

13 August
OUR LADY, REFUGE OF SINNERS

Memorial

As in the Common of the B.V.M. except for the three prayers of the Mass; or as follows.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Blessed are you, Virgin Mary, who carried the creator of all things in your womb; you gave birth to your maker, and remain for ever a virgin.

OPENING PRAYER

O God,
you reconciled the world to yourself
by the precious blood of your Son,
and in your merciful design
made the Virgin Mary the Refuge of Sinners.
Through her loving intercession,
may we receive the pardon of our sins.
We make our prayer.

FIRST READING

Rom. 5:12,17-19

A Reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

However great the number of sins committed, grace was even greater

It was through one man that sin came into the world, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. It was by one man's offence that death came to reign over all, but how much greater the reign in life of those who receive the fullness of grace and the gift of saving justice, through the one man, Jesus Christ. One man's offence brought condemnation on all humanity; and one man's good act has brought justification and life to all humanity. Just as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's act of justice are many to be made upright.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 112 (113)

Response: *May the name of the Lord be blessed for evermore.*

1. Praise, O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord.
May the name of the Lord be blessed
both now and for evermore. /**R.**
2. From the rising of the sun to its setting
praised be the name of the Lord.
High above all nations is the Lord,
above the heavens his glory. /**R.**
3. Who is like the Lord, our God,
who has risen on high to his throne,

yet stoops from the heights to look down,
to look down upon heaven and earth? /**R.**

4. From the dust he lifts up the lowly,
from the dung-heap he raises the poor
to set him in the company of princes,
yes, with the princes of his people. /**R.**

Alleluia

Alleluia, alleluia. Blessed are you, holy Virgin Mary, and most worthy of all praise, for the sun of justice, Christ our God, was born of you. Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Lk. 11:27-28

A Reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it

As Jesus was speaking, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said, ‘Blessed the womb that bore you and the breasts that fed you.’ But he replied, ‘More blessed still are those who hear the word of God and keep it.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

God our Father,
we offer you these gifts
as we celebrate Mary Refuge of Sinners.
May Christ our Saviour,
who offered himself on the cross as a perfect sacrifice
assist us with his mercy.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

PREFACE of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

ANTIPHON AT COMMUNION

Blessed is the womb of the Virgin Mary, which bore the Son of the eternal Father.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord,
in celebrating the memory of Mary Refuge of Sinners,
we have been nourished by the sacrament of salvation.
May we continually receive the fruits of your redemption.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.