our Saviour and our Bridegroom, sacrificing ourselves for the conversion, for the Jews, for those who persecute us, so that all may know the peace of Christ and his Kingdom. Join with me in thanking G-d for this great favour by singing an exultant Magnificat.”

The letter was signed, Sister M. Magdalena Dominica
(in the world, Dr. Meirowsky)

In our humble opinion, the sentiments that emanate from Dr. Meirowsky’s letter are no less sublime than those expressed by the early Christian martyrs as they went to their death by fire, by torture and by the lions, in the arenas of the Roman Empire.

Gospel Readings

“When they reached a place called Gethsemane, he said to his disciples, ‘Sit here while I pray’ and he took Peter and James and John with him. Horror and dismay came over him and he said to them, ‘My heart is ready to break with grief; stop here and stay awake.’ Then he went forward a little, threw himself on the ground and prayed that, if it were possible, this hour might pass him by. ‘Abba, Father, all things are possible to thee; take this cup away from me. Yet not what I will, but what thou wilt.’” (Mark 26:32-36)

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“As they led him away to execution they seized upon a man called Simon from Cyrene, on his way back from the country, put the cross on his back and made him walk behind Yeshua carrying it.”

“Great numbers of people followed, many women among them who mourned and lamented over him. Yeshua turned to them and said, ‘Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; no, weep for yourselves and your children. For the days are surely coming when they will say “Happy are the barren, the wombs that never bore a child, the breasts that never fed one.” Then they will start saying to the mountains, “Fall on us,” and to the hills, “Cover us.” For if these things are done when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?’” (Luke 23:26-31)

***Our Father, Hail Miriam (Mary), Glory be
(Any suitable prayer may be said here)
Saint Edith, Pray for Us!***

Postscript

An attempt has been made to draw a parallel between the last week in the life of Saint Edith Stein and the last week in the life of our L-rd and Saviour Yeshua HaMashiach. There is more in the parallel than pure analogy; Yeshua himself, repeated his passion in the soul and body of Saint Edith. It is what gives to her suffering its full redemptive value. Through Yeshua, our Saint sanctified the Shoah, turning the Catastrophe into a true Holocaust unto the L-rd. Tragic as the story is, it should be understood as the *sine qua non* for the grafting of the Jewish People into the Church, their own olive-tree.

Hebrew Catholics should see themselves as the survivors of the Holocaust, no less than their fellow-Jews. All were sentenced to death by the Nazis.

In her life and death, Saint Edith is an example to Hebrew Catholics of identification with the destiny of the people. Alienation, assimilation, are contrary to the will of G-d.

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It is the light of these principles, that we affirm the aim of the Association of Hebrew Catholics to be fully justified.

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The Association of Hebrew Catholics (AHC) aims at ending the alienation of Catholics of Jewish origin and background from their historical heritage, by the formation of a Hebrew Catholic Community juridically approved by the Holy See.

*The kerygma of the AHC announces that the divine plan of salvation has entered the phase of the **Apostasy of the Gentiles**, prophesied by Our L-rd and St. Paul, and of which the **Return of the Jews to the Holy Land** is a corollary.*

