

Today's Introit takes from Psalm 47 verses 10,11 & 2. We review them scripturally then understand them in relation to today's feast.

Psalm 47 is paraphrased: "God is greatly to be praised for the establishment of His Church." This Introit contains the full scriptural verses.

10. *We have received thy mercy, O God, in the midst of thy temple.* 11. *According to thy name, O God, so also is thy praise to the end of the earth: thy right hand is full of justice.*

In verse 10, St. Robert Bellarmine hears the people admitting the great things God has done, and continues to do for His Church, is not due to their own work, wit or merit, but merely to the mercy of God. 'The stability of thy church, and other innumerable favors which we heard were promised, and now see realized, have come from your hands, and not ours.'

In verse 11, St. Robert hears the echo of verse 2: "Great is thy name...". Again, as the name of God was made known to all the world, by God's great & wonderful deeds, in the establishment & propagation of His Church, so also is Christ praised "to the end of the earth" because "thy right hand is full of justice;" for God's justice, in rewarding good and punishing wicked, is justly extolled all over the world. Nor should we think that God's hand "full of justice" is without mercy; but rather in his hand there is no room for injustice ("for the Lord is just in all his works" Ps 144).'

2. *Great is the Lord, and exceedingly to be praised in the city of our God, in his holy mountain.*

In this verse, the prophet praises an edifice, "in the city of our God" by first praising the architect, "Great is the Lord." "Exceedingly to be praised" suggests an ability beyond all angels, all men, or any of God's works... so vast the chasm between the finite and the infinite. St Robert says, of all revealed things, 'there is no one thing that can give us a greater idea of God's greatness, or for which we should praise and thank Him more, than the establishment of His Church' which the prophet observes, "in the city of our God, in His holy mountain." Last, the Saint will have us observe two remarkable characteristics of the Church: 'although comprising all nations, each differing in language, manners, customs, & laws, it remains united in one profession of one faith, and the use of the same sacraments, so as to form one people - nay - even one family; and, although founded on Peter, 'a poor, ignorant, rude fisherman, the Church remains so firm that the gates of hell cannot prevail against her; for, in spite of all... she will ultimately arrive in safety to the land of promise.'

The Feast of the 8th Sunday after Pentecost recalls our membership in the Church, "whereby we cry: Abba" and our stewardship under God (Gospel). The Introit speaks to the first: "we have received thy mercy, O God, in thy temple" then the second: "According to thy name,... thy right hand is full of justice" for God's justice shall weigh the value of our stewardship in fulfilling His will. May we live more eager for heaven than as others who seem alive only to earth... knowing "God is exceedingly to be praised" nor can He be outdone in generosity.



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The Daily Mass Schedule is:

Monday at 12 noon
Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 7:00 am and 9:00 am.
Friday at 9:00 am and 6:30 pm. (On Friday, a 5:30 pm Holy Hour & confession time, precedes the 6:30 pm Mass.)
Saturday at 9:00 am.

The Sunday Mass Schedule is:

7:00 am low; 8:30 am low; 10:30 am sung; and 12:30 pm low.

Items on the "Blessing Table" in the hall are blessed after the 12:30 pm Mass; or, after the 10:30 am Mass, if there is no 12:30 pm Mass.

Confessions are heard in the confessional box ½ hour before Mass.

In Ocala:
Sunday Mass at 4:30 pm
Monday Mass at 7 am.
1st Saturday Mass at 10:30 am.

Sarasota "Lost & Found"
now located in the office

Liturgical Calendar for the Upcoming Week

DATE	FEAST	CLASS/COLOR	COMMEMORATION
Sun 07-31	8 th Sunday after Pentecost	2/G	
Mon 08-01	St Peter in Chains	4/W	St Paul, Holy Machabees
Tues 08-02	St Alphonsus Liguori	3/W	St Stephen I
Wed 08-03	Finding of the Body of St Stephen	4/R	
Thu 08-04	St Dominic	3/W	
Fri 08-05	Sacred Heart	3/W	Ded., Basilica of St Mary Major
Sat 08-06	Transfiguration of DNJC	2/W	Ss Sixtus II & Comp.
Sun 08-07	9 th Sunday after Pentecost	2/G	

Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week in Sarasota

Sun 07-31	(7 am) Virginia Vargas	rb C Vargas
	(8:30 am) Thanksgiving for favors received	rb P Gubala
	(10:30 am) <i>Pro-populo</i>	
	(12:30 pm) Kimberly Meadows	rb B&D Meadows
Mon 08-01	(12 pm) Daniel & Michael Gerard Copeland+	rb M Meza
Tues 08-02	(7 am) Frank Kramer+	rb J&J Runkle
	(9 am) FssP Confraternity intentions	rb J Greenwood
Wed 08-03	(7 am) Tina (Constantina) Henson+	rb N Henson
	(9 am) daughter's conversion	rb T Le
Thu 08-04	(7 am) Loved one	rb C
	(9 am) Poor Souls in Purgatory	rb L de Saizieu
Fri 08-05	(9 am) Ted Wade	rb A Wade
	(6:30 pm) Maureen Hallagan+	rb C Plowman
Sat 08-06	(9 am) Ralph Johnson+	rb M F Kitko
Sun 08-07	(7 am) Helen Greenwood	rb J Greenwood
	(8:30 am) Claire Conetta	rb Conetta family
	(10:30 am) <i>Pro-populo</i>	
	(12:30 pm) No 12:30 pm Mass through August	

Today's 10:30 music: Entr: To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King, #856; Asperges, #567; Mass XI, #740 & Credo IV, #780; Exit: The Word Descending From above, #901

Last Sunday: Collection – \$4,567.50; CFA: \$140.00. **Attendance:** 7 am-30; 8:30 am-114; 10:30 am-127; 12:30 pm-71; total 342 souls.

This week, Monday, 1:30 pm St Theresa Prayer Guild; **Tuesday,** Portiuncula Indulgence day & Holy Face devotions (10:15 am); **Wednesday,** Finance Council (5 pm) & Choir practice (7 pm); **Thursday,** Vespers (4:30 pm); **First Friday,** Mass & devotions; **First Saturday,** Mass & devotions & Vespers (4:30 pm), [in Ocala, 10:30 am Mass].

Through August, no 12:30 pm Mass.

A plenary indulgence may be gained by visiting a church, on August 2nd, and reciting there an Our Father and the Creed (*Portiuncula Indulgence*). To obtain this benefit, for yourself or deceased, in addition to the visit & prayers, one must receive the Sacrament of Penance within ten days before or after the visit, attend Mass & receive Holy Eucharist on the day of the visit, and pray for the intentions of pope Francis. To gain the plenary indulgence one must also be free from attachment to sin, otherwise it is a partial indulgence. See handouts in vestibule for more on indulgences.

Please pray for: Ralph Deitche (7/31); Kristin Tilsinger, Scott Funderburk, Gloria Flynn (7/24); Nicholas Meza (7/17); McNamara family (7/10).

Denise Priest invites you to join the Sanctification of our Priests Ministry at CtK. She prefers texts or calls (941-799-0444) and will email you the devotional materials.

Also, it has come to the haggard pastor's attention that blessed items (even those with name tags) are being removed from the blessing table, and not by their rightful owners. Our Lord said, "If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off." Hmmm?

There is a certain erroneous opinion inborn in mortal men that increases evil doing and lessens good. It is the belief that whatever comes into our possession in this life we possess it as masters of it; and so when the chance arises we seize these things as ours by special right. The contrary is true. For we are not placed in this life as lords in our own houses, but as guests and strangers, brought hither whether we would or not, and at a time not of our own choosing. He who is now rich in a moment is a beggar. Therefore, whoever you may be, know that you are but an administrator (*dispensator*) of things that are Another's, and that upon you has been bestowed but of their brief and passing use. Cast then from your soul the pride of dominion, and put on instead the modesty and humility of a steward. ~ St. John Chrysostom, 407 †

Without repeating everything that we have already mentioned, it is appropriate first of all to emphasize the following point: for the Church, the first means of evangelization is the witness of an authentically Christian life, given over to God in a communion that nothing should destroy and at the same time given to one's neighbor with limitless zeal. As we said recently to a group of lay people, "Modern man listens more willingly to witnesses than to teachers, and if he does listen to teachers, it is because they are witnesses." St. Peter expressed this well when he held up the example of a reverent and chaste life that wins over even without a word those who refuse to obey the word. It is therefore primarily by her conduct and by her life that the Church will evangelize the world, in other words, by her living witness of fidelity to the Lord Jesus- the witness of poverty and detachment, of freedom in the face of the powers of this world, in short, the witness of sanctity.

— *Evangelium Nuntiandi*, 41